



Port Macquarie

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The Legendary Pacific Coast

Port Macquarie is a vibrant coastal city at the heart of a beautiful region teeming with outdoor adventures, gorgeous beaches and delicious fresh produce and seafood. A fascinating history dating back to the convict era adds to the allure. Australia's biggest population of coastal koalas is here, on the mid North Coast of New South Wales. And the region is famous for its Hastings River oysters and its vineyards produce award-winning wines. From local culinary delights to splendid natural beauty, Port Macquarie is a picture-perfect gem to visit.



Kevin Fallon Photography; Old Bar Beach Festival



Port Macquarie Camels

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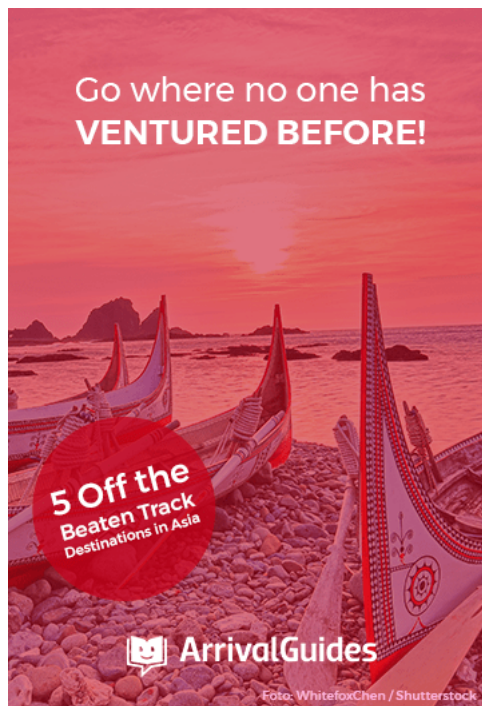


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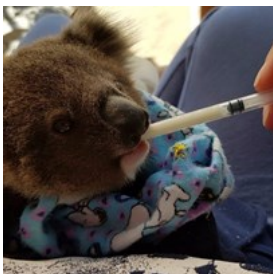
TOP THINGS TO DO



Port Macquarie Camels

Discover cuddly koalas and enchanting rainforest, beautiful beaches and delightful walks, and delicious food and elegant wines in Port Macquarie. With its impressive range of attractions and experiences, the region is a great holiday destination. Taste freshly shucked oysters, walk in a rainforest and encounter koalas in wonderful settings.

The Koala Hospital



Established in 1973, the Koala Hospital is a charitable organisation that takes care of around 2,000 koalas who live in the lush, green region of

Port Macquarie, The area is home to the biggest population of coastal koalas in Australia. Visitors are welcome at the Koala Hospital every day of the year between 8am and 4.30pm. Walk around the grounds to see the koalas in care and watch them being fed daily by volunteers at 8am and 3pm. Walk & Talk tours are conducted every day at 3pm.

Photo: Koala Hospital Port Macquarie

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Phone: +61 2 6584 1522

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/north-coast/port-macquarie-area/port-macquarie/attractions/koala-hospital

Sea Acres National Park and Rainforest Centre



Enjoy the tranquil beauty of the elevated 1.3 km boardwalk through enchanting subtropical rainforest in the Sea Acres National Park and

experience the wonders of one of the largest coastal rainforest reserves in New South Wales. Take a tour with the award-winning Rainforest Discovery volunteers or join an Aboriginal cultural tour. And relax on guided rainforest meditation walks, led by a local yoga instructor, once a month.

Photo: Sea Acres Rainforest Centre

Address: 159 Pacific Drive, Port Macquarie, NSW 2444

Phone: +61 2 6582 3355

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/north-coast/port-macquarie-area/port-macquarie/attractions/sea-acres-rainforest-centre

Indulge in local food and wine



Port Macquarie is part of a significant wine region around the Hastings River where the best grapes are chambourcin, chardonnay, verdelho,

semillon and merlot. Dairy and oyster farms, as well as plantation crops such as macadamia nuts and avocados, make this a great foodie destination. Fresh produce aplenty can be sourced at Wauchope Farmers Markets, held on the fourth Saturday of every month. Annual food and wine festivals include Tastings on the Hastings and Oysters in the Vines.

Photo: Cassegrain Wines

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/north-coast/port-macquarie-area/food-and-wine

North Brother Mountain



Situated in Dooragan National Park, North Brother Mountain offers some of the most accessible and breathtaking panoramic views on the East Coast of Australia. The immediate view is over the magnificent Camden Haven Inlet, with the Camden Haven River winding between Queens Lake and Watson Taylors Lake. The mountain is also popular for hang-gliding and paragliding.

Photo: Ron Payne

Address: Captain Cook Bicentenary Road, Laurieton, NSW 2443

Phone: 1300 303 155 (within Australia)

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/north-coast/port-macquarie-area/laurieton/attractions/north-brother-mountain

Port Macquarie Camel Safaris



Enjoy this fun-filled experience on Lighthouse Beach, one of Port Macquarie's most beautiful southerly beaches. Hop aboard one of Australia's own camels and be delighted with stories, amazing facts and history of this incredible "ship of the desert".

Photo: Port Macquarie Camel Safaris

Address: Matthew Flinders Drive, Port Macquarie, NSW 2444

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Internet: www.visitnsw.com/things-to-do/tours/port-macquarie-camel-safaris

THE CITY



Tastings on Hastings

Port Macquarie is a great place to relax, get back in touch with nature and be inspired by the simple things in life, like long walks on the beach and delicious fresh produce.

