



O'Shannessy's  
QUALITY TOURS

# TOOWOOMBA

## *Carnival of Flowers*



**7 DAY FULLY INCLUSIVE TOUR**

16th September to 22nd September, 2025



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**TUESDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER TO MONDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER, 2025**

The Toowoomba Carnival of Flowers is a breathtaking celebration of flowers, scents, flavours and sounds. It completely takes over the Southern Queensland City of Toowoomba in the most spectacular way, every September.

There are stunning private gardens, a street parade and the best food and wine Queensland has to offer.

## **TOUR HIGHLIGHTS**

- Toowoomba
- Warwick Historical Society Museum
- Glengallan Homestead
- Summer Land Camel Farm
- Spring Bluff Railway Station
- Peacehaven Botanic Park
- Toowoomba Carnival of Flowers Local Gardens
- Queens Park
- Laurel Bank Park
- Ju Raku En Japanese Garden
- Toowoomba Empire Theatre
- Grand Central Floral Parade
- Picnic Point Lookout
- Downs Steam Heritage Rail Museum
- Cobb & Co Museum

## **FLIGHTS**

- Melbourne to Brisbane
- Brisbane to Melbourne

## **RAIL**

- Diesel-hauled train ride to Spring Bluff Railway Station

## **MULTIPLE NIGHT STAY**

- 6 nights in Toowoomba



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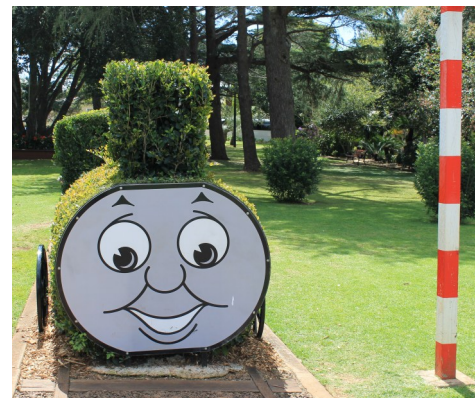
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As a thank you for travelling with O'Shannessy's Quality Tours, you will automatically receive a saving on the total tour price for your second and subsequent tours.

O'Shannessy's Quality Tours will match single travellers who wish to twin share with another single traveller of the same gender. However, if this is not possible, you will need to pay the Single Room Supplement.



## TOUR INCLUSIONS

- **Complimentary Chauffeur Driven Transfers.** Victorian passengers from Greater Melbourne, Bendigo, Torquay, Ballarat, Geelong, the Bellarine and Mornington Peninsulas, Phillip Island and selected areas of Gippsland will be picked up and returned home in a private chauffeured vehicle by one of our professional drivers. For passengers not within this pick up zone, or our interstate passengers, a quote can be provided for home pickup in extended areas.
- **Luxury Touring Coaches.** Our full size, 3 axle luxury coaches have only 32-36 passenger seats allowing you even more personal space and extra leg room. Our coaches are fitted with comfortable reclining seats with aisle arm rests, foot rests, seat belts, panoramic windows with blinds, refrigerator for passenger use, restroom, climate control air conditioning and Road Cam monitors which display the road ahead in real time. Each coach has a second door for easier entry and exit and touchless hand sanitizer dispensers at each entry to help keep everyone safe. Our coaches have full air suspension delivering a smooth and quiet ride which also allows us to lower the coach closer to the ground, making boarding and disembarking even easier.
- **Return Flights.** Economy flights from Melbourne to Brisbane and return.
- **Tour Directors.** Dedicated O'Shannessy's Quality Tours coach crew (tour directors) on board to ensure your travel experience is memorable.
- **Best Available Quality Accommodation.** Ensuite motel accommodation each night.
- **Attractions.** All tours and interest venues as per itinerary.
- **Meals.** All full cooked breakfasts, morning teas and lunches most days, and two course restaurant dinners daily. Three lunches at your own expense as per itinerary.
- **No Hidden Extras.** O'Shannessy's Quality Tours are fully inclusive.

## TOUR COSTS

Twin Share Room First Tour:	\$4,395 per person
Twin Share Room Repeat Traveller 2 - 10 Tours:	\$4,345 per person
Twin Share Room Repeat Traveller 11 - 20 Tours:	\$4,320 per person
Twin Share Room Repeat Traveller 21+ Tours:	\$4,295 per person
Single Room Supplement:	\$ 810 per person





DAY 1

Tuesday 16th September, 2025

### **MELBOURNE TO TOOWOOMBA**

Welcome to our holiday to the fantastic **Toowoomba Carnival of Flowers**. With chauffeured pickup from home, we travel to Melbourne Airport. Here we'll be greeted by an **O'Shannessy's Quality Tours** representative who will assist us with check in and see us onto the plane for our direct flight to Brisbane. Arriving at Brisbane Airport, we will be welcomed by our coach crew who will assist us with our luggage, before we board the coach for the drive to Toowoomba. We'll be staying here for the next six nights, so there's only need to unpack once!

*Lunch at own expense and arrangement / Refreshments on flight*

**OVERNIGHT:** Potters Boutique Hotel, TOOWOOMBA ★★★★★

DAY 2

Wednesday 17th September, 2025

### **GLENGALLAN, WARWICK AND SUMMER LAND**

Heading out from Toowoomba and towards Warwick we make a stop at **Glengallan Homestead**. Uninhabited for more than half its lifetime, it remains frozen in time, and is one of the few remaining examples of a substantial 19th century country house in Queensland. Glengallan Homestead today is a tribute not only to its visionary builder and to 19th Century craftsmen but also to the 21st Century team who brought it back to life through this delicately balanced restoration enables the visitor to experience the best and the worst of its times. After our tour we enjoy morning tea here. Then in Warwick visit the **Warwick Historical Society Museum** which houses a collection of buildings which features furniture and household items representing more than 130 years of family life in the region. Travelling further afield now, we visit a most interesting place – **Summer Land Camel Farm**. First enjoying lunch, we then learn about the history of camels in Australia and the powerful immune proteins that are contained in camel milk. Our tour takes us into the interesting farming operations and we get to meet the camels! Afterwards we then make our way back to Toowoomba and our motel for dinner.

