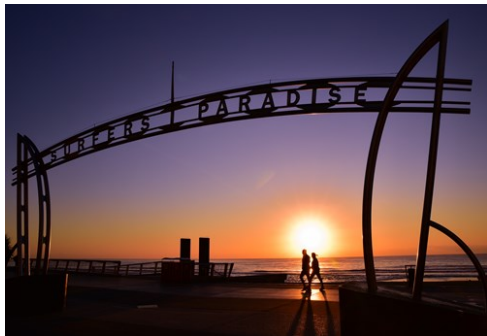




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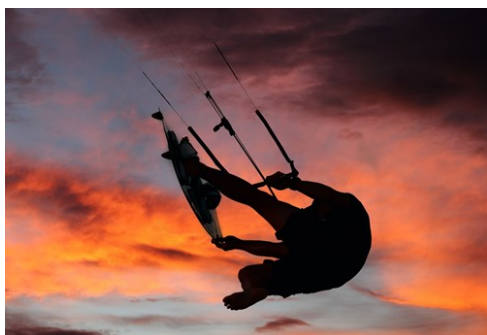


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Australia's Gold Coast is a diverse city, offering action packed days and fun filled nights to over 10 million visitors each year. Families, couples, business delegates and solo travellers will all find an experience to suit their needs and budget, as the Gold Coast serves up more attractions and venues than any other destination in the southern hemisphere. Get into the Gold Coast's easy living lifestyle with 70 kilometres of sun, sand and surf at your doorstep plus 100,000 hectares of world heritage-listed rainforest just a short drive away.

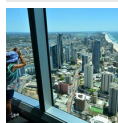


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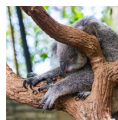
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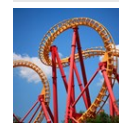
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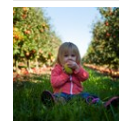
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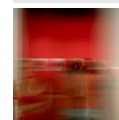
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## THE CITY



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This is where it happens. Excitement beckons at every corner and there is action to be had on every wave along the 70 kilometres of white sand beaches. The region is the theme park capital of Australia offering plenty of hours (or even full days) of fun and entertainment.

If adrenaline is your thing, try Dreamworld's Giant Drop. If you fancy kissing a seal, head to Seaworld and get a smooch on the cheek. Pretend to be a Hollywood star at the Warner Bros. Movie World or fling yourself down tubes of gushing water for relief from the Queensland heat at Wet'n'Wild.

Surfers Paradise in the north has round-the-clock entertainment with glitz, glamour and heaps of nightclubs and shops. Coolangatta and Tweed Heads in the south have some of Australia's best breaks and the area is increasingly becoming more popular with surfers. The Gold Coast is whatever you want it to be.

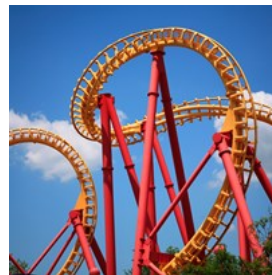
## DO & SEE



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No matter if you spend one week or three weeks here — you will not get bored! The Gold Coast has more to offer than just lovely beach, best surfing and great places for a good night out. Visit, for example, the fun amusement parks, interactive museums or Tamborine Mountain.

### Warner Brothers Movie World



Movie World is a world of pure imaginations and entertainment. Here you will find thrilling rides like Superman Escape, a rollercoaster where you go from 0 to 100 km/h in just two seconds for a proper thrill. At Movie World you can also enjoy stunning shows and movie attractions.

Photo: Doug Lemke/Shutterstock.com

Address: Pacific Motorway, Oxenford QLD

Phone: +61 13 33 86

Internet: [movieworld.com.au](http://movieworld.com.au)

### Holoverse



Be one of the first people to experience this new technology. At Holoverse, you will be able to walk with dinosaurs, swim with dolphins and visit space. Choose from a variety of different experiences at

the worlds first Hologram arcade. A day at Holoverse will be fun for the entire family.

Holographic sessions last about 35 minutes, including putting on your equipment. Most customers do two sessions, which adds up to 1 hour and 20 minutes.

Photo: Vandrage Artist/Shutterstock.com

Address: Paradise Centre, 8 Cavill Avenue, Surfers Paradise QLD

Opening hours: Sun-Thu 9am-5pm, Fri & Sat 9am-7pm

Phone: +61 7 5661 3010

Internet: surfers-paradise.holoverse.com.au

Email: info@holoverse.com.au

### iFly



Learn how to fly at Australia's first indoor skydiving facility. This activity is fun and safe for all age groups (3 years old and over). The

instructors are calm, reassuring, skilful and lovely, which guarantees that first timers of all ages will be eager to come back for more.

Photo: HeyPhoto/shutterstock

Address: 3084 Surfers Paradise Boulevard, Surfers Paradise QLD

Phone: +61 1300 366 364

Internet: ifly.com.au/gold-coast/book-now

Email: info.gc@ifly.com.au

### Tropical Fruit World



Tropical Fruit World is a farm growing over 500 unusual tropical fruits from all over the world, with mini golf, an animal park and rides for the

little ones. This farm has been a pioneer for eco-tourism since 1983.

Your ticket will include a fully guided Plantation Safari with fruit tasting, wildlife boat cruise of the island recreation area, fauna park and an introduction to Australian Bush Tucker. The farm complex also runs workshops and specialty cultural experiences.

You are welcome to have breakfast or lunch at Plantation Cafe, which serves you the best freshly picked fruits and desserts made with them.

Photo: Patrick Fore/unsplash

Address: 29 Duranbah Road, Duranbah NSW

Opening hours: Daily 9am-4pm

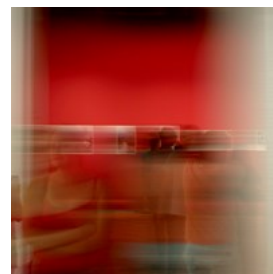
Phone: +61 2 6677 7222

Internet: www.tropicalfruitworld.com.au

Email: info@tropicalfruitworld.com.au

More Info: A 20-minute ride from Gold Coast Airport and only 10 minutes away from Tweed Coast beaches.

