

Live with an Australian family, learn the Australian culture, practice your English and enjoy good Aussie tucker!



Two homestay students enjoying the Aussie lifestyle at Palm Cove, Cairns



WHAT IS HOMESTAY

A Homestay is whereby a tourist or student lives within the home of a local resident in the country they are temporarily visiting. Rather than simply renting a room as offered by share rental companies etc, the guest immerses themselves within the life of the family they are living with.

WHY DO HOMESTAY

Living with an Australian family is one of the most convenient, safe and rewarding experiences a person can have whilst visiting Australia. You will be provided with a valuable opportunity to experience the genuine Australian culture and lifestyle as well as have many opportunities to meet people, make friends and of course, practice your English language skills.

WHAT'S INCLUDED*

Airport Transfers
Meals
Daily transfers by car or bus
Own room with linen, desk, wardrobe
Access to TV, phone and internet
Interaction with an Aussie family!
YOUR home away from home
24 hour Emergency Support

*Inclusions vary depend ing on package

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WHAT WILL YOUR HOST FAMILY BE LIKE

There are many preconceived ideas about what is an Australian family. Throughout Australia, we have access to over 1000 families and every family is different. Contrary to popular belief, we are not all blond haired, blue eyed and surf all weekend. We are a multi-cultural society with a variety of beliefs and hobbies.

Furthermore, in today's modern society, divorce has become more common and many families are made up of single parents. These families still make great host families and offer the same level of services as a family with mother, father and children.

Our list of families also includes retirees who make great host families as they have endless stories to tell and time to take students places.

Most importantly, all our families are carefully selected and no matter what nationality or structure are devoted to giving YOU the best possible memories whilst in Australia.



SAFETY

ASAP's homestays have been approved by the Commission for Children and Young People and each family is interviewed to assure quality control. Families are given training in regards to cultural differences and how to best make you feel at home.

Upon arrival, you will also be given an orientation to help you to understand the Australian way of life, lessening any potential misunderstandings. If on the off chance, a problem does occur that is not your fault, our Homestay counsellor will assist you in relocating to another Homestay family.

TESTIMONIALS

"Terrific organization. Staff are very friendly, knowledgeable & helpful. The student groups are well looked after."

Carrie Lanigan, Cairns

"I don't know who learns more from this marvellous experience, the students or us!!!"

Marie Scotti, Cairns

"It has been our greatest pleasure to have known Janine Bowmaker for many years. She is of impeccable character, honest, trustworthy, a great organiser and has been the backbone of greeting and handling overseas students to homestay families...We have lost count of the many students we have had over the period all with great happiness and great reward. Her team are great workers as you can imagine, to run an organisation such as homestay and to have it all run so smoothly, speaks volumes for Janine's relentless work."

Dawn and Norman Chaplin, Cairns

HOW TO APPLY

1. Contact us

via email, phone, fax or via your agent/school, to request an Application Form

2. Complete the Application Form

This form enables our Homestay coordinators to try and match you with a suitable family who is compatible with your needs and may have similar interests.

3. Confirmation

We will provide confirmation of your Host Family and airport transfers (if applicable), 2 weeks prior to arrival. NB: Payment is required to confirm your placement.