

## **Travel to Flinders Island**

As Flinders Island welcomes visitors from the mainland, we want to protect the welfare of the island's 1,000+ residents and its numerous visitors. For this reason, there are some specific responsibilities that all travellers need to consider prior to arrival.

Due to the current Coronavirus pandemic Tasmania's border restrictions are continually changing depending on the how State and Interstate areas are assessed. The areas from which visitors are coming from may be assessed as either Low, Medium or High risk, depending upon the number of COVID-19 cases or level of community transmission in those areas, and subject to Public Health advice. Travellers from a [Low risk](#) area do not need to quarantine when they arrive.

All interstate travellers to Flinders Island are required to register their travel and contact details through either the [Tas e-Travel](#) System (Low Risk) or the [GIPass](#) System (Medium or High Risk) between 3 to 14 days before they arrive.

Please be aware that the COVID-19 situation can change at any time, requiring restrictions or other measures to be put in place. Please regularly check [current information](#).

## **Travellers' Responsibilities**

### **Before hand**

It is the traveller's responsibility to postpone travel to Flinders Island if they have recently been in a hotspot or in contact with persons presenting with COVID-19 symptoms. If symptoms of illness or a raised temperature present prior to travel, travellers need to be tested for Coronavirus, and delay their trip until medical clearance is received from the Tasmanian Public Health Services.

### **Whilst Here**

Whilst on the Island, travellers should contact the Public Health Hotline on 1800 671 738 for a free COVID-19 test if at any time they develop fever (or signs of fever, including chills or night sweats), runny nose, cough, sore/itchy throat, shortness of breath or/and loss of taste or smell. Alternatively, symptomatic travellers should request their accommodation manager contact the hospital on their behalf. Symptomatic travellers should not present at the hospital, as medical staff will attend on site.

Once tested, symptomatic travellers must isolate within their accommodation until test results are received. Should test results present as COVID-19 positive, the symptomatic traveller must remain isolated either within their accommodation or a government-designated accommodation facility for the next 14 days and until medical clearance is received. Travellers may be required to pay a [Fee](#) towards the cost of their quarantine.

Travellers should check the terms and conditions of their travel insurance policy as compensation for changes to bookings due to COVID-19 may not be included.

Please note that Sharp will not fly COVID-19 positive persons off the island, even if they are asymptomatic.

Air Ambulance will only transfer persons whose medical condition is, or looks set to become, critical.

Whilst visiting businesses on the Island please be considerate and follow any Covid-19 protocols they may have in place.