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Plantation Palms is Mackay's revolutionary new master-planned community offering more space, value, and choice for everyone.

Uniquely, Plantation Palms has devoted over 50% of the community to open public spaces including parks, play areas, sports ovals, protected natural bush, wetlands, and a lakes system with a network of accessible walkways and cycle tracks winding throughout the entire development.

Featuring a range of lot sizes and housing types to suit every lifestyle and budget, Plantation Palms brings you everything you need.

Key features and benefits include...

AN UNMATCHED LOCATION

Plantation Palms is located in the Northern Beaches and is only 15 mins to Mackay town centre including the central business district (CBD), the marina, and a wide choice of shopping.

ALL YOU'LL EVER NEED IN YOUR OWN BACKYARD

Within your immediate community, Plantation Palms features local shops, schools, a community centre and an arts & crafts centre with activities for all ages from children to retirees.

LOTS OF CHOICE

Featuring a variety of lot sizes and price ranges, you will find everything from units, villas, terrace, and cottage homes to traditional and luxury homes for every lifestyle and budget. Our range of home styles & sizes creates diversity in the community, allows all ages and lifestyles to live together, and accommodates for every family's needs!

HOME IS WHERE THE HEART IS

Neighbourhood hearts are where people meet, shop, have coffee and enjoy each other's company. A return to tradition, to the way we used to live, to the way real communities should be! Plantation Palms features walkable neighbourhoods where everything is only a 5 minutes stroll from home.

ENVIRO-FRIENDLY SUSTAINABLE LANDSCAPES

High quality landscapes create a pleasing environment with lush green boulevards and avenues lined with shade trees and native vegetation to 'soften' the environment, bring shade to the housing and roadways, and create more usable attractive streets. Plantation Palms is an ecologically sustainable development promoting biodiversity with conservation areas, replanting of natives, creating bird sanctuaries, and revitalizing existing wetlands. Special areas of interest include Plantation Park, Eulbertie Park, Paperbark Lagoon, Farm House Park, Palm Ponds Environment Park, Pandanus Park, and Pandanus Lake.

A SHOWCASE OF DESIGN AND PLANNING

Regional Inspiration

Our vision for Plantation Palms was inspired by the Northern Beaches' sub-tropical climate, lush landscaping, and its gently undulating hills. The site is also idyllically positioned to maximize South Easterly winds and boasts excellent opportunity for natural drainage.

Design guidelines

Plantation Palms emphasizes the provision of verandahs and porches for a more friendly neighbourhood; appropriate energy-efficient homes promote cross breezes and ventilation and reduces dependency on air-conditioning and greenhouse gas emissions saving money and resources; garage set-backs and rear lane access reduce the impact and visibility of cars; front fences define boundaries; and complimentary colour palettes for materials and finishes emphasizing neutral colours to compliment the environment. Architecturally designed homes can be as easy and inexpensive to achieve with Plantation Palms list of Nominated Builders.

Positioning of Lots

All lots and streets are designed and positioned to ensure the prevailing winds maximize cool South Easterly breezes. Every lot is no more than a 5 minute walk to public transport and/or parks.

Interconnection of streets

Street design ensures slower traffic and is safer for children. Fewer cul-de-sacs allow for easier driving routes, more accessible walkways and cycleways, and more evenly distributed streets. Streets are pedestrian scale with porches fronting the sidewalks encouraging communication with neighbours, and are lined with shade-trees and vegetation promoting energy-efficiency and the reduction of heat.

Walkable Neighbourhoods

Integrated homes and design guidelines allow for aesthetically pleasing streetscapes and create a walkable 'village feel'. Shops, community centre, parklands, and bus stops are all within a short stroll from home.

Walkways and Cycleways

Promote a healthy and active outdoors lifestyle!

Parks and open spaces

Featuring designated parks where your dogs can be off-leash, as well as plenty of child safe parks, living in Plantation Palms means leading a happy and healthy lifestyle.

Water, water everywhere!

Located in the pristine Northern Beaches with white sands only minutes from your home and wetlands in

your immediate area, you can enjoy just about every water sport imaginable! Plantation Palms features plentiful waterways and wetlands with cool breezes, an abundance of vegetation, bird and wildlife all within a protected environment. A relaxing and rejuvenating way of life.

SPECIAL FEATURES

A Smart community

Plantation Palms is a Telstra "Smart Community" incorporating fibre-optic cabling to every home. With increased bandwidth, access to multiple internet services and phone lines with no loss of speed, faster, smoother connections all without the need for unsightly antennas or satellite dishes. With fibre to the home installing new technologies is as simple as changing a setting on the home wired control panel, no more digging up gardens or destroying plaster. Sending family photos, e-learning, downloading, and chatting on-line can now be reduced to minutes. Explore the world at blistering broadband speeds in Mackay's only Smart Community.

Fully serviced residences

Plantation Palms features energy-efficient gas to every home for instant heating as well all underground connections.

Ecologically Sustainable Development (ESD)

ESD best practices include Water Sensitive Urban Design throughout the development where rainwater is reused and recycled, water-wise homes with rainwater tanks, and water harvesting (commonly known as grey water).^{*} Solar street lighting, energy-efficient homes, triple A (AAA) fittings, interconnection of streets, conservation areas, public transport routes, and lush landscaping all make Plantation Palms environmentally, socially, and economically sustainable.

**Water harvesting is proposed only at this time.*

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