



SUNSHINE COAST

Boasting a spectacular sand cliff coastline, lush mountain ranges, subtropical rainforest, surf beaches, secluded coves and bays, and the world's largest sand island, the Sunshine Coast offers an outstanding natural environment that is complemented by modern infrastructure and accommodation – perfect for a conference or an incentive event.

ITINERARY HIGHLIGHTS

DAY 1

Meet one of the keepers at Australia Zoo (an attraction and conservation facility set up by the late Steve Irwin, the Crocodile Hunter) for a behind-the-scenes animal encounter with native Australian wildlife such as dingoes, koalas, kangaroos and echidnas. Have a team photograph taken with one of the native Australian animals before watching a jaw-snapping crocodile feeding demonstration. You'll be joined by a local conservationist over a fresh, local seafood lunch to learn more about Australia's unique wildlife and habitats. Take a short drive through the beautiful Sunshine Coast Hinterland to the delightful hillside village of Montville. Stop at Flame Hill Vineyard & Restaurant for an Australian wine tasting before continuing to Spicers Clovelly Estate. One of the Luxury Lodges of Australia, this beautiful rural homestead is surrounded by grand fig trees, shaded jacarandas and groves of magnolias and gardenias. Indulge in a degustation menu of fine local produce at the estate's award-winning restaurant The Long Apron.

DAY 2

Take a short journey by helicopter or small plane to the world's largest sand island, Fraser Island. Land on the pristine sands of Eastern Beach. Here you will be greeted by a red carpet, porters and awaiting Hummers that will transport you along the idyllic beach for lunch in an intimate setting overlooking the ocean. Stop to relax and swim at Eli Creek and the natural jacuzzi of the Champagne Pools. Choose to spend time at leisure, soaking up the island's atmosphere, or opt for further exploration and take to the water on canoes. For dinner, enjoy an alfresco dinner at your resort, with live music from a local Indigenous band.

DAY 3

Embark on an exclusive four-wheel drive tour of Fraser Island, cruising past shorebirds and dingoes on the beach; explore the Maheno shipwreck lodged on the island's shores; and take a rocky off-road route inland where you'll find crystal-clear lakes and lush rainforests and wetlands. Enjoy a gourmet picnic lunch beside the clear blue waters and white sandy shores of Lake McKenzie before leaving the island on a luxury vessel and travelling to Noosa, set on the shores of the mainland. Depending on the time of year, you may spot migrating humpback whales and playful dolphins during your transfer. That evening, enjoy sunset cocktails on Noosa Main Beach, followed by dinner under the stars in Noosa Woods parkland, with a menu featuring fresh local seafood. Return to Noosa to enjoy the comfort of Peppers Noosa Resort & Villas, offering views of the surrounding national park.

ADD THE WOW FACTOR

Exclusively hire Sir Richard Branson's Makepeace Island, a 10ha heart-shaped island, located near Noosa. Makepeace Island, accessible by private boat or helicopter, can accommodate up to 22 people and features a lagoon pool, tennis court, spa facilities, theatre, private bar and Executive Chef Paul Jobin, who can design a menu specifically for your group.

DID YOU KNOW?

The Sunshine Coast boasts over 100 kilometres of pristine sand.



EVENTS

NOOSA INTERNATIONAL FOOD AND WINE FESTIVAL

Meet international and national chefs at the Noosa International Food and Wine Festival. Boasting participation from over 200 leading chefs, winemakers, media and restaurateurs, this event offers a chance to sample Australia's best food and wine alongside a feast of entertainment.

CALOUNDRA MUSIC FESTIVAL

Each October, Caloundra Music Festival showcases some of the best Australian and international musicians at Kings Beach. The festival also features roving performers, beach-side carnival, buskers and market stalls.

MOOLOOLABA TRIATHLON FESTIVAL

The coastal town of Mooloolaba plays host to a number of world-class sporting events including the Mooloolaba Triathlon Festival. This festival is a three-day multi-sport event which attracts competitors and sports enthusiasts from all across the world.

EXPLORE FURTHER AFIELD

GLASS HOUSE MOUNTAINS

Take an Indigenous walking tour or embark on an abseiling expedition of the 16 volcanic crags that comprise the Glass House Mountains, dramatically rising from the surrounding landscape of eucalyptus trees and pineapple plantations.

SUNSHINE COAST HINTERLAND

Take a bespoke chef-guided food trail through the Sunshine Coast Hinterland, visiting local producers such as Maleny Cheese Factory, Flame Hill Vineyard and Restaurant, Ginger Factory and Strawberry Fields and specialty farmers' markets and sample fresh produce.

FRASER ISLAND

Travel in a 4WD convoy to World Heritage listed Fraser Island along Australia's Great Beach Drive. Stretching north from Noosa, this touring route takes in over 200 kilometres of spectacular beach driving. Expect dramatic coastal vistas, native wildlife and a wide range of activity options and pit stops along the way. The full journey covers two UNESCO biosphere reserves, a World Heritage-listed marine park and the largest sand island in the world.



Fraser Island

DID YOU KNOW?

The Sunshine Coast enjoys an average of seven hours of sunshine each day, with a subtropical climate that is ideal for outdoor activities nearly all year round.

WHAT'S NEW

The SunCentral development will transform 53 hectares on the Sunshine Coast into an urban city. The development will include 65,000 square metres of retail development, a hotel and an exhibition, convention and entertainment centre.

Qantas has commenced daily services from Sydney to the Sunshine Coast. The flights operate six times per week on a 110-seat two class Boeing 717.

The recently opened AUD \$15 million new-build Best Western Plus Oceanside Kawana Hotel features 81 rooms ranging from deluxe to executive rooms suites. The 4 ½ star property is located in the heart of the Sunshine Coast only 20 minutes from the Sunshine Coast Airport.



Glass House Mountains

PLANNING AND LOGISTICS

ACCESS

The Sunshine Coast is accessible from Australia's southern cities of Sydney and Melbourne with regular daily flights. Sunshine Coast Airport is serviced by Jetstar, Qantas and Virgin Australia, as well as a seasonal service from Auckland with Air New Zealand. Alternatively, take an easy one-hour drive north from Brisbane Airport, the international and domestic gateway to Queensland with regular transfers to the Sunshine Coast.

ACCOMMODATION

The Sunshine Coast provides more than 3,500 rooms in purpose built, full-service venues.

WEATHER

Sunshine Coast has a sub-tropical climate. Average maximum temperature

Month	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
Temperature °C	29°	29°	28°	26°	23°	21°	21°	22°	24°	25°	27°	28°
Temperature °F	84°	84°	82°	79°	73°	70°	70°	72°	75°	77°	81°	82°

VENUE CAPACITY

The Sunshine Coast offers a broad range of excellent meeting facilities and event centres, often integrated into the world-class resorts available across the region. Venues can provide bespoke solutions for small groups or cater for large conferences and incentives of up to 2,500 delegates.

