

*I will embrace all
that life has to offer*



1. Whale Watching

Each year from late July through to early November, the mighty humpback whales take time out from their annual migration for a bit of R&R in the protected waters of Hervey Bay. There is no better place to experience their antics and their awesome size than close up on a whale-watching cruise.



2. Fraser Island

It is the largest sand island in the world and one of the rare places where rainforest grows on sand. Fraser Island is abundant in pristine freshwater lakes and crystal clear creeks, scenic 4WD circuits, walking tracks, cool and peaceful rainforests, swampy wetlands and heath lands full of wild flowers.



3. Dining Out

Fraser Coast is quickly gaining a reputation for admirable food and wonderful restaurants and cafes. Alfresco dining, ideally suited to the Fraser Coast's temperate climate, is very popular, and Hervey Bay's Esplanade and marina areas are home to a wide range of quality dining experiences, using the backdrop of the water to full effect.



4. Fishing

Fish in the bay are plentiful — the mangrove-lined creeks and sheltered turquoise waters can yield an amazing catch, including bream, whiting, flathead, mackerel, tailor and mangrove jack. Fish from the shore, launch your tinnie from the boat ramps, take a charter and try your hand at sports fishing, or just cruise the Great Sandy Strait and drop a line over the side.

You'll never be short of things to see and do around the Fraser Coast. Whether you're in the mood to get active or put your feet up and relax, you'll find something to suit every mood. The fishing and golfing are superb and the nearby World Heritage listed Fraser Island is abundant in scenic 4WD circuits, walking tracks and freshwater lakes.

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Experience the best of the Fraser Coast with these top 10 things to see and do.



5. Culture

The region's cultural heart beats loud and strong. The Hervey Bay Regional Gallery features works by local artists and regularly hosts Australian and international travelling exhibitions. Pick any weekend, and you're sure to find a bustling market brimming with locally-produced wares, produce and plants. Wander through the stalls, chat with the locals and pick up a bargain or two.



6. Shopping

From national brand name stores to family-owned boutiques, you'll find contemporary and traditional shops right around the region. The area is bustling with air-conditioned shopping malls, fascinating arcades and corner stores and country villages that will take you back to your childhood memories.



7. Things for Kids

Whether it is water activities such as swimming, fishing, paddle boats, kayaks and windsurfers, wildlife and nature activities such as glass-bottom boat rides and bird parks, or active pursuits such as mini-golf or go-karting, you'll discover the Fraser Coast is packed with fun adventures that will delight children of all ages. Make sure you visit the new WetSide Water Education Park!



8. Golfing on the Coast

Are you a weekend hacker or a serious handicapper? Hervey Bay has a range of golf courses including a rural course with sand greens and wandering wildlife. Many of the golf courses have country club facilities, making the 19th hole the most refreshing hole of the round.



9. Adventure Activities

You could easily spend a week enjoying adventure activities whether it is a physical challenge or adrenalin rush. From acrobatic aircraft to go-karts, sky diving to exhilarating thrill rides across the calm Hervey Bay waters, you'll find the rush you are after.



10. Relax and Unwind

Hervey Bay has one of the safest swimming beaches in Queensland...no stingers, mild temperatures, and calm waters protected by Fraser Island. Or take a Sunset Champagne Cruise - sip champagne as the sun sets over the waters of the Great Sandy Strait. What a great way to wind down after a day exploring!

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