This beautiful slice of northern New South Wales is packed with natural attractions - tranquil lakes and rivers, rainforests, national parks and nature reserves. There are seaside villages and rural communities where you can explore farmers markets and taste local delicacies.

The city of Port Macquarie is the vibrant heart, with a delightful waterfront dining scene and a calendar of exciting events, such as Tastings on Hastings in November with local wine, beer, cheese and other delights.

If you want to be active, there's horseriding, surfing, boating, cycling, water skiing, kayaking and wakeboarding; plus golf, tennis, bowls and fishing. For some luxury you could visit a day spa, or take a river cruise or a scenic flight. Port Macquarie will charm you, time and again.

DO & SEE



The Legendary Pacific Coast

Port Macquarie is filled with activities sure to delight water sports enthusiasts, thrill-seekers, nature lovers and history aficionados. Enjoy a leisurely coastal walk, visit a scenic nature reserve, go fruit picking, or sign up for the exhilaration of skydiving or flying in a fighter jet. Whatever your interests, there are plenty of wonderful sights to explore and exciting things to experience.

Stoney Aqua Park



Stoney Aqua Park covers a huge area and boasts a wide array of inflatable fun items for everyone's enjoyment, suitable for all ages. The Aqua Park is

based on a man made lake sourced from a fresh rain water catchment. This allows Stoney Aqua Park to maintain a safe and controlled environment. No sharks, guaranteed!

Stoney Aqua Park will welcome you for the day or just for a few hours. If you have a party, breakup or celebration of any sort they offer a great option for groups large or small.

Customers should arrive at least 30 minutes prior to their preferred time to allow for their ticket purchase, the signing in process and the safety brief.

Gift Vouchers are available!

Photo: Stoney Aqua Park

Address: 16 Hacks Ferry Road, Telegraph Point NSW 2441

Phone: +61 2 6585 0090

Internet: <https://www.visitnsw.com/destinations/north-coast/port-macquarie-area/port-macquarie/attractions/stoney-aqua-park>

Bago Vineyards and Maze



Enjoy the delightful Bago Vineyards as you taste their traditional sparkling and varietal wines, local cheeses or simply take in the beautiful scenery. The

Bago Maze will test the navigation skills of the young and young at heart as you weave your way through the puzzle of pathways, over and under bridges, looking for items hidden deep within the maze. For lovers of fine wine and live jazz, Bago's Jazz in the Vineyards is held on the second Sunday of every month.

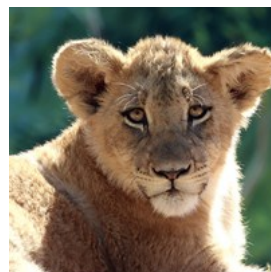
Photo: Bago Maze and Winery

Address: Milligans Road (off Bago Road), Wauchope, NSW 2446

Phone: +61 2 6585 7099

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/north-coast/port-macquarie-area/port-macquarie/food-and-drink/bago-vineyards-and-bago-maze

Billabong Koala and Wildlife Park



Billabong is a wild day out for the family. The award-winning zoo is home to a wide variety of Australian and exotic animals, and features the

world-renowned koala breeding centre. You'll be amazed as you learn from keeper talks and presentations of penguins, monkeys, dingos, snow leopards and crocodiles. The house of reptiles contains the world's most venomous land snake.

Photo: Jennifer Baker - © jb

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Phone: +61 2 6585 1060

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/north-coast/port-macquarie-area/port-macquarie/attractions/billabong-koala-and-wildlife-park

Glasshouse Regional Gallery



Derived from local, national, and international sources, the exhibition program at this Port Macquarie art gallery covers the visual arts, craft, and design, including historical and contemporary themes and subjects. Drop in to see significant touring exhibitions featuring well-known Australian and international artists and collections.

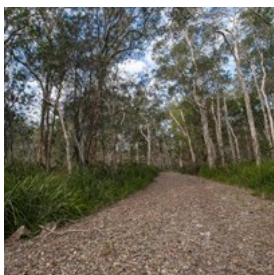
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Googik Heritage Walking Track



Take in the picturesque sights of Port Macquarie along the Googik Heritage Walking Track. Set in a gorgeous natural environment, the 2 km

walk starts at Lake Innes Nature Reserve, on Lake Road, and winds through gently undulating hills. Experience the chance to bike or stroll beside kangaroos and birds on this enchanting trail.

Photo: John Spencer

Address: Googik Heritage Walking Track (off Lake Road), Port Macquarie, NSW 2444

Phone: +61 2 6588 5555

Internet: <https://www.visitnsw.com/destinations/north-coast/port-macquarie-area/port-macquarie/attractions/googik-heritage-walking-track>

Jet Fighter



For the ultimate adventure ride, fly in a L-39C Albatross Fighter Jet performing a wide range of tactical manoeuvres at 900 km per hour. All missions are designed to thrill and are flown by some of the best military-trained pilots in Australia.

