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BRISBANE THREE DAY ITINERARY



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In Brisbane for a good time but not a long time? No problem. We've curated the ideal itinerary for a short visit that's packed with things to do.

Here's how to enjoy a three-day stay in Brisbane, covering everything from urban adventures, boutique bars and delectable dining to live performances, with a touch of history and connection to nature.

DAY ONE

Morning: Cruise to [Lone Pine Koala Sanctuary](#) with [Koala & River Cruises](#)

Take a leisurely cruise along the Brisbane River from South Bank to [Lone Pine Koala Sanctuary](#) with [Koala & River Cruises](#). At Lone Pine, you can get up close and personal with koalas, kangaroos and emus, see other native wildlife and be amazed by the flying raptor and sheepdog shows.

Check into your accommodation

Select from a range of boutique, luxury and self-contained hotels, each offering stylish design and convenient locations. Check in to award-winning five star establishments such as [The Calile](#), [Emporium Hotel South Bank](#), [Crystalbrook Vincent](#) and [Spicers Balfour Hotel](#). Or opt for centrally located stays, including [Oaks Festival Suites](#), [W Brisbane](#) or [Hyatt Regency Brisbane](#), [Royal on the Park Hotel Brisbane](#) or the quirky heritage-listed [Ovolo The Valley](#).



Afternoon: Explore the City by foot

One of the best ways to get to know the city is through a local perspective, with [Urban Tours](#), [Fit City Tours](#) or [Local Sauce Tours](#) providing just that. Discover the heart of Brisbane as walking tour guides share the warmth and friendliness the city is known for, along with its fascinating stories, history and future.



Evening: Adventure awaits

Get active along the riverfront with [Riverlife Adventure Centre](#) at Kangaroo Point. This Urban adventure company offers kayaking tours, abseiling and rock-climbing experiences. For something a little more elevated book a sky-high experience with the [Story Bridge Adventure Climb](#) and be rewarded with breathtaking 360-degree views of the river and sparkling city skyline as the sun sets.

For a truly thrilling adventure, [Vertigo](#) offers an exclusive experience where guests savor a gourmet charcuterie board four stories in the air before abseiling down the heritage-listed face of the [Brisbane Powerhouse](#).



Dinner: Howard Smith Wharves

For an unforgettable dining experience, [Howard Smith Wharves](#) delivers vibrant energy and breathtaking views beneath the iconic Story Bridge, set against the shimmering Brisbane River. Take a stroll along the River before dining at [Greca](#), [Stanley Yoko](#) or [Ciao Papi](#). Soak up the atmosphere at [Felons Brewing Co.](#), or continue into the night at [Mr Percival's](#), where cocktails, ambient music and river views draw a lively crowd. Stan's, located above [Stanley Restaurant](#), offers a little slice of old-world Hong Kong, serving up standout cocktails in a unique setting.

Late Night: Rooftop bars

Stunning views and lively atmospheres await at Fortitude Valley's rooftop bars, including [Iris Rooftop](#), [Cielo Rooftop](#), [Maya Mexican](#) and [Valley Hops Brewing](#). Take in sweeping city views while sipping on creative cocktails and signature craft brews.





DAY TWO

Morning: South Bank Parklands & Cultural Centre

Soak up the vibrant energy of [South Bank](#), home to Brisbane's beloved parklands, and stroll beneath the stunning bougainvillea-covered arbour. Cool off at Streets Beach, then explore the fascinating stories of the state at the [Queensland Museum](#). Continue to [Queensland Art Gallery | Gallery of Modern Art \(GAGOMA\)](#) to explore Australia's largest collection of modern and contemporary art, or discover the stories behind the artworks over a delicious lunch at [Taste of QAGOMA Tour](#).



Lunch: Explore the City's finest culinary scene

Savour the best of Brisbane's culinary scene on a guided foodie adventure. Excite your tastebuds on a delicious food and wine journey with [Kiff & Culture](#), or hop on board [The Vino Bus](#) or [Delectable Tours](#) to discover the regions best boutique wineries, gourmet food trails and bespoke experiences.