### 19 Karen Contemporary Artspace



The biggest art gallery on the Golden Coast, 19 Karen showcases Australian and international artists of various styles and genres.

Urban, Street and Pop art, Expressionism, Contemporary Figurative and Abstract art, Realism and Surrealism and anything in between — all in one big white cube space in a converted warehouse. Make sure to check their website for present and upcoming exhibitions, since the curators keep switching things around quite often.

Photo: Julian Mora/unsplash.com

Address: 19 Karen Avenue, Mermaid Beach QLD

Opening hours: Tue-Thu 9am-4pm, Fri & Sat 10am-2pm,

Sun & Mon by appointment

Phone: +61 7 5554 5019

Internet: www.19karen.com.au

Email: [info@19karen.com.au](mailto:info@19karen.com.au)

More Info: Within walking distance from Pacific Fair — the biggest shopping centre in the region.

### Surfing & Kitesurfing



Some of the world's best surfing beaches are here in the Gold Coast — every day there are rideable waves somewhere along the coast both for the experienced and for the beginners. Kitesurfing is also a popular and fun sport on this beach.

Photo: T.W. van Urk/shutterstock

Internet: [goldcoastkiteboarding.com/pages/gold-coast-kitesurfing-locations](http://goldcoastkiteboarding.com/pages/gold-coast-kitesurfing-locations)

### Infinity



Infinity is a funhouse attraction where visitors interact with illusion-based multisensual special effects. Take a mind-blowing journey at this futuristic, maze-like world of wonder. It is definitely a fantastic out-of-this-world experience.

Photo: Kristina Postnikova/shutterstock

Address: Chevron Renaissance Shopping Centre, 3240 Surfers Paradise Boulevard, Surfers Paradise QLD

Opening hours: Daily 10am-10pm

Phone: +61 7 5526 8935

Internet: [infinitygc.com.au](http://infinitygc.com.au)

Email: [info@infinitygc.com.au](mailto:info@infinitygc.com.au)

### Burleigh Head National Park



Burleigh Head is a small national park, located on the Gold Coast in South East Queensland. Here you can climb the park's highest point, an ancient volcano, to see the 20 kilometres of unbroken white beach stretching far into the distance — what a sight. Have a picnic on your way and try spotting at least a few lizards.

Photo: Martin Valigursky/Shutterstock.com

Address: Goodwin Terrace, Burleigh Heads QLD

Phone: +61 13 74 68

Internet: [parks.desi.qld.gov.au/parks/burleigh-head](http://parks.desi.qld.gov.au/parks/burleigh-head)

### SkyPoint Observation Deck



The observation deck of the Q1 building at levels 77 and 78 (that's 230 metres high!) offers exceptional views in all directions. There is a museum, a weather station and a bar across the two floors. Feel on top of the world and do not forget the camera.

Photo: ChameleonsEye/shutterstock

Address: 9 Hamilton Avenue, Surfers Paradise QLD

Phone: +61 7 5582 2700

Internet: [www.skypoint.com.au](http://www.skypoint.com.au)

### Kayaking at South Stradbroke Island



All 20 km of the tranquil beaches of South Stradbroke Island are a treat. It is worth exploring the wildlife of the island on a guided kayaking tour. There are different tours available to suit your needs and preferences. The tour guides are experienced locals that are experts in

their field.

Photo: Fotoaray/Shutterstock.com

Address: South Stradbroke Island, Moreton Bay QLD

Phone: +61 412 940 135

Internet: [www.australiankayakingadventures.com.au](http://www.australiankayakingadventures.com.au)

Email: [info@australiankayakingadventures.com.au](mailto:info@australiankayakingadventures.com.au)

### Tamborine Mountain



This national park is a peaceful safe haven with picturesque settlements and beautiful scenery, with waterfalls, teahouses and arts and craft

galleries. Visit a glassblowing studio, take a walk through tree canopies with a Skywalk or descend into chilly caves to see thousands of glow worms.

The park is located inland from the coast and has various memorable tours available for a day trip.

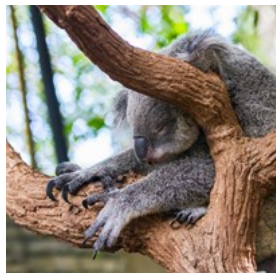
Photo: Pawel Papis/shutterstock

Address: Tamborine Mountain QLD

Internet: [www.discover Tamborine.com.au](http://www.discover Tamborine.com.au)

Email: [info@DiscoverTamborine.com.au](mailto:info@DiscoverTamborine.com.au)

### Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary



At Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary you will find a rainforest, lakes and native animals in their natural habitat. Observe tree kangaroos, koalas

and birds from the elevated walkways and feel closer to nature. A trip to the sanctuary will be an adventure for the entire family.

Photo: konmesa/shutterstock

Address: 28 Tomewin Street, Currumbin QLD

Phone: +61 7 5534 1266

Internet: [currumbinsanctuary.com.au](http://currumbinsanctuary.com.au)

Email: [moreaustralian@cws.org.au](mailto:moreaustralian@cws.org.au)

More Info: Check the official website for special events like animal feedings or close (yet safe) encounters with wildlife.

### Theme Parks



Check out the adrenaline shocks, the wildlife or fantasy rides at the Australian Outback Spectacular! Discover Dreamworld, David Fleays Wildlife Park, Paradise Country, Sea World, the Wet'n'Wild Water World and the White Water World.

Photo: David Clode/unsplash

Internet: [www.tourismgoldcoast.com/theme-parks](http://www.tourismgoldcoast.com/theme-parks)

### Broadwater Parklands



Broadwater Parklands is the place to go for picnics, barbecue and promenades. Here you can also take a soothing bath or fish from the pier.

