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Party in Paradise 2022

Tickets are now available for Airlie Beach Festival of Music's next event, Party Bands in Paradise. The 3-day music festival will take over the boutique Cape Gloucester Resort in Hydeaway Bay over the weekend of April 1 – 3.

The event will feature 18 bands over the three days and will be headlined by Aussie rockers Spy v Spy, Sarah McLeod, the dynamic frontwoman from The Superjesus and Bongo Starkie's Skyhooks Show. The high-energy Skyhooks show featuring the band's original guitarist Bob "Bongo" Starkie, was one of the highlights of the 2019 Airlie Beach Festival of Music, playing all the hits of the iconic 1970's band and will be sure to delight fans again at the intimate Hydeaway Bay setting.

The line-up will also include local legend Kieran McCarthy backed by his full band, popular singer songwriter Andrew Cousins and the Jingo Brothers featuring Jolly Jingo and comedian Steady Eddy along with a stellar line-up of local Whitsunday and Mackay talent.

The 2021 event was a huge success and Festival promoter Gavin 'Butto' Butlin urged music fans to get their tickets fast to avoid missing out.

"Party Bands sold out in no time last year and with this awesome line-up it is sure to again. Where else can you see 18 quality live music acts backing onto one of the most beautiful beaches in the world?" he said.

Tourism Whitsundays Chief Executive Officer, Rick Hamilton said the iconic Party Bands in Paradise event is now a fixture to the destinations much loved Heart of Events calendar.

"It's great to see so many Whitsunday events coming back bigger and better than ever!"

"Destination events like Party Bands in Paradise play a key role in fostering regional tourism and supporting economic growth," Mr Hamilton said.

This year there will be a limited number of onsite camping passes available at \$250 which includes three-day camping and festival entry. Standard three-day passes are \$190 and include free bus transport between the festival and Hydeaway Bay Caravan Park and Dingo Beach Hotel, the area covering a variety of accommodation options from luxury Airbnbs to powered campsites.

Ticket numbers are limited and are available now via the Airlie Beach Festival of Music website.

To secure your tickets, [click here](#).

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