Dinner: Queen's Wharf

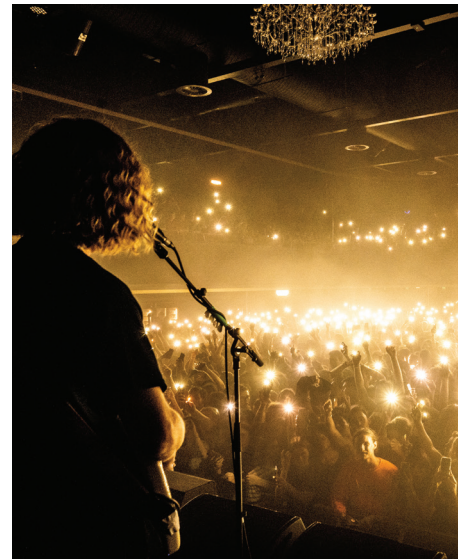
Rising above the Brisbane River, Queen's Wharf brings together a collection of standout dining experiences. [Sokyo](#) offers cutting-edge Japanese dining experience reimagined through a modern Australian lens, while [Pompette](#) transports you to France with elegant classics and a modern twist. For reimagined Asian-fusion head to [Fat Noodle](#) or [Luc Lac](#) or enjoy Mediterranean favourites at [Dark Shepherd](#) or Black Hide Steak & Seafood by Gambaro. For drinks, start a [Cherry](#) for vibrant cocktails or settle into the Sports Bar for comfort food and refreshing pours. Then take the elevator to the Sky Deck to enjoy breathtaking views at Cicadu Blu, or [Aloria](#) for refined sky-high dining.



Night: Explore Brisbane after dark

Planning to catch a gig or performance at one of Brisbane's popular live music venues? Head to [Princess Theatre](#), [The Tivoli](#), [Fortitude Music Hall](#), [The Triffid](#), [Lefty's Music Hall](#) or [Brisbane Powerhouse](#).

The city also boasts a blockbuster major events calendar, from epic international sporting showdowns to vibrant arts and cultural celebrations.





DAY THREE

Day trip: Adventure awaits at Moreton Island / Mulgumpin

Just a scenic 75-minute ferry from Brisbane, [Moreton Island/Mulgumpin](#) is a tropical haven of white sandy beaches, crystal-clear waters, ancient shipwrecks, and breathtaking sunsets. As the third largest sand island in the world, it offers the perfect balance of adventure or tranquillity, with diverse wildlife, vibrant marine life and stunning natural beauty.

Join an adventure-packed day trip with [Tangalooma Island Resort](#), [Australian Sunset Safaris](#), [See Moreton](#), [Adventure Moreton Island](#), [Tangatours](#) or a [Tangalooma Whale Watch Cruise](#) (June – October).



Soar above paradise

Experience breathtaking 360-degree views of Moreton Island/Mulgumpin with an unforgettable parasailing adventure, soaring above golden beaches, lush rainforests, and crystal-clear waters. For a true bird's-eye perspective, opt for a scenic helicopter tour over iconic sights like the Tangalooma Wrecks, towering sand dunes and Dolphin Lake, capturing the island's natural beauty.



Land-based adventures

Feel the thrill of sand tobogganing as you race down the island's giant sand dunes on a waxed board. For a more relaxed but equally fun experience, hop on an [ATV Quad Bike](#) to explore the island – suitable for all experience levels. Or, join a Segway tour along the white sandy beach, with the ocean by your side, offering a unique and laid-back way to soak in the island's beauty.

Desert thrills and sunset chills

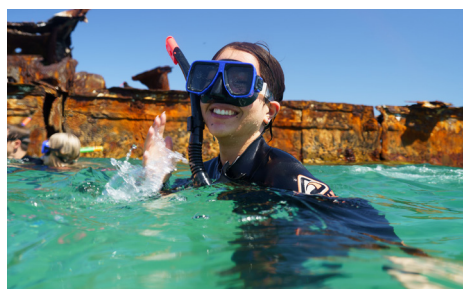
Experience the thrill of a [4WD Bus Desert Safari Day Tour](#) through the iconic sandhills of the Tangalooma Desert, where you'll race down towering dunes at speeds of up to 40km an hour and take in sweeping views of Moreton Island/Mulgumpin's stunning natural landscape. To end the day, savour the rare opportunity to witness a full East Coast sunset on a peaceful sunset cruise.



Whether by land, sea or sky, there's no shortage of incredible ways to experience Moreton Island/Mulgumpin. If you want to continue your adventures, [Tangalooma Island Resort](#) offers a range of accommodation options, including hotel rooms, family suites and beachfront villas.



Stay a little longer? If you're looking to explore more of Brisbane, head to [Visit Brisbane](#) for more inspiration and ideas.



Tangalooma Wrecks

Discover the world-famous [Tangalooma Wrecks](#), where 15 deliberately sunken ships have transformed into vibrant artificial reefs, now teeming with colourful fish, coral and marine life. Snorkel through crystal-clear waters to explore this underwater haven, or stay dry and glide over the wrecks in a clear-bottom kayak for a unique view of the thriving ecosystem below.

