

Brisbane, Queensland, Australia

Australia's river city punches well above its weight for a cruise port day — wildlife sanctuaries, river beaches, island day trips, and a compact CBD are all in easy range from the dock.

 Docked (pier)  Typical call: 8-10 hrs  Australian Dollar (AUD)  English

🚢 MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date:	Arrive:	All aboard:
Excursion:	Notes:	

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: BICT (Luggage Point) for large ships; Portside Wharf (Hamilton) for smaller vessels — both docked, no tendering

Best For: Wildlife encounters (Lone Pine Koala Sanctuary), island day trips (Moreton Island), South Bank strolling

Walk to center: BICT is ~20 km from CBD; taxi/rideshare 20-30 min. Portside Wharf is ~7 km; CityCat ferry 25 min.

Don't Miss: A koala close-up photo at Lone Pine — the world's largest koala sanctuary, plus hand-feeding kangaroos

 Getting around:  **Taxi**  AUD \$50–65 ·  **Rideshare**  Uber, DiDi, Ola ·  **Hop-on hop-off**  Hop-on hop-off

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Lone Pine Koala Sanctuary** — The world's largest koala sanctuary sits about 12 km from the city in Fig Tree Pocket.
- **Moreton Island Day Trip** — A 75-minute ferry from the city drops you on a sand island with clear turquoise waters, snorkeling around the...
- **South Bank & QAGOMA** — South Bank Parklands hugs the river opposite the CBD: a pedestrian beach (Streets Beach), riverside paths, the...
- **Story Bridge Adventure Climb** — Scale the cantilever arches of Brisbane's iconic 1940 bridge for 360° views over the river, CBD, and Moreton Bay.
- **Gold Coast Day Trip** — An hour south by road, the Gold Coast offers long surf beaches, Surfers Paradise, and hinterland rainforest at...

BEST WALKS

- **South Bank Riverwalk & Streets Beach** 4 km round trip | Flat | ~1.5 hrs — From South Bank ferry stop, walk the riverside promenade past Streets Beach (man-made lagoon beach), the Parklands gardens, and across...
- **Howard Smith Wharves & Kangaroo Point Cliffs** 3 km | Easy-moderate | ~1.5 hrs — From the CBD ferry terminal, head to Howard Smith Wharves — a riverside precinct under the Story Bridge with restaurants and craft beer.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

 **CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)**

Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr	78°	62°	8d
Jun	70°	52°	6d
Aug	72°	52°	5d
Sep	76°	56°	6d
Oct	79°	60°	10d

 **DAYLIGHT &  MONEY**

Apr 6:04AM–5:30PM · Jun 6:36AM–5:00PM · Aug 6:18AM–5:26PM · Sep 5:46AM–5:40PM · Oct 5:12AM–5:55PM

