



THINGS TO DO IN BRISBANE

NIGHTLIFE

Brisbane has lots of watering holes and plenty of hubs worth exploring. Whether you are looking for a pub, nightclub or casino Brisbane has plenty of choice!

CBD - The city is the central point to meet for a good night out. Check out the numerous bars and nightclubs in the CBD including Irish bars Gilhooleys, O'Malley's or Murphys, The Belgian Beer Café, Pig n Whistle, Port Office, Jade Buddha, and the heritage listed Treasury Casino

Fortitude Valley - Make your way to James, Brunswick or Ann Streets for dozens of venues, each with their own style and atmosphere. Check out nightclubs Family, Cloudland, The Empire Hotel, Fringe Bar, GPO or The Beat

West End - For a more chilled out vibe check out the Lychee Lounge, Uber or The Pavillion, all along the main street of West End where live music, food and drinks come together to offer a more relaxed vibe

Caxton Street - closest to the YHA, this area offers a mix of pubs, clubs, dining and dancing. Check out The Caxton Hotel, Hotel LA, Casablanca's and Mirasoul

South Bank - For great pubs with good old Aussie hospitality in the vibrant surrounds of South Bank Parklands visit The Ship Inn, The Plough Inn Tavern or The Fox Hotel



SOUTH BANK PARKLANDS

Explore the endless array of activities at South Bank Parklands from boutique shopping, dining, bars and live music, lifestyle markets, the tropical lagoon pool, museums, theatres and the Gallery of Modern Art

Shopping - Fashion, accessories and souvenirs are all available in the variety of shops and the weekend markets

Streets Beach Lagoon - Relax by this popular lagoon pool and beach with river and city views, and cool off with a dip in the water!

Restaurants - Enjoy modern, informal dining at the many different cafes and restaurants at South Bank. Try Deck's for delicious seafood, Café San Marco for modern Mediterranean or the ever popular Amici's Italian restaurant

Arts, Culture & Museums - Explore the Queensland Gallery of Modern Art, the Queensland Museum, the Science Centre or check out a theatre show at QPAC (Queensland Performing Arts Centre)

Wheel of Brisbane - See Brisbane from new heights with breathtaking views stretching across the heart of Brisbane city and the iconic Brisbane River

PUBLIC TRANSPORT

You can catch a ferry, bus or train to get around Brisbane. Transport hubs include Roma Street Transit Centre, Myer Centre Busway Station, Central Station and City Cat ferry stops are dotted throughout the city. Visit www.translink.com.au for all your timetables, fares and maps or visit one of the information booths in the city centre.



RIVER STOPS

Discover Brisbane from the best vantage point in town... the river! Buy a daily ticket and hop on and off the City Cat ferry as it winds up the Brisbane River.

There are plenty of hubs along the way worth visiting: **Bulimba** - A quaint and funky suburb to the east of the CBD. This popular riverside suburb on the Brisbane River boasts Oxford Street, a hub of café, restaurant and unique shopping experiences dotted amongst historic churches and Queenslander homes

New Farm - Next stop to hop off is the trendy area of New Farm where you can try bare foot bowls at the Merthyr Bowls club on the river. A visit isn't complete without visiting the Brisbane Powerhouse - once supplying electricity for Brisbane's tram network, today it is one of Brisbane's most popular arts and entertainment venues

Riverside - Home to the Sunday Riverside Markets and also Brisbane's business district, here you'll find bars, restaurants and a scenic riverside walkway overlooking Brisbane's iconic Story Bridge. Riverside is a modern precinct worth a visit by day or night.

South Bank - Combine a trip on the City Cat with a visit to South Bank to check out the markets, have a swim in the lagoon or stop for a bite to eat



MARKETS

Pick up a bargain from the many markets in and around Brisbane! From souvenirs, clothing, crafts, collectables and yummy food, don't miss the adventure and energy of these colourful bustling markets!

