

HIGHLIGHTS

- Rockhampton Heritage Village
- * Rockhampton Botanic Gardens
- * Koorana Crocodile Farm & Emu Park
- Archer Park Rail Museum
- Mon Repos Turtle Centre Hinkler Hall of Aviation

DAY 1 BRISBANE - ROCKHAMPTON

Monday 18th May: Welcome aboard for our 8 day holiday. Today we travel to Rockhampton, enjoying a comfortable ride and meeting fellow travellers. With stops en-route, including lunch, we arrive late afternoon to freshen up before dinner.

Accom: Quality Resort Parkhurst (D)

DAY 2 GREAT KEPPEL ISLAND

Tuesday 19th May: Hats and sunscreen packed, we travel to Roslyn Bay to board our vessel for Great Keppel Island, Morning tea is served en-route before a glass-bottom boat cruise, revealing marine wonders above and below the water with expert commentary. Back on the island, enjoy village exploration and lunch on the water. We then return to the mainland and our hotel after a day of natural beauty.

Accom: Quality Resort Parkhurst (BLD)

DAY 3 HERITAGE, CAVES & THEATRE

Wednesday 20th May: Today we explore both past and present. At the award-winning Heritage Village, ride the tram, enjoy morning tea, and wander around the original buildings for insight into pioneer life. Next, venture into the Capricorn Caves with a guided tour of Cathedral Cave, discovering geological history and remarkable acoustics, before lunch onsite. Returning to our hotel for a short break, we then head to the Footlights Theatre Restaurant. After pre-dinner drinks (own expense),

sit back for a night of dining and comedy entertainment, filled with fun and laughter. Accom: Quality Resort Parkhurst (BLFD)

DAY 4 GARDENS, CROCODILES, SHIPS

Thursday 21st May: We begin at the Rockhampton Botanic Gardens, wandering beneath giant figs before enjoying morning tea. Next is Koorana Crocodile Farm, where after lunch we learn about these prehistoric creatures and watch them feed. The day continues at Emu Park, where the sea breeze often brings the ship-shaped sculpture to life with its haunting song.

Accom: Quality Resort Parkhurst (BLD)

DAY 5 ROCKHAMPTON - 1770

Friday 22nd May: We begin at Archer Park Rail Museum, showcasing railway history with classic trains and the restored Purrey Steam Tram, once operating in Rockhampton between 1909-1939. After morning tea, we travel to the twin towns of Agnes Water and Seventeen Seventy, site of James Cook's second Australian landing. A sightseeing drive reveals highlights including the Captain Cook Monument and the 1770 headland, offering stunning views over Bustard Bay, before we arrive at our resort.

Accom: Lagoons 1770 Resort (BPLD)

DAY 6 LARC 1770

Saturday 23rd May: Today's adventure takes us across Bustard Bay aboard the LARC!. travelling tidal creeks to Middle Island for morning tea. Crossing Jenny Lind Creek, we begin a 4WD ascent to Bustard Head Lightstation - Queensland's first coastal lighthouse. From its 16-metre tower, enjoy panoramic coastline views while hearing stories of settlers and light-keepers who braved this remote wilderness. Returning to the LARC!, we descend the headland, cross Jenny Lind Creek again, and pause for a picnic lunch before heading back to our resort to freshen up

Accom: Lagoons 1770 Resort (BPLD)

DAY 7 1770 - BUNDABERG

Sunday 24th May: This morning in Bundaberg, a local guide introduces us to 'Bundy', including the striking Whaling Wall marine mural. We then enjoy lunch at Grunske's By The River before visiting Mon Repos Turtle Centre. At the Bundaberg Botanic Gardens, we explore the Hinkler Hall of Aviation, where interactive displays and glide simulators bring to life the adventures of pioneer aviator Bert Hinkler. Inspired by his achievements, we end the day and settle in for the night.

Accom: Bundaberg International MI (BLD)

DAY 8 BUNDABERG - HOME

Monday 25th May: At the Bundaberg Barrel, discover the history of craft-brewed drinks spanning generations. Sample refreshing flavours at the Tasting Bar - perhaps a new favourite or a classic. After a gentle stroll through the grounds, we head home with fond memories of eight days shared with friends. (B)



TERMS & CONDITIONS FOR 2026

DEPOSIT: Unless otherwise stated, a deposit of \$350 per person is payable within seven days of booking. A deposit of \$600 is required for Early Bird discount. Final payment is due 50 days prior to departure unless otherwise advised.

CANCELLATIONS: The above amount will be deducted from your fare according to notice given plus any non-refundable tickets or airfares. No refund is payable once your tour has commenced. Please note: if booking through a travel agent please check the agent's cancellation policy as extra charges may apply. Cancellation fee is per person.

Days	50 days	49 days –	35 days
Notice	or more	36 days	or less
% of fare	\$100 admin fee (plus any non- refundable costs)	\$350 (plus any non- refundable costs)	100%

TRAVEL INSURANCE: We STRONGLY ADVISE passengers to take out travel insurance to cover for health, baggage and personal effects, loss of monies through cancellation, additional expenses incurred through illness and early departure from a tour.

LUGGAGE LIMITS: Luggage space is limited onboard our coaches. Each passenger is entitled to take one suitcase, the size of which is not to exceed 75cm(H) x 47cm(W) x 31cm(D), and the weight limit is 20 kilos. Please ensure your luggage complies with the size and weight limit and you yourself can manage the bags. Personal items should be carried in a travel bag.

