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The who's who and what's what on how to get some Big Air in Tropical North Queensland!

Thrill seekers stand aside please for some big time airborne high achievers. Getting airborne was rarely so much fun and the Great Barrier Reef and the Wet Tropics Rainforest offer unlimited opportunities for high flyers to get their kicks.

From jumping for joy on a deserted beach to jumping out of an aircraft we've got your back. Please secure your tray table, ensure your seat back is upright and strap yourself in as we show you how to get airborne around Tropical North Queensland.

Get airborne on a scenic helicopter flight over the Great Barrier Reef. Photo @rikerama

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Get some big air on the Smithfield mountain bike trails

Get some big air on any one of the many mountain bike trails at Smithfield, Atherton, Mareeba or Mission Beach. Check out the Ride Cairns app for trail info!

Carefree and swinging on a handmade driftwood swing on Fitzroy Island, keep your eyes facing skywards to spot swings hanging from random palm trees as you cruise around TNQ

Carefree and swinging on a handmade driftwood swing on Fitzroy Island Philip Thurston

beaches. Photo Philip Thurston

Big air doesn't get much bigger than jumping out of a perfectly good aircraft!

Big air doesn't get much bigger than jumping out of a perfectly good aircraft! Many would ask why, high flyers will jump at the first opportunity. See what we did there?

Launch yourself skyward from a rope swing before plunging into the cool clear waters of Lake Eacham

It's definitely worth the early wake up call to drift on the updrafts of the Atherton Tablelands in a hot air balloon

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Who said you need to launch yourself into space to get big air? Maybe it's as simple as jumping for joy on a deserted Cape Tribulation beach! Who said you need to launch yourself into space to get big air? Maybe it's as simple as jumping for joy on a deserted Cape Tribulation beach!

Skyrail instameet

Glide just metres over the canopy of Australia's World Heritage listed Tropical Rainforest on board Skyrail Rainforest Cableway. Photo by @maxcoguard.

Strap yourself into a harness and go jungle surfing high up in the canopy of the famous Daintree Rainforest! Strap yourself into a harness and go jungle surfing high up in the canopy of the famous Daintree Rainforest with Jungle Surfing Canopy Tours.

Perhaps chilling out on a conveniently fallen tree trunk in the rainforest at Cape Tribulation is more your thing. Photo @Jason Hill

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This one takes a healthy dose of courage - launching yourself skywards at AJ Hackett Cairns with nothing but a bungy cord around your ankles is not for the faint-hearted!

Like to be in control? Take control of a microlight high above the Coral Sea. Photo @gregorsnell

Half the fun of launching yourself off a rope swing, like this one at Fairy Falls, is in reaching the rope. Kiddies do not try this at home! Photo @Jason Hill Half the fun of launching yourself off a rope swing, like this one at Fairy Falls, is in reaching the rope. Kiddies do not try this at home! Photo @Jason Hill

WHAT'S YOUR FAVOURITE WAY TO GET SOME BIG AIR DURING A VISIT TO TROPICAL NORTH QUEENSLAND? TELL US IN THE COMMENTS BELOW.

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