For kids, there is the Rockpools water playground, jumping pillows and a playground at the southern end of the park.

Photo: Lena Gabrilovich/shutterstock

Address: Marine Parade, Southport QLD

Internet: [www.goldcoast.qld.gov.au/Things-to-do/Parks-gardens-reserves/Park-Finder/Broadwater-Parklands](http://www.goldcoast.qld.gov.au/Things-to-do/Parks-gardens-reserves/Park-Finder/Broadwater-Parklands)

### Gold Coast Skydive



If you are looking for that adrenaline rush then this might be something for you! The big jump will take place somewhere above the Kirra beach

where you will eventually land. Make sure to enjoy the beautiful and spectacular view of Gold Coast.

Photo: Mauricio Graiki/shutterstock

Address: 18 Coyne Street, Coolangatta QLD

Opening hours: Daily 8:30am-5pm

Phone: +61 7 5599 1920

Internet: [goldcoastskydive.com.au](http://goldcoastskydive.com.au)

Email: [info@goldcoastskydive.com.au](mailto:info@goldcoastskydive.com.au)

### Gold Coast Cruises



One of the best ways to explore the beautiful Gold Coast is by boat. With Bluewater Cruises you can enjoy lunch or romantic sunset dinner cruise. With a fully licensed bar at reasonable prices — sit back and drink in the beautiful sights the Gold Coast has to offer. There is also the morning cruise with coffee that includes fun facts filled with history and famous people.

Photo: ChameleonsEye/Shutterstock.com

Address: 63 Cavill Avenue, Surfers Paradise QLD

Opening hours: Daily 9am-5pm

Phone: +61 07 5570 3733

Internet: [surfersparadisrivercruises.com.au](http://surfersparadisrivercruises.com.au)

Email: [info@surfersparadisrivercruises.com.au](mailto:info@surfersparadisrivercruises.com.au)

### Paradise Jet Boating



This fun adventure activity on the Gold Coast takes you on a Jetboat cruise which has been compared to a roller coaster ride or a rally car ride — but on water! This adventure includes high speed, full 360° spins, stunning scenery and sightseeing.

Photo: Aerial-motion/shutterstock

Address: Pelican Beach, Waterways Drive, Main Beach QLD

Opening hours: Office hours: daily 9am-5pm; Trips: 9am-4pm hourly

Phone: +61 7 5526 3190

Internet: [www.paradisejetboating.com.au](http://www.paradisejetboating.com.au)

Email: [thrills@paradisejetboating.com.au](mailto:thrills@paradisejetboating.com.au)

## DINING



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The multicultural nature of the Gold Coast has led to the delicious and successful food and wine industry, cultivating everything from soft-shell crabs and goat cheese to locally bred Wagyu beef and award-winning boutique wines. The Gold Coast has attracted prominent restaurateurs and operators from the southern capitals and around the world to progress this dynamic region. This has ensured locations such as Main Beach, Surfers Paradise, Broadbeach, Coolangatta and the Hinterland to remain highly regarded for their delectable choice of dining options. Similarly, beachside cafes, snack bars and budget priced eateries are in abundance.

### Kurrawa Surf Club



Founded in 1958, the Surf Club is a pillar of the Gold Coast, with some of the best views of the beach, excellent food (try the 'surf and turf') and a welcoming atmosphere. As an added bonus you might see whales were passing by.

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Address: Pratten Park, Old Burleigh Road, Broadbeach QLD

Opening hours: Daily 11:30am-late

Phone: +61 7 5527 5660

Internet: [www.kurrawasurf.com.au/club-home](http://www.kurrawasurf.com.au/club-home)

Email: [info@kurrawasurf.com.au](mailto:info@kurrawasurf.com.au)

### Ginger Indian Gourmet



Enjoy a fine contemporary Indian dining experience at Ginger Indian Gourmet. Head chef Suresh Rathore prepares every dish with passion and attention to detail. He only uses fresh produce and the most fragrant spices to prepare his sauces and marinades. There is a large selection of vegetarian and vegan dishes available.

Photo: Lisovskaya Natalia/Shutterstock.com

Address: Shop 10, 658 Reserve Road, Upper Coomera QLD

Opening hours: Tue-Sun noon-3pm / 4pm-9pm; Mon closed

Phone: +61 410 305 070

Internet: [www.gingergc.com.au](http://www.gingergc.com.au)

Email: [eat@gingergc.com.au](mailto:eat@gingergc.com.au)

### Nineteen at The Star



The sophisticated Nineteen at The Star is located, predictably, of the 19th floor of The Darling Hotel. You don't have to fork up the cash and stay at this luxury hotel to enjoy an evening of glitz and glamour. This bar and restaurant overlooks the hotel's luxe infinity pool with wrap around views of the nighttime Gold Coast skyline.

Foodies will enjoy grilled Patagonian toothfish, roast highland duck with foie gras, steamed coral trout with fresh ginger and, their signature dish — an astonishing rock lobster bolognese.

Photo: Delightin Dee/unsplash.com

Address: Level 19, The Darling at The Star Gold Coast 1

Casino Drive, Broadbeach QLD

Opening hours: Usually open 7am-late. See their website for more precise information.

Phone: +61 7 5592 8719

Internet: [www.star.com.au/goldcoast/eat-and-drink/restaurants/nineteen-at-the-star](http://www.star.com.au/goldcoast/eat-and-drink/restaurants/nineteen-at-the-star)

### The Collective Palm Beach



The Collective is a truly unique market style venue with five kitchens serving up American, Italian, Mexican, Asian and contemporary Australian — something for everyone, even the pickiest diner. The place is bathed in natural light, greenery and fairy lights after dark.

It's is an amazing destination for cocktail lovers. Try the the caffeinated Au Lait Martini served in a waffle cone or boozy tea cups known as Portuguese Breakfast with gin, Cointreau and homemade marmalade. Enjoy this and more at the huge rooftop bar, perfect for golden hour pics.

