

IPWEAQ CENTRAL QUEENSLAND CONFERENCE

PARTNERS GUIDE



Bundaberg Rum
Bundaberg, Bundaberg Area
Phone: 4131 2999
Web: www.bundabergrum.com.au

In 1888, the first barrel of Bundaberg Rum literally rolled out of the production line. 124 years later, Bundaberg Rum, through its trials and tribulations, has gained recognition as one of Australia's famous Aussie spirits. In 1986 the Bundaberg Distilling Company appointed its first tour guide and demand soon saw the need to expand the tourist operation.

A guided tour will have you look, feel and taste your way through the making of the Famous Aussie Spirit. Starting with the raw material molasses, to the aromas of maturing spirit, your temptations will run high for a refreshing sample in the bar with a variety of Bundy mixes and Rum liqueur based drinks.

The Distillery Tours are run ON the hour EVERY hour from
10:00AM - 3:00PM, Monday – Friday
10:00AM - 2:00PM, Saturday - Sunday & Public Holidays

Bundaberg Brewed Drinks
Bundaberg, Bundaberg Area
Phone: 1800 629 923
Web: www.bundaberg.com

Our family-owned brewery now has a number of different beverages, but we'll always be known for one - our ginger beer. Bundaberg Ginger Beer is market leader in both Australia and New Zealand. So what makes us so popular?

Discover the secrets of Bundaberg Ginger Beer with a variety of hands-on activities at the home of ginger beer.

Take an amazing journey through the True Brew Experience Tour. Use our interactive touch screens to see what happens to the humble ginger root as it's mashed, crushed, brewed and fermented to make the world's finest ginger beer.

Treat yourself to an amazing 15 minute 3D hologram adventure with "Doug's Promised Land" in our theatre.



After you've learnt where it all began, how far we've come, and what we do, it is time to start tasting. Our Sampling Bar offers free product tastings of our whole range of brewed drinks - at last count there were eleven delicious flavours, including our Ginger Beer. Then have a browse in the gift shop, we always have new and interesting gifts.

So round up the family and come and visit us, take the entertaining True Brew Experience Tour, and of course pick up a few Bundaberg drinks to take home.

Turtles

Mon Repos Beach, Bundaberg Area



At Mon Repos Beach on Bundaberg's coastline some very special marine visitors have established East Coast Australia's largest and most accessible mainland turtle rookery. Mon Repos is the largest loggerhead turtle rookery in the South Pacific and has seen a steady increase in turtle numbers over the years due to the conservation efforts of the Queensland National Parks team.

Loggerhead, Green and Flatback turtles come ashore from November to February and it is an amazing sight to see these huge creatures heaving their way up the beach to find a safe spot to dig a nest and lay their eggs. Some six to eight weeks later the tiny hatchlings may be seen emerging from their sandy nests to head towards the sea (early January until late March - 2012 season extended to Mon 9th April, 2012). The sex of baby turtles is determined by the temperature of their nests. The golden sands of Mon Repos are just that bit warmer and produce mostly females, whilst the white coral sands of the islands such as Lady Elliot produce mostly males. It's easy to remember "the girls are hot...the boys are cool". Only one in one thousand turtles survive to maturity and the females born at Mon Repos return some thirty years after birth to breed, nest and start the cycle again.

Mon Repos is an easy 14km drive from Bundaberg or just five minutes drive from Bargara. The area is a Conservation Park designed to protect the turtles, ensure their ongoing use of the area and provide opportunities for turtle watching. Loggerhead Turtles are an endangered species and access to the beach is limited during the season and rangers conduct guided walks each night.

The Mon Repos visitor centre has been set up to understand and appreciate turtle biology, take the time to look at the displays and browse through the shop. Ranger shows and videos are presented in the outdoor amphitheatre (weather permitting). Bookings can be made through Bundaberg North Burnett Tourism by telephoning 4153 8888 or online at www.bookbundabergregion.com.au. Family tickets cannot be booked online.

Botanic Gardens

Bundaberg, Bundaberg Area



A great way to spend a day in the Bundaberg Region is in the sub-tropical surrounds of the Bundaberg Botanic Gardens.

Located on Mt Perry Road on the city's northern outskirts, the Botanic Gardens sprawl over 27 hectares of land and feature a variety of 10,000 trees and shrubs. A magnificent lake, creating a habitat attracting up to 114 species of birds, is centrepiece of the Botanic Gardens, while a wedding chapel, plant nursery, shaded picnic areas, themed boardwalks, Japanese gardens and children's playground enhance the appeal of one of Bundaberg's favourite lifestyle precincts.

