

3 Day Sunshine Coast Itinerary - Groups

Day 1

Mooloolaba and Surrounds

Start your Sunshine Coast adventure with a visit to **Australia Zoo**! Interact with Australian wildlife and see the all the action of the main show in the Crocoseum. Get up close to koala's, kangaroos, wombats, and many more native Australian animals, as well as many African and South East Asian animals.

In the afternoon, continue to **Caloundra** to enjoy some time at Bulcock Beach and the Pumicestone Passage. Take in views of the stunning waterways with the backdrop of the iconic Glass House Mountains while you soak up the sunshine. Enjoy a delicious seafood lunch at **Tides Restaurant** along the main esplanade.

After lunch, travel to Mooloolaba to experience a relaxing cultural cruise on **Saltwater Eco Tours**. Immerse yourself in the dreamtime legends, ancient traditions, beliefs, stories and lifestyle of the Sunshine Coast's first eco-custodians, the Saltwater People. Explore the Mooloolaba canals on board the beautifully restored century-old traditional timber sailing vessel, "Spray of the Coral Coast," taking a step back in time to experience the life of the traditional landowners who have lived off these bountiful coastal waters for thousands of years.

In the evening, spend some time strolling along the Mooloolaba esplanade before making your way to **Bella Venezia** for dinner. Prepare for a tantalising journey of Italian dining, featuring delicious homemade pizza and pasta.

Suggested overnight: Mantra Mooloolaba Beach

Day 2

Sunshine Coast Hinterland and Noosa

Spend the morning at **SEA LIFE Moolooaba** and discover an ocean of fun at this aquarium, especially Showtime at Seal Island. SEA LIFE Sunshine Coast gives guests the opportunity to discover the weird and wonderful world of over 10,000 sea creatures, including sharks, rays, jellyfish, tropical fish and seahorses.

Stop off for lunch and enjoy fresh, local fish and chips and the famous Mooloolaba prawns at **Mooloolah River Fisheries**. In the afternoon, head up into the Sunshine Coast hinterland, including a shopping stop at the quaint town of **Montville**. Visit the local chocolate shops, boutiques and pick up the perfect Sunshine Coast gift to take home. A perfect afternoon tea stop for groups is **Flaxton Gardens**, offering expansive views over the hinterland. To complete your hinterland experience, explore **Maleny Botanical Gardens and Birdworld** with some of the best views of the Glass House Mountains.

Travel from the hinterland to Noosa and spend the evening relaxing and enjoying a delicious meal at **Bang Bang**. The atmosphere here is one of fun and style with diners encouraged to share the many tantalising plates and taste their way through the amazing cocktail list. Suggested overnight: **Peppers Noosa**



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Day 3

Noosa Everglades

Depart early for a scenic coastal drive through Noosa, followed by a cruise through the **Noosa Everglades with Eco Qld**, the only everglades system outside of Florida. Experience the river of mirrors, shorebirds and mangroves; home to several rare and threatened species, including inshore dolphins, dugongs, sea turtles and mangrove-dwelling butterflies. Enjoy a delicious lunch at the end of the cruise taking in views of Lake Cootharaba.

Spend the afternoon exploring Hastings Street, one of the most well-known shopping and dining strips in Australia, or take a stroll down into the Noosa National Park. Noosa National Park isn't just a stunning pocket of protected sub-tropical rainforest jutting out into the Pacific Ocean but a natural playground filled with walking trails, surf breaks, and snoozing koalas.

Spend your last night soaking up the views of Noosa's Laguna Bay at Bistro C. Featuring amazing local produce, Bistro C is the perfect place for dinner. Enjoy delicious in-house curated meals, tasty cocktails and relaxed Sunshine Coast vibes.