Photo: Eaters Collective/unsplash.com

Address: 1128 Gold Coast Highway, Palm Beach QLD

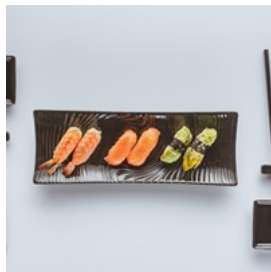
Opening hours: Daily from noon

Phone: +61 7 5618 8229

Internet: [thecollectivepalmbeach.com.au](http://thecollectivepalmbeach.com.au)

More Info: Bookings are essential for weekends.

### Donto Sapporo



Donto Sapporo is an award winning Japanese restaurant with flavoursome dishes. On the menu you will find dishes like sushi, sashimi and noodles. Donto Sapporo also provides sukiyaki (tabletop cooking). This is one of the hidden treasures of the Gold Coast.

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Address: Shop 15-16, Sorrento Shopping Village, 20 Bundall

Road, Bundall QLD

Opening hours: Mon, Tue & Thu-Sat 11:30am-1:30pm /

5pm-8pm; Sun & Wed closed

Phone: +61 7 5539 9933

Internet: [www.dontosapporo.com.au](http://www.dontosapporo.com.au)

Email: [info@dontosapporo.com.au](mailto:info@dontosapporo.com.au)

### The Cuban



Enjoy the flavours inspired by Latin America, Spain and the Caribbean. This vibrant venue does not only serve tasty food but also offers renowned cocktails, music and dance. Make sure to get here with an empty stomach because the staff serves seriously generous portions.

Photo: Takin' Shotz/Shutterstock.com

Address: The Oracle Boulevard, 103 Oracle Boulevard, Broadbeach QLD

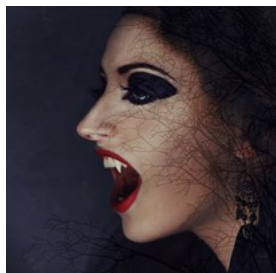
Opening hours: Daily 11am-11pm

Phone: +61 7 5526 9769

Internet: [thecuban.com.au](http://thecuban.com.au)

Email: [info@thecuban.com.au](mailto:info@thecuban.com.au)

### Dracula's Cabaret Restaurant



Enjoy Australia's longest-running and most successful dinner theatre. Here you will experience an evening filled with entertainment, music, comedy, food, wine and 'Death by Chocolate' for dessert. Stop by for a drink at the Van Helsing cocktail bar. Check out their website and choose from a variety of experiences available.

Photo: NoName\_13/pixabay

Address: Pacific Fair Shopping Centre, 1 Hooker Boulevard, Broadbeach QLD

Opening hours: Tue-Sat 7pm-11pm

Phone: +61 7 5563 4900

Internet: [draculas.com.au](http://draculas.com.au)

### La Porchetta



If you would like to eat quality Italian food, head over to this relaxed chain restaurant. On the menu you will find traditional Italian dishes like pizza and pasta but also a great range of meat, poultry and seafood dishes.

Photo: Ryzhkov Photography/Shutterstock.com

Address: The Phoenician Resort, Shop 3, 110 Surf Parade, Broadbeach QLD

Opening hours: Mon-Fri noon-9pm, Sat & Sun noon-9:30pm

Phone: +61 7 5539 0169

Internet: [laporchetta.com.au/Broadbeach](http://laporchetta.com.au/Broadbeach)

Email: [broadbeach@laporchetta.com.au](mailto:broadbeach@laporchetta.com.au)

### Moo Moo The Wine Bar + Grill



You will find this upscale multi-award winning restaurant in the heart of Broadbeach, overlooking Victoria Park. It opened its doors in June 2005 and has won a myriad of awards like "Gold Coast's Best Steak Restaurant 2006 to 2009" ever since. Enjoy the lively atmosphere and dishes made with fresh seasonal products from family owned farms.

Photo: Yulia Grigoryeva/Shutterstock.com

Address: Mantra Broadbeach on the Park, 2685 Gold Coast Highway, Broadbeach QLD

Opening hours: Daily noon-late

Phone: +61 1300 070 710

Internet: [www.moomoorestaurant.com/gold-coast](http://www.moomoorestaurant.com/gold-coast)

### Pancakes In Paradise



This restaurant has an all-you-can-eat pancake deal offering sweet and savoury pancakes and crepes. There are also other food options like steak, ribs, fish, and salads.

Photo: svariophoto/Shutterstock.com

Address: Surf City Church Complex, 3046 Surfers Paradise Boulevard, Surfers Paradise QLD

Opening hours: Daily 8am-2pm

Phone: +61 7 5592 0330

Internet: [pancakesinparadise.com.au](http://pancakesinparadise.com.au)

More Info: Located in Presence Church. Also check out Pancakes Diner in Coolangatta.

### CAFES



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When you're hankering after a coffee, juice — or fancying something a tad sweeter — the Gold Coast's laid-back vibe offers a wealth of options. With a mix of top-notch coffee chains and charming, independently-owned cafes, there's a spot to suit every taste.

### BSKT Cafe



BSKT (pronounced Biscuit) Cafe is an amazing little gem in Nobby Beach. Ocean views are paired with simplistic design with plenty of wood. A perfect spot for a group hang since they serve gluten free, dairy free, vegan, vegetarian, pescatarian, grain free — something delicious for everyone's diet.

Photo: Ali Inay/unsplash.com

Address: 4 Lavarack Road, Mermaid Beach QLD

Opening hours: Daily 6am-3pm

Phone: +61 07 5526 6565

Internet: [bskt.com.au](http://bskt.com.au)

### The Cardamom Pod



The Cardamom Pod is a local favourite and serves delicious, healthy vegetarian and vegan breakfasts and lunches. Choose from a variety of fresh smoothie and açaí bowls, pressed juices, desserts and meat free lunch options. You will leave this cafe feeling healthy and happy.

