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CHASE THE SUN NORTH WITH GREYHOUND DEALS

There has never been a better time to chase the sun north now Greyhound Australia has slashed fares on destinations between Sydney and Cairns.

Holiday makers and travellers alike can save up to \$88 on tickets to and from locations including Sydney, Byron Bay, Coffs Harbour, Airlie Beach, Hervey Bay and Agnes Water.

Greyhound CEO Rob Thomas said the quieter winter months were the perfect time to escape the dreary, cold southern cities for the warmth of northern New South Wales and the Queensland coastline.

"For under \$100 passengers can escape the rat race and be lying under the sun in the beautiful Whitsundays with a cocktail in hand," Mr Thomas said.

"The average top temperature in north Queensland at this time of year is a balmy 27 degrees – a tropical paradise compared to the single-digit temperatures during winter in southern states.

"Everything from the laidback charm of Byron Bay to the pristine beaches of Agnes Water and Airlie Beach's famous nightlife are all just a Greyhound coach away."

The bargains include tickets from Sydney to Coffs Harbour, usually priced at \$97, now just \$60.

Tickets from Coffs Harbour to Byron Bay are available for just \$45, plus seats from Hervey Bay to Airlie Beach that usually retail for \$183, can be bought for just \$95.

Mr Thomas said the best thing about the low fares was that there were plenty available.

"If a passenger misses out on our best fare, we have introduced a number of staggered specials on each route so more people are still able to receive a discounted price for their travel," he said.

"Holidaymakers should seize the chance to explore some great coastal locations without the crowds.

"These extremely low fares have made it more affordable and accessible for the average Australian family as well as budget travellers to take a well earned getaway.

"Travelling by coach is perfect for travellers who want to hit the open road, arrive safe and fresh without having the hassle and risk of a four-wheel drive and caravan.

"Holiday makers who choose to travel with Greyhound are also lending a hand to help the environment. A full Greyhound coach means there are 16 fewer cars on the road, making bus travel one of the most environmentally friendly ways to see Australia.

"A Greyhound coach also has five times less CO2 emissions per passenger per kilometre than a jet aircraft on the same route.

"For an additional \$1 passengers can choose to offset the carbon emissions from their trip through our travel green program."

There are limited seats available at these special prices. Tickets can be purchased through all domestic and international Greyhound terminals, the call centre on 1300GREYHOUND (1300 473 946) or the website at www.greyhound.com.au.

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