South Bank Lifestyle Markets, South Bank Parklands Friday nights 5-10pm, Saturday 10am-5pm and Sunday 9am-5pm

Riverside Markets, Eagle Street - Sunday 8am-4pm

The Valley Markets, Brunswick Street Mall - Saturday and Sunday 8am-4pm

West End Markets, Davies Park, West End - Saturday 6am-2pm

Queen Street Farmers' Markets - Queen Street (outside the Treasury Casino) - Wednesday 11am-6pm

SPORTING GROUNDS

The Gabba - It's the home of cricket in Queensland, situated in the inner city suburb of Woolloongabba and affectionately known as 'The Gabba'. Also plays host to all AFL games in Brisbane, the popular 'Aussie Rules' football code. Why not join the local supporters for a Brisbane Lion's home game?

Suncorp Stadium - One of the sporting cathedrals of Brisbane and Queensland, this ground is home to the Brisbane Broncos (rugby league), Queensland Reds (rugby union) and Queensland Roar (soccer). Just a stroll from the YHA!



DAY TRIPS

Brisbane is your gateway to an array of picturesque islands, small towns and sub tropical rainforests, all within an hour's drive or boat ride. See reception for more information or to book a day trip:

Moreton Island - Explore the magnificent sand island of Moreton Island by 4WD on a day tour, just 1 hour from Brisbane. You can take an awesome adventure tour to discover sand dunes, secluded lagoons, try sand tobogganing and feed wild dolphins. Or just hop on the ferry and relax on the beach for the day!

Stradbroke Island - Picturesque North Stradbroke Island is an enticing blend of rugged coastal landscape, pristine beaches and tranquil inland lakes. Try your hand at the fantastic scuba diving, snorkelling and surf just one hour from Brisbane. Stay at Manta Lodge YHA at Stradbroke Island's Home Beach.

Glasshouse Mountains - Situated on the Sunshine Coast's hinterland and about one hour's drive north of Brisbane, the Glasshouse Mountains offer a range of scenic drives, breathtaking scenery, eclectic markets, fabulous bush walking trails and rock climbing. Discover the villages of Montville and Maleny along the way, take a picnic and make a day of it!

Lamington and Springbrook National Parks - Set within the Gold Coast hinterland, about one hour south of Brisbane, Lamington and Springbrook National Parks make a great day trip from Brisbane. Discover the subtropical rainforest and spectacular scenery, waterfalls, a wide range of bushwalks, bird life, wineries and treetop walkways!



CITY LANDMARKS

Anzac Square, Adelaide Street

City Hall & King George Square, Ann Street

St Stephen's Cathedral, Elizabeth Street

Roma Street Parklands, behind Roma St Transit Centre

City Botanic Gardens, Alice Street

The Story Bridge, between Riverside and Kangaroo Point

EATING OUT

CBD:

Govinda's, 99 Elizabeth Street - Cheap organic vegetarian food

Boardwalk Bar & Bistro, Riparian Plaza, Eagle Street

Wagamama Noodle Bar, Wintergarden, Queen Street Mall

China Town:

The Vietnamese, 194 Wickham St, Fortitude Valley

Asian Fusion, 149 Wickham St, Fortitude Valley

The Barracks:

Hog's Breath Café, opposite YHA - Great steak at a reasonable price and YHA members get a discount!

Hanabishi - The freshest of fresh sushi!

Pub Meals:

The Story Bridge Hotel, 200 Main St, Kangaroo Point

The Plough Inn, South Bank

Breakfast Creek Hotel, 2 Kingsford Smith Drive, Albion

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PLACES OF INTEREST



- 1 Brisbane City YHA
- 2 Suncorp Stadium
- 3 Roma Street Parklands
- 4 Transit Centre
- 5 State Library
- 6 Qld Art Gallery & Museum

- 7 QPAC
- 8 Convention Centre
- 9 South Bank Parklands
- 10 Queens Street Mall
- 11 Treasury Casino
- 12 Eagle Street Pier

- 13 Kangaroo Point Cliffs
- 14 Story Bridge
- 15 Brunswick Street Mall
- 16 Power House
- 17 New Farm Park
- 18 The Gabba

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