

Advanced Reef Teach



Advanced Reef Teach is a specially designed half - full day (depending on participants engagement) Reef Teach session which will give participants a far deeper and broad knowledge base for the Great Barrier Reef.

It consists of 4 modules – see module details below.

Module 1: Reef History & Management

This module aims to make participants familiar with how the world's largest coral reef and World Heritage listed site is managed. The idea behind the management of the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park is to maintain its universal value, while giving stakeholders access to the park. This section provides a history and formation of the GBR and highlights the use of zones, management plans, permits, education- best environmental practices and integrated management.

Module 2 and 3: Marine Diversity

These modules fall under one umbrella. In these modules we look at all the major groups of organisms that can be found on the GBR. We start broadly looking at what coral reefs are and the GBR in particular, and then we start to focus on each major organism group individually starting with coral and ending with marine mammals. With each group we focus on their relatedness. We also touch on some of the common species encountered on the GBR. In addition to this I am adding, what I like to call, "the hidden secrets of the GBR". This will highlight fauna and flora that most people would not know exists. By introducing these "hidden secrets" to our customers we aim to reinforce the spectacular nature of the Great Barrier Reef together with greatly enhancing their visitor of the GBR.

Module 4: One can choose between the two options below.

Option 1:

Communication: In this option we share our experience in delivering knowledge to the public. Predominantly delivered to reef guides or tourism staff.

Option 2:

Eye On the Reef: Focuses on the challenges of assessing the health of a reef as large as the Great Barrier Reef by introducing the students to the "Eye on the Reef Program" run by the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority. Personally, I think the best monitoring program around. This program is a data collection initiative between, management, researchers and tourism/public.

All participants get a Certificate of Achievement on completion.

