

# CAIRNS TO MELBOURNE: A SELF GUIDED MOTORCYCLE TOUR



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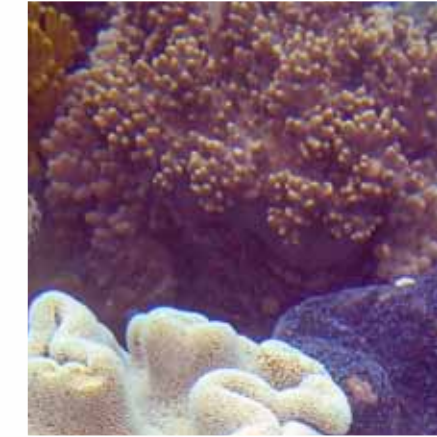


# The Great Barrier Reef & Cairns

You can't actually get to the Barrier Reef on your bike of course, but the ride to the beach is pretty spectacular.

One of Australia's most remarkable natural gifts, the [Great Barrier Reef](#) is a place of breathtaking beauty, but then it is the world's largest coral reef after all. Picturesque tropical islands lazily break the surface of the water, to provide some of the worlds most beautiful sun-soaked, golden beaches.

Teeming with aquatic life, you'll discover giant clams, turtles, shoals of colourful fish and hundreds of coral species. Above, below or gazing at the waters from the comfort of a boat, the Barrier Reef is one of those things you simply must see.





# Cape Tribulation







## Cape Tribulation

Coconut lined beaches which fringe the lush rainforest are just one of the many reasons to visit the Cape. The trees themselves seem to be actively searching for a some beach based relaxation, they're that close to the water's edge.

There aren't many places on earth you can be enjoying invigorating roads from the back of your bike one minute, and be listening to the bird song and insect chatter of the rainforest whilst indulging in a picnic on the beach the next.

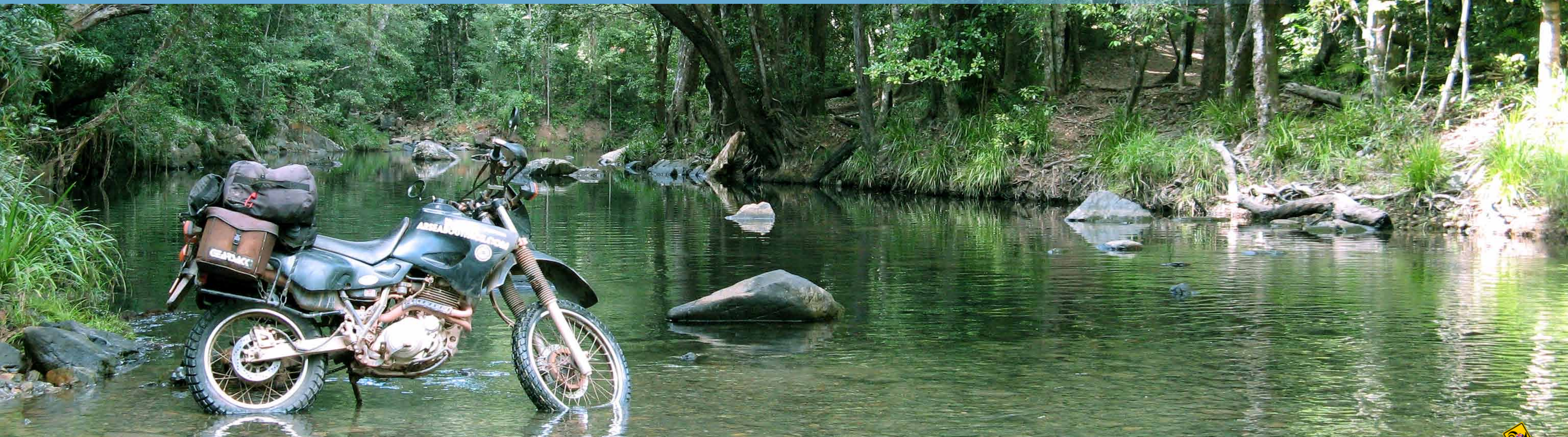








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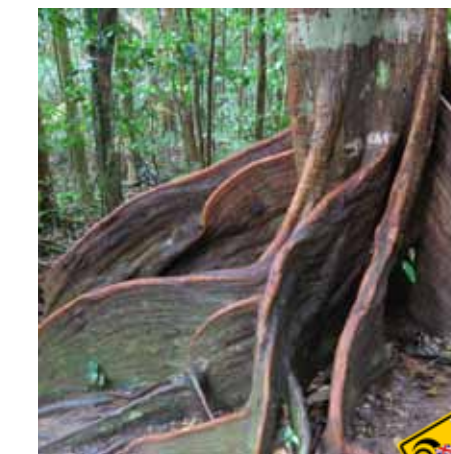




# The Daintree Rainforest

Discover relaxed tropical towns, ribbons of beach stretching as far as the eye can see, excitement, adventure and the most ancient rainforest on earth spilling down from the mountainous highlands. All that, and some great riding too.

