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Experience the Exceptional...

- Immerse ourselves in Queensland in the Sunshine Coast, Fraser Island and Brisbane featuring a variety festival hosted by our favourite artists - singers: Bonnie, Karl, Amanda, with fiddler Marian, accordionist Tracey and pianist Grant - what a line-up!
- 11-day tour with 10 nights' accommodation: 4 nights at Novotel Sunshine Coast, 4 nights at Kingfisher Bay Resort, Fraser Island and 2 nights at Pullman Hotel George Square, Brisbane.
- Our series of themed, musical events from around the world include a German themed night *Oom pah pah, Vive la France, When Irish Eyes are Smiling, Waltzing Matilda, From Broadway to the West End* and a grand finale: *Viva Las Vegas!* presented by our artists.
- Visit to Australia Zoo, home of the Crocodile Hunter.
- Tours to Maleny and Montville, Ginger Factory and a tour to Mary Cairncross Scenic Reserve Rainforest Discovery Centre.
- Sunset cruise around the Mooloolaba River including cocktails and seafood platters.
- A boat ride through the magnificent Everglades rivers.
- 4 nights on Fraser Island including a 4WD Beauty Spots Tour, a bush tucker tour, tasting and dinner, morning cruise and a ranger guided medicine tour.
- Time to wander around lovely Noosa with great shops, walks on the beach and cafes.
- Brisbane coach tour, matinee performance of *Beauty and the Beast* and a final night gala dinner.

OUR ARTISTS FOR THIS TRIP:

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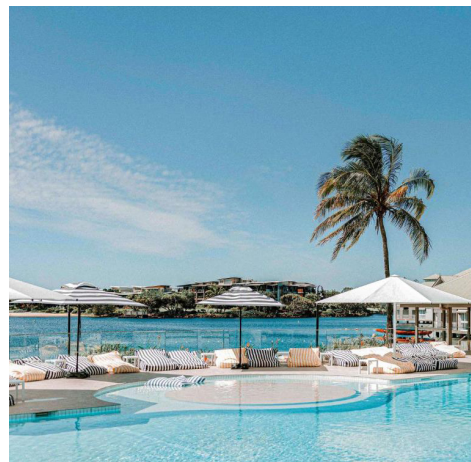


PLACES WE STAY

Please note that hotels are subject to final confirmation at time of printing brochure.

NOVOTEL SUNSHINE COAST RESORT (4 NIGHTS)

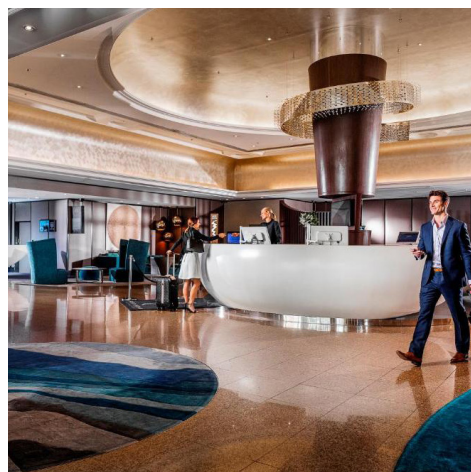
Located on a pristine beachfront set amongst 36 hectares of natural bushland situated around a private beach-lined lagoon, Novotel Sunshine Coast Resort offers newly renovated rooms and a real resort feel.



Novotel Sunshine Coast

KINGFISHER BAY RESORT (4 NIGHTS)

Voted as one of Australia's Top 10 family resorts, Kingfisher Bay Resort has also won six Australian Tourism and nine Queensland Tourism Awards as well as Trip Advisor's 2020, 2021 and 2022 Travellers' Choice. Blending seamlessly amongst the native surrounds, this hidden paradise is perfect for a relaxing island retreat.



Pullman Brisbane

PULLMAN BRISBANE KING GEORGE SQUARE (2 NIGHTS)

We stay at the Pullman Brisbane King George Square which is one of the top hotels in Brisbane with amazing facilities including rooftop pool and gym, within easy walking distance to the Queen St Shopping Mall.



