



## **WELCOME TO NAUTILUS**

**The 'Nautilus Dining Experience' is still identified as a 'Must Do' when in the Tropical Far North of Queensland.**

With sixty-two years of continuous operation on the same site, Nautilus remains the icon restaurant of Port Douglas with a history matched by very few Australian restaurants. We have established a relaxed dining atmosphere, a special 'Nautilus feeling' that is totally in harmony with our diners' 'holiday mode'.

## **CHILDREN POLICY**

We commit to providing every patron with a "Nautilus Experience"

- Elegant outdoor dining with unique ambiance –

To preserve this experience, we regret we cannot accommodate young children under the age of 8 years including babies.

## **MOBILE PHONES**

We kindly ask that guests put mobile phones on silent whilst in our dining areas. If you wish to make a phone call, please make use of the foyer area adjacent to the bar.

## **SURCHARGES**

Due to the additional wage costs associated with operating on public holidays we reserve the right to apply a surcharge of \$8 per person on these days.

A surcharge of 3% will apply to bill totals paid with American Express & Diners Club cards.

## OUR FOOD

Nautilus dishes have been developed around the natural flavours of the tropics and their preparation and presentation compliments the restaurant's Far North Queensland location and elegant dining status.

Our A la carte dishes are portioned to allow you to enjoy entrée, main and dessert. Our degustation style Tasting Menus provide a balanced sampling and an experience of different flavours, textures and cooking techniques.

## NAUTILUS WHOLE CORAL TROUT

The now famous Nautilus Whole Coral Trout was introduced in the 1980s by Chef Mogens Bay Esbensen. Coral Trout are among the most sought-after reef fish, prized for their impressive appearance and firm, moist, pearly white flesh with its delicate sweet flavour. Nautilus is proud to serve sustainably fished Coral trout caught by local fishermen using hand lines, quite a difference to the imported trawled fish seen elsewhere.

## DIETARY REQUIREMENTS & CHANGE REQUESTS

The components of each dish have been carefully selected by our chef to complement one another. While we are happy to accommodate changes due to dietary requirements, we regret that we are unable to accommodate changes due to taste dislikes. Please advise your waiter should you have any food allergies.

## WILDLIFE AND BANDICOOTS AT NAUTILUS



Almost every night we have a family of Bandicoots visiting our dining areas. Bandicoots are local wild Marsupials, not to be confused with rats or rodents. We also have the occasional snake visit and being an open-air restaurant insects and bugs are present. We try to limit the presence by placing coils underneath almost every table, and mosquito spray is available at the front reception.

**PLEASE DO NOT FEED THE BANDICOOTS,  
THEY ARE A WILD ANIMALS,  
THEY WILL BITE IF FOOD IS OFFERED OR IF PEOPLE TRY TO HANDLE THEM!**

If encountering wild animals presents an issue for you, please let our staff know and they will try keep them away from you.



## **5 Course Tasting Menu 91pp**

***Matching Wines (5) 38pp***

***5 Course upgrade to include Coral Trout or Mud Crab (replacing Duck)  
77pp + trout or crab market price***

### **Sugar cane cured Barramundi**

Native finger lime, pea tendrils & goma dressing

*(Petaluma Croser sparkling 60ml)*

### **Twice cooked pork belly & seared scallop**

Bean sprouts, mandarin, burnt palm sugar caramel & fragrant herbs

*(Nautilus Sauvignon Blanc 70ml)*

### **Daintree Curry**

Moreton Bay bug & local prawns

in a Malaysian laksa curry sauce

*(Tim Adams Pinot Gris 70 ml)*

### **Pan-Roasted Duck breast**

Duck & water chestnut spring roll, sautéed beans,

Tamarind-date chutney, Master stock reduction

*(Frogmore Creek Pinot Noir 100ml)*

### **Pineapple Bombe Alaska**

Tropical fruit salsa, black sesame dacquoise & pandan sponge

*(Vasse Felix Cut Cane Semillon 45ml)*

*Standard replacement dishes are available to accommodate dietary requirements.*

*Coral Trout or Mud Crab upgrade subject to availability.*

*Switch to any a la carte dessert 4 pp.*

*All tasting menu orders to be placed prior to 8.30pm.*



**Nautilus 'Classic'**  
**7 Course Tasting Menu 118pp**

***Matching Wines (7) 69pp***

***7 Course upgrade to include Coral Trout or Mud Crab (replacing Beef Duo)  
100 pp + trout or crab market price***

**Oyster Caviar**

Coconut & galangal foam, tobiko  
*(Pol Roger Champagne 60ml)*

**Yellow fin Tuna tartar**

Lotus, soy pickled green chilli, wasabi pea's & chervil  
*(Nautilus Sauvignon Blanc 70ml)*