Simply paradise!





# Atherton Tablelands







## Atherton Tablelands

Superb rolling green scenery, complimented with some of the most beautiful waterfalls in Australia on the aptly titled [Waterfall Circuit](#). Visit the 500 year old [Curtain Fig Tree](#) and revel in the fantastic biking roads in this varied, undulating landscape, where World Heritage rainforest and traditional farming meet.









# Whitsunday Islands





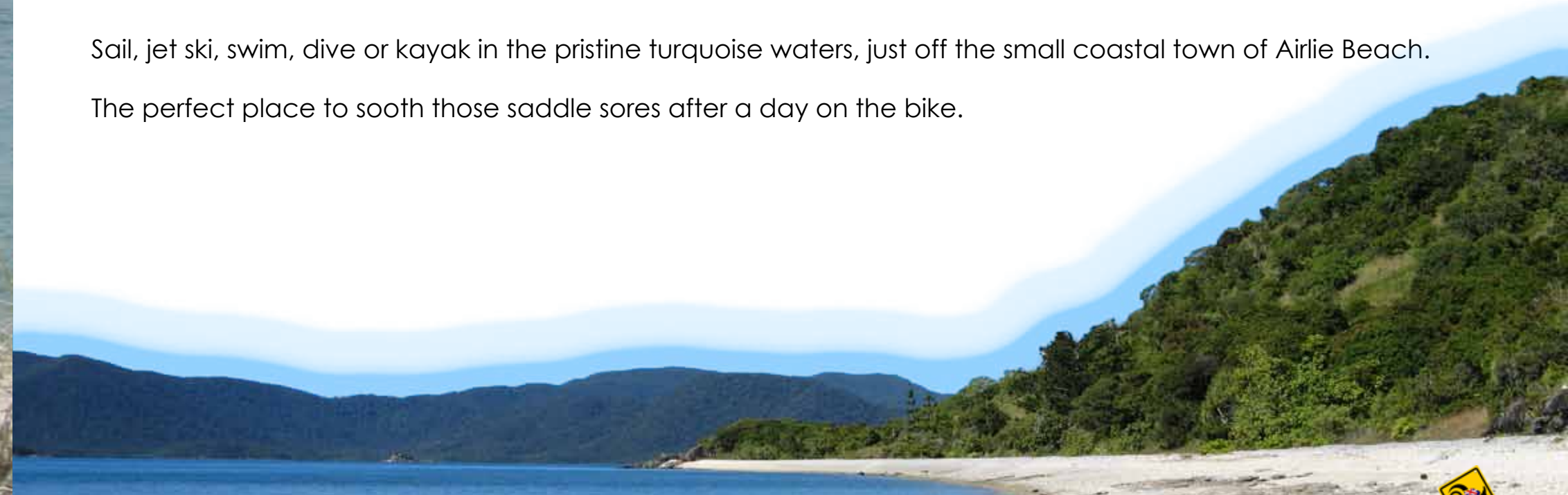


## Whitsunday Islands

That perfect island paradise you've had an image of in your head for years? That's somewhere in the Whitsundays. There's no limit to the wonder of this incredible series of 74 tropical coral islands, right in the heart of the Great Barrier Reef.

Sail, jet ski, swim, dive or kayak in the pristine turquoise waters, just off the small coastal town of Airlie Beach.

The perfect place to sooth those saddle sores after a day on the bike.

