

# GREG PASS

**Starts: Sydney**

**Ends: Brisbane**

**Minimum time: 6 days**

## **Travel Day: Sydney — Barrington Tops (Special Stop)**

**MEET:** outside Wake Up hostel at 8am or outside Nomads (if confirmed) at 8.10am  
We depart the big city and head to the Hunter Valley wine area for a tasting at one of Australia's most famous vineyards. We then travel through the backcountry to our stunning stop on the edge of Barrington Tops National Park (a World Heritage Listed Area). We stay in our own private lodge overlooking the Barrington River. You have the option to ride an inner tube down a scenic part of the river (additional cost), then in the evening have a few drinks and relax in the hot tub.

**SLEEP:** \$60 for dinner, dorm bed and breakfast at Twistops Retreat.

## **Travel Day: Barrington Tops — Spot X Surf Camp**

**MEET:** at the lodge

In the morning you can go mountain biking (additional cost) or go for a walk around the scenic property. We then head north, with a break to visit a Koala hospital to learn about their efforts in preserving Koalas, and at a nature reserve to spot wild kangaroos hopping along the incredible coastline. We arrive at our waterfront accommodation at Spot X in the early evening.

**SLEEP:** \$60 for dinner, dorm bed and breakfast at Spot X

## **Travel Day: Spot X Surf Camp — River Retreat (Special Stop)**

**MEET:** at Loka bus

We have the morning at leisure at Spot X. You can relax on the beach or we recommend taking part in a group surf lesson (additional cost) or hopping off to do a Surf & Stay. In the afternoon we travel to our River Retreat and go for a guided canoeing trip, spotting wildlife along the way. In the evening have an Aussie BBQ, learn how to cook some damper and toast marshmallows around the campfire. We sleep in wilderness cabins or in swags under the stars.

**SLEEP:** \$50 for dorm bed/swag, dinner and breakfast at River Retreat.

## **Travel Day: River Retreat — Byron Bay**

**MEET:** At camp

We leave our camp early, hop in our bus and head up towards Byron Bay, Australia's famous surf and arts town. We stop in the picturesque town of Yamba along the way for lunch where you can have a walk around or a swim in the Angourie Blue Pool. We have an orientation drive on the way to Byron Bay to help you get your bearings.

**SLEEP:** Your choice of Byron accom, you can book through the Loka web app.

## **Free Day in Byron Bay**

Explore, learn to surf, party, do a dolphin kayak trip, visit the alternative town of Nimbin (additional costs), or just relax and take in the laidback, hippy vibe. We recommend taking a walk to the lighthouse to view the Australian mainland's most easterly point.

**SLEEP:** Your choice of Byron accom, you can book via the Loka web app.

## **Travel Day: Byron Bay (via Gold Coast) - Brisbane**

**MEET:** at the main bus stop on Jonson St or Arts Factory hostel (please confirm)

We cruise up to the New South Wales/Queensland border and hop out at Danger Point to stretch our legs and check out the view of one of Australia's best surf spots Snapper Rocks. We then drive into Surfers Paradise, you may want to get off here to experience the sun, sand, tans and high-rises of Australia's most developed beach area. We drop you off in Brisbane CBD for the end of your Loka experience.

**SLEEP:** Your choice of Noosa or Rainbow Beach accom, you can book via the Loka web app.

**Note:** You can break your journey at any of the stops through any of the travel days and just connect with a later Loka bus or rail departure (guided or unguided). You can book your own accommodation or your guide will book it for you, you will usually get a bed-only option (averaging \$32 per person per night), or a twin/double option (averaging \$100 per room).

\*This itinerary and prices are valid until **October 31<sup>st</sup> 2018**, however are subject to change.

## NEED TO KNOW

+ Passes are valid for up to 12 months from your date of departure. You can hop on and off anywhere at any of our overnight stops and key activity stops for the total validity of the pass. You have up to 12 months from your date of purchase to start your Loka pass.

+ Travel is in our own 24 seat mini coaches between Sydney and Brisbane.

+ Our guides travel on all routes on the set departure days. You can travel on the train on other days without a guide, however you can only access our unique transfers and activities when travelling with the guide.

+ There is a minimum of 2 departures per week (up to 5 in summer) over all routes. For specific departure days and times please see our timetable below.