The Bundaberg Botanic Gardens are open to the public from 5:30am til 6:45pm during the months September to April, and from 6:30am til 6pm during the months May to August.

Pivotal to the attractiveness of the Botanic Gardens are the wide variety of tourist attractions and visitor experiences on offer within the precinct. These include the Hinkler Hall of Aviation and its exhibits including Hinkler House and Fairymead House, Café 1928, the Bundaberg & District Historical Museum, the Australian Sugarcane Railway and the nearby Bundaberg Railway Museum.

Hinkler Hall of Aviation

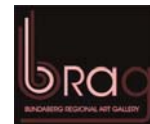
The Hinkler Hall of Aviation is the Bundaberg Regional Council's major tourist attraction and visitor attraction. Themed around the adventures and achievements of local pioneer solo aviator Bert Hinkler, this attraction provides visitors with a fascinating insight into early aviation, and the contribution made by local pioneers.

Enjoy an interesting and fun-filled day for the whole family while you explore various interpretive exhibits, flight simulator, five replica aircraft, the Globe Theatre and the meticulously restored Hinkler House and Fairymead House.

The Hinkler Hall of Aviation also features a retail outlet, exhibition gallery, artifact preservation and restoration workshops and adjoining café. Our friendly team caters for organised tours and we have a thorough Education Program in place to assist school-based education visits.

Visit the Hinkler Hall of Aviation website (<http://hinklerhallofaviation.com/>) to learn more about our state-of-the-art visitor attraction and aviation adventure experience.

Bundaberg Regional Art Gallery
Bundaberg, Bundaberg Area
Phone: 07 4130 4750
Email: hellobrag@bundaberg.qld.gov.au
Web: www.brag-brc.org.au



Description

The Bundaberg Regional Art Gallery (BRAG) is a large multi-purpose visual arts facility located in the heart of Bundaberg City, and is within walking distance to major shopping centres, cafes and restaurants and the Riverside Parklands.

The Gallery showcases exhibitions drawn from local, state, national and international artists, and includes a gift shop, artist-in-residence apartment and workshop areas.

Mystery Craters

South Kolan, Bundaberg Area
Phone: 07 4157 7291
Email: mysterycraters@gmail.com
Web: www.mysterycraters.com.au

Description

Visiting the Mystery Craters is a journey of discovery! Halfway between Bundaberg and Gin Gin is Australia's most baffling phenomenon. Since their discovery in 1971, the origins of the 35 oddly shaped craters have remained the subject of controversy. The mottled mixture of sandstone and ochre stain have been the subject of many investigations and various theories have been offered.

Mystery Craters have been featured on many documentaries including Unsolved Mysteries of the World, Getaway, Ripley's Believe It Or Not, Great South East, Creek to Coast, Caravan and Motor Home magazine, and more!

A giant mural greets you and as you enter the kiosk some wonderful gifts, souvenirs, and rock samples are on display. Light snacks, coffee, tea, cold drinks, and ice creams are available for your pleasure.

Through the archway you will find original photographs of the property and how the craters were discovered. Walk over the covered verandah, down the path, past the fairy garden, and you will come to the fantastic formation. A viewing tower is complimented by an informative commentary at the touch of a button.

To complete your tour, visit the collection of pioneer memorabilia and fascinating rock and fossil display. See it, love it!

Great Barrier Reef Day Trip to Lady Elliot Island

Multiple Locations

Phone: 07 5536 3644
Email: reservations@ladyelliott.com.au
Web: www.ladyelliott.com.au



Description

Lady Elliot is a true coral cay island located at the southern tip of the Great Barrier Reef. The island is regarded as one of the best snorkelling and diving locations in Australia and is famous for its unspoilt coral reef and amazing array of spectacular marine life! The Great Barrier Reef Day Trip to Lady Elliot Island provides guests with a unique opportunity to explore the reef from the air, a glass bottom boat and the water... all in one day!

The combined glass bottom boat/guided snorkel tour is the best way to explore this wonderful underwater world of brilliantly coloured species of marine life including coral, fish, clams, sea stars, turtles, dolphins and manta rays. The day trip includes return scenic air flights, free use of snorkel equipment, use of day guest facilities, combined glass bottom boat/guided snorkel tour, a delicious buffet lunch in the restaurant and a guided afternoon activity.

The Great Barrier Reef Day Trip departs daily from the Hervey Bay/Fraser Coast and Bundaberg. The Great Barrier Reef Day Tour is a fully guided tour departing daily from the Gold Coast (Coolangatta), Brisbane (Redcliffe) and the Sunshine Coast (Maroochydore) making the Great Barrier Reef easily accessible to all.