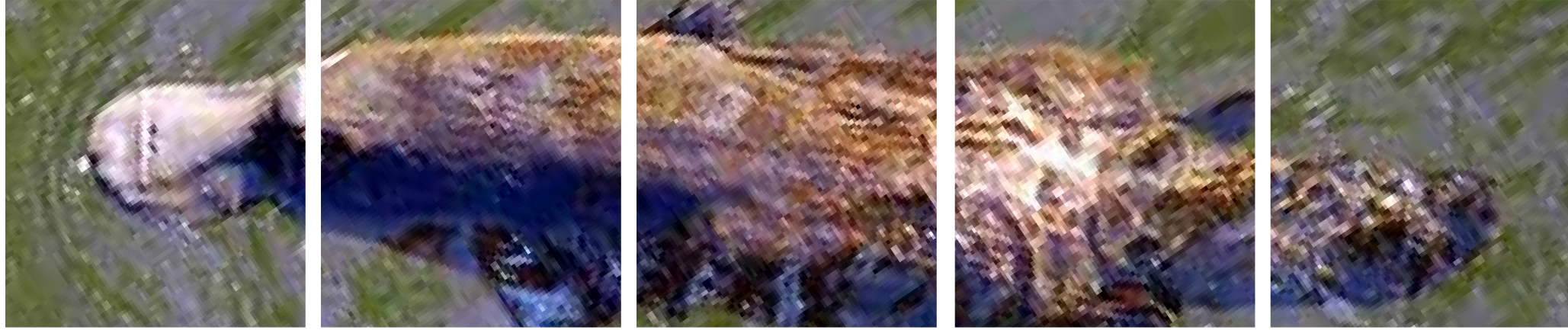






# Eungella National Park

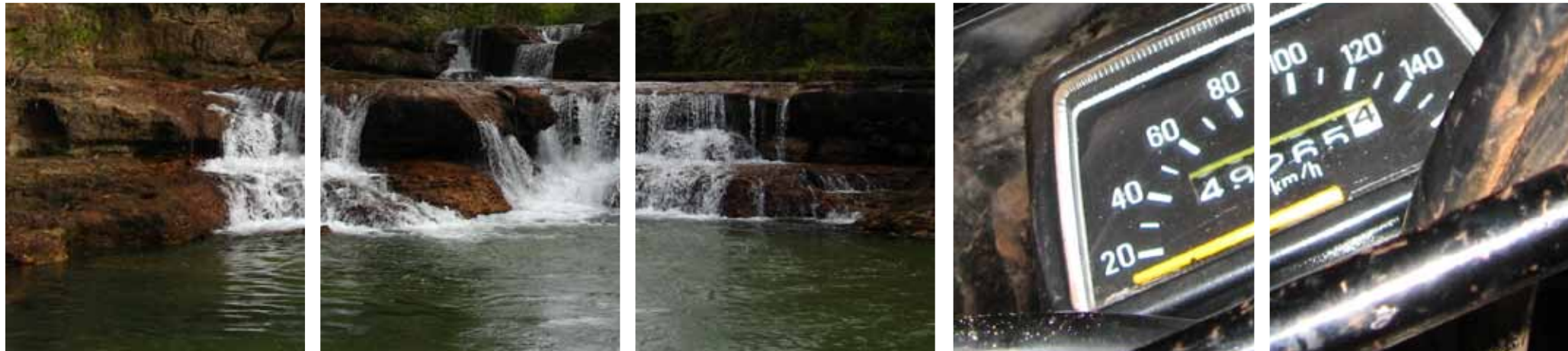




# Eungella National Park

Explore the rainforest in search of the famous, yet elusive, Platypus. There are some lovely walking trails through this area and the Rangers are on hand to help you discover more about the original 'Goreng Goreng' aboriginal inhabitants, bush tucker and the flora and fauna of the forest.

Plus of course you get to experience the lush rainforest by bike!









# Fraser Island







## Fraser Island

The largest sand island in the world, probably one of the most spectacular and usefully, one of the most accessible. Listed as a world heritage site, Fraser Island is a precious part of Australia's natural heritage.

A place of exceptional beauty, with over 100 crystal clear freshwater lakes ringed with white sand, a main road that is also the beach, a native and ancient dingo population and a host of historical naval relics.

Fraser Island is accessible only by air or sea, but is well worth the effort involved in getting there!