**OVERNIGHT:** Potters Boutique Hotel, TOOWOOMBA ★★★★★



**SPRINGTIME IN TOOWOOMBA**

This morning we visit the **Downs Steam Heritage Rail** to explore the facility including a look at the spectacular **Dreamtime Journey coach**, representing the traverse of a day, painted by an indigenous inmate of the Westbrook Correctional Centre as part of his prison rehabilitation program. From here we make our way to Toowoomba's most notable tourist attraction, the **Cobb & Co Museum**, which is part of the Queensland Museum. It is more comprehensive than its name suggests and traces the history of horse drawn transportation in Australia from old timber wagons, spring wagons and bullock drays through to the Cobb & Co coaches and a landau used by the Duke of Edinburgh when he visited the colony in 1876. While we are here we enjoy our light lunch. This afternoon we explore some of **Toowoomba Carnival of Flowers** local gardens that are open during the festival. We'll be accompanied by a **local expert** who will give us an insider's rundown of these spectacular garden displays!

**OVERNIGHT:** Potters Boutique Hotel, TOOWOOMBA ★★★★★

**TOOWOOMBA PARKS**

This morning we get into the spirit of the **Toowoomba Carnival of Flowers** with a visit to the **Botanic Gardens** in **Queens Park** where we can explore the beautiful displays. From here we make our way to the **Toowoomba Visitor Information Centre**, a beautiful "Queenslander" building based on a late 1800s style Toowoomba house. It features stained-glass motifs of the "Toowoomba" violet; which you can best enjoy by going inside. Next, we head to the spectacular **Laurel Bank Park** which provides a majestic oasis with manicured gardens, topiary and many other points of interest. Early afternoon, we take in one of the most beautiful and peaceful parks in Toowoomba, the University of Southern Queensland's Japanese Garden, **Ju Raku En**. Roughly translated, means 'to enjoy peace and longevity in a public place'. Embarking on a self-guided tour we can take a look at the many species of Japanese and Australian native trees and plants combined in a seamless and restful harmony. Our final visit for the day is the **Toowoomba Empire Theatre**. The theatre is a magnificent building that has been carefully restored to its 1933 origin. We enjoy a historical tour of the Theatre including some amusing and interesting stories of the early years. After a full and interesting day, we return to our hotel to freshen up for dinner.

*Lunch at own expense and arrangement*

**OVERNIGHT:** Potters Boutique Hotel, TOOWOOMBA ★★★★★



DAY 5

Saturday 20th September, 2025

### ***THE GRAND CENTRAL FLORAL PARADE***

Today is **Grand Parade Day!** We'll arrive early and make our way to our seats for Australia's most unique Street Parade - the **Grand Central Floral Parade**. Spectacular floats decorated with live flowers, fitting the chosen theme for the year, plus Bands, Marching Groups and Carnival Characters. The Parade winds through the city and we'll enjoy it from a prime viewing location on reserved tiered seating. We then make our way to the famous **Picnic Point Lookout**. Perched on the edge of the **Great Dividing Range**, it provides an amazing view of the **Lockyer Valley** and **Tabletop Mountain**. Later this afternoon, we head back to our motel to relax before an early dinner. This evening, we take a **Twilight Tour** of Laurel Bank Park.

**OVERNIGHT:** Potters Boutique Hotel, TOOWOOMBA ★★★★★

**“...Each spring, Toowoomba comes alive with blooming gardens, vibrant parades, and an atmosphere of celebration as we showcase our rich horticultural heritage...”**



**MORE OF TOOWOOMBA**

This morning we take a diesel-hauled train ride out to **Spring Bluff Railway Station** and have some time to look through the magnificent gardens of poppies, ranunculus, stock, snapdragons, petunias and many other annuals bursting into colour under the warm sunshine. Next, **Peacehaven Botanic Park**, set in the leafy suburb of Highfields and home to more than 400 different species of native plants and scores of birds and wildlife. We now head back into town where we can have some free time to wander and purchase lunch. Later this afternoon before returning to our hotel, we visit the **Clivia Show and Australian Native Plant Show**. Here the Toowoomba Clivia Society holds an annual Clivia Show which displays the myriad of colours and species which confirm Toowoomba as the *Clivia* capital of Australia.

*Lunch at own expense and arrangement*

**OVERNIGHT:** Potters Boutique Hotel, TOOWOOMBA ★★★★★

**TOOWOOMBA TO MELBOURNE**

Sadly, our holiday is coming to an end. After breakfast we make our way back to **Brisbane Airport** for our flight to Melbourne. Upon arrival, our chauffeurs will be waiting to transport us home with many interesting stories to tell of our **Toowoomba Carnival of Flowers** adventure.

*Lunch at own expense and arrangement / Refreshments on flight*



## PAYMENT AND CANCELLATION POLICY

Receipt of payment of funds will be taken as acceptance of O'Shannessy's Quality Tours conditions of travel for this tour. Prices include GST and all taxes. Deposit is fully refundable until **61 days** prior to departure date. Balance due on invoice approximately **60 days** prior to departure.

**Cancellation 60 to 46 days before** tour departure date

**20% Refund of Tour Cost**

**Cancellation within 45 days** of tour departure date

**No Refund**

**On or after** tour date departure

**No Refund**

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