

# **QUEENSLAND HINTERLAND EXPLORER**

## **BRISBANE - BRISBANE**

SAMPLE ITINERARY

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#### DAY 1 - Brisbane

Arrive at Brisbane Terminal aboard the Great Southern Rail and be greeted by your friendly Outback Spirit crew. Transfer to your centrally located hotel for a welcome group meeting and dinner. **D** 

Stay: 1 night Intercontinental Brisbane

### DAY 2 - Mt Tamborine - Mt Lamington

Get ready for a day full of sites and activities as we leave the city behind us for the picturesque Gold Coast hinterland. Our first stop is Tamborine Mountain, a haven for nature lovers and foodies alike. Experience the Tamborine Rainforest Skywalk, a 1.5 km trail that winds above and below the canopy, offering breathtaking views of lush rainforest and Cedar Creek's crystal-clear rock pools.

We continue to O'Reilly's Rainforest Retreat, located within Lamington National Park, a true highlight of the Scenic Rim region. This area forms part of the Gondwana Rainforests of Australia World Heritage Area, home to an incredible diversity of species, including nearly all of Australia's northern-most Antarctic Beech trees. For those keen to stretch their legs, a variety of short walks around the retreat beckon. **B.L.D** 

Stay: 2 nights O'Reilly's Rainforest Retreat

#### DAY 3 - Exploring Lamington National Park

Wake up to the sounds of the rainforest and prepare for a day immersed in nature. Choose from guided walks to Moran Falls (4.6 km return) or Pat's Bluff (5.5 km return) or opt for a gentler stroll Back at the retreat, enjoy a bird of prey demonstration, the opportunity to witness the plethora of birdlife with a daily feeding and some free time to further explore or just relax by the pool. As the day winds down, gather for sunset drinks before dinner. **B.L.D** 

DAY 4 – Mt Lamington – Spicers Hidden Vale
Start the morning with an optional short hike before
descending the mountain for a farm tour and wine tasting
at Albert River Wines. Enjoy a tasting tipple and a leisurely
lunch on the verandah at Auchenflower Restaurant, with
views back towards Tamborine Mountain.

The mountain oasis of Spicers Hidden Vale, situated amid the rolling hills of Grandchester, is our destination this afternoon. Settle into your charming accommodation before a welcoming pre-dinner drink on the deck then prepare for a delightful paddock-to-plate dining treat. After dinner, unwind with board games or a hand of cards. **B.L.D** 

Stay: 1 night Spicers Hidden Vale

DAY 5 – Spicers Hidden Vale – Brisbane – Farewell Be as active or restful as you please this morning with options of a morning yoga session before a guided nature and market garden walk. A koala safari tour on the sprawling 12,000-acre property rounds out the morning's activities.

Our final lunch will be a curated barbeque before we bid farewell to the peace and serenity of Hidden Vale to return to the city and parts further afield. Your tour ends at your Brisbane hotel accommodation or at Brisbane Airport. **B.L**