



EXPLORE THE FRASER COAST



MARYBOROUGH

Discover Links with Mary Poppins

- **Heritage-listed Birthplace** – See the former bank building where Mary Poppins author P.L. Travers was born in 1899.
- **Mary Poppins Statue** – Have your photo taken with this famous statue in Richmond Street outside the author's birthplace.
- **Magical Mary Discovery Trail** – Spend a day of magic and make-believe celebrating the city's impressive heritage and unique connection with Mary Poppins. Trail brochures available at Visitor Information Centres.
- **Personalised Tea with Mary tours** – Available by arrangement through our Visitor Information Centre.
- **Murals and Public Art** – See striking public art, inspired by themes from the Mary Poppins novels.
- **Mythical Etchings** – Stop at the City Hall Green where 10 Mary Poppins characters are etched on the brick plinths. Place a sheet of paper on top and make a rubbing with pencil or crayon.
- **Mary Poppins Festival in the Park** – Held every June/July school holiday.

Discover Maryborough

- **Free Guided Walking Tour** – Explore Maryborough's historic city centre with your own 19th century costumed guide. Departs City Hall, Monday to Saturday at 9am.
- **Walk or Drive Tour** – Covering approximately 50 points of historical and architectural interest.
- **Mary Ann Steam Train** – Ride a replica of Queensland's first steam engine, built in Maryborough in 1873.

Discover Art & Culture

- **Brolga Theatre** – Take in one of the many national and international shows at this first class theatre, with a new program available every month.
- **Gatakers Artspace** – Check out the local artistic talent at this stunning artspace in Wharf Street at Portside. The exhibits change constantly with local and touring exhibitions.
- **Artistic Streetscapes** – Uncover a variety of streetscape art, sculptural pieces and architecturally spectacular heritage-listed buildings along Maryborough's inner city streets.
- **Mary River Parklands Art** – View stunning public art that reflects Maryborough's days as a thriving river port and celebrates the contribution of South-Sea Islander, Chinese and Aboriginal cultures.

Discover Antiques & Unusual Collections

- **Toys and Dolls** – Marvel at antique dolls and toys dating back to 1825, part of an extensive collection at Grand Shirl's Doll and Toy Museum.
- Turn back the clock at antique galleries and boutique craft and gift stores.

Discover History

- **Portside** – See where it all began at Maryborough's original port district, where the buildings and streets appear as they did over 150 years ago. Visit museums, riverside parks, restaurants and pubs, ride steam trains or picnic by the river.
- **Portside Centre and Bond Store Museum** – Delve into early colonial history and relive the days when opium was a legal import at the Portside Centre, located in the beautiful Customs House and incorporating the Bond Store Museum.

- **Brennan and Geraghty's Store Museum** – Visit one of only three preserved retail stores in the world and discover what shopping was like over 130 years ago at this National Trust museum in Lennox Street.
- **Original Maryborough Site** – One of the few original township sites in Australia left intact, where pioneer graves create a lingering sense of history. Settled in 1847, it was abandoned around 1855 in favour of the city's current location.
- **Maryborough Military and Colonial Museum** – Find out more about Australia's military history and see Victoria Cross medals at one of Australia's finest regional military museums.
- **Maryborough Heritage Centre** – Trace your family history at this leading genealogy centre located in a former bank building in Richmond Street.
- **Whistle Stop Museum** – Uncover Maryborough's impressive rail heritage at this small museum located on the site of the heritage-listed railway station in Lennox Street. It contains a small but remarkable collection of railway memorabilia.

Markets, Dining & Shopping

- **Heritage City Markets** – Pick up farm fresh produce, homemade delights and hand-crafted gifts at Maryborough's famous Thursday markets.
- **Shopping** – Uncover unique art and gifts, stylish collectables, fashion and jewellery at boutique stores or major retail centres.
- **Dining** – Dive into the city's lively restaurant and café scene with a range of dining options.