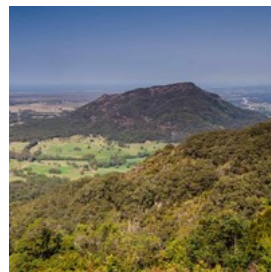
Photo: JetFighter

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Phone: 1300 727 700 (within Australia)

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/things-to-do/tours/jetfighter

Middle Brother National Park



A magnificent forest, Middle Brother National Park has glimpses of the coast to the east and native birds circling overhead. Visitors can enjoy easy trails, perfect for walking with children, and there are picnic tables. There's excellent wildlife viewing both day and night, and intrepid hikers will want to pack the boots and GPS for exhilarating bushwalks. Climb the mountain for a scenic lookout over the Hannam Vale valley and South Brother Mountain. Sunrises and sunsets here are glorious.

Photo: Middle Brother National Park

Address: Middle Brother, NSW 2443

Phone: +61 2 6588 5555

Internet: <https://www.visitnsw.com/destinations/north-coast/port-macquarie-area/kendall/attractions/middle-brother-national-park>

Port Macquarie Coastal Walk



Port Macquarie's beautiful coastal walk is a 9 km trail with stunning views of the dramatic coastline, significant historic sites and iconic

landmarks. You can start the walk at Town Beach, winding along the coast via Flagstaff, Rocky Beach lookout, Nobby's Beach and Harry's Lookout to Sea Acres. Between May and November, you might spot humpback and southern right whales on their annual migration. The walk ends at Tacking Point Lighthouse.

Photo: Rob Cleary

Address: Town Green Boardwalk, near Clarence Street, Port Macquarie, NSW 2444

Phone: +61 2 6582 3355

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/north-coast/port-macquarie-area/port-macquarie/attractions/port-macquarie-coastal-walk

Ricardoes Tomatoes and Strawberries Farm



Experience the pleasure of picking your own plump, juicy strawberries. At Ricardoes you'll find five varieties of hydroponic strawberries

and eight varieties of tomatoes, with more than 30,000 plants growing in greenhouses. You can enter a greenhouse with a bucket to pick your own strawberries, which are then sold by weight and bagged to take away.

Photo: Ricardoes Tomatoes and Strawberries Farm

Address: Blackmans Point Road, Port Macquarie, NSW 2444

Phone: +61 2 6585 0663

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Roto House Historic Site



From the moment you come inside the picket fence and walk on the bullnose verandah of the heritage-listed Roto House, it feels as though

you've stepped back in time. Built in 1891, this 11-room weatherboard house of local red mahogany is lovingly maintained and is a beautiful example of Victorian architecture and craftsmanship. Guided tours are available.

Photo: Roto House

Address: Macquarie Nature Reserve, Lord Street, Port Macquarie, NSW 2444

Phone: +61 2 6584 2180

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/north-coast/port-macquarie-area/port-macquarie/attractions/roto-house

Timbertown Heritage Theme Park



Step back in time at Timbertown, where you can ride a steam train, watch timber craftsmen at work and smell the coals of the blacksmith.

Set among 35 hectares of natural forest, Timbertown is an entire village re-created to demonstrate the struggles and achievements of Australia's pioneers.

Photo: Timbertown Heritage Theme Park

Address: 2325 Oxley Highway, Wauchope, NSW 2446

Phone: +61 2 6586 1940

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/north-coast/port-macquarie-area/wauchope/attractions/timbertown-heritage-theme-park

DINING AND DRINKING



Tastings on Hastings

Enjoy a wide range of dining experiences in Port Macquarie and take full advantage of the beautiful scenery that surrounds the city. From local wineries and breweries to acclaimed restaurants by the harbour, the region offers many delicious options including the freshest seasonal produce, elegant wines and craft beers.

Abundance Café



Eat among beautiful flowers and plants at the Abundance Café, located within the Abundance Lifestyle and Garden Centre. The café serves a range of gourmet sandwiches and light meals such as salmon and caper berry tarts, chickpea and lentil burgers, and fish and chips. Take home a pot plant when you leave.

Photo: Abundance Café

Address: 274 Rawdon Island Road, Sancrox, NSW 2446

Phone: +61 2 6586 0030

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/north-coast/port-macquarie-area/wauchope/restaurants/abundance-cafe

Black Duck Brewery



A friendly, relaxed venue where you can try the range of locally crafted beers which are brewed and packaged on site. Meet the brewer, join a guided tour and enjoy sampling the full range of beers on tap. The ploughman's food platters are popular with a generous serve of local beer bread, ham, olives, relish and a few other tasty goodies.

Photo: Black Duck Brewery and Bar

Address: 6B Acacia Avenue, Port Macquarie, NSW 2444

Phone: +61 407 874 474

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/north-coast/port-macquarie-area/port-macquarie/attractions/black-duck-brewery

Cassegrain Wines and Seasons



Nestled in the picturesque Hastings River district, the award-winning Cassegrain Wines offers wine tasting daily at its cellar door, as well as superb French-inspired cuisine at its relaxed Seasons Café-Restaurant. With an emphasis on fresh seasonal and regional produce, enjoy Seasons' delicious food overlooking the beautiful estate.

Photo: Cassegrain Wines

Address: 764 Fernbank Creek Road, Port Macquarie, NSW 2444

Phone: +61 2 6582 8377

Internet: <http://www.visitnsw.com/destinations/north-coast/port-macquarie-area/port-macquarie/food-and-drink/cassegrain-wines>

Fusion 7



This is one of the city's most adventurous and awarded restaurants. Fusion 7 is just a couple of streets away from Port Macquarie's main

shopping centre. The kitchen keeps things interesting with fusion food. Asian, Indian, European and South American flavours all make an appearance and fresh local seafood is a specialty.

