'MUST DO' DAY TRIPS



Capricorn Caves | The Caves, QLD Australia

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From adventure caving, fossicking for gemstones, learning about the oldest living reptiles at a crocodile farm to exploring the Southern Great Barrier Reef, visitors are spoilt for choice when exploring the outer region of Rockhampton.

Rockhampton is fortunate to be surrounded by rich and interesting history from prehistoric playgrounds 390 million years in the making, and extinct and ancient volcanoes to being home to one of the seven natural wonders of the world. There are plenty of activities to enjoy, from the adventurous and active, the meek and mild to the history enthusiasts. Time to hit the road and discover the outer region of Rockhampton with these amazing 'must do' day trips

TOP 5 FACTS

- Mount Hay is the remains of an extinct ancient volcano, which was last active about 120 million years ago.
- Mount Hay thundereggs are a result of gas pockets forming in molten rhyolite lava.
- Koorana Crocodile Farm opened in 1981 and was the first commercial crocodile farm in Queensland.
- The Capricorn Caves were first discovered in 1881 by Norwegian migrant John Olsen.
- The Capricorn Caves are one of the largest privately owned cave systems in Australia - most are lease holds.

TOURISM OPERATORS & ATTRACTIONS

Capricorn Caves | <u>capricorncaves.com.au</u> Mount Hay Gemstone Park | <u>aradon.com.au/mthay</u> Koorana Crocodile Farm | <u>koorana.com.au</u> Mount Morgan Township | <u>mountmorgan.org.au</u> CQ Connections | <u>cqconnections.com.au</u>

MUST DO EXPERIENCES

- Explore ancient <u>caves</u> and take part in adventure activities while delving into history.
- Learn about the oldest living reptiles on the planet and have a first-hand taste of eating <u>crocodile</u>.
- Fossick for <u>gemstones</u> at the remains of an extinct volcano.
- Delve into the fascinating gold rush past in the historic township of <u>Mount Morgan</u>.
- Explore the Capricorn Coast and the southern Great Barrier Reef with a <u>personalised tour</u>.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Rockhampton Region Destination Guide | A guide on everything there is to do in the Rockhampton region | <u>Download e-brochure</u>

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