



SALVAGE OF 'FAITHY MAY' TORRES STRAIT, QUEENSLAND

Scope of Work

Client: Maritime Safety Queensland (MSQ)

2026

North Marine was engaged to recover and dispose of Faithy May, a 14.8 metre timber vessel submerged in approximately 17 metres of water near Horn Island, Torres Strait.

Salvage operations took place between August and September 2026, with multiple recovery attempts required due to the vessel's deteriorated condition, unexpected weight and strong tidal currents. Using commercial divers, lift bags, Pacific Ranger, Sea Horse and WB IV with a 40 tonne excavator, North Marine successfully raised and relocated the wreck into shallower water for controlled dismantling and disposal.



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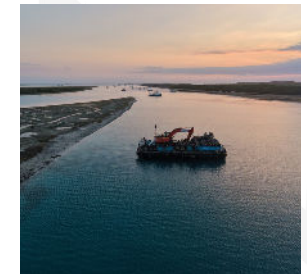
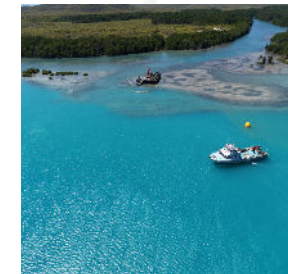
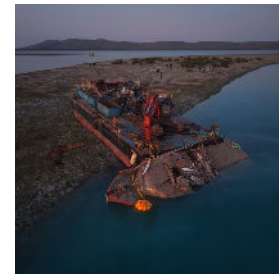


Discriminators

- Specialist commercial diving and salvage personnel
- Lift bag and buoyancy-assisted recovery expertise
- Dedicated salvage vessels and heavy equipment
- Adaptive lifting and recovery methodologies
- Strong environmental and debris containment controls
- Remote location and strong tidal current experience
- Integrated recovery, dismantling and disposal capability

Outcome

Following multiple challenging recovery attempts, Faithy May was successfully raised and relocated into shallower water for controlled dismantling and disposal. Despite difficult conditions, North Marine adapted its recovery methodology to complete the salvage while minimising environmental impacts.



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