

# Toowoomba's Carnival of Flowers, Noosa & Warwick

Thursday 7 to Thursday 14 September - 8 days / 7 nights

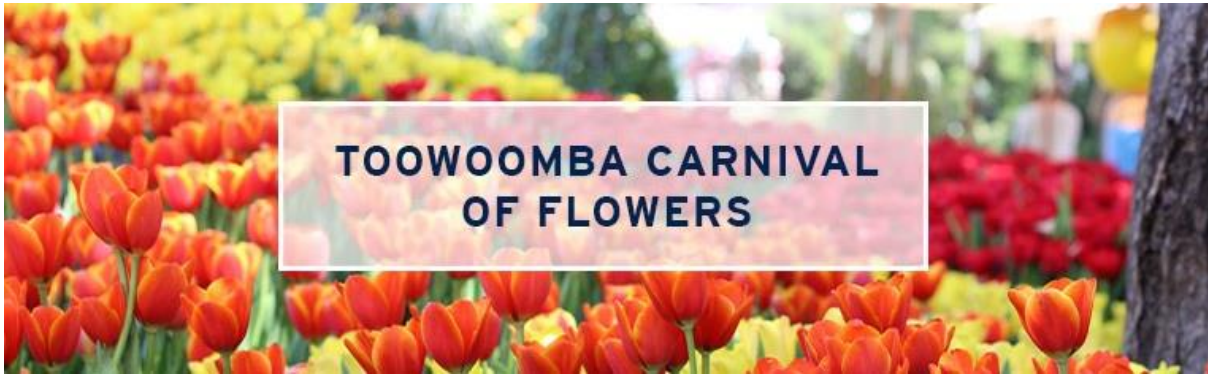
## Tour Inclusions

- Economy Return Airfares
- Airport Transfers
- 7 nights Quality Motel Accommodation
- Tour Escort
- Most Meals (7 breakfasts / 7 dinners / 5 lunches)
- All touring and Entrance Fees as per itinerary
- Door to Door pick up and return (t&c's apply)



## Tour Highlights

- Noosa Everglades Cruise
  - Eumundi Market
  - Yandina Ginger Factory
  - Nutworks and Chocolate factory
  - Towri Sheep Cheese Experience
  - Kooroomba Vineyards and Lavender Farm
  - Guided tour of Warwick
  - Abbey Boutique Hotel
  - Glengallan Homestead and Heritage Centre
  - Australian Rodeo Heritage Centre
  - Toowoomba Carnival of Flowers
  - Spring Bluff Railway Station
  - Picnic Point Lookout Cafe & Restaurant
  - Guided tour of Toowoomba
  - Queens Park Botanical Gardens
  - Cobb & Co Museum
  - DownsSteam Tourist Railway & Museum
  - Laurel Bank Park
- And much, much more....



Join us as we explore 3 distinctly different regions of the Sunshine State. Starting at Noosa we'll enjoy the coastal area as well as the hinterland of this gorgeous part of the state. Next, we head to Warwick, Sitting on the banks of the Condamine River, historic Warwick - known for its roses and rodeo - features some of the state's finest original sandstone buildings. Our final destination Toowoomba, Queensland's largest inland City, during September the city comes alive for the annual, month-long Toowoomba Carnival of Flowers.

**DAY 1: (D) MELBOURNE TO SUNSHINE COAST**

**Thu 7 Sept**

Enjoy the comfort of being **collected from home** and transported to Melbourne Airport (how easy is that!) Welcome to our fantastic tour to the **Sunshine Coast, Warwick and Toowoomba** for the Carnival of Flowers. Arriving in the Sunshine Coast, a short drive from the airport finds us at our resort. Relax, unpack and get ready to enjoy a lovely welcome dinner in the resort restaurant, the Oak & Vine, with beautiful views over a stunning lotus lake.

*Overnight – Oaks Sunshine Coast Oasis Resort (3 nights)*

**Day 2 (BLD): NOOSA**

**Fri 8 Sept**

After a lovely breakfast we join our purpose-built vessel for a **cruise along the pristine Noosa River** and onto the dark, tranquil and mirrored waterways of the **Noosa Everglades**. We cruise upstream through ancient landscapes and subtropical rainforest, on a river system which has its entire upper catchment protected by National Park. Having worked up an appetite, we enjoy a morning tea at the historic logger's camp Harry's Hut, a relic of the early timber cutting days and a delicious lunch overlooking the lake and parklands at Coothara Bar. After experiencing a full day at one of the truly remarkable wilderness areas in the world, we disembark and return to our resort with time to relax and enjoy another lovely dinner in the resort restaurant.

*Overnight – Oaks Sunshine Coast Oasis Resort (3 nights)*



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### Day 3 (BD): EUMUNDI MARKETS & GINGER FACTORY

Sat 9 Sept

This morning we head to the **Eumundi Markets**. Twice a week this sleepy town transforms into a vibrant mecca for shoppers looking for something different. It has more than 500 stalls selling artwork, craft, fashion and gifts by local designers. Sure to please our need for retail therapy. Take a break from shopping and grab yourself a gourmet delight or listen to one of the entertaining buskers. Next we head to the little village of Yandina – home to **The Ginger Factory!** Here we'll learn how ginger is grown, harvested, and processed and then take the tour through lush subtropical gardens on the beloved historic train. Whist in Yandina we also visit the **Nutworks and Chocolate Factory**, a retailer of Macadamias and other nuts, macadamia oil, confectionery, dried fruit and of course chocolate! With tantalised tastebuds we return to our resort for another lovely dinner at the restaurant.

