

SURF TO COUNTRY TOUR

10 DAYS / 10 NIGHTS



Harley Davidson
SELF RIDE GUIDED TOURS

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ENJOY SOME OF THE BEST SCENERY IN AUSTRALIA, CUDDLE A KOALA, VISIT THE COUNTRY MUSIC CAPITAL OF AUSTRALIA AND THE UNIQUE GRANITE BELT WITH ITS ABUNDANT WINERY'S. THIS TOUR WILL GIVE YOU A PERFECT SNAPSHOT OF AUSTRALIA FROM THE BEAUTIFUL BEACHES TO OUR UNIQUE COUNTRYSIDE.

CURRUMBIN WILDLIFE SANCTUARY



Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary is the Gold Coast's leading native wildlife and coastal rainforest experience. With hundreds of native Australian animals on display in natural bushland and rainforest surroundings, they provide a rare opportunity to get closer to our amazing native wildlife. See a variety of Australian wildlife including the crocodiles being fed, cuddle a koala or pet and feed the kangaroos. You can also visit the animal hospital.

BYRON BAY

Byron Bay is a unique blend of art & surf lifestyle, everything is relaxed here, there is no sense of urgency. We will visit the lighthouse on the most eastern part of Australia.



COFFS HARBOUR & SURROUNDING AREA



Coffs Harbour is a beautiful city on the mid north NSW coast. It has many attractions including the quirky "Big Banana". The area also boasts spectacular scenery whilst riding along the Waterfall Way between Coffs & Tamworth.

TAMWORTH

Tamworth is the Australian Country Music Capital and home to the largest Country Music Festival in the Southern Hemisphere. The city has an extensive repertoire of attractions from the natural wonders of Mother Nature to its cultural and artistic offerings, including the Powerhouse Motorcycle Museum.

BUNDABERG RUM DISTILLERY

On the tour you will see, smell and taste your way through the rum production process, a visit to this famous rum distillery will have your taste buds racing. This tour takes you through the rum making process from raw molasses to the incredible aromas of the maturing spirit. Enjoy a taste of this uniquely Australian rum in the bar with a variety of Bundy mixes and Rum liqueur based drinks. You will have the opportunity to purchase merchandise and unique souvenirs.

RAINBOW BEACH

A beautiful small town with incredible beaches and towering colourful sandstone cliffs. Rainbow Beach is also the gateway to Fraser Island, the world's largest sand island. This is a must see destination.



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MEET & GREET MERCURE HOTEL GOLD COAST

Make your way to this top class hotel, situated just minutes from Broadbeach surrounded by the pristine greens and fairways of Palm Meadows Golf Course. Relax and enjoy your spacious well appointed room, enjoy a game of golf, a swim in the resort style pool, or make use of the other luxury facilities such as the Sauna & Spa Bath / Jacuzzi. We will all meet at a designated time for a briefing on tour requirements & arrangements, and to chat with your fellow travelers and answer any questions you may have regarding the tour.

Overnight stay on the Gold Coast

DAY 1 GOLD COAST TO BYRON BAY

After collecting the bikes and doing the necessary paperwork we will depart the Gold Coast, heading south making our first stop at Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary, a nature park filled with Australian Wildlife. Take the opportunity to cuddle a Koala and hand feed the Kangaroos. From there we ride along the coast past spectacular Kirra Beach and up to the cliff top at Pt Danger, where the borders of Qld & NSW meet. Take the obligatory picture with one foot in each state with the sparkling Pacific Ocean in the background. Next we will head out through the cool Tweed Valley with its picture perfect vistas of patchwork fields, sugar cane plantations and natural wooded areas. Pass through charming country towns as we wind our way towards the famous coastal town of Byron Bay well known for its laidback lifestyle and charming shopping precinct. Visit the Byron Bay lighthouse and stand on the most Easterly Point of Australia

Overnight stay in Byron Bay 95 km 1.5 hrs

7PM OFFICIAL WELCOME DINNER

Enjoy food and fellowship with your tour team and guides. This will be a fun night and a great opportunity to share the first days riding experiences and have any questions you may have answered.

DAY 2 BYRON BAY TO COFFS HARBOUR

As we leave Byron Bay we will head inland and enjoy beautiful roads with large sweeping curves as we pass through some of the prettiest country towns in Australia, such as Bangalow, Newrybar and the Hippie Town of Nimbin. We will pass the unmistakable peak of Mt Warning which is the volcanic plug of the now gone Tweed Volcano. The scenery today ranges from cane fields to farmland and many National Parks with spectacular views towards the coast and Pacific Ocean. We will stop for lunch at one of the many wonderful cafes offering world class local produce and coffee. Next stop is "The Big Banana" for a great photo opportunity. We will overnight in the friendly beachside city of Coffs Harbour. This beachside city sits in a unique position where the Great Dividing Range escarpment meets the Australian East Coast. The subtropical city lies between the forested hills and sparkling blue waters

Overnight Coffs Harbour 240 km 3 hrs

DAY 3 COFFS HARBOUR TO TAMWORTH

Departing Coffs Harbour we will take The Waterfall Way a scenic drive from Coffs Harbour on the NSW North Coast through the beautiful tablelands of the New England region. The 191 km touring route winds inland from the Pacific Highway, through Bellingen, up to Dorrigo and further to the quaint town of Armidale where we will stop for lunch. The spectacular landscape changes from national parks to lush countryside, rainforest and wide open plains. Along the way are plenty of natural attractions to enjoy.