Photo: Africa Studio/Shutterstock.com

Address: Brickworks Ferry Road, 3/3 Brolga Avenue, Southport QLD

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 7am-2:30pm, Sat & Sun 7:30am-2:30pm

Phone: +61 424 251 008

Internet: [www.instagram.com/cardamompodbrickworks](https://www.instagram.com/cardamompodbrickworks)

### Black Dingo Cafe



Black Dingo Cafe sits at Point Danger, right on the border of NSW and Queensland. Spectacular ocean views, excellent coffee, juices, smoothies

and the pastries are what it's all about. Come here for brunch and the surfy charm above the legendary waves of Duranbah and Snapper.

Photo: Farhad Ibrahimzade/unsplash

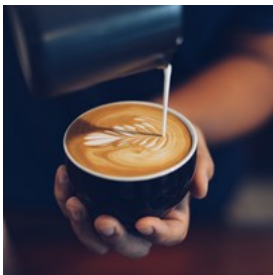
Address: Point Danger Lighthouse, Tweed Heads NSW

Opening hours: Daily 6am-3pm

Phone: +61 422 723 935

Internet: [www.instagram.com/blackdingocafe](http://www.instagram.com/blackdingocafe)

### Elk Espresso



The artsy Elk Espresso is located at the Oasis Shopping Centre in Broadbeach. This is the perfect beachfront location with mismatched

furniture and trendy polished concrete floor to have a cup of coffee while you catch up with your friends. There are breakfast and lunch options available from the menu.

Photo: StudioByTheSea/Shutterstock.com

Address: The Oasis Shopping Centre, Shop G044, 12 Victoria Avenue, Broadbeach QLD

Opening hours: Daily 5:45am-3pm

Internet: [elkespresso.net](http://elkespresso.net)

### Le Cafe Gourmand



Le Cafe Gourmand offers delicious French cuisine inspired breakfast and lunch. The head chef is French and serves every meal with passion and

love for the food. They focus on fresh, locally

sourced produce.

Photo: zygonema/Shutterstock.com

Address: 2545 Gold Coast Highway, Mermaid Beach QLD

Opening hours: Tue-Sun 7am-2pm. Also open for dinner Fri 5:30pm-11pm. Mon closed

Phone: +61 7 5572 7793

Internet: [www.lecafegourmand.com.au](http://www.lecafegourmand.com.au)

Email: [info@lecafegourmand.com.au](mailto:info@lecafegourmand.com.au)

### The Coffee Club



The Coffee Club has over 270 stores around the country and has been voted one of the best coffees on the Gold Coast. They offer unique coffee

blends, snacks, all-day breakfasts and light lunches. Catch up with some friends in a cozy atmosphere while you enjoy your cup of coffee.

Photo: Flamingo Images/Shutterstock.com

Address: Harbour Town Shopping Centre, Shop C85, Biggera Waters QLD

Opening hours: Daily 8am-5pm

Phone: +61 7 5585 3601

Internet: [coffeeclub.com.au](http://coffeeclub.com.au)

### BARS & NIGHTLIFE



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That ambience of true bustling seaside culture, contrasted by a groovy night time buzz makes the Gold Coast a distinctively active area and a true party destination. Of course, a sampling of

the all-night entertainment will ensure an experience to remember.

The area Surfers Paradise has a delightful range of evening activities. Broadbeach also has an expanding mall area which provides a 24-hour epicentre of activity. Here you'll find the iconic The Star Gold Coast casino and hotel, and its range of cabaret shows, gambling facilities and newly established bars and restaurants.

### Last Night on Earth



Last Night on Earth is a Southport's staple. Pop in for Wednesday trivia nights, comedy nights, craft beers, board games, live music, relaxed atmosphere. Their rooftop bar is seriously the place to be.

Photo: Drew Farwell/unsplash.com

Address: 50B Nerang Street, Southport QLD

Opening hours: Wed-Sat 4pm-midnight

Internet: [www.instagram.com/lastnighton\\_earth](http://www.instagram.com/lastnighton_earth)

### Soho Bar



Soho Place is the first official "small bar" in the area. Step through the red telephone box that serves as the entrance and spend countless hours in this little piece of London on the Gold Coast. The windowless bar transports you into the world of electro swing soundtrack reminiscent of the bar owner's time in West End.

This bar operates entirely without a food menu, so don't come hungry! It's popular with youthful crowd and local craft beer and fun cocktails are reasonably priced.

Photo: M.S. Meeuwesen/unsplash.com

Address: 4/2713 Gold Coast Highway, Broadbeach QLD

Opening hours: Daily 5pm-midnight

Internet: [www.instagram.com/sohohousebar](http://www.instagram.com/sohohousebar)

### The Collective Palm Beach



The Collective is an amazing destination for cocktail lovers. Try the the caffeinated Au Lait Martini served in a waffle cone or boozy tea cups

known as Portuguese Breakfast with gin, Cointreau and homemade marmalade. Enjoy this and more at the huge rooftop bar, perfect for golden hour pics.

It's a truly unique market style venue with five kitchens serving up American, Italian, Mexican, Asian and contemporary Australian — something for everyone, even the pickiest diner. The place is bathed in natural light, greenery and fairy lights after dark.

Photo: Eaters Collective/unsplash.com

Address: 1128 Gold Coast Hwy, Palm Beach, Gold Coast

Phone: +61 7 5618 8229

Internet: [www.thecollectivepalmbeach.com.au](http://www.thecollectivepalmbeach.com.au)

More Info: On weekends bookings are essential

### D'arcy Arms



D'arcy Arms is a rustic Irish bar where you can have a pint of beer or a hearty meal. The drink menu also offers a hand-picked selection of

quality Australian wines, the finest Irish Whiskeys, as well as international spirits.