Vintners Secret Vineyard, Cellar Door and Café

Childers, Bundaberg Area

Phone: 07 4126 1255

Email: info@vintnerssecret.com.au

Web: www.vintnerssecret.com.au

Description

Vintner's Secret is a boutique vineyard nestled in the fertile Isis District only two kilometres from the historic township of Childers. It grows both red and white grape varieties and produces award-wines that are sold from a cellar door located on the picturesque property. Open seven days a week from 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m., it offers something to all ages. Beautiful strolling gardens, art space display, for children an animal nursery, picnic baskets, group tours, special events, corporate events and barbecue facilities.

The winery has immaculate amenities, is mobility aids accessible and has an alfresco cafe, offering refreshments and light meals.

The experiences offer something to all ages and interests. There is ample parking space and turning for large vehicles. Group tours need to book prior to visiting to ensure best possible service. Wedding and other special celebrations are welcome.

Burnett River Cruises

Multiple Locations

Phone: 07 4152 9188

Email: info@burnettrivercruises.com.au

Web: www.burnettrivercruises.com.au

Description

Enjoy a relaxing two and a half hour river cruise on the beautiful Burnett River aboard the fully restored classic river ferry, the gorgeous Bundy Belle. Tours depart from the Riverside Parklands Ferry Terminal and include full commentary of the river's colourful history.

See the famous Bundaberg Rum Distillery, the Bulk Sugar Terminal, the ocean going yachts moored at the Bundaberg Marina and the trawlers unloading at the seafood processing plants. Enjoy the tranquillity of the river's lower reaches - sit back in comfort in the roomy cabin or upstairs on the deck and see the resident dolphins in this magnificent river system.



Complimentary tea, coffee and biscuits on board. Bring your own cold drinks.

Snakes Downunder Reptile Park

Childers, Bundaberg Area

Phone: 07 4126 3332

Email: snakesdownunder@westnet.com.au

Web: www.snakesdownunder.com

Description

Exciting, informative, educational - that's the promise when you visit Snakes Downunder Reptile Park and take in the live snake-handling shows and croc feeding demonstrations held each day of operation. Visitors have the unique opportunity of seeing Australia's most venomous snakes and beautiful lizards and amphibians in their natural habitats simulated in specially designed enclosures.

Photo opportunities are available with twice daily handling sessions of a python and young saltwater crocodile. Refreshments and souvenirs are available from the kiosk.

Shopping Centres

Bundaberg Area

Bundaberg Plaza	Maryborough Street, Bundaberg
City Centre Arcade	Woongarra Street, Bundaberg
Hinkler Central	16 Maryborough Street, Bundaberg
Rounds Arcade	Bourbong Street, Bundaberg
Royal Arcade	Barolin Street, Bundaberg
Southside Central	Cnr Barolin & Walker Streets, Bundaberg
Sugarland Shopping Centre	107 Takalvan Street, Bundaberg
Bundaberg Port Marina	Moffat Street, Port

Beauty Salons

Bundaberg Area

Beauty Salon Bundaberg	22 Tarakan Street, Bundaberg – 4152 3222
Down to Earth Hair Organic Salon	54 Woongarra Street, Bundaberg – 4152 8222
Paradise Skin & Beauty	191-193 Bourbong Street, Bundaberg – 4153 1888
Aqualine Beauty & Day Spa	150 Woongarra Street, Bundaberg – 4151 1405
Astara Cosmetic Skin Clinic	32 Crofton Street, Bundaberg – 4152 8133
Vanessa Morgan Skin Management Centre	53 Watson Street, Bundaberg – 4153 2766

Restaurants/Cafes

Bundaberg Area

Bargara Berries Bar & Café	100 Hughes Road, Bargara – 4159 1245
Baltimore Café	Marina Drive, Port – 4159 5200
Bargara Lakes Tavern	Bargara Lakes Drive, Bargara – 4154 7666
Brothers Sports Club	Takalvan Street – 4151 3532
Kacys Restaurant & Wine Bar	The Esplanade, Bargara – 4130 1100
Across The Waves Sports Club	1 Miller Street, Bundaberg – 4152 1531
H2O Bar & Restaurant	7 Quay Street, Bundaberg – 4155 8788
Hakuna Matata Bargara	The Esplanade, Bargara – 4159 0022
Windmill at Bargara	12 See Street, Bargara – 0415 533 035
The Coffee Club	Sugarland Shopping Centre, Bundaberg – 4154 3660