CLOTHING: Pack a wash 'n' wear wardrobe of casual, comfortable clothing with some warmer clothes for evenings. Include a jacket, walking shoes, hat, swimsuit, towel, light raincoat, torch, and a special outfit.

PASSENGER SEATING: A compulsory seat rotation policy is employed (for longer tours), and there are no exceptions to this policy. While Down Under Coach Tours makes every effort to accommodate the special requirements of our passengers in fairness to other travellers, we request that all travellers participate in the seat rotation.

DAILY ROUTINE: Breakfast is usually 7.00 or 7.30am. Generally, your coach will be ready to leave at 7.45 to 8.00am. You will have many opportunities to stop for photographs during the day. Depending on the day's activities, you will arrive at your accommodation between 5.00 to 5.30pm. Dinner is usually 6.30 pm, allowing time for a rest and to freshen up before dinner.

MEDICAL & DIETARY: Passengers accept that it is their responsibility to ensure that their health is in a state which allows them to enjoy the tours and successfully complete activities that the tour offers. We require all passengers to complete our Booking Form truthfully and accurately with regard

to their medical/physical condition. It is essential for you to address any medical conditions / dietary requirements with us at the time of booking.

SPECIAL NEEDS: A reasonable level of physical and mental health and fitness is required on all of our tours. We recommend that you visit your doctor to confirm that you are physically able to undertake the day-to-day requirements of the tour. Persons with limited mobility or those unable to adequately care for themselves are required to be accompanied by a carer. In particular, hostesses, tour guides, coach captains, and your fellow passengers will not act as assistants or carers in these circumstances. Down Under Coach Tours reserves the right to refuse to carry passengers requiring assistance who are not accompanied by a carer.

ACCEPTABLE BEHAVIOUR: No passenger will be permitted to embark or continue on the tour while their mental or physical condition, in the opinion of any representative of the company, such as to render them incapable of caring for themselves or whereby they become objectionable to other passengers, or they become a hazard to themselves or other passengers. The company will not be responsible for expenses resulting in such persons being precluded from completing the tour for any reason.

CONDITIONS AND LIMITS OF LIABILITY: The conditions and terms of liability on which these tours operate are detailed as follows:

- 1) Down Under Coach Tours finalises all arrangements for these tours upon the express condition that they cannot accept responsibility or liability for any delays, accidents, injury or damage caused by the airlines, rail, express coaches or any other service the company acts as agents on behalf of or arising out of the provision of, or failure to provide these services.
- 2) Down Under Coach Tours have used information supplied to it by the providers of relevant tours and accommodation houses and have endeavoured to ensure the information contained is correct at the time of printing. Down Under Coach Tours can accept no responsibility for inaccuracy or mis-descriptions.
- 3) Down Under Coach Tours reserves the right to alter or change the accommodation, carriers or coach at any time for any reason. Down Under Coach Tours reserves the right to change or amend the tour itinerary should the occasion warrant and if it becomes necessary, due to adverse weather/road conditions or unforeseen circumstances. The coach crew retain the right to alter the itinerary in a manner which will benefit all concerned.
- 4) Down Under Coach Tours provide a Tour Leader subject to a minimum loading of 20 passengers. If the tour takes place with fewer than 20 passengers, the Coach Captain may take on both roles.
- 5) Departures are subject to a minimum number. In the event that a tour is cancelled by Down Under Tours due to low numbers, you will be notified prior to the final payment due date and any deposits paid will be refunded in full.

- 6) Down Under Coach Tours maintains strict standards of safety and reliability of vehicles at all times, however, in rare cases mechanical failure may occur. Passengers are assured that every effort is made to minimise any small inconvenience experienced, while we utilise the large network of repair facilities Australia wide.
- 7) Down Under Coach Tours can give no guarantee as to the exact arrival and departure times for carriers and operators used in the tour and cannot be liable for failure to make connections with any other services or attractions.
- 8) Down Under Coach Tours will endeavour to contact clients in the event of industrial action affecting air, rail or other tour related transportation. However, if contact is not made passengers should phone the number listed below to finalise alternative arrangements.
- 9) Down Under Coach Tours reserves the right to vary the advertised or printed price to cover any significant increases in airfare, rail fare, fuel price or other tour related costs.
- 10) Down Under Coach Tours accepts no responsibility for the suitability of the rooming partners allocated for single passengers willing to share accommodation. If a passenger regards the rooming partner to be unsuitable every effort will be made to arrange single accommodation for the duration of the tour with the additional costs being paid by the passenger.
- 1.1) Down Under Coach Tours takes all reasonable steps to ensure an enjoyable holiday experience and cannot accept liability for any loss of enjoyment whatsoever and howsoever experienced by the passengers.

A DOOR TO DOOR SERVICE

A door to door service is offered to residents in the following areas:

Hervey Bay: within a 5km coastal strip from Pt Vernon to Urangan

Maryborough: within 5km radius from McDowell Car Park

Gympie: within 5km radius of GPO

Sunshine Coast: within 10km from one of the following designated pick up points – Cooroy, Eumundi, Forest Glen, Palmview, Caboolture/Burpengary.

Brisbane: within 30km radius of Brisbane Transit Centre.

Toowoomba & Ipswich: Door-to-Door service may be available from this area if tour travels in this direction – please check with your travel consultant.

The door to door service applies to tours of five days duration or more. For passengers requiring overnight accommodation to join or depart a tour, accommodation is an additional cost. For more details please enquire.