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Address: 2923 Gold Coast Highway, Surfers Paradise QLD

Phone: +61 7 5592 0882

Internet: [www.darcyarms.com.au](http://www.darcyarms.com.au)

Email: [info@darcymarms.com.au](mailto:info@darcymarms.com.au)

### Diggers & Sports Club



There's always plenty of people and nightlife at Diggers and Sports Club. Friendly staff, good entertainment more so for the more senior crowd

with great energy. Lots of TVs for sports and racing.

Photo: [IVASHstudio/Shutterstock.com](#)

Address: 1/9 Beach Road, Surfers Paradise QLD

Opening hours: Daily 10am-late

Phone: +61 7 5539 8966

Internet: [www.diggersandsports.com.au](http://www.diggersandsports.com.au)

Email: [reception@diggersandsports.com.au](mailto:reception@diggersandsports.com.au)

### Cocktails Nightclub



Cocktails Nightclub is the biggest dance club in Surfers Paradise with three rooms playing different music. This club has been the prime

location for a good night out with your friends for over 26 years. The club also has a secluded pool area.

Photo: [bbernard/Shutterstock.com](#)

Address: Soul Boardwalk, 3/15 Orchid Avenue, Surfers Paradise QLD

Opening hours: Fri & Sat 9pm-3am

Phone: +61 7 5592 1955

Internet: [cocktailsnightclub.com.au](http://cocktailsnightclub.com.au)

Email: [promotions@cocktailsnightclub.com.au](mailto:promotions@cocktailsnightclub.com.au)

### Elsewhere



Elsewhere is the area's most stylish and intimate nighttime venue, embellished by cutting edge design, cool ambience, and the latest grooves from leading resident and imported DJs.

Photo: [DisobeyArt/Shutterstock.com](#)

Address: 1/23 Cavill Avenue, Surfers Paradise QLD

Opening hours: Thu from 9:30pm, Fri from 8pm, Sat from 9pm, Sun from 10pm

Phone: +61 7 5592 6880

Internet: [www.elsewherebar.com](http://www.elsewherebar.com)

Email: [contact@elsewherebar.com](mailto:contact@elsewherebar.com)

### SHOPPING



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With some of Australia's largest retail centres and most stylish fashion precincts, even grocery shopping on the Gold Coast is an enticing prospect. Browse the generous complexes, take a shopping tour, peruse the boutiques, wander through the piazzas and pay particular attention to the factory outlet precincts. This grand assortment of Gold Coast retail experiences will surely satisfy every taste in fashion.

### Carrara Markets



The biggest market on the Gold Coast is the Carrara Markets in Surfers Paradise and is held every weekend.

There is a beachfront night market on the Esplanade every Friday from 5:30pm, while several markets are held across the Gold Coast region on weekends in places like Broadbeach, Burleigh Heads and Coolangatta.

Photo: Jack Frog/Shutterstock.com

Address: Corner Manchester Road & Gooding Drive, Carrara QLD

Opening hours: Sat & Sun 8am-3pm

Phone: +61 7 5579 9388

Internet: [www.carraramarkets.com.au](http://www.carraramarkets.com.au)

Email: [info@carraramarkets.com.au](mailto:info@carraramarkets.com.au)

### Robina Town Centre



Robina Town Centre is Gold Coast's largest shopping centre. Located just 15 minutes by car from Surfers Paradise, Robina Town Centre

features over 350 stores including all the exclusive brands and Gold Coast's only David Jones as well as lakeside dining, a state-of-the-art cinema and entertainment precinct.

Photo: Sonpichit Salangsing/Shutterstock.com

Address: Robina Town Centre Drive, Robina QLD

Phone: +61 7 5575 0481

Internet: [robinatowncentre.qicre.com](http://robinatowncentre.qicre.com)

Email: [customerservice@robinatowncentre.com.au](mailto:customerservice@robinatowncentre.com.au)

### Gold Coast Art & Craft Markets



The Burleigh Art and Craft markets are a great family Sunday destination with over 100 stalls of locally made arts, crafts, fresh produce, preserves,

cookies, cakes and whatever else your heart desires. Stroll down Kurrawa Park in Broadbeach every 1st and 3rd Sunday, chill in Queen Elizabeth Park in Coolangatta every 2nd and 4th (and 5th) Sunday, or pop in to Justin Park in Burleigh Heads every last Sunday of the month.

Photo: Tom Chen/unsplash.com

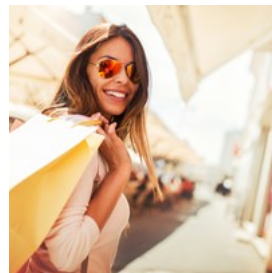
Address: Location changes from week to week

Opening hours: Sun 8am-2pm

Phone: +61 402 448 139

Internet: [artandcraft.com.au](http://artandcraft.com.au)

### Pacific Fair



When visiting the Gold Coast, you must save a day for Pacific Fair — Gold Coast's premier shopping experience which is located only a

five minutes' drive from Surfers Paradise and just opposite Jupiters Casino. Pacific Fair's resort style setting is home to around 300 stores and the Gold Coast's largest Myer department store. Upon arrival, visit the Customer Service Desk to collect an Exclusive Visitor Discount Guide, your key to discounts of up to 20% off and special offers at over 100 stores.

Photo: Bobex-73/Shutterstock.com

Address: Hooker Boulevard, Broadbeach Waters QLD

Opening hours: Mon-Wed, Fri & Sat 9am-5:30pm; Thu 9am-9pm; Sun 9am-5pm

Phone: +61 7 5581 5100

Internet: [www.pacificfair.com.au](http://www.pacificfair.com.au)

### Harbour Town Premium Outlets



Harbour Town on Brisbane Road is an outlet-type shopping centre with many of the top Australian labels there. It also houses Gold Coast's largest cinema complex to round off your day of shopping. If you are looking for a bargain, don't miss out on this one.