*Overnight – Oaks Sunshine Coast Oasis Resort (3 nights)*

### Day 4 (BLD): SUNSHINE COAST TO WARWICK

Sun 10 Sept

After breakfast, we bid farewell to Noosa as we head inland. Our touring today takes us to an area called the **Scenic Rim**, flanked by national parks and Mount Tamborine. Our first stop is **Towri Sheep Cheese**, a wonderfully rustic setting with engaging hosts. Entertained with a sheep milking demonstration, we'll partake in a cheese tasting spread for morning tea (YUM!). By the time we have finished we will know the difference between sheep, cow and goats cheese! Lunch has been arranged in the quaint township of Boonah at the **Dugandan Hotel** before a visit to the **Kooroomba Vineyards & Lavender Farm** for a wine tasting. The cellar door and lavender shop overlook a 6-hectare vineyard and lavender field with magnificent views of the mountains. We continue to **Warwick**, a town known for its roses and rodeos. We'll settle in here for the next two nights. We look forward to dinner at Ruperts – the hotel's restaurant.

*Overnight – Coachman's Inn Warwick (2 nights)*







### Day 5 (BLD): WARWICK

Mon 11 Sept

This morning we are joined by a **local guide** who will introduce us to the charming town of Warwick. A must-see attraction here is **Abbey Boutique Hotel**, formally Our Lady Assumption Convent, built for the Sisters of Mercy. We enjoy an educational tour telling us about this beautiful old building which is steeped in local history before a delightful lunch. Next, we head to **Glengallen Homestead and Heritage Centre** where we are greeted by our guide who will lead us on an intriguing tour of the homestead. Uninhabited for more than half its lifetime, it remains frozen in time as one of the few remaining examples of a substantial 19<sup>th</sup> century country house in Queensland. After lunch here, we visit the **Australian Rodeo Heritage Centre**, dedicated to the spirit of rodeo and the cowboy. It's a place to follow the history and relive the glory of the rodeo's greatest champions. Another lovely dinner awaits us tonight at Ruperts.

*Overnight – Coachman's Inn Warwick (2 nights)*

### Day 6 (BLD): WARWICK TO TOOWOOMBA

Tue 12 Sept

After breakfast, with the bus packed we depart Warwick and make our way to **Toowoomba** for the **Carnival of Flowers**. Since its inception, the festival has attracted thousands of visitors to the area to enjoy the colourful gardens, flower shows and exhibitions. We visit heritage listed **Spring Bluff Railway Station**. The spring exhibit is absolutely stunning with thousands of visitors each September enjoying the magnificent display with an array of poppies, ranunculus, snapdragons, petunias, and many other annuals bursting into colour under the warm sunshine. At **Picnic Point Lookout**, we have an opportunity to take in the scenic views before a delicious lunch. We welcome a **local expert** onto the coach this afternoon to give us an insight into the Carnival of Flowers. The success of establishing and maintaining beautiful gardens comes from the rich, fertile soil, its unique climate, and the towns position on the edge of the Great Diving Range. After an interesting day we check into our accommodation and refresh for dinner at Images Restaurant

*Overnight – Platinum International (2 nights)*



### **Day 7 (BLD): TOOWOOMBA IN SPRING**

**Wed 13 Sept**

This morning, after breakfast, we take a look at **Queens Park** and the **Botanical Gardens** which reflect the grand gardening designs of a particularly English nature and is home to stately old trees, many of which are more than 100 years old. We head to the **Cobb & Co Museum**, to trace the history of horse drawn transportation in Australia by discovering a variety of interactive displays and exhibits. We then visit the **DownsSteam Tourist Railway and Museum** for a tour of the facility and a look through the spectacular Dreamtime Journey. Painted by indigenous inmate, "Domi" from the Westbrook Corrections Centre as part of his rehabilitation program, take the spiritual journey from dawn to dusk through incredible colours and intricate detail. Our final visit today is to **Laurel Bank Park** which provides a majestic oasis with manicured gardens, topiary and many other points of interest. Heading back to our hotel we get ready to enjoy a farewell dinner at the hotel restaurant.

**Overnight – Platinum International (2 nights)**

### **Day 8 (B): TOOWOOMBA TO HOME**

**Thu 14 Sept**

With our bags packed full of memories, we travel to Brisbane for our flight home. We return mid-afternoon from a fantastic tour discovering the Sunshine Coast, Warwick and Toowoomba. On arrival at Melbourne Airport, as always, our chauffeurs will be there to greet us and return us safely to our homes having enjoyed a fantastic time away with Daytripper Tours



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(\$599- single supplement)**

*Minimum numbers required.*

*Tour Price is Valid for Travel during 2023.*

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