



Ballina & Byron Bay Discovery

Tue 22 to Mon 28 July - 7 days / 6 nights

Tour Inclusions

- Home Pick Up & Return (t&c's apply)
- 6 nights Quality Resort Style Accommodation
- Tour Escort
- Most Meals as per the itinerary
- All touring and Entrance Fees as per itinerary
- Return Economy Flights



Tour Highlights

- Ballina Visitors Centre
- Ballina Maritime Museum
- Byron Solar Train
- North Byron Hotel
- Cape Byron Lighthouse & Lookout
- Crawford House
- Summerland Farm
- Evans Head Aviation Museum, Razorback Lookout
- Australian Seabird & Turtle Rescue Centre
- Zentvelsos Coffee Farm & Roastery
- Bangalow
- Piccabeen Park
- Bangalow Weir & Heritage House Museum
- Clarence river Ferry Cruise
- Yamba – the Story House
- Ferry Park Art & Craft Gallery
- Maclean Stone Cottage & Bicentennial Museum
- Balline Sunday Market
- Ballina North Wall Walk
- Ballina RSL Club
- Tropical Fruit World
- and much, much more

Optional 2-hour Whale Watching Cruise - \$129pp



The Ballina Coast and Hinterland features 32 kilometres of pristine coastline, complemented by lush subtropical rainforests, untouched national parks, and diverse wildlife. This area also includes charming hinterland towns, stunning waterfalls, and world-class surf breaks. The idyllic coastal town of Ballina, situated on the North Coast of New South Wales, is defined by the Richmond River and North Creek, offering visitors a blend of long, uncrowded beaches, tidal bays, and fertile valleys.

Byron Bay, located on the far-north coast of New South Wales, is renowned for being home to Australia's most easterly point and the iconic Cape Byron Lighthouse. The region is celebrated for its spectacular beaches, distinctive shopping and dining experiences, world-class festivals, and a vibrant community spirit.

Day 1. Tues 22 July: Melbourne - Ballina

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After being **collected from home** and chauffeured to the airport we meet our guide. We'll have plenty of time to get a coffee & something to eat before we board our aircraft. Following a wonderful flight to the Gold Coast Airport, we board our bus, happily chatting away as we make our way across the QLD/NSW border to Ballina. When we arrive, we check into our lovely resort, where we'll enjoy a cozy stay for the next six nights. Take a little time to relax and freshen up, we'll gather together for our **welcome dinner**, excited to share good food and great company!

Overnight Ballina: Ballina Byron Islander Resort (6 nights)

Day 2. Wed 23 July: Ballina - Byron Bay

(B/L/D)

Today is filled with exploration in the stunning **Ballina and Byron Bay area**! We'll kick off our adventure at the **Ballina Visitors Centre**, then head to the intriguing **Ballina Maritime Museum** to discover its fascinating naval and maritime collections. Next, we'll travel past Lennox Head to Byron Bay, where we'll board the **Byron Solar Train** at North Beach for a charming ride to the unique **North Byron Hotel** for lunch. Surrounded by lush greenery and vibrant gardens, this tropical haven is the perfect spot to relax. After lunch, we'll enjoy a scenic return journey in the **vintage first-class carriage**, taking in views of rainforests and the beautiful Belongil Creek, part of **Cape Byron Marine Park**. We'll visit the iconic **Cape Byron Lighthouse**, where breathtaking ocean and hinterland views await, along with a chance to spot turtles, dolphins, and humpback whales. Finally, we'll return to Ballina to unwind at our resort before savouring a delicious dinner, and reflecting on a day of memorable discoveries!

Overnight Ballina: Ballina Byron Islander Resort



Day 3. Thurs 24 July: Alstonville - Evans Head

(B/L/D)

This morning, after a delightful breakfast, we embark on an exciting journey to **Alstonville**, renowned for its stunning purple Tibouchina flowers. Our first stop is **Crawford House**, originally named 'Olivene.' This historic gem, built in 1910 for Mr. William Ambrose Crawford and his wife, Olive, offers a fascinating glimpse into the past. Next, prepare to be amazed at **Summerland Farm**, a beautiful **macadamia and avocado farm** set high on the **Alstonville plateau**, where breathtaking views of the Ballina coastline await you. You'll enjoy an engaging talk about the farm and have the chance to interact with a wonderful assortment of farm animals, from charming mini goats and cows to friendly donkeys, alpacas, rabbits, and guinea pigs. After the farm, take some time to explore the unique shops showcasing local crafts before indulging in a **delicious lunch featuring fresh produce sourced right from the farm**. In the afternoon, we'll take a leisurely stroll along the scenic boardwalk within **Victoria Park Nature Reserve**, reconnecting with nature. Our adventure continues as we head to **Evans Head**, where you can explore the impressive aircraft collection, including the F-111 Fighter Bomber, at the **Evans Head Aviation Museum**. Before we return to Ballina, don't miss the chance to soak in the stunning views from **Razorback Lookout**. After such a fulfilling day packed with exploration and experiences, we'll head back to the resort to relax and freshen up before enjoying a wonderful dinner together.