Photo: zhu difeng/shutterstock

Address: Brisbane Road, Biggera Waters QLD

Opening hours: Mon-Wed, Fri & Sat 9am-5:30pm; Thu 9am-7pm; Sun 10am-5pm

Phone: +61 7 5529 1734

Internet: [www.harbourtowngoldcoast.com.au](http://www.harbourtowngoldcoast.com.au)

### The Oasis Shopping Centre



The Oasis Shopping Centre is located in Broadbeach and offers a variety of shopping options for you to browse. There are boutiques and designer stores as well as speciality shops, supermarkets and cafes. Check out their website for special events.

Photo: Andrii Kobryn/Shutterstock.com

Address: 12 Charles Avenue, Broadbeach QLD

Opening hours: Mon-Wed, Fri & Sat 9am-5:30pm; Thu 9am-7pm; Sun 10:30am-4pm

Phone: +61 7 5592 3900

Internet: [www.oasisshoppingcentre.com.au](http://www.oasisshoppingcentre.com.au)

Email: [info@oasisshoppingcentre.com.au](mailto:info@oasisshoppingcentre.com.au)

### Big B Books



Big B Books is tucked away in a little alleyway in Burleigh Heads. It is jam-packed with both new and used books for your browsing pleasure.

Grab a coffee from Social Brew across the way and spend the morning flipping through the options.

Photo: Jessica Ruscello/unsplash.com

Address: Big 'B' Arcade, 16/50 James Street, Burleigh Heads QLD

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 8:30am-5pm, Sat 8:30am-4pm, Sun 9:30am-3pm

Phone: +61 7 5535 5877

Internet: [www.bigbbooks.com.au](http://www.bigbbooks.com.au)

Email: [bigbbooks@optusnet.com.au](mailto:bigbbooks@optusnet.com.au)

### Miami Marketta



Miami Marketta features a street food market every Saturday. Here you can enjoy authentic, traditional, global foods, a dessert hall, boutique

beer and wine bar. Twice a month, on the 2nd and 4th Friday, the market fills with fashion and art where talented locals are selling directly to the public.

Photo: lavizzara/Shutterstock.com

Address: 23 Hillcrest Avenue, Miami QLD

Opening hours: Wed-Sat 5pm-10pm, Sun-Tue closed

Phone: +61 488 590 599

Internet: [www.miamimarketta.com](http://www.miamimarketta.com)

Email: [miamimarketta@gmail.com](mailto:miamimarketta@gmail.com)

### Spirit Of Australia Gallery



This is the only Aboriginal art gallery in Surfers Paradise and they offer a unique collection of traditional and contemporary Aboriginal paintings. There is also a wide variety of jewellery made of wood or bone and typical Australian products such as boomerangs, pottery, wood carvings and crocodile and kangaroo leather accessories.

Photo: krithnarong Raknagn/shutterstock  
Address: Shop 811 Cavill Lane, 3113 Surfers Paradise Boulevard, Surfers Paradise QLD  
Opening hours: Wed-Mon 11am-4pm, Tue closed  
Phone: +61 421 011 969  
Internet: [www.spiritofaustraliagallery.com](http://www.spiritofaustraliagallery.com)

### Chevron Renaissance Shopping Centre



This shopping centre offers stores that cater to every age and style, lovely restaurants, a supermarket, a bakery and a chemist. Whatever it is you are looking for, you can be sure to find it here. The shopping centre is modern and stylish, reflecting a true Gold Coast lifestyle.

Photo: Monkey Business Images/Shutterstock.com  
Address: 3240 Surfers Paradise Boulevard, Surfers Paradise QLD  
Opening hours: Mon-Wed, Fri & Sat 8:30am-5:30pm; Thu 8:30am-9pm; Sun 10:30am-4:30pm  
Phone: +61 7 5638 5860  
Internet: [www.chevronrennaissanceshoppingcentre.com.au](http://www.chevronrennaissanceshoppingcentre.com.au)

### Paradise Centre Surfers Paradise



Paradise Centre in Surfers Paradise has an array of specialty stores, dining and attractions to suit the whole family. Here you will find everything from clothes, footwear to books, jewellery and souvenirs. Check out their website for special events.

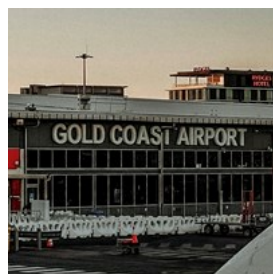
Photo: Pressmaster/Shutterstock.com  
Address: 2 Cavill Avenue, Surfers Paradise QLD  
Opening hours: Daily from 9am  
Phone: +61 7 5592 0155  
Internet: [www.paradisecentre.net.au](http://www.paradisecentre.net.au)  
Email: [info@paradisecentre.net.au](mailto:info@paradisecentre.net.au)

## TOURIST INFORMATION



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### Gold Coast Airport (OOL)



Situated in Coolangatta — a stone's throw from Surfers Paradise at 22 kilometres — Gold Coast Airport (previously Coolangatta Airport) comes equipped with an accessible transport and information desk near international arrivals.

Key bus services include Route 777, offering a

limited-stop journey to Broadbeach South tram station. From there, easy transfers to the G:link service for Surfers Paradise, Southport, and other bus routes are available. This service runs every 15 minutes, seven days a week from 7am to 7pm.

Route 760 provides a link to Varsity Lakes Train Station at thirty-minute intervals. Additional bus services from Surfers reach Kingscliff and Pottsville, starting from Tweed Heads and Murwillumbah.

The Hub Convenience store sells Go cards. As a tourist, you might want to get the 'Gold Coast go explore' pass, which grants unlimited daily bus and tram rides for just \$10. Buy it right at the airport.

And lastly — if you prefer a direct ride, taxis await just outside the terminal.

Photo: Josh Withers/unsplash

Address: Eastern Avenue, Bilinga, Gold Coast

Phone: +617 5589 1100

Internet: [www.goldcoastairport.com.au](http://www.goldcoastairport.com.au)

Email: [info@gcal.com.au](mailto:info@gcal.com.au)

### Passport/Visa



Unless you are a New Zealand citizen granted visa exemption on arrival (in most cases), you will need to obtain a visa prior to visiting Australia.