Photo: Fusion 7

Address: 124 Horton Street, Port Macquarie, NSW 2444

Phone: +61 2 6584 1171

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/north-coast/port-macquarie-area/port-macquarie/restaurants/fusion-7

Little Fish Café



The Little Fish Café overlooks the vineyards of the Innes Lake Estate, framed by jacaranda and magnolia trees. The café is perfect for a quick bite and serves platters showcasing the region's fresh produce, plus seafood dishes and wine from the estate.

Photo: Little Fish Cafe

Address: Innes Lake Vineyard, The Ruins Way, Port Macquarie NSW 2444

Phone: +61 2 6581 1332

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/north-coast/port-macquarie-area/port-macquarie/restaurants/little-fish-cafe

LV's on Clarence



Each morning award-winning chef Todd Richardson seeks the best seafood from local fisherman, which becomes the trawler

platter of the day. LV's on Clarence is a café and restaurant, and sources top quality ingredients and fresh produce to craft a menu of modern Australian cuisine. Much of the food is produced in-house, from cold-smoked salmon, to sourdough bread, pastries and cakes.

Photo: Jackson Rafferty - LV's on Clarence

Address: 74 Clarence Street, Port Macquarie, NSW 2444

Phone: +61 2 6583 9210

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/north-coast/port-macquarie-area/port-macquarie/restaurants/lvs-on-clarence

Pancake Place



The kids will love sharing their blueberry pancakes with Mickey and Minnie Mouse who adorn the walls of this brightly coloured restaurant.

Haven't got a sweet tooth? Go for the big Aussie breakfast or enjoy a Mexican feast.

Photo: Pancake Place

Address: Corner of Clarence and Hay streets, Port Macquarie, NSW 2444

Phone: +61 2 6583 4544

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/north-coast/port-macquarie-area/port-macquarie/restaurants/pancake-place

The Rainforest Café



Inside the lush surrounds of the Sea Acres Rainforest Centre, a slice of serenity awaits at Port Macquarie's Rainforest Café. Spend the morning at Shelley Beach and then follow the windy road up to the café where floor-to-ceiling windows offer views of the subtropical rainforest. The café offers a modern Australian menu featuring share-boards, gourmet sandwiches and salads, with plenty of gluten-free and vegetarian options available.

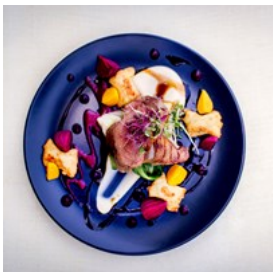
Photo: The Rainforest Café

Address: Sea Acres Rainforest Centre, Pacific Drive, Port Macquarie, NSW 2444

Phone: +61 2 6582 4444

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/north-coast/port-macquarie-area/port-macquarie/restaurants/the-rainforest-cafe

The Corner Restaurant



By day, The Corner serves a seasonal breakfast menu with lots of freshly baked goodies and a contemporary lunch menu that offers

lighter and larger bites. By night, The Corner offers an exquisite menu inspired by fresh local produce, an outstanding boutique wine list and a fine selection of Australian craft beer.

Photo: The Corner Restaurant

Address: 11 Clarence Street, Port Macquarie, NSW 2444

Phone: +61 2 6583 3300

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/north-coast/port-macquarie-area/port-macquarie/restaurants/the-corner-restaurant

Sandbar Cafe & Restaurant



The Sandbar Cafe & Restaurant is a casual eatery near the banks of the Camden Haven River at North Haven. It's admired by locals who flock here for delightful modern Australian fare, complemented by attentive service. The all-day breakfast is a drawcard and is best enjoyed alfresco on the terrace where you can enjoy gorgeous views of the river.

Photo: Sandbar Cafe & Restaurant

Address: 621 Ocean Drive, North Haven, NSW 2443

Phone: +61 2 6559 6945

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/north-coast/port-macquarie-area/north-haven/restaurants/sandbar-cafe-and-restaurant

The Little Brewing Company



This craft brewery produces premium beer in small batches. The beer is handcrafted from the freshest and finest quality ingredients

available, including pure local water. The beer is not pasteurised so it retains the full flavour and aroma the brewer meant it to have, with no preservatives or additives used. Cellar door tastings and sales are Monday to Saturday, from 10 am to 4 pm.

Photo: The Little Brewing Company

Address: 58 Uralla Road, Port Macquarie, NSW 2444

Phone: +61 2 6581 3949

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/north-coast/port-macquarie-area/port-macquarie/food-and-drink/the-little-brewing-company

The Stunned Mullet



The Stunned Mullet is a restaurant where amazing food, incredible wines, great service and relaxed coastal ambience come together perfectly.

The freshest of local produce is sourced from the beautiful and fertile Hastings region and is paired with innovative, international flavours.

The simplicity in the restaurant's cuisine accentuates the beauty of these quality ingredients.

Photo: Lindsay Moller - The Stunned Mullet

Address: 12 William Street, Port Macquarie, NSW 2444

Phone: +61 2 6584 7757

Internet: <https://www.visitnsw.com/destinations/north-coast/port-macquarie-area/port-macquarie/food-and-drink/the-stunned-mullet>

Whalebone Wharf Seafood Restaurant



This award-winning waterfront restaurant specialises in serving fresh local seafood and is renowned for its lobster and crab dishes. From a

table on the wharf, enjoy spectacular views across the sparkling waters of the Hastings River. You can even arrive in style aboard a seaplane after a 30-minute scenic flight.

