#### 2025 - Itinerary

# Grey Nomad Self-Drive Itinerary - 3 Days / 2 Nights in Ingham, Hinchinbrook Region

**Target Market:** Grey Nomads – Retirees seeking slower-paced, enriching travel experiences with cultural depth, natural beauty, history, and community connection.

Start/Finish Location: Ingham, Queensland

**Travel Style:** Self-drive, relaxed pace, low-impact walking, with caravan-park-friendly accommodation options.

# Day 1 - Cultural Discovery & Town Treasures

**Accommodation:** Ingham Tourist Park (Pet-friendly, shaded powered sites, cabins, close to town)

# 8:30am - Visitor Information Centre & TYTO Wetlands Walk

- Collect maps, brochures, and turtle food.
- Stroll through landscaped wetlands, spot turtles and birds, and climb the Observation Tower.

# 10:00am - Mini Military Museum & Hinchinbrook Shire Library

• Learn about the 31st Battalion's legacy and local war history.

# 11:00am - TYTO Regional Art Gallery

• Discover local arts, crafts, and rotating exhibitions. Join a casual workshop if available.

# 12:30pm - Lunch at JK's Deli

• Indulge in local Italian flavours and stock up on antipasto for Day 2.

# 2:00pm - Mercer Lane Mosaic & Town Stroll

- See the 42m mosaic wall showcasing cane cutter heritage.
- Visit Lee's Hotel (Pub with No Beer) and the historic Ingham Post Office.

# 4:00pm - Sugar Cane Industry Heritage Trail (within TYTO)

• Explore outdoor machinery displays and learn about Ingham's agricultural evolution.

# 6:00pm - BBQ Dinner at Ingham Tourist Park

• Unwind under the stars with a glass of wine.

# Day 2 - Waterfalls, Wetlands & Indigenous Heritage

Accommodation: Return to Ingham Tourist Park

# 8:00am - Depart for Wallaman Falls (Drive: ~1 hr)

• Optional stop at an Italian deli for a picnic lunch.

# 9:15am - Wallaman Falls Lookout

- Enjoy panoramic views of Australia's tallest single-drop waterfall.
- Optional:
  - o **Djyinda Walk** (3.2km return, 2hrs moderate)
  - o **Banggurru Walk** (400m easy walk, wildlife viewing)

# 12:00pm - Picnic Lunch at Falls Lookout or Campground

• Enjoy your antipasto with a view.

# 1:30pm - Drive to Mungalla Station (Approx. 45 min)

# 2:30pm - Mungalla Aboriginal Cultural Experience (Pre-booking advised)

- Guided storytelling tour with local Nywaigi Elder.
- See the Captive Lives exhibition, wetlands restoration, and boomerang demonstration.
- Finish with a traditional **Kup Murri** underground feast (if tour includes catering).

# 5:30pm - Return to Ingham Tourist Park

• Relax and reflect on a day of natural wonder and cultural insight.

# Day 3 - Nature, Art & Coastal Charm

# Optional Departure Today or Extend Stay in Lucinda

# 7:30am - Morning Birdwatching at TYTO Wetlands

- Bring your camera! Look for Eastern Grass Owls and Bruce the local croc.
- Grab a birdwatching checklist from the Visitor Centre.

# 9:00am - 'Painting in the Paddock' Workshop (If available)

• A creative morning inspired by nature with a local artist.

#### 11:30am - Drive to New Ingham Cemetery (10 min)

• Discover Ingham's multicultural history through Mediterranean mausoleums.

# 12:30pm - Seafood Lunch in Lucinda

• Buy fresh seafood from Lucinda Store or enjoy a takeaway feast at the beachfront.

# 1:30pm - Fishing & Jetty Viewing

- Try your luck at the beach near the Lucinda Sugar Jetty (longest in the southern hemisphere).
- Keep an eye out for Pelican Bob!

# 3:30pm - Local Produce Stop (Optional)

• Pick up tropical fruits, honey, or handmade goods at roadside stalls.

# 4:00pm - Depart Ingham or check-in at Lucinda Point Hotel Motel to extend your stay

# **Highlights & Practical Notes**

- **Seasonality:** Best enjoyed during the dry season (May–September) when walking tracks are accessible and temperatures are mild.
- Vehicle Access: All roads are suitable for caravans and 2WD vehicles.
- Accessibility: Most attractions have easy walking paths and shaded rest areas.
- Local Tips:
  - o Check local market days before arrival.
  - o Book ahead for Mungalla Tours and workshops.