Citizens of all European Union countries, as well as Andorra, Norway, Iceland, San Marino, Switzerland, Liechtenstein, Monaco, and Vatican City are eligible for an eVisitor visa, which can be applied for online. For citizens of the United States, Canada, Japan, Hong Kong, Singapore, Brunei, South Korea and Malaysia, the Electronic

Travel Authority (ETA) entry permit is available, which can be applied for online and grants holders the right to enter Australia an unlimited amount of times for stays of no longer than 3 months per visit.

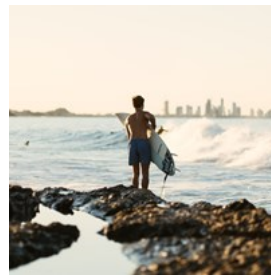
Citizens of all other world countries (with the exception of Somalia) are also able to apply for a visitor visa online. For more information, visit the official website of the Australian government's department of home affairs.

Photo: ConvertKit/unsplash

Internet:

[immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-finder/visit](http://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-finder/visit)

### Best Time To Visit



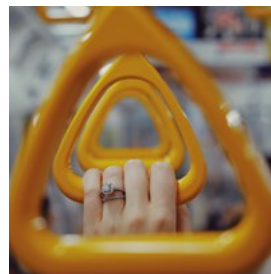
If you travel around April and May, you will be able to enjoy the warm weather with the lowest chance of rainfall. This is also the most affordable

time to visit as there are no school holidays.

Another plus is that you will avoid tourists and holiday crowds.

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### Public Transport



The Gold Coast has a range of public transport options including trains and buses. The local buses are operated by Kinetic Group, which

provides regular services and a network covering most locations. Weekly tickets for unlimited travelling with busses are available. The company also provides shuttle buses between the theme parks.

## Destination: Gold Coast

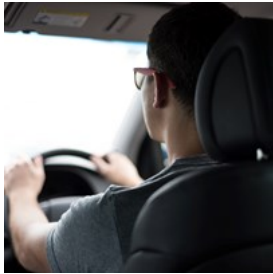
The Gold Coast train line connects to the Brisbane suburban rail network. The main stations on the Gold Coast are Coomera, Nerang and Robina.

Ferries and water taxis connect the islands and canal estates.

Photo: Jad Limcaco/unsplash

Internet: [www.goldcoast.qld.gov.au/Services/Roads-transport-parking/Public-transport](http://www.goldcoast.qld.gov.au/Services/Roads-transport-parking/Public-transport)

### Taxi



Cove Water Taxi  
[covewatertaxi.com.au](http://covewatertaxi.com.au)  
+61 419 724 630 13 Cabs  
13 2227 [www.13cabs.com.au/locations/gold-coast](http://www.13cabs.com.au/locations/gold-coast)

Photo: Art Markiv/unsplash

### Post



There are numerous post offices located on the Gold Coast. You can find one of them in the Centro shopping centre.

Photo: Diana Light/unsplash

Address: Australia Post, Paradise Centre, 65/8-10 Cavill Avenue, Surfers Paradise QLD  
Opening hours: Mon-Fri 9am-5pm  
Phone: +61 4 13 13 18  
Internet: [auspost.com.au](http://auspost.com.au)

### Pharmacy



In the Gold Coast, you'll find a few major pharmacy chains where you can pick up over-the-counter medications, prescription drugs, personal care items, and more. The major pharmacy chains are Chemist Warehouse, TerryWhite Chemmart, Priceline Pharmacy and Amcal. It's always worth checking the opening hours as these can vary, especially on weekends and public holidays.

Photo: Mika Baumeister/unsplash

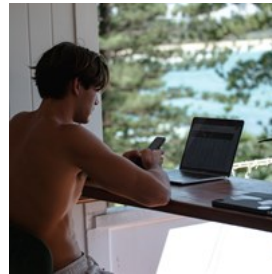
Address: Broadbeach Day & Night Chemist, 3-5/2723 Gold Coast Highway, Broadbeach QLD

Opening hours: Mon-Sat 8am-8pm, Sun 8am-7pm

Phone: +61 7 5592 1005

Internet: [www.gcpharmacy.com.au](http://www.gcpharmacy.com.au)

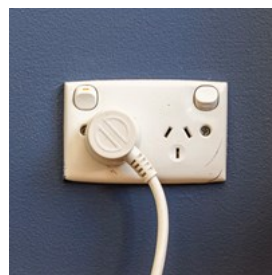
### Telephone



Country code: +61 Area code: (0)7

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### Electricity



Australia operates on a 230/240V supply voltage and 50Hz frequency. The country uses Type I power plugs, which feature two flat pins forming a 'V' shape, along with a grounding pin. This standard is also commonly used in New Zealand, Argentina, China, and several Pacific island nations. Remember to pack a universal adapter if your devices use a different plug type

to ensure hassle-free charging.

Photo: Mitchell Luo/unsplash

### **Population**

640,778 (2021)

### **Currency**

Australian Dollar (AUD) \$1 = 100 cents

### **Internet**

[www.goldcoast.qld.gov.au](http://www.goldcoast.qld.gov.au)

[www.destinationgoldcoast.com](http://www.destinationgoldcoast.com)

### **Newspapers**

The Gold Coast Bulletin: [www.goldcoastbulletin.com.au](http://www.goldcoastbulletin.com.au)

Tweed Daily News: [tweednews.com.au](http://tweednews.com.au)

### **Emergency numbers**

Call 000 for all emergencies.

Poisons Information: 13 11 26

Lifeline: 13 11 14

### **Tourist information**

Surfers Paradise Visitor Information Centre

2 Cavill Avenue, Surfers Paradise QLD

+61 1300 309 440

Open Mon–Sat 9am–5pm, Sun 9am–4pm



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