Photo: Whalebone Wharf

Address: 269 Hastings River Drive, Port Macquarie, NSW 2444

Opening hours: Seven days for lunch and dinner

Phone: +61 2 6583 2334

Internet: <https://www.visitnsw.com/destinations/north-coast/port-macquarie-area/port-macquarie/food-and-drink/whalebone-wharf>

Zebu Bar & Grill at Rydges



The simple and contemporary design of this restaurant enhances the sweeping views of the Hastings River foreshore and makes Zebu Bar &

Grill the perfect place to unwind. Modern Australian cuisine features on the menu, with succulent seafood and delicious steaks a highlight. Relax with a drink in the early afternoon or stay on until late for dinner as the evening crowd rolls in.

Photo: Zebu Bar and Grill

Address: 1 Hay Street, Port Macquarie, NSW 2444

Phone: +61 2 6589 2822

Internet: <https://www.visitnsw.com/destinations/north-coast/port-macquarie-area/port-macquarie/food-and-drink/zebu-bar-and-grill>

EVENTS



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Port Macquarie's fresh local produce is on show at food and wine festivals throughout the year and at weekend farmers markets. Watch extraordinary sporting competitions that take in the region's beautiful natural surroundings, such as the prestigious IRONMAN Australia.

Festival of the Sun



Celebrating its 15th year in December 2018, Festival of the Sun (FOTSUN) has continued to break records on ticket sales with 2017 its fastest

sell out ever. FOTSUN is described as one of the best boutique music festivals you can experience over summer.

FOTSUN will indeed deliver the vibes and stellar line up that have cemented it as a summer festival favourite over the past ten years.

Festival of the Sun is Port Macquarie's flagship live music event bringing in the summer with some great live Aussie and International bands, tasty markets and three days of camping in the sun next to the beach.

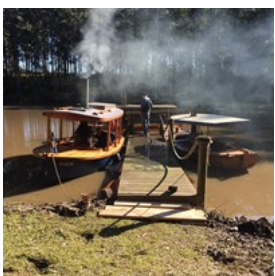
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Phone: +61 2 6581 0037

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Timbertown Annual Steam Fair



Steam Fair in the middle of winter, a fantastic time to enjoy Heritage steam, log fires, and fresh hot damper. They will have steam boats on the lake

along with steam vehicles. Steam trains, traction engines and engines galore. The damper camp will be operating also along with live music. See rare trades and demonstrations and much more. Caravan/Camping available on site, call for details.

Photo: Timbertown Annual Steam Fair

Address: Timbertown, 2325 Oxley Highway, Timbertown Wauchope NSW 2446

Phone: +61 2 6586 1940

Internet: <https://www.visitnsw.com/destinations/north-coast/port-macquarie-area/wauchope/events/timbertown-annual-steam-fair>

Grape Stomping Championships



Join the public annual Grape Stomping Championships at Bago Vineyards, where regular jazz concerts are held. Teams of two jump in

wooden barrels to see how much juice they can stomp out of 10 kilograms of grapes in 60 seconds.

Photo: Grape Stomping Championships

Address: Milligans Road (off Bago Road), Wauchope, NSW 2446

Phone: +61 2 6585 7099

Internet:

www.visitnsw.com/events/grape-stomping-championships

Wauchope Farmers Market



This well-established farmers market is built on a philosophy of providing the freshest, the best and the healthiest alternatives to the community, with

produce and product often hand-picked the day before the market. The market is held every fourth Saturday of each month at the Wauchope Showground from 8am - 12pm.

Photo: Wauchope Farmers Market

Address: Wauchope Showground, High Street, Wauchope, NSW 2446

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/north-coast/port-macquarie-area/wauchope/events/wauchope-farmers-market

Hello Koalas Festival



Hello Koalas Festival is an annual event over the June Long Weekend, building on the success of the Hello Koalas Sculpture Trail in Port

Macquarie-Hastings, on NSW Mid North Coast.

Hello Koalas Festival is great fun for all ages groups while also focussing attention on the importance of caring for koalas, which sadly these days are a threatened species in many parts of NSW.

Port Macquarie-Hastings has the largest koala population on the east coast of Australia and they want that to continue!

Port Macquarie's famed Koala Hospital is a key Festival partner along with National Parks' Sea Acres Rainforest Centre which offers an innovative boardwalk attraction 'Save our Koalas'. See environmentally themed, hand painted Hello Koalas sculptures nestling along the rainforest walk. 'Paint your own Koalas' at the Festival's popular art making workshops and take home your masterpiece for the family mantlepiece.

Enjoy Hello Koalas High Teas at Rydges with yummy Koala Cookies and Cupcakes and special Hello Koalas teas, locally made by World Par Tea. Win great prizes at the Hello Koalas Festival Picnic with lots of games organised by the crew from National Parks.

Photo: Lindsay Moller - Arts and Health Australia

Address: Port Macquarie, NSW 2444

Phone: +61 416 641 482

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IRONMAN Australia



As one of the longest running ironman events on the global circuit, IRONMAN Australia remains an iconic international endurance event consisting of a swim, bike ride and run, taking in the best of the Greater Port Macquarie region on what is one of the most scenic ironman courses in the world. The event was established in 1985. Don't miss your opportunity for a personalised ironman experience through either taking part in the Port Iron 5K Fun Run, volunteering or cheering the athletes across the finish line.