Overnight Ballina: Ballina Byron Islander Resort

Day 4: Fri 25 July: Ballina - Bangalow

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Our adventure kicks off at the incredible **Australian Seabird and Turtle Rescue**, where we dive into the inspiring world of wildlife warriors dedicated to protecting seabirds, shorebirds, sea turtles, and sea snakes! We'll learn how they combat human impact through rescue, rehabilitation, education, and groundbreaking research. Next, it's time for a flavourful experience at **Zentvelo's Coffee Farm and Roastery** with a thrilling **Crop to Cup Tour**. We'll start our visit indulging in a delicious barista-made coffee of our choice at the coffee house before embarking on an exciting stroll around the vibrant coffee farm, discovering the secrets of Australian-grown coffee. Get ready to see buzzing bee hives and explore innovative regenerative practices! We'll even visit the processing shed to witness the astonishing machinery in action, including the impressive coffee harvester. As we move on, we'll step into the **solar-powered roastery** to unravel the fascinating journey from green bean to the delicious roasted brew we all love. Our last stop? The charming coffee house and farm shop, where we can treat ourselves to some fantastic souvenirs! Next, we'll venture into the delightful township of **Bangalow**, where you'll

have some free time to explore unique shops and grab lunch. Afterward, we'll head to **Piccabeen Park** "Bangalow Weir," followed by a visit to the **Heritage House Museum**, immersing ourselves in the rich history of the area. As the day winds down, we'll return to Ballina, where our beautiful resort awaits, providing the perfect spot to relax and recharge before a delightful dinner.

Overnight Ballina: Ballina Byron Islander Resort

Day 5. Sat 26 July: Clarence River Region

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This morning, we're off on an adventure south to **Iluka**, right at the mouth of the **Clarence River**! We'll catch the local 10:15 am **Clarence River Ferry** over to charming **Yamba**. Once we arrive, we'll dive into the town's rich history at **The Story House** before enjoying a lovely stroll along the quaint main street. In the afternoon, we'll head over to **Maclean**, proudly known as the 'Scottish Town of Australia,' with its roots tracing back to the 1840s. We'll explore the **Ferry Park Art and Craft Gallery** and then visit the delightful **Maclean Stone Cottage and Bicentennial Museum**—one of the rare purpose-built museums in rural Australia. After a wonderful day, we'll make our way back to Ballina. You'll have some time to freshen up before we enjoy dinner together.

Overnight Ballina: Ballina Byron Islander Resort

Day 6. Sun 27 July: Ballina Markets - Free Day - Optional Whale Watching Cruise

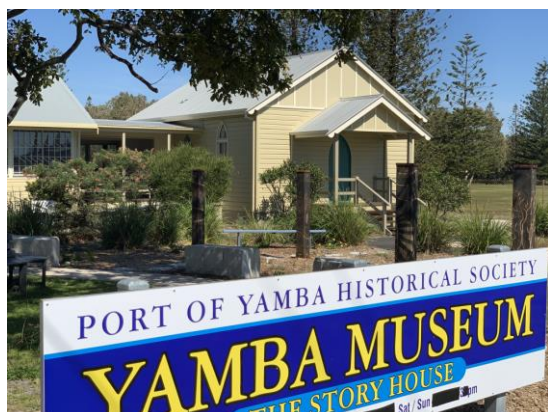
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Our day kicks off at the stunning **Commemoration Park**, nestled along the picturesque banks of North Creek, which hosts the vibrant **Ballina Farmers and Producers Market**. After exploring the market, the rest of the day is yours to unwind at the resort, indulge in some shopping at Ballina Fair, or take a leisurely stroll along the scenic Ballina North Wall Walk. During your walk, you can watch the fascinating trawlers as they come and go in the Richmond River, and don't forget to pause at Lighthouse Beach to catch the surfers riding the waves! Keep your eyes peeled for an impressive array of birdlife and perhaps even some playful dolphins frolicking in the river between the breakwalls—it's a sight you won't want to miss! As the sun sets, we'll gather at the **Ballina RSL Club Board Walk Restaurant** for an unforgettable dining experience with breathtaking riverside views. It's the perfect way to wrap up our tour with a delicious finale!

Optional Whale Watching Cruise

For those seeking a little more adventure, consider joining an optional 2-hour Whale Watching Cruise. Sail alongside the magnificent Humpback Whales as they migrate past the spectacular coastline between Ballina and Byron Bay—a truly awe-inspiring experience in their natural habitat! – Cost is \$129pp and we do need to prebook your seats for you.

Overnight Ballina: Ballina Byron Islander Resort





Day 7. Mon 28 July: Ballina - Melbourne

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After checkout, we begin our drive back up to the Gold Coast Airport with one last tour highlight which takes place at **Tropical Fruit World**. Our visit includes a **farm tour and includes tasting some of Queensland's best fresh fruit**, at this fifth-generation Australian family business. Refreshments will be provided here with time to visit their on-site store which has a unique range of gourmet products. We then continue across the Qld border to check in for our flights back down to Melbourne. On arrival, our **chauffeurs** will be ready to ensure a **safe and comfortable journey back home**, bringing to a close an extraordinary adventure with **Daytripper Tours**.

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(\$690- single supplement)

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