Discover Stunning Parks

Maryborough has over 40 parks and sporting grounds to cater for every recreational pursuit.

HERVEY BAY

Aquatic action

- Go canoeing or jet-skiing off the beach
- Spend the day cruising or sailing or take a champagne sunset cruise
- Take a guided jet ski tour to Fraser Island for dolphin and stingray spotting
- Hire a house boat and cruise the waters of the Great Sandy Strait
- Swim in safe, calm waters
- Kayak down the Burrum River

Marine life

- Take an eco-tour anytime of year to see dolphins, turtles and other marine creatures
- Go snorkelling or diving off the beach or off Hervey Bay's sheltered artificial reef, the largest man-made reef in the Southern Hemisphere
- View coral and marine life from a glass bottomed boat
- Visit Hervey Bay's aquarium
- Find out about the fascinating world of sharks at Hervey Bay's interpretive shark show
- Visit the Great Sandy Strait, home to one of the largest concentrations of bird species in Australia, as well as dugong, dolphins and turtles
- Visit Arkarra Lagoons at Dundowran Beach, home to goannas, echidnas, wallabies, kangaroos, possums and over 140 species of birds

Appreciate art

- Take in a feast of free visual arts experiences for all ages, with displays by local artists and an exciting program of high quality touring exhibitions at the Hervey Bay Regional Art Gallery
- Uncover a variety of streetscape art and sculptural pieces along the Esplanade

Get active

- Walk, rollerblade or ride along the Esplanade from Urangan to Point Vernon and return via a pedestrian and bike path through the centre of the city (bikes, trikes and tandems available for hire)
- Swim at the Hervey Bay Aquatic Centre, Boundary Road, Torquay

Find fantastic fishing

- Cast a line beachside or go fishing off the iconic 800 metre Urangan Pier
- Fish off the rocks at Urangan Harbour or try the reefs around Big Woody Island and the Roy Rufus Artificial Reef
- Take a fishing trip – from estuary to reef, deep sea and game fishing on one of the many fishing boat tours and charter boats
- Nearby Burrum Heads, Toogoom and River Heads offer the angler great fishing, crabbing and prawning

Discover great parks

- Train parks, space nets, skate parks guarantee unlimited fun at Hervey Bay's many playgrounds
- Visit the beautiful Great Sandy Region Botanic Gardens, Elizabeth Street, Urangan – built on 6000 year old sand dunes. It is also home to Hervey Bay's Orchid House, which contains a collection of around 20,000 orchids

Discover history

- Step into the past at the Hervey Bay Historical Village and Museum, 13 Zephyr Street, Scarness
- Visit the former mining towns of Howard and Torbanlea
- Discover the history of early coalmining at the Burrum District Museum in Howard
- See the Matthew Flinders Memorial in Dayman Park, Urangan, which marks where Flinders embarked from the HMS Norfolk in 1799 to map the area

Wine, dine and shop

- Satisfy all tastes with a range of dining options. Brunch under a café umbrella on the Esplanade, tuck into seafood by the sea, or wine and dine with those million dollar views of Fraser Island and the Urangan Pier
- Uncover unique art and gifts, leading fashion and stylish collectables at boutique stores – or shop at major retail outlets
- Unearth a bargain at one of many local markets

Accommodation

- Holiday right on the beach with million dollar water views in beachfront tourist parks or choose from a range of options including top end resorts, self contained units and holiday homes, B&Bs and, motels.

FRASER ISLAND

Experience the remarkable beauty of Fraser Island, the world's largest sand island, with towering ancient rainforests, pure fresh water lakes and creeks and coloured sands. Barges depart from the charming coastal hamlet of River Heads, a short scenic drive from Hervey Bay.

HINTERLAND

The Fraser Coast's amazing countryside is full of natural beauty, hotels from bygone eras and small towns oozing country charm.

For more information visit www.ourfrasercoast.com.au or phone 1800 214 789