Kingfisher Bay Resort



Sunshine Coast

FRIDAY 10TH MAY 2024 (L, D)

AUCKLAND - BRISBANE - SUNSHINE COAST

The Sunshine Coast is home to some of Australia's most pristine landscapes, including the ancient Glass House Mountains, the Noosa Everglades and the Great Beach Drive which connects Noosa with Rainbow Beach.

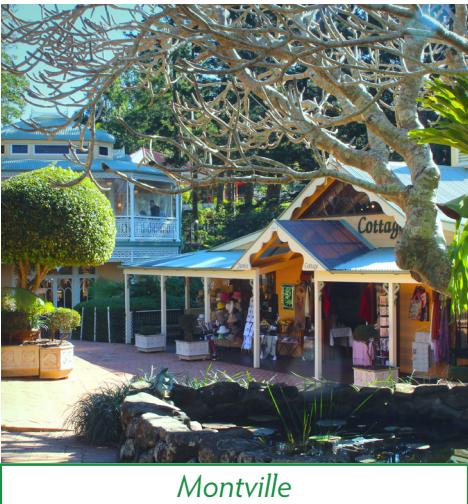
Highlights Include:

- On arrival we travel to The Ginger Factory for a tour, complete with train ride, boat ride and a light lunch.
- After time to settle in at the hotel, we enjoy a casual dinner there this evening.

SATURDAY 11TH MAY 2024 (B, D)

Highlights Include:

- Tour Montville and Maleny with free time for shopping and own lunch before we are off to the Mary Cairncross Scenic Reserve Rainforest Discovery Centre late afternoon for a tour and talk about this magnificent rainforest.
- Montville, established in 1887, is a quaint village, home to art galleries, cosy coffee shops and boutique stores where we will find everything from handmade beanies to one-off sculptures made by local artists.
- Then it's our Welcome Dinner at King Ludwig Restaurant: **Oom pah pah**, an evening of German food and song.



Montville

SUNDAY 12TH MAY 2024 (B, seafood and cocktails)

Highlights Include:

- Free time to enjoy the pool, shopping or own tours.
- Watch a spectacular sunset from onboard a 1.5-hour cruise along the Mooloolaba River, while enjoying fresh seafood and a cocktail.
- Free time afterwards to enjoy the hotel, own dinner and an evening of leisure.



Glass House Mountains

MONDAY 13TH MAY 2024 (B, L, D)

Highlights Include:

- Today we are off to Australia Zoo, home of the Crocodile Hunter. Australia Zoo is a 700-acre zoo located an hour north of Brisbane on Queensland's Sunshine Coast.
- Australia Zoo has a team of passionate conservationists working around-the-clock to deliver animal experiences like no other. Steve and Terri Irwin's vision has always been to make Australia Zoo the biggest and best wildlife conservation facility in the world. There is no zoo like Australia Zoo!
- Tonight we are travelling to 'Paris' with drinks, hors d'oeuvres and dinner with French songs: *Vive La France*.



Koala at Australia Zoo

TUESDAY 14TH MAY 2024 (B, D)

TRANSFER - SUNSHINE COAST - NOOSA - RIVER HEADS - FRASER ISLAND

Today we travel to River Heads with a stop at Noosa for shopping or a walk on the beach and your own early lunch before we continue our journey.

At River Heads we transfer by ferry to the magnificent Fraser Island.

Fraser Island is a World Heritage listed island along the south-eastern coast in the Wide Bay–Burnett region, Queensland, Australia. It features complex dune systems that are still evolving, and an array of rare and unique features in this sand environment, including dune lakes and tall rainforests.



Vive La France Dinner & Concert



Fraser Island



Lake McKenzie

Highlights at Fraser Island Include:

- River Heads ferry transfer to Kingfisher Bay Resort.
- Arrive Kingfisher Bay Resort with free time to explore the K'gari World Heritage Centre.
- Casual dinner this evening on arrival.

WEDNESDAY 15TH MAY 2024 (B, L, D)

Highlights Include:

- Full Day 4WD Beauty Spots Tour including sites to visit: Lake McKenzie, Central Station and Wanggoolba Creek, Pile Valley, The Maheno shipwreck, Seventy-Five Mile Beach, Eli Creek, Coloured Sands and Stonetool Sandblow with lunch.
- We are off to Ireland this evening: ***When Irish Eyes are Smiling***, complete with singalongs, jokes, irish jigs and virtuoso battles between fiddle and accordionist - a great fun way to spend an evening.