# Sunshine Coast and Noosa

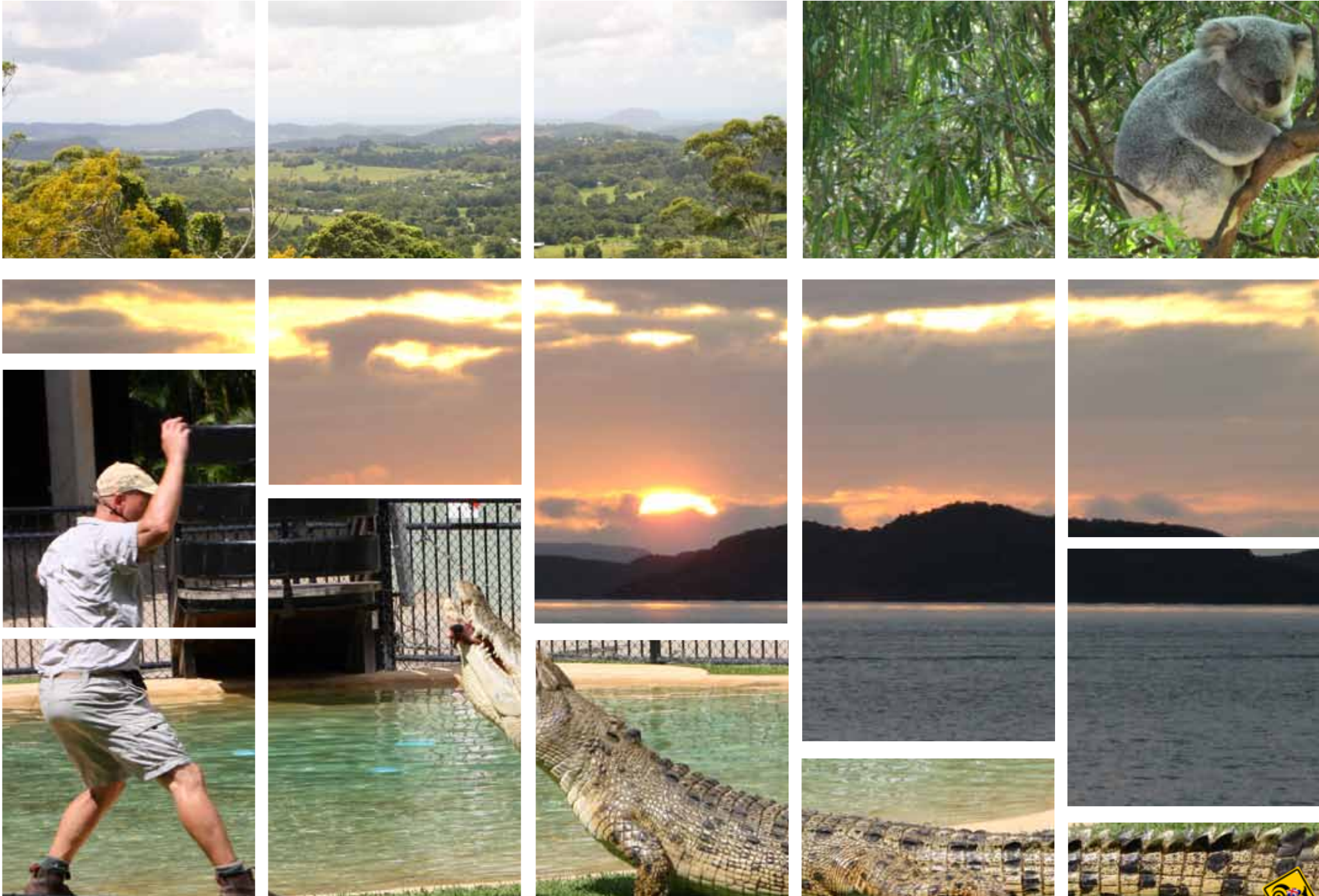




# Sunshine Coast & Noosa

This area has one of the most spectacular hinterlands in the country incorporating rainforests, waterfalls, pineapple plantations and the beautiful [Glass House Mountains](#). You could even throw in a visit to the late [Steve Irwin's Australia Zoo](#) to add a true taste of 'Australiana'.

In addition to that, a lovely coastline and upmarket coastal resorts combine to create a region where there truly is, something for everyone.









# Brisbane







## Brisbane

Capital of Queensland and the state's most populous city, Brisbane has something special to offer just about everyone. Enjoy a lazy breakfast in the 'urban village', embrace the carefree spirit and mingle with the friendly locals, anxious to introduce you to the best of their city.

Satisfy your urge for retail therapy at the iconic Queens Street Mall, relax in one of the many attractive parklands or enjoy something a bit more rugged with a visit to Moreton Bay and accompanying islands.



# The Gold Coast





# The Gold Coast

Australia's most visited, fun filled holiday destination and for good reason. Fantastic sun drenched beaches, all the adrenaline pumping theme parks, vibrant, varied nightlife and an unexpectedly beautiful and relaxing hinterland.

If you want it exciting, vibrant and maybe a little busy you've got it. If you'd prefer some stunning vistas and a bit of relaxation then you can have that too! Definitely having your cake and eating it on the beach too!