Photo: Ironman Australia

Address: Clarence Street, Port Macquarie NSW 2444

Phone: 1300 835 411 (within Australia)

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/north-coast/port-macquarie-area/port-macquarie/events/ironman-australia

Kendall National Violin Competition



This annual competition attracts young violinists from around Australia and is held in September. Many past winners and finalists have forged

impressive international careers. The competition's history dates from 1999 when renowned Australian luthier (a maker of string instruments) Graham Caldersmith made the generous offer to donate a concert violin each year as a prize.

Photo: Kendall National Violin Competition

Address: Comboyne Street, Kendall NSW 2439

Internet: <https://www.visitnsw.com/destinations/north-coast/port-macquarie-area/kendall/events/kendall-national-violin-competition>

Oysters in the Vines



At Cassegrain Winery's vineyards, among tree-lined avenues and beautiful gardens, is the annual Oysters in the Vines. The event shines a spotlight on the region's delicious oysters and a sumptuous selection of exotic dressings. Enjoy freshly shucked oysters, elegant wines and the smooth sounds of jazz.

Photo: Oysters in the Vines

Address: 764 Fernbank Creek Road, Port Macquarie, NSW 2444

Phone: +61 2 6582 8377

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/events/oysters-in-the-vines

Slice of Haven Festival



Slice of Haven is your chance to sample a delicious taste of food and wine from the Camden Haven region, 30 minutes south of Port Macquarie. More than 80 stallholders, hailing from the hinterland to the coast, present their finest produce and culinary creations. Discerning lovers of wine, beer, food and coffee will be well-satisfied with local producers and chefs offering the best of their goods.

Photo: Slice of Haven Food and Wine

Address: Seymour Street, Laurieton, NSW 2443

Internet: <https://www.visitnsw.com/destinations/north-coast/port-macquarie-area/laurieton/events/slice-haven-festival>

ACCOMMODATION



The Observatory

A range of accommodation choices are available in Port Macquarie. Many places to stay have ocean views and are close to the town centre and local attractions. Prices are competitive and suit the budget conscious traveller as well as those looking for a more luxurious stay.

Aston Hill Motor Lodge



A high quality, well-appointed motel located in a private and secluded residential area, Aston Hill is close to the Port Macquarie central business district and within walking distance of restaurants and clubs. Choose from serviced family suites or a three-bedroom apartment. All rooms have kitchenettes, microwaves and cooking utensils, as well as access to a central terrace with barbecue facilities.

Photo: Russ Dodson - Aston Hill Motor Lodge

Address: 15 Mort Street, Port Macquarie, NSW 2444

Phone: +61 2 6583 3266 or 1800 235 232 (toll free within Australia)

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/north-coast/port-macquarie-area/port-macquarie/accommodation/aston-hill-motor-lodge

Best Western Macquarie Barracks Motor Inn

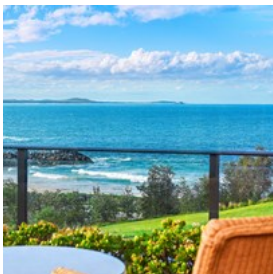


This motor inn is a short drive away from Port Macquarie's best attractions, beaches and golf clubs. It's ideally located just a few minutes

from the town centre, Settlement City shopping centre and Panthers Centre of Entertainment. Dine in Governor's Restaurant and enjoy a seasonally changing menu in a relaxed atmosphere.

Photo: Best Western Macquarie Barracks Motor Inn
Address: 103 Hastings River Drive, Port Macquarie, NSW 2444
Phone: +61 2 6583 5333
Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/north-coast/port-macquarie-area/port-macquarie/accommodation/best-western-macquarie-barracks-motor-inn

ibis Styles Port Macquarie



Perfectly positioned on the headland at Port Macquarie, directly opposite the spectacular Town Beach, this hotel has beautifully appointed

rooms. Upstairs rooms offer panoramic views over the town, the Hastings River and the ocean. Enjoy a full breakfast in the ocean-view breakfast lounge, which has splendid views.

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Address: 1 Stewart Street, Port Macquarie, NSW 2444
Phone: +61 2 6583 1200
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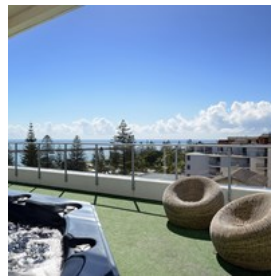
Mantra Quayside



On the Hastings River Broadwater, Mantra Quayside offers vistas of the waterfront from the rooftop area and selected apartments. A short stroll along William Street and you're in the dynamic Horton Street shopping and dining precinct with its cafés, restaurants and boutiques.

Photo: Mantra Quayside
Address: 136 William Street, Port Macquarie, NSW 2444
Phone: +61 2 6588 4000 or 1300 737 111
Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/north-coast/port-macquarie-area/port-macquarie/accommodation/mantra-quayside

Macquarie Waters Boutique Apartment Hotel



This award-winning boutique apartment hotel is conveniently in Port Macquarie's town centre, adjacent to the waterfront. Relax in the hotel's heated pool or spa, enjoy movies on the big screen by the pool in warmer months, and unwind on the roof deck with stunning ocean views, hot tub and barbecue facilities. The popular Corner restaurant is open daily from 7am and offers a relaxed vibe with a menu driven by fresh seasonal produce matched with a comprehensive wine list.