**Sous-vide Moreton Bay bug-tail**

Japanese inspired Escabeche, burnt miso butter & Yarra Valley caviar  
*(St Hallett Riesling 70ml)*

**Jared's Crab Brioche**

Crab toast, Spanner crab salad, kimchi coleslaw & puffed Jade rice  
*(Tim Adams Pinot Gris 70ml)*

**Steamed Duck Dumplings**

Spiced duck consommé, sesame, hoisin & Shitake mushroom  
*(Chateau Riotor Grenache Cinsault Shiraz Rosé 70ml)*

**Beef Duo**

Char grilled grain fed tenderloin, braised sticky short-rib, Asian mushrooms,  
wilted choi sum, kumera chips & shallot béarnaise  
*(Henschke Keyneton Shiraz Blend 100ml)*

**Mango Soufflé**

Mascarpone, Kaffir lime dust & spiced grissini  
*(Yalumba Botrytis Viognier 45ml)*

*Standard replacement dishes are available to accommodate most dietary requirements.  
Coral Trout or Mud Crab upgrade subject to availability.  
Switch to any a la carte dessert 4pp.  
All tasting menu orders to be placed prior to 8.30pm.*



## **Appetiser**

### **Nautilus Daily Baked Bread 10**

Flavoured pieces served with an accompaniment

### **Oysters w Coconut & Galangal 5.5 each**

Coconut & galangal foam, tobiko

### **Oysters (Natural) 4 each**

Served with lime

## **Entrée**

### **Twice cooked pork belly 28**

Bean sprouts, mandarin, burnt palm sugar caramel & fresh herbs

### **Jared's Crab Brioche 29**

Crab toast, Spanner crab salad, kimchi coleslaw & puffed Jade rice

### **Steamed Duck Dumplings 27**

Spiced duck consommé, braised Shitake mushroom & hoisin

### **Nautilus Assiette 30**

Katafi prawn, black garlic mayo & red cabbage

Cold smoked scallop, wakame & sesame emulsion

Tuna tartar, lotus, soy pickled green chilli & wasabi pea's

### **Sous-vide Moreton Bay bug-tail 29**

Japanese inspired Escabeche, burnt miso, nori & Yarra Valley caviar

### **Organic Quinoa Salad 24**

Spiced tofu, kale chips, goji berries & tamari dressing



## **Main**

### **Nautilus Whole Coral Trout (Market Price)**

Dusted in light Asian spices then crispy fried & served with Green paw paw salad, Thai caramel sauce, chilli jam & nahm jim

### **Live Gulf Mud Crab (Market Price)**

Steamed Jasmine rice and choice of:  
Singapore style chilli / Pinot Grigio, confit garlic & parsley / Green peppercorn curry

### **Fish Fillet of the Day 42**

Composed daily by Chef from seasonal produce

### **Daintree Curry 48**

Moreton Bay bug, Local prawns & bamboo in a Laksa curry sauce  
Confit purple yam, jackfruit & young coconut salad

### **Taro Gnocchi 36**

Asparagus velouté, seasonal greens, ricotta salata, pea tendrils & preserved lemon

### **Pan-Roasted Duck breast 43**

Duck & water chestnut spring roll, sautéed beans,  
Tamarind-date chutney, Master stock reduction

### **Beef Duo 47**

Char grilled grain fed tenderloin, braised sticky short-rib, Asian mushrooms,  
Wok tossed choy sum, kumera chips & confit shallot béarnaise

## **Side Dishes**

Sautéed broccolini & beans with garlic, chilli & macadamia nuts 12

House potatoes with herb salt 10

Fine leaf salad with chilli & lime dressing 11

Potato mash with black truffle butter 11

Steamed Jasmine rice 8