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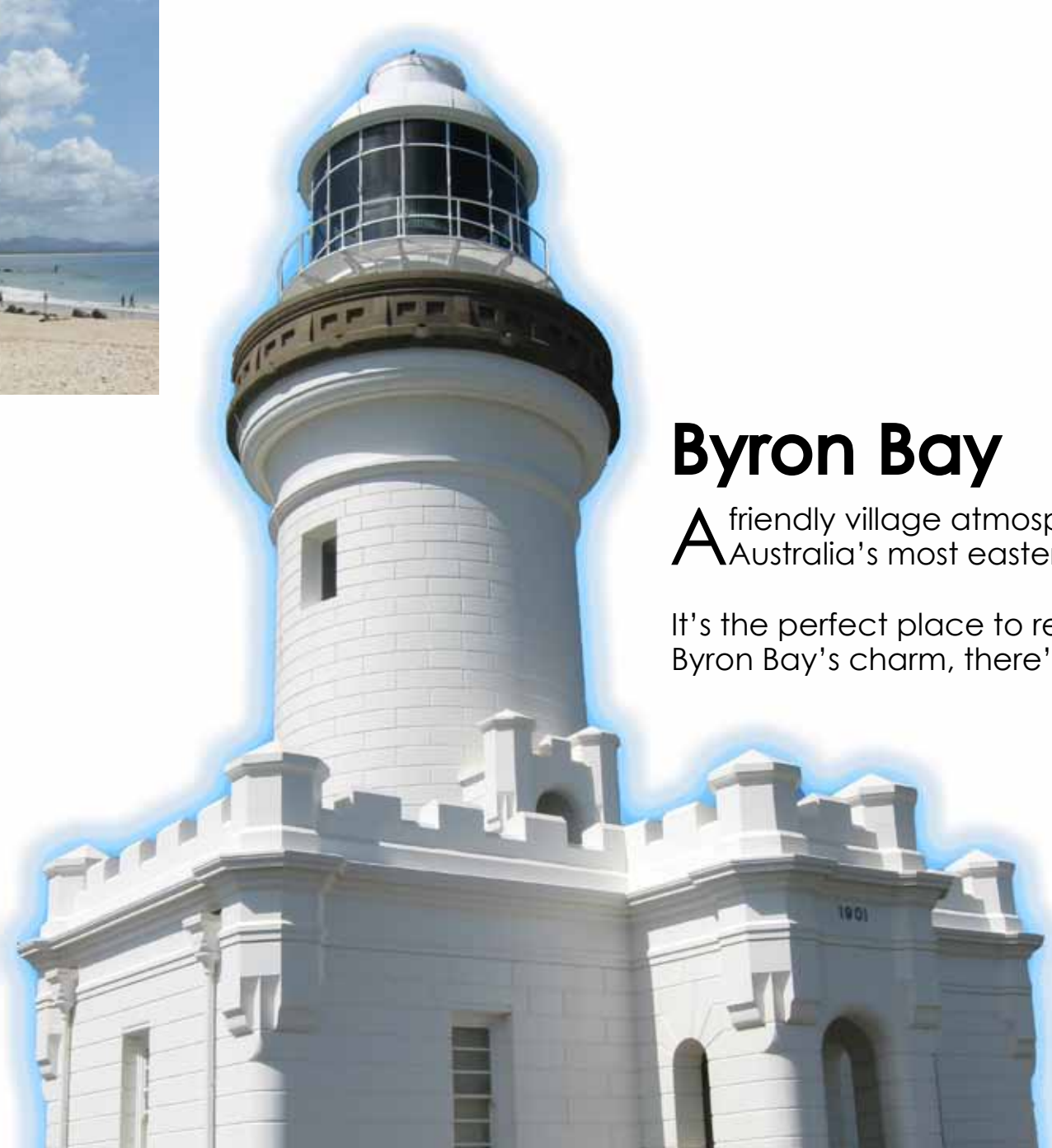




# Byron Bay







## Byron Bay

A friendly village atmosphere thanks to its relatively small population of under 5000, beautiful beaches, Australia's most easterly point at [Cape Byron](#) and a host of other delights await at Byron Bay.

It's the perfect place to relax after racking up some kilometres in the saddle. Just don't be seduced by Byron Bay's charm, there's plenty more to come!





# The Waterfall Way



# The Waterfall Way

The Waterfall Way is simply breathtaking. Dense rainforest, countless waterfalls, huge views over [New England National Park](#) and one of the best biking roads in the country, leading down to a lovely country town at the base of the [Great Dividing Range](#).

Crystal clear streams and plenty of heart arrestingly gorgeous waterfalls.











# New England





## New England

To describe New England as 'scenic' simply wouldn't be doing the area justice. A fantastic, winding back road leads you through the rolling New England countryside, past many an antique reminder of the region's rich heritage.

Visit in Autumn and witness the whole area come alive in a spectacular blaze of colour, as the many species of deciduous tree welcome in the change of season. With some of the most scenic roads in Australia nearby, just begging to be ridden, the beautiful natural canvas of New England provides the backdrop to whatever trail you choose to ride across it.





# The Hunter Valley







## The Hunter Valley

Ride along a sweeping, sinuous back road past the vistas and gorges of the [Wollemi National Park](#) to the welcoming crush of an embrace from the Hunter Valley. Vintage heart of Australia's wine production, most people end up not wanting to leave!

Overnight a brief ride away from some of the most famous restaurants and wineries of the region, you could even arrive early and go on a wine tasting tour or save it for a relaxed evening out amongst the vines!