Photo: Macquarie Waters Boutique Apartment Hotel edit
Address: 11 Clarence Street, Port Macquarie, NSW 2444
Phone: +61 2 6584 5755 or 1800 702 535 (toll free within Australia)
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Mercure Centro Hotel



Conveniently located in the hub of Port Macquarie's cosmopolitan town centre, all of the hotel's 70 rooms feature chic interiors and modern facilities. The hotel offers secure undercover parking, a day spa and a heated outdoor pool. Dine at Restaurant Synergy where breakfast and dinner menus feature internationally and locally inspired dishes using fresh local produce.

Photo: Mercure Centro Hotel Port Macquarie
 Address: 103 William Street, Port Macquarie, NSW 2444
 Phone: +61 2 6583 0830 or 1300 786 989
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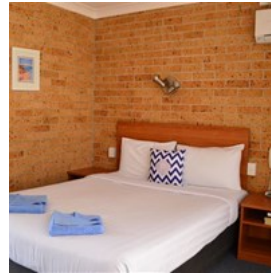
Palm Court Motor Inn



The beautiful Town Beach is only a 10-minute stroll from the Golden Chain Palm Court Motor Inn, which offers comfortable and affordable queen rooms with balconies and water views. Relax in the outdoor swimming pool and barbecue area and enjoy free wireless internet and Foxtel cable TV.

Photo: Palm Court Motor Inn
 Address: 138 William Street, Port Macquarie, NSW 2444
 Phone: +61 2 6583 5155 or 1800 982 766 (toll free within Australia)
 Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/north-coast/port-macquarie-area/port-macquarie/accommodation/palm-court-motor-inn

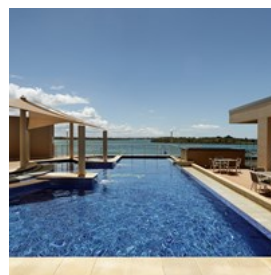
Port O'Call Motel



The Port O'Call Motel is on the exclusive Settlement Shores waterways with its own private jetty. A few minutes drive from the town centre, the motel is owner-operated and has a variety of room types, from standard suites to self-contained suites. All suites contain their own private en suites, free Foxtel cable TV and private courtyards.

Photo: Port O'Call Motel
 Address: 105 Hastings River Drive, Port Macquarie, NSW 2444
 Phone: +61 2 6583 5222 or 1800 181 717 (toll free within Australia)
 Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/north-coast/port-macquarie-area/port-macquarie/accommodation/port-ocall-motel

Rydges Port Macquarie



In the heart of Port Macquarie, Rydges offers breathtaking views of the Hastings River and is near theatres, galleries, restaurants, wineries, boutiques and bars. Ad beautiful beaches are just minutes away. The award-winning Zebu Grill & Bar serves modern Australian cuisine in a casual environment and is open daily for breakfast, lunch and dinner. You can also choose from a number of relaxing treatments at the day spa and enjoy an impressive outdoor waterfront pool.

Photo: Rydges Port Macquarie
 Address: 1 Hay Street, Port Macquarie, NSW 2444
 Phone: +61 2 6589 2888
 Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/north-coast/port-macquarie-area/port-macquarie/accommodation/rydges-port-macquarie

Sails Resort Port Macquarie by Rydges



This delightful resort is on its own private peninsula, a perfect position from which to explore this stunning coastal destination and just minutes from Port Macquarie's town centre. Complimentary recreational facilities include a heated swimming pool, indoor and outdoor spas, steam room, tennis court, mini golf, canoes, fishing, a children's playground, barbecue facilities and more.

Photo: Lindsay Moller Photography - Sails Resort Port Macquarie by Rydges

Address: 20 Park Street, Port Macquarie, NSW 2444

Phone: 1800 025 271 (within Australia)

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/north-coast/port-macquarie-area/port-macquarie/accommodation/sails-resort-port-macquarie-rydges

Mantra The Observatory



Mantra The Observatory offers seaside accommodation in the heart of Port Macquarie. Located directly across from the beach, this

contemporary hotel boasts spectacular views over the ocean, river and hinterland, and provides close proximity to many of the areas natural attractions. Secure onsite car parking is complimentary for all guests along with free in-room wireless Internet access.

Accommodation is modern and spacious with the choice of the Hotel Room, One, Two or Three Bedroom Apartment, and the Three Bedroom Penthouse. Apartments boast private balconies, air-conditioning, fully equipped kitchen and laundry facilities, and large televisions with

Foxtel channels.

At Mantra The Observatory you'll enjoy an excellent range of facilities including a heated lap pool, spa, sauna, barbecue area, and onsite dining options. Sample the region's freshest seafood at Scampi's Seafood Bar and Grill, or visit The Observatory Milkbar for a refreshing holiday beverage. A day spa is situated onsite for your convenience if you'd like to treat yourself to massage or facial during your stay.

If you're planning to soak in the sun there are countless beaches and picnic spots to explore.

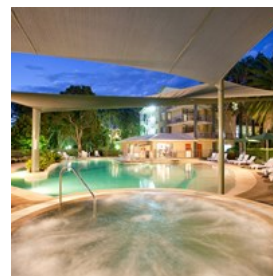
Photo: Mantra The Observatory

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Phone: +61 2 6586 8000

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/north-coast/port-macquarie-area/port-macquarie/accommodation/the-observatory

Ramada Resort by Wyndham Flynn's Beach



Ramada Resort Flynn's Beach is only metres from one of the most popular family beaches in Port Macquarie, the holiday haven of the NSW mid north coast.