Dorrigo National Park has a series of elevated boardwalks that allow you to see the beauty and wildlife of a subtropical rainforest. The scenic drive traverses five national parks and winds through lush rainforest, waterfalls, open woodlands and farmland. We will then head to Tamworth, the home of Australian Country music and The Powerhouse Motorcycle Museum which we will visit. Other attractions include the Australian Country Music Hall of Fame & The Big Golden Guitar Tourist Centre.

Overnight stay in Tamworth 300 km 4 hrs

DAY 4 TAMWORTH TO STANTHORPE

Today we will have a later start to provide time to visit attractions in the morning before we hit the road and head for Stanthorpe situated on the Granite Belt. We have quite a long ride today but it is easy riding on good roads. We will overnight in Stanthorpe, a country town well known for its great wineries, 40 in total and The Girrawheen National Park.

We will visit the Granite Belt Brewery which is the only brewery in the Southern Downs where you can experience fresh beer on tap, straight from the brewery. See how the brewery works from the viewing lounge. Feel and smell the ingredients and have the brewing process explained by friendly staff or by the brewer. Try a tasting paddle of the 6 beers on offer. Great food is also available.

Overnight stay in Stanthorpe 360 km 4.5 hrs

DAY 5 STANTHORPE TO KINGAROY

Our first stop after leaving Stanthorpe is the small town of Warwick where majestic sandstone buildings, grand homesteads and colonial cottages make up this small bustling community. Next stop will be Toowoomba home of the Cobb and Co Museum which houses the National Carriage Collection, featuring nearly 50 horse-drawn vehicles. There is also a range of galleries featuring the natural and cultural history of Toowoomba and the Darling Downs.

This town also boasts the Heritage listed art deco Empire Theatre. From here we will head to Jondaryan Woolshed. Built in 1859, it was the grandest and largest woolshed in the world. The Jondaryan Woolshed is still the largest most original of any woolshed in Australia. Time permitting we will take a guided interpretive tour of the Woolshed and surrounding heritage buildings for a wonderful insight into Australian colonial heritage. The guided tour also includes a Sheep Shearing Demonstration. From here we will ride on to Kingaroy, locally known as the "Peanut Capital" of Australia.

Overnight stay in Kingaroy 320 km 4 hrs

DAY 6 KINGAROY TO BUNDABERG

Today we have an easy ride through the stunning South Burnett / Wide Bay region of country Queensland, passing through the charming town of Childers towards our overnight stop in Bundaberg. Here we will visit the Bundaberg Rum Distillery.

A visit to this famous icon will have your taste buds racing. This tour takes you through the rum making process from raw molasses to the incredible aromas of the maturing spirit. Enjoy a taste of this uniquely Australian rum in the bar with a variety of mixes and Rum liqueur based drinks. You will have the opportunity to purchase merchandise and unique souvenirs.

Overnight stay in Bundaberg 280 km 3.5 hrs

DAY 7 BUNDABERG TO RAINBOW BEACH

A change of pace today as we head south towards the coast, passing through Queensland's sugar cane region. We will stop for lunch in Maryborough with its beautifully preserved colonial streets once the home of merchant banks and opium dens. Soak up the history and heritage architecture of what was once one of Australia's largest and busiest ports. Settled in 1847, Maryborough's fascinating past is easily recognizable in its gloriously preserved colonial architecture and magnificent riverside parks. You can also jump right into the magical world of Mary Poppins who is the famous, fictional creation of Pamela Lyndon Travers, who was born above a bank building in Maryborough in 1899. Leaving Maryborough we will head on to Rainbow Beach for a 2 night stay. This town of rolling surf and kilometers of unspoilt, white sandy beaches takes its name from the towering coloured sand cliffs nearby which are part of an aboriginal legend. The legend states that an ancient aboriginal god threw himself into the sand cliffs in a fight over a woman, colouring them forever. This former sand mining town is perfectly situated as the "Gateway to Fraser Island", but Rainbow Beach has so many attractions that it's an eco-tourism destination in its own right. Other outstanding natural attractions include The Coloured Sands & Carlo Blow Hole.