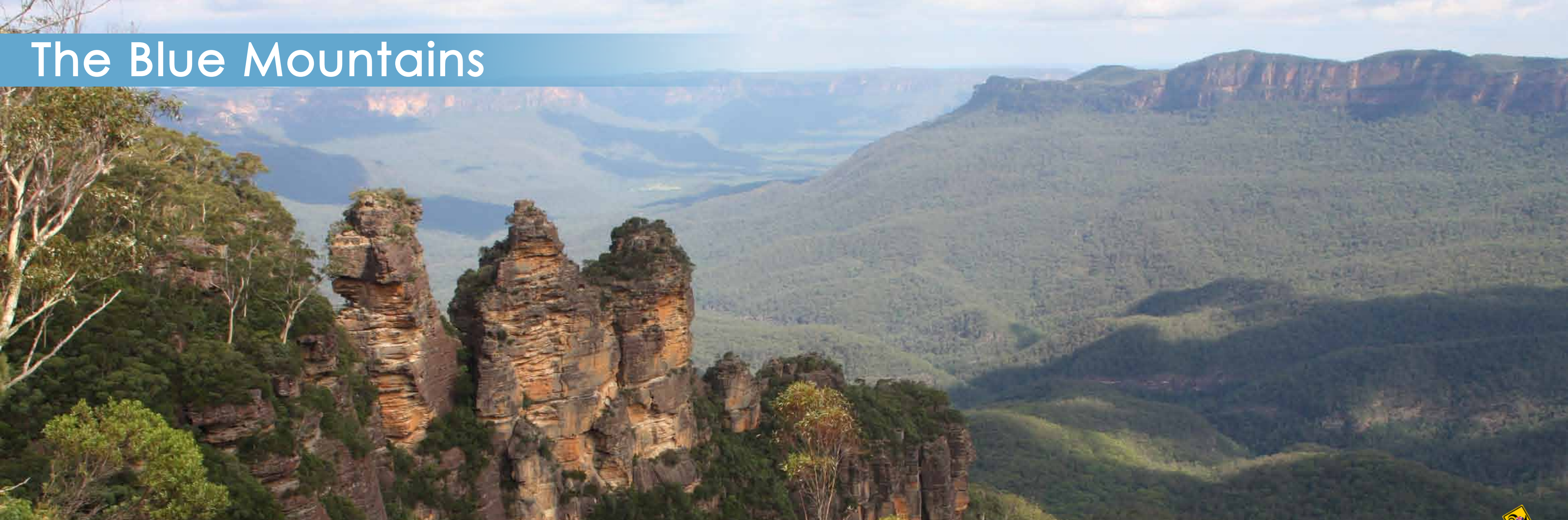
Amazing wines, fabulous local produce & quality restaurants, quaint galleries showcasing talented local artists and some unparalleled scenery. Epic.











# The Blue Mountains



# The Blue Mountains

A world heritage site since 2000, the Blue Mountains region is a magical place no matter what time of year you visit. Incredible scenery, huge waterfalls, the second largest canyon on earth, Eucalypt draped mountains and hills, cable car rides and fantastic scenic walks.

A stunning backdrop to your motorcycle tour, with some brilliant roads thrown in for good measure. By bike is definitely the best way to truly immerse yourself in the Blue Mountains.





# Sydney







## Sydney

Capital city of New South Wales, the site of Australia's first permanent European settlement and one of the world's most beautiful cities. Set on a large harbour it has the natural advantages of walks around the foreshores, spectacular views, bay-side parks, gardens and the architectural magic of the Harbour Bridge and the Opera House.

Experience the 'Three Sisters', brave the world's steepest railway, tour the valleys and watch the mountains take on their evening hues from the comfort of your balcony back at the accommodation.