Set in a striking natural setting, this family friendly resort boasts excellent facilities including an outdoor pool, spa and barbecue area. The spacious accommodation options: Studios, Apartments and Grand Suites will make for a comfortable and enjoyable stay. Port Macquarie is known for its great food and local wines, take the opportunity to visit a number of local wineries, and dine out at some of the many award winning restaurants that Port Macquarie has to offer.

Port Macquarie is a treasure trove of holiday fun and adventure - enjoy activities such as skydiving, go karting, abseiling, skirmish, cruising down the sparkling Hastings River to

spot the playful resident dolphins, exploring the hinterland's native flora and fauna or watch the majestic humpback whales.

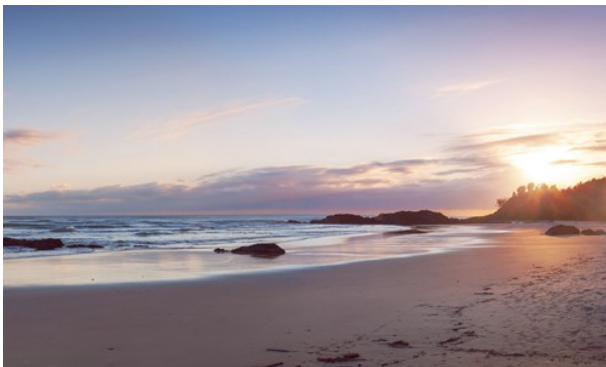
Photo: Ramada Resort by Wyndham Flynns Beach edit

Address: 14 - 20 Flynn Street, Port Macquarie, NSW 2444

Phone: +61 2 6589 9688

Internet: <https://www.visitnsw.com/destinations/north-coast/port-macquarie-area/port-macquarie/accommodation/wyndham-vacation-resort-flynn-beach>

ESSENTIAL INFORMATION



Kent Matthews

Port Macquarie is easy to reach from Sydney by car, plane, or public transport. Discover the natural beauty, delicious food and outdoor adventures at your own pace by renting a car, or join one of the many tours that explore this splendid region of the mid North Coast of NSW.

Airport

Port Macquarie is about one hour's flying time from Sydney or Brisbane. QantasLink and Virgin Australia provide daily flights between Sydney and Port Macquarie. Virgin Australia also provides direct flights between Brisbane and Port Macquarie. Connecting flights are also available to a wide range of destinations in Australia and internationally.

The airport is 5 km from the town centre and takes about 10 minutes to reach by road. A range of transport options are available to and from

the airport. Taxi and shuttle bus services are located in front of the baggage claim area. Public bus services are available from the bus stop next to the airport's rental car park.

Address: 99 Boundary Street, Port Macquarie, NSW 2444

Phone: +61 2 6581 8111

Internet: www.portmacquarieairport.com.au

Car

Port Macquarie is on the New South Wales North Coast, just off the Pacific Highway. It takes just over 4 hours to drive from Sydney to Port Macquarie.

Public Transport - Bus

Busways public buses are available linking the central business district to surrounding communities, although there is limited bus service in the city.

Phone: +61 2 6583 2499

Internet: www.busways.com.au

Public Transport - Rail

The train service between Sydney and Brisbane stops daily at Wauchope, 20 minutes inland from Port Macquarie. A coach connection is provided for passengers travelling to Port Macquarie from Wauchope Station.

Phone: 13 22 32

Internet: www.nswtrainlink.info

Public transport - Ferry

Port Macquarie is serviced by two ferries linking the town centre to the North Shore, providing access to Limeburners Creek Nature Reserve, North Beach and Crescent Head via Maria River Road (gravel road) and Point Plomer Road (4WD access only).

Settlement Point Ferry

This 21-vehicle ferry is located at Settlement

Point Road and operates 24 hours, 7 days a week. The service is closed for maintenance between 9.30am and 3.30pm every third Wednesday of the month.

Hibbard Ferry

This 15-vehicle ferry is located at Boundary Street off Hastings River Drive. The service operates Monday to Friday from 6.30am to 10am and 2.45pm to 7pm. On weekends and public holidays the ferry runs between 8am and 7pm and during school holidays from 6.30am to 7pm. The service is closed for maintenance between 10am and 2.45pm every fourth Thursday of the month.

Taxi

Port Macquarie Taxi Cabs

Phone: 131 008

Internet: www.porttaxi.com.au

Telephone

Country code: +61

Area code: 02

Electricity

220-240V

Population

41,491

Currency

1 Australian Dollar = 100 cents

Opening hours

Typical hours for shops are 9am – 6pm. Most shops open during the weekend but with restricted hours.

Internet

www.visitnsw.com/destinations/north-coast/port-macquarie-area/port-macquarie

Newspapers

Camden Haven Courier

Port Macquarie News

The Port Macquarie Independent

Wauchope Gazette

Emergency numbers

Police, Fire, and Ambulance 000

Tourist information

Greater Port Macquarie Visitor Information Centre

The Glasshouse

Corner of Clarence and Hay Streets, Port Macquarie NSW
2444, Australia

Phone: 1300 303 155 (within Australia)

Opening Hours: 9am - 5.30pm on weekdays. 9am - 4pm on weekends and public holidays.

Website: www.portmacquarieinfo.com.au