



# FRASER COAST must do's

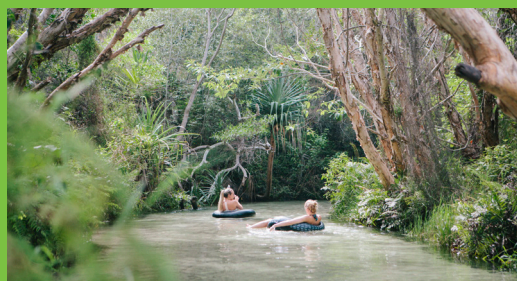
Experience Australia's best nature based playground  
with these must see and do's.

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# Fraser Island



Float down Eli Creek, a fresh-water stream pouring 4.2 million litres of water into the ocean each hour.



Enjoy a scenic flight in a plane that takes off and lands on a beach runway. One of only two places in the world and the only place in Australia where you can experience this.



Staying on the mainland? Not a problem - there are daily guided tours from Hervey Bay that have one, two- or three-day options available.

Drink in the beauty of the blue hues of Lake McKenzie.

Stay at one of the resorts, holiday homes or cabins on the island. Or take a self-drive, camping getaway.

With half of the world's freshwater perched lakes on the island, there are many more to see as well, including Lake Wabby, Lake Birrabeen and Lake Allom.



Stand dwarfed by centuries-old trees in the rainforests of Central Station or Pile Valley.

Experience the thrill of the great beach drive, zooming along 75 Mile Beach.

Hike 90km of trails on the Great Walk self or guided tours.

Relax in the frothy bubbles of the Champagne Pools - naturally formed pools of volcanic rock.





# Hervey Bay



Hop aboard one of 10 vessels between July and November for breathtaking, up close and personal interactions with whales that stop in the bay to rest and play.

Jump in and swim with the mighty Humpback Whales.



Motor out of the marina to spot dolphins, turtles & other wildlife on a morning voyage, head across to Fraser Island on a beach and BBQ tour or sip champagne on a sunset cruise.

Tuck into mouth-watering seafood, including Hervey Bay's famous scallops caught fresh in local waters.

Dive on the Australian Navy's first purpose-amphibious heavy lift ship, the ex-HMAS Tobruk, which was scuttled in June and set to open for diving in early 2019.

Cast a line into creeks, river, and vast sand flats, around inshore island and off beaches or jetties to hook a prize catch in one of the most diverse fisheries in Australia.



Jump on a jet ski and zip across to Fraser Island or Pelican Bank and its brilliant white sand surrounded by sparkling clear water.

Stroll along century-old Urangan Pier, one of the longest in Australia at 868m long.

Bask on sandy beaches and take a dip in the usually calm waters.

Walk or ride a bicycle along the 16km pathway that runs beside the ocean, breathing in salt air.



# Maryborough



Pose for a photo with the statue of Mary Poppins outside the historic bank building where the author was born or with the quirky pedestrian lights featuring silhouettes of the famous nanny.



Delve further into military history via the Fraser Coast Military Trail which includes a stop at the Maryborough Military and Colonial Museum housing one of the world's largest collections of war memorabilia.



Hear captivating tales of the city's colonial past while nibbling on a tasting plate and sipping liqueurs in an 1850s spirit warehouse built in the early colonial days, at the Bond Store.

Take a walk through the Maryborough City Markets every Thursday.

Head out to the popular Fraser Coast Wildlife Sanctuary and kiss a camel, feed kangaroos, or howl with the dingoes.

Listen to marching feet and hear the whispered stories of soldiers at the world-class Walk with the Anzacs Gallipoli to Armistice Memorial in Queens Park.



Visit the Banyon tree in Maryborough's Queen's Park and play the outdoor instruments.

Take a ride on the full size replica steam train 'Mary Ann' first built in Maryborough.

Sit back and listen to live music, overlooking the river at the Brolga Theatre.

Visit the Whistlestop Museum and view the collection of railway memorabilia.





# Lady Elliot Island

Visit the Reef Education Centre and learn about snorkel and dive sites around the island and experience the 'touch and feel' boxes of coral and shells.



Step off the beach right into the healthy coral reef to see a diverse mix of marine animals including brilliant blue starfish, sea cucumbers and clams.

Scuba dive with majestic manta rays. The island has been named as one of the top five destinations in the world to dive with these graceful creatures.



Snorkel close to shore with turtles, manta rays, reef sharks and an incredible variety of colourful fish - big and small.

Book a guided Reef Walk and get up close and personal with the stunning marine life.

Tick off the 'Great Eight' by searching for these great sea creatures - Clownfish, Giant Clams, Manta Rays, Maori Wrasse, Potato Cod, Sharks, Turtles & Whales.



Explore the wonders of the Great Barrier Reef with a guided Clear Bottom Kayak Tour.

Go on a guided Island Discover Tour & learn about the history, vegetation and birdlife of Lady Elliot,

Experience the magic of turtle hatching as the baby turtles head to sea.

Have a digital detox on LEI. There is no tv, wifi, phones. A perfect getaway.