# New South Wales Coast





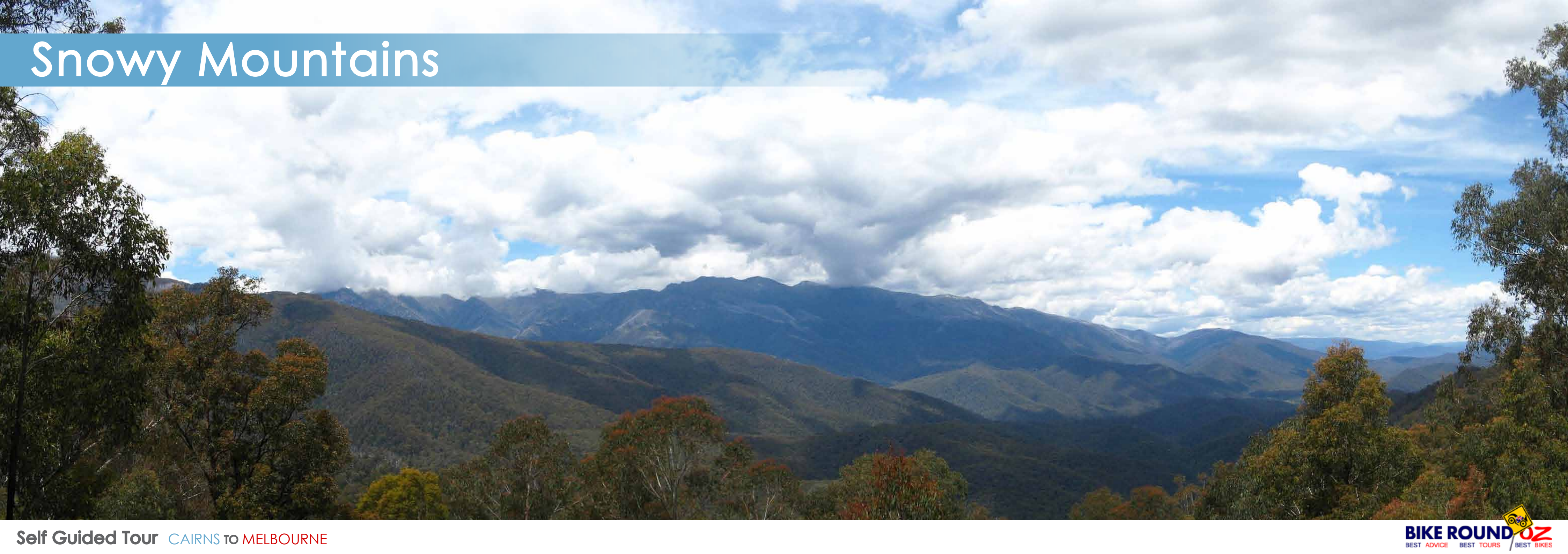
# New South Wales Coast

More than 30 national parks are scattered around this region of New South Wales, with marine sanctuaries and nature reserves adding to the already incredible variety. Stretching from the Royal National Park near Sydney to Eden in the south, the unspoilt natural beauty of the region makes it a perfect motorcycling destination.

You'll wind your way around the rugged coast, through the verdant national parks and along the outstanding Seacliff Bridge on the Grand Pacific Drive. It's not possible to ride any closer to the ocean without getting wet!

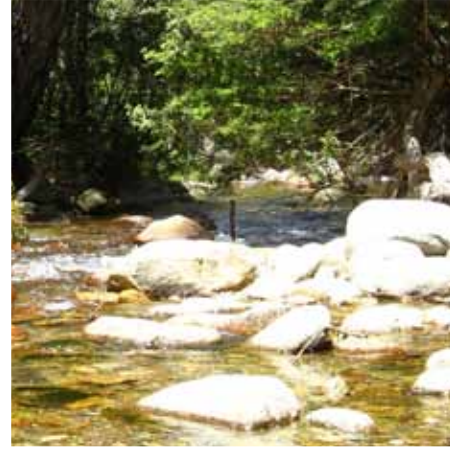






# Snowy Mountains





# Snowy Mountains

Epic alpine scenery in Australia? Most people don't realise that Australia has more ski runs than Switzerland, but a ride through this area will soon set the record straight.

Although mostly recognised for its winter sports, "the Snowies", as the area is affectionately known, is a playground for those looking for something different and adventurous motorcyclists alike.

Twist through the atmospheric alpine forests, sweep along the winding mountain roads and drink in the fantastic scenery. Whilst you're having so much fun, don't forget to stop for lunch at one of the seasonal alpine towns along the way, or pause for a rest on the shores of one of the snow fed lakes.









# Victoria Highlands





# Victoria Highlands

New South Wales has the Snowy Mountains and Victoria has the Highlands. A more relaxed alpine environment than the “Snowies”, but don't be fooled, there are plenty of thrilling roads to ride and more breathtaking scenery to provide a great backdrop.

Wide open plains framed by rolling hills and jagged mountain peaks, the road stretches far into the distance meandering gently as it weaves through small settlements and tiny communities. With such unrestricted views all around, there's plenty of time to prepare for the corners, revel in the experience and then gaze about at the intricate beauty beyond the perfect ribbon of asphalt you're speeding along.