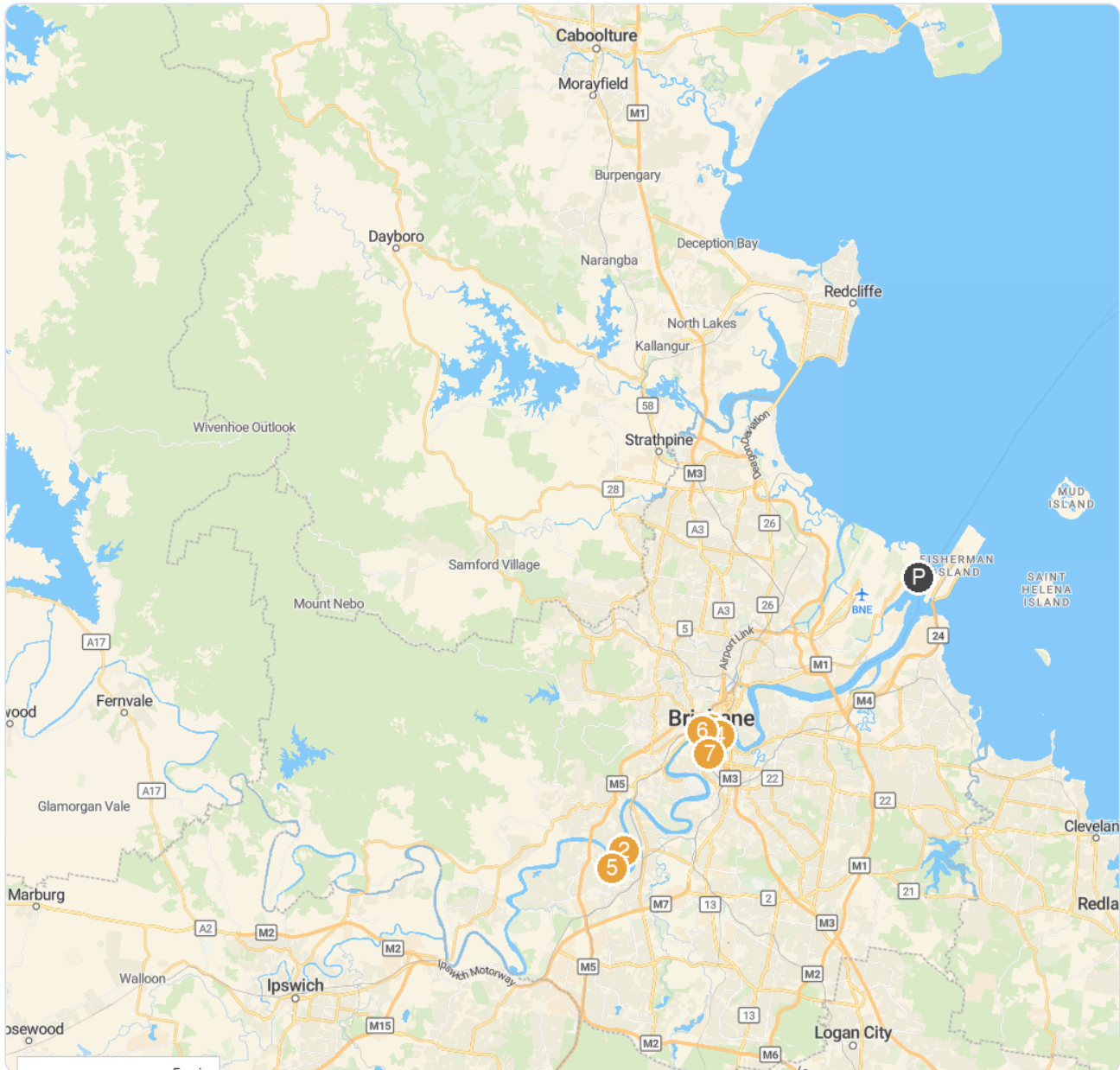
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Know your terminal: BICT and Portside Wharf are 12 km apart. Confirm which one your ship uses before planning transport — they require completely different strategies.
- Tap-and-go works everywhere in Brisbane. ATMs are plentiful in the CBD. Visa/Mastercard contactless accepted in virtually all

Brisbane, Queensland, Australia — Port Map

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Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



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| 1 Old Windmill
Observatory: The Tower Mill | Brisbane's oldest building, a historic windmill and observatory. | 2 Lone Pine Koala Sanctuary | Cuddle koalas and see other Australian wildlife up close. |
| 3 Brisbane City Hall | Iconic civic building with a clock tower and museum. | 4 Saint Stephen's Cathedral | Historic Gothic Revival Catholic cathedral, a place of worship. |
| 5 Rocks Riverside Park | Large riverside park with playgrounds, water play, and picnic spots. | 6 Queensland Police Museum | Discover Queensland Police history, crime, and law enforcement. |
| 7 The Collective Markets | Vibrant weekend market for unique arts, crafts, and food. | P Cruise port / terminal | |