Overnight stay in Rainbow Beach

210 km 3 hrs

DAY 8 RAINBOW BEACH – FREE DAY TO ENJOY MANY OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES ON OFFER

Fraser Island Full Day Trip (highly recommended) – Take a visit to the world's largest sand island. The 1 Day Fraser Island Explorer Tour from Rainbow Beach will see you relaxing in the beautiful waters of Lake McKenzie or sunbaking on its gorgeous shores, travel along 75 Mile Beach (seeing the wreck of the cruise ship Maheno on the way), swim in the amazingly natural Eli Creek with fish so tame they swim between your toes and more – all in 1 Day! This is the perfect Fraser Island tour for those wanting an affordable 1 Day Fraser Island Tour that allows you to see the best of Fraser Island.

Inclusions: Buffet Lunch • Courtesy Pick-up from Accommodation • Ferry/Barge Transfer Fees • National Park Fees • Experienced Tour Guide

The Coloured Sands - Walk eastwards from the township of Rainbow Beach and you will see enormous, impressive sandy cliffs, which can be up to 200 metres in height with as many as 72 different coloured sands, which it has been said have been forming since the last ice age.

Carlo Sand Blow - A sand blow is a massive moving sand dune, and the walk out to the Carlo Sand Blow is an easy 10 minute walk rewarded by fantastic views over the Wide Bay Bar and ocean on one side, and the Glasshouse Mountains on the other (fantastic at sunset).

Overnight stay in Rainbow Beach

DAY 9 RAINBOW BEACH TO MOOLOOLABAH

Today we will head into the spectacular Sunshine Coast Hinterland as we cruise towards the vibrant coastal town of Mooloolabah. During our travels today the breathtaking scenery of the Sunshine Coast hinterland will rise and fall around you. We will pass through wonderful country towns and stop at the "Bellbird Biker Café" for coffee before continuing on to Montville, known as 'The Creative Heart of the Sunshine Coast', for lunch. Montville has a true village charm. You will find a pleasant blend of Tudor, Irish and English cottages of log or stone, Swiss and Bavarian chalets, an old mill water-wheel, colonial and old Queenslanders and of course, one of the most spectacular and panoramic views over a coastal plain one could find in Australia. Experience the myriad of art galleries, pottery studios, craft cottages, fashion houses, gift and antique shops, specialty shops and more. From here we will head down the Blackall Range and into Mooloolabah for our last overnight stop and farewell dinner. After checking into your comfortable accommodation there are a number of activities on offer.

- Enjoy a swim in the ocean or your hotel pool
- Visit Mooloolabah Underwater World
- Take a short ride out to Buderim Ginger Factory
- Explore the great cafes and shops on offer
- Simply enjoy a walk along the beautiful beach

Overnight stay in Mooloolabah with farewell dinner

200 km 3 hrs

DAY 10 MOOLOOLABAH TO GOLD COAST HARLEY DAVIDSON – HEAD HOME

Today after a final relaxing breakfast we will begin our journey back to the Gold Coast. We will head south on the Bruce Highway and stop at the quirky Etamogah Pub, made famous in the comic strip "Footrot Flats". Continuing on you will see the World Heritage listed Glass House Mountains, a group of eleven hills that rise abruptly from the coastal plain in Queensland's Sunshine Coast hinterland. The highest mountain is Mount Beerwah. This area was a special meeting place where many Aboriginal people gathered for ceremonies and trading. Many ceremonial sites are still present today. We then head inland towards Daguilar National Park. The roads today are a bike riders dream with long sweeping curves, little traffic and incredible vistas that will take your breath away. Arriving at Mt Mee will stop at the Pitt Stop Café, for morning tea / lunch. This café is renowned for its incredible views and great food. The final leg of our journey will take us over the the Gateway Bridge, crossing the Brisbane River with a great view west towards the city of Brisbane. From this point we have another hours riding to reach Gold Coast Harley Davidson to drop off our bikes and farewell our fellow travellers.

356km 4hrs

INCLUSIONS

- Late Model Harley Davidson
- Legal Helmet
- Experienced Tour Leader
- Support Vehicle, inc space for small luggage
- Welcome & Farewell Dinners
- Hotel Accommodation inc breakfast
- Toll Charges
- Tour Video
- GST (Goods & Services Tax)

Entry to:

- Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary
- Byron Bay lighthouse
- The Powerhouse Motorcycle Museum Tamworth
- Jondaryan Woolshed
- Bundaberg Rum Distillery

EXCLUSIONS

- Airfare & any required visas
- All food (unless specified above) & Snacks inc mini bar
- Fuel & Oil
- Tips
- Souvenirs
- Alcohol & Beverages
- Insurance excess

OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Cobb and Co Museum Toowoomba \$15 per person
- Fraser Island 1 day Tour approx \$190 per person
- Mooloolabah Underwater World \$ 40 per person
- Take a short ride to Buderim Ginger Factory – Free entry, charges apply for other activities

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