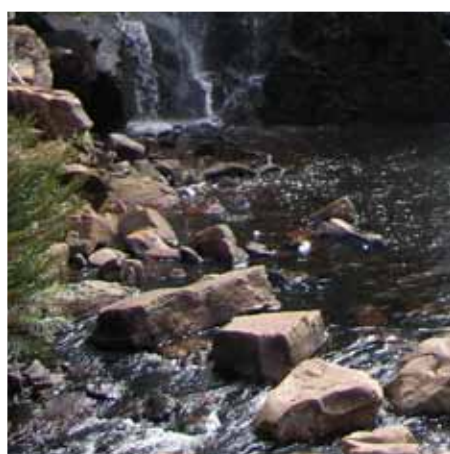
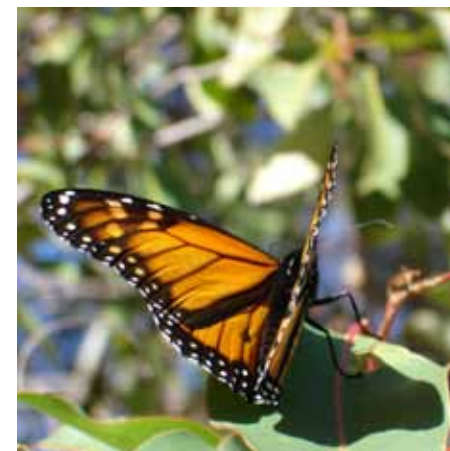






# The Grampians





## The Grampians

It's time to breath deeply and savour mother nature at her very best. Discover grand mountain ranges, delicate wildflowers, a wealth of Aboriginal rock art sites and some great biking routes.

This area of granite highlands is jam packed with wildlife, waterfalls and superb lookouts. If you get high enough on a really clear day, you can even see the Great Ocean Road 170km away towards the coast.

A day spent in the Grampians is a day well spent. Wander the trails, experience the serenity or take your bike to some of the further flung corners of the area. Whatever you end up doing, you'll be experiencing one of the finest national parks in Australia.







# The Great Ocean Road





# The Great Ocean Road

The Great Ocean Road is rightly classified as one of the most scenic coastal drives in the world, words simply can't describe the amazing scenery, or the experience you'll have on this 280km coast road. It's sheer, unadulterated motorcycling bliss.

Stunning ocean views to the south, the Otway Ranges to the north with their temperate rainforest, abundant eucalypts and resident koala populations and an eclectic mix of coastal towns along the way. A superb biking road, twisting and turning as it traces the outline of the Victoria coast, and one that every motorcyclist should ride at least once in their life!

The '12 Apostles', 'Loch Ard Gorge' and 'London Bridge' are just a few of the natural marvels to be encountered along the way. It may only be 280km of asphalt, but it'll be an experience to last a lifetime.





# Melbourne





# Melbourne

Capital city of Victoria and the second most populace city in Australia, Melbourne has a brilliant mix of vibrant energy, cosmopolitan charm and friendly, relaxed locals.

Cultural hub of Australia, Melbourne can be credited as the birthplace of Australian film, is a major centre for Australian music and was even ranked as the world's most liveable city in 2011. In short, why haven't you visited already?

Take time out off the bike to wander the fascinating streets, browse through the eclectic mix of small boutiques and larger stores, jump on one of the famous trams and see the sights, or simply kick back and relax in one of the many parks or with a coffee on the banks of the Yarra River.

Contemporary, vibrant, and in places, as relaxing as you want.





# HOW THINGS WORK - Self-guided tours

Self-guided tours are designed to make it as easy as possible for you to arrange your motorbike tour in Australia.

We take away all the trouble and time needed to research and plan the tour, so you can be confident that you'll make the most of your time, see the best the route has to offer and have somewhere great to stay each night. It makes for stress free days on the bike and leaves you to simply enjoy the freedom of riding, marvel at the scenery and soak up the atmosphere.

Self-guided tour costs generally include the bike, accommodation in good quality 3.5 to 4 star bed & breakfast/ motels/resorts and a very detailed itinerary with maps that will tell you the best biking route and things to see on the way.

We know what works on these trips and the pace has been designed for people that like to make good use of the bike, but also enjoy stopping to admire the spectacular scenery, take short walks to things of interest and enjoy local hospitality with a great coffee or lunch at cafés and restaurants on the way.

A typical day is around 350 km but on some days it might be less and others a little more depending on what there is to see. You won't ride the direct routes between cities and towns as they are fast, straight and have little of interest on the way. They are quick and functional but no fun on a bike! The route we'll take you on has fantastic scenery and you'll twist and wind your way along lesser known back roads through each region along the way.

Prior to the tour you'll be sent a **detailed itinerary and briefing pack** telling you all about the history of each area and things you'll likely see during the trip. This will mean you can read all about the tour and do any additional research you might like to do before arriving in Australia.

We love Australia and want to show you the best of it. We are confident you'll leave with the same passion for the country as we have.

Thanks for your interest in these tours and we hope to share Australia with you sometime soon!

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