The Great Beach Drive

Australia's Nature Coast

AUSTRALIA's GREAT BEACH DRIVE is located along Queensland's Sunshine and Fraser Coasts' connecting with World Heritage-listed Fraser Island. Experience a once in a lifetime journey, escaping the bitumen highway and driving along a white sandy beach surrounded by the sparkling Pacific Ocean and Australian bushland.

With over 100 kilometres of stunning beach driving, your company will be kangaroos, whales, turtles, dingos and rare bird species. The touring route is steeped in culture and etched in Australian history and covers two UNESCO Biosphere Reserves, a World Heritage Marine Park and the largest sand island in the world.



ROUTE HIGHLIGHTS

Great Beach

Drive

Fraser Coast Sunshine Coast

1 Noosa North Shore to Double Island Point

- Wildlife spotting including Eastern Grey Kangaroos, Whales, Birds of prey
- Longest right hand surf break in the world
- World class diving at Wolf Rock
- 2 Leisha Track to Rainbow Beach
- Coloured Sands
- · Carlo Sandblow
- Inskip Point Ghost Ship

3 K'gari (Fraser Island) Hook Point to Eurong

- 60kms of white sandy beach
- · Home to Australia's stork, the Jabiru
- Fraser Island Great Walk
- 4 Eurong to Kingfisher Bay
- 75 mile beach
- Central Station Jurassic King Ferns
- · Lake McKenzie
- 5 Kingfisher Bay to Hervey Bay
- Kingfisher Bay Resort
- Rock fishing at River Heads
- · Home of the Humpback Whales

6 Hervey Bay to Maryborough

- Horse Riding at Susan River
- · Maryborough, home of Mary Poppins
- Great Sandy Discovery Trail

7 Maryborough to Tin Can Bay

- Poona National Park
- Second largest protected area for the Dugong
- · Hand feed dolphins

8 Tin Can Bay to Rainbow Beach

· Cooloola Great Walk



Explore the Great Beach Drive

Drive One

Explore Noosa North Shore

- · Horseriding on the beach
- · Visit Noosa Everglades on a kayak, canoe or cruise
- Travel on our Beach Highway from Noosa North Shore to Rainbow Beach
- · Spot abundant wildlife including whales, dolphins, birds of prey, kangaroos and monitor lizards
- Overnight Rainbow Beach

Drive Two

Explore Rainbow Beach

- · Paragliding, hand gliding, skydiving, surfing, fishing, horseriding, walking or take a 4WD adventure
- · Diving at Wolf Rock
- Surf Double Island Points longest right hand break
- Travel to Inskip Point where you will board the barge to Fraser Island
- Overnight Fraser Island

Drive Three

Explore Fraser Island

- · Join a Fraser Island tour, an adventure taga-long tour, or hire a 4WD
- Take a scenic flight over Fraser Island or cruise across the Great Sandy Straits
- View famous sites including shipwrecks and freshwater lakes to take a dip
- Spot the native Australian Dingo
- · Overnight Hervey Bay

Drive Four

Explore Hervey Bay

- Safe sheltered waters making it an aquatic paradise perfect for year round swimming
- Activity options are endless including diving, sailing, water sports and fishing
- Visit cosmopolitan and alfresco cafes, shops, parklands, picnic areas, playgrounds, piers and a vibrant marina
- Overnight at Maryborough

Drive Five

Explore Maryborough

- · Birthplace of the famous novelist and creator of Mary Poppins
- Enjoy the experiences along the Magical Mary Trail
- Home to historical precincts and beautifully preserved colonial streets
- · Visit Mary River with a number of water and outdoor pursuits
- Overnight Tin Can Bay

Drive Six

Explore Tin Can Bay

- Hand feed the rare Indo-Pacific humpback
- · Visit Poona National Park to view dolphins and explore tidal pools
- View wildlife at Tinnanbar with sea turtles and the second largest protected area for dugongs
- Overnight Noosa



Guided Tours

- Cool Dingo Tours www.cooldingotour.com
- Drop Bear Adventures www.dropbearadventures.com.au
- Eco Safaris Oueensland www.ecosafaris.com.au
- Fraser Explorer Tours www.fraserexplorertours.com.au
- Fraser Experience Tours www.fraserexperience.com
- Fraser Island Adventure Tours www.fraserislandadventuretours.com.au
- Noosa Safaris www.noosasafaris.com.au
- Off Beat Eco Tours www.offbeattours.com.au
- Palace Adventures www.palaceadventures.com.au
- Rainbow to Noosa Shuttle www.rainbow2noosa.com
- The Discovery Group www.thediscoverygroup.com.au

Driving Distances	
Noosa North Shore to Rainbow Beach (via beach)	80 km
Rainbow Beach to Fraser Island (Kingfisher Bay)	131 km
Fraser Island to Hervey Bay (via car ferry)	32 km
Hervey Bay to Maryborough	34 km
Maryborough to Tin Can Bay	72 km
Tin Can Bay to Rainbow Beach	49 km
Rainbow Beach to Noosa North Shore (via road)	139 km

Hire a 4WD - Self Drive

- · Adventure Centre www.adventurecentre.com.au
- Atlas 4WD Hire www.atlas4WDhire.com.au
- Aussie Trax 4WD Hire www.fraserisland4wd.com.au
- Noosa2Fraser 4WD Beach Hire www.hire4wdnoosa.com.au
- Safari 4WD Hire www.safari4wdhire.com.au

The Great Beach Drive showcases two Biosphere Reserves as listed under UNESCO and one World Heritage-listed icon, Fraser Island.

The Great Beach Drive requires a 4WD vehicle. The drive is subject to tide times.

For information on tide times, track conditions, safety guidelines, camping and permits, please visit The Department of National Parks www.nprsr.gld.gov.au

