

# Rainforest and Sunshine Coast

7 days, departs Jul 2, 16



Lamington NP - photo courtesy of Bert Knottenbeld

*Tour Highlights*

- Three nights at O'Reilly's Rainforest Retreat
- Three nights at the Sebel Maroochydore
- Lamington National Park
- Guided bird and wildlife walks
- Tamborine Mountain
- Scenic Sunshine Coast
- Blackall Range
- Mooloolaba Underwater World Aquarium

Queensland

Maroochydore

O'Reilly's Rainforest Retreat

## Day 1 (L,D) HOME, COOLANGATTA, O'REILLY'S RAINFOREST RETREAT

Flights from home ports take us to the Gold Coast Airport at Coolangatta. We travel into the hinterland to Canungra, our lunch destination. Some time to explore this quaint town before our journey takes us further into Lamington National Park. We arrive at O'Reilly's Rainforest Retreat nestled amongst the subtropical rainforest, our home for three relaxing nights.

## Days 2 & 3 (B,L,D) O'REILLY'S RAINFOREST RETREAT

Join in the day's activities or if you wish relax by the pool with a book from the O'Reilly's library. You are free to join as many or as few of the activities as you wish. Take part in the morning bird walks, tree top walk, morning and afternoon bus excursions to magnificent scenic lookouts and after dinner, evening photo presentations and talks.



Montville village-photo courtesy of Alan Botting

## Day 4 (B,L,D) TAMBORINE MOUNTAIN, CABOOLTURE, MAROOCHYDORE

Departing O'Reilly's we travel through the hinterland to Tamborine Mountain. At Gallery Walk, we browse some of the 70+ galleries and craft shops prior to an early lunch. We descend the mountain, travelling through Brisbane to Caboolture. We visit the Abbey Museum, a unique archaeological collection. We continue to the Sunshine Coast and our home for three nights, the Sebel Maroochydore, located opposite Maroochydore Beach.

## Day 5 (B,L,D) BUDERIM GINGER FACTORY, MONTVILLE

Today at the amazing Buderim Ginger Factory we board the historic Ginger train, taking us through the rainforest and tropical gardens of this property. We visit Nutworks displaying the harvesting and packing of macadamias. Continuing to Mapleton we enjoy lunch and some time to browse. The afternoon is spent visiting Montville, the picturesque artistic centre of the Blackall Range.

O'Reilly's Rainforest Retreat (in earlier YAH days known as O'Reilly's Guest House) is a firm YAH favourite mountain destination, although for many repeat visitors nowadays shorter walks are chosen and more time is spent relaxing and enjoying the magnificent scenery! A stay in Maroochydore at the Sebel Hotel (now another YAH favourite destination) offers a short coastal contrast as the second half of this Queensland holiday.



Tamborine Mountain

All meals / most morning and afternoon teas

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O'Reilly's Rainforest Retreat



The Sebel Maroochydore

### Day 6 (B,L,D) NOOSA HEADS, SUNSHINE COAST

This morning we head north to explore Noosa Heads before boarding the Noosa Queen for a luncheon cruise along the beautiful Noosa River. Relax as we pass many places of interest, including the waterfront shops, parks and restaurants along Gympie Terrace before viewing the spectacular waterfront homes of Millionaires Row along Noosa Sound. During the afternoon we return to Maroochydore via the scenic coastal road pausing for afternoon tea and a stroll along the beach at Peregian Beach.

### Day 7 (B,L) UNDERWATER WORLD, MAROOCHYDORE, HOME

The amazing UnderWater World Sealife Aquarium on Mooloolaba Wharf is home to thousands of sea creatures, including colourful coral fish, playful otters, a giant crab and weedy sea dragons to name a few! We enjoy a guided tour and lunch here in this magical setting before we transfer to the Sunshine Coast Airport, to join homebound flights, completing our unique Queensland holiday encompassing both the hinterland and the coast.



Noosa Heads



All prices are per person twin share

Tour Price*	\$3,745
Adelaide	\$4,345
Brisbane	\$3,745
Canberra***	\$4,535
Hobart/Launceston	\$4,395
Melbourne	\$4,195
Perth**	\$5,020
Sydney	\$4,145
Single supplement	\$ 595

\*Tour commences in Coolangatta and ends in Maroochydore.

\*\*Pre-tour overnight Melbourne, includes airport transfers, dinner & breakfast.

\*\*\*Post-tour overnight Maroochydore, includes airport transfers, dinner & breakfast.

Deposit of \$400 due within 7 days of booking, plus any additional deposit needed for non-refundable airfares.

Balance due 60 days prior to departure.

Prices from other cities available on application.