



**PROPOSED CORAL SEA
HERITAGE PARK**

Recreational fishers:

A CORAL SEA HERITAGE PARK ... WHAT DOES IT MEAN FOR YOU?

A coalition of Australians from all walks of life has proposed establishing a fully protected marine park in the Coral Sea within Australian waters, far from our coastline.

215 KMS OFFSHORE. The proposed park is a long way offshore, starting on the other (eastern) side of the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park – about 215 kms (116 nautical miles) east of Mackay at its closest point. From there it would extend to our maritime border with PNG, the Solomon Islands and New Caledonia.

ACTIVITIES IN THE PARK: Within the proposed Coral Sea Heritage Park, longlining and other commercial fishing, oil and gas exploration, seabed mining, and recreational fishing would not be permitted. Dive and snorkel tourism, yachting, cruise and commercial shipping, and defence activities would continue.

OTHER FISHING CONTINUES. Recreational fishing would continue as usual along the coastline and inside the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park. If you enjoy fishing in these areas, the Coral Sea proposal will not affect you

www.marineconservation.org.au/coralseaheritagepark

Hayman Island

Whitsunday Island

Carlisle Island
Brampton Island

Scawfell Island

Keswick Island
St Bees Island

Mackay

**GREAT BARRIER REEF
MARINE PARK**

215kms / 116 nm