Coloured Sands

THURSDAY 16TH MAY 2024 (B, L, D)

Highlights Include:

- Morning 3-hour scenic cruise with light refreshments.
- Afternoon at leisure to enjoy the pool and hotel facilities.
- Off for our Aussie themed evening: ***Waltzing Matilda*** with a Bush tucker talk and taste experience and then a Bush tucker infused menu.

FRIDAY 17TH MAY 2024 (B, L, D)

Highlights Include:

- A Ranger Guided Bush Medicine Walk.
- Free time for relaxing and enjoying a bush walk, swim or relax by the pool.
- Sunset drinks at the Sunset Bar before our dinner and evening event: ***From Broadway to the Westend***, featuring famous songs from the musicals.



Maheno Shipwreck

SATURDAY 18TH MAY 2024 (B, L)

TRANSFER FRASER ISLAND - EVERGLADES - BRISBANE

Ferry transfers from Kingfisher Bay Resort to River Heads.

Driving tour back towards Brisbane with stop for lunch and cruise.

Everglades boat tour mid-afternoon through the beautiful Noosa Everglades (which is one of only two everglades' systems in the world!).

Brisbane is a city that lives up to its sunny potential with a strong focus on the outdoors – think al fresco dining, picnics by the river, islands just off the coast and national parks.

Evening at leisure for time to meet friends or enjoy your own dinner experience.

SUNDAY 19TH MAY 2024 (B, D)

Highlights Include:

- Our city tour today includes views of St Stephen's Cathedral, Botanic Gardens, Brisbane River, Story Bridge, Parliament House, Anzac Square, home to the Shrine of Remembrance and Kangaroo Point Cliffs with its panoramic views of Brisbane.
- This afternoon we will attend a matinee performance of *Beauty and the Beast*.
- Our final night dinner tonight plus a concert called *Viva Las Vegas!* Vegas glam and glamor and some fun! What a way to end our music festival tour!

MONDAY 20TH MAY 2024 (B)

Breakfast is included today at the hotel before our flights home, following a magic immersion into Queensland and music from around the world.



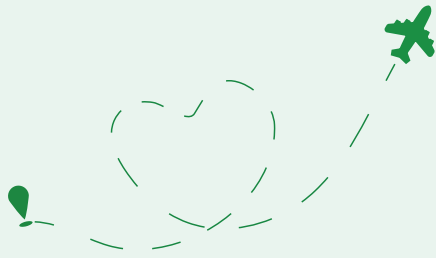
Brisbane



Anzac Square



Brisbane Botanic Gardens



\$7400 per person
twin share
Single Room Supplement Add \$1860

Initial Deposit on booking: \$1500
Second Deposit due 14th November 2023: \$2500
Final Balance due: 22nd January 2024

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- Numerous special activities including a boat ride through the magnificent Everglades rivers and sunset cruise around Mooloolaba River.
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- Hosted by our favourite artists - singers: Bonaventure Allan - Moetaua, Karl Perigo, Amanda Atlas with fiddler Marian Burns, accordionist Tracey Collins and pianist Grant Winterburn - what a line-up!
- All breakfasts, 6 lunches, 8 dinners, sunset cruise with seafood and cocktails, light refreshments, all tours, transfers, cruises, coach tours, ferry transfers, tips and taxes included.

GENTLE TOUR

This tour will suit most people, even with a stick or a walker, but sorry not someone in a wheelchair. The activity level is gently paced, but you still need to be able to get on and off buses easily. There will be walking, but not a lot.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- All itinerary details are subject to change, but changes will be replaced with a comparable or better option.
- Initial & Second deposits are fully refundable up until final balance due date, minus an administration fee of up to \$500 plus any non-recoverable costs.
- All monies are non-refundable at final balance due date. This becomes an insurance claim.
- Payment by direct credit incurs no surcharge. Credit card payments will incur a surcharge of 1.5%.
- Travellers need to be independently mobile and fit to travel.
- Bookings will only be accepted with initial deposit.
- All travellers must obtain comprehensive travel insurance for international travel and insurance for domestic travel is recommended.
- Please refer to our terms and conditions on booking form.