



BRISBANE (QUEENSLAND), AUSTRALIA

The capital city of Queensland operates at a gentler pace than other metropolises, mimicking the peacefully meandering turns of the Brisbane River. Established as a penal colony in 1823 to get the 'worst type of felons' out of Sydney, Brisbane has evolved into a hip and popular city

KEY INFO

Currency: Australian Dollar (1 USD = 1.5 AUD)

Population: 2.3 million (5.2 million QLD)

Emergency #: 000


Drinking water: Tap water is drinkable

Time Zone: GMT+10

ID Requirements: Photo ID


Languages: English

Drive on the: Left

Pharmacy: Priceline Pharmacy, 120 Queen Street 

Protection: Bug Spray & SPF 30+

Wi-Fi: Queen Street, South Bank, Libraries 

Post Office: Australia Post, 69 Ann St, QLD 4000 

PORT LOCATION

Ships dock at the Brisbane International Cruise Terminal, which is about 20-minute drive from the CBD

Getting Around: As a major city, Brisbane has excellent public transport options, including buses, trains, bikes and ferries. There is a free City Loop bus route (Mon-Fri, 7am-6pm), which arrive every 15-minutes. Bus drivers give change, but it is easier and cheaper to get a 'Go Card' from a station/newsagent. For taxis, dial 131 924 (Yellow Cab Co) or 133 222 (Black + White Cabs)

 www.translink.com.au

 www.citycycle.com.au (helmets required)

Port Facilities: Wi-Fi, Café, Toilets, Shuttle (\$), Taxis

Port Address: Brisbane International Cruise Terminal, 1 Cruise Terminal Drive, Pinkenba 

BRISBANE CBD HIGHLIGHTS

① **Queen Street Mall:** The main shopping center of Brisbane with over 500 stores.

② **Brisbane Botanical Gardens:** 17-hectare City Botanical Gardens are in the heart of Brisbane on Alice Street, with beautiful waterfront trails and park paths to enjoy.

6km out-of-town, Mount Coot-tha site is 56-hectares, with great views over the CBD and the world's largest collection of Australian native rainforest trees. 6a-6p | Free | 20-minute drive (23km from port)

③ **Queensland Museum:** The official museum of Queensland state has a collection of more than 1 million items, telling the ever-changing story of the state. 9:30a-5p | Free | 20-minute drive (23km from port)

 museum.qld.gov.au

④ **Story Bridge Climb:** For an adrenaline rush, climb to the heights of the Story Bridge. One of just three bridges in the world to offer such a climb, Story Bridge peaks at 80m above the river and offers inspiring city views from the top. 9a, 3:40p, 4:20p | \$129 | 20-minute drive (23km from port)

 www.storybridgeclimb.com.au

For more: www.visitbrisbane.com.au, www.queensland.com, www.australia.com

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⑤ **Parliament House:** Built in 1868, the Queensland Parliament is the only state legislature in Australia to have just one debating chamber – there is no ‘upper’ house. No booking is required for tours.

1p, 2p, 3p, 4p | Free | 20-minute drive (23km from port)

📍 www.parliament.qld.gov.au

⑥ **Museum of Brisbane:** Located on Level 3 of Brisbane City Hall in King George Square. One of the most-admired heritage buildings in the city. Visitors often have the chance to meet local artists-in-residence and meet Aboriginal Australians to learn about local lore and customs.

10a-5p | Free | 20-minute drive (23km from port)

📍 www.museumofbrisbane.com.au

⑦ **Maritime Museum:** Visit for a large collection of model ships, memorabilia and artifacts associated with Brisbane’s maritime history, and see HMAS Diamantina in drydock.

10a-4p (Wed-Fri), 9:30a-4:30p (Sat-Sun) | \$18 | 20-minute drive (23km from port)

📍 www.maritimemuseum.com.au

OUT OF TOWN HIGHLIGHTS

⑧ **Lone Pine Koala Sanctuary:** Established in 1927 with just two koalas (Jack and Jill), the sanctuary is now home to over 130 koalas. Named for the ‘lone pine’ that was planted on the riverfront in 1867, when the site was used as a cotton farm. 9a-5p | \$54 | 25-minute drive (15km SW of Brisbane)

📍 www.lonepinekoalasanctuary.com

⑨ **Australia Zoo:** The most famous zoo in Australia, set up by ‘The Crocodile Hunter’, Steve Irwin, who died following an accident while diving the Great Barrier Reef in 2006. The zoo continues to be family run, with Steve’s wife, Terri, and children at the helm. 9am-5pm | \$65 | 1-hour drive (87km S of Brisbane)

📍 www.australiazoo.com.au

⑩ **Gold Coast Beaches:** Brisbane itself isn’t known for beaches (though there is the artificial beach in the South Bank precinct). For great beaches, head to neighboring city, Gold Coast.

Free | 1-hour drive (79km NW of Brisbane)

MAP OF HIGHLIGHTS



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