



8 DAY ENGLISH SKILLS TOUR

Your Trip to Brisbane: A Visual Guide

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Study Tours Brisbane - Your Detailed Schedule



SUNDAY

Flight Lands: A coach will pick you up from Brisbane International Airport in the morning.

[08:30] Welcome to Robertson Gardens!



Welcome to your home away from home - Robertson Gardens. On your arrival, we will have prepared for you a full hot 'n' cold buffet breakfast in the hotel restaurant.

Comfort Inn & Suites Robertson Gardens is a gorgeous 10 acre property located in the heart of Brisbane's southern suburbs. On the property, you'll find yourself surrounded by beautifully landscaped native Australian gardens in an authentic Aussie backyard atmosphere.



Staying with us at Robertson Gardens, you'll experience a truly unique slice of the Australian way of life. Come home after a long, exciting day to a relaxing, welcoming, safe and secure environment. Stroll the grounds at your own leisure, shoot a hoop or two on the half court (basketballs available at reception), work out on the gym equipment, or recline in the comfort of your room as you rest and recharge.

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[12:00 - 13:00] Tour of Sunnybank

Known locally as Brisbane's "Little Asia" or "New China Town", Sunnybank is a melting pot of cultures, which is shown through its exquisite cuisine and shopping options. Here you'll get the chance to explore Sunnybank and learn the history of the area as it progressed from Brisbane's "Fruit Bowl" growing and farming region to the multicultural suburb it is today. There are many local Asian storefronts, shops, and dining venues around, providing you with a slice of what local life is like in Sunnybank and have the chance to buy yourself some personal supplies at the various shops. For lunch today you'll be taken to a fine Chinese restaurant to enjoy a meal with your friends and colleagues before departing at 1:00pm.



SUNDAY

[14:00 - 17:00] STEM Workshop

After a tour of the Sunnybank district the coach transfers you today to the STEMPunks Workshop at Samford. These programs are developed to inspire students to become creative and innovative thinkers, and in this unique session you'll become enlightened to new ways of thinking.

STEM stands for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Maths, and STEM classes often comprise of fantastic and innovative ways to teach these areas of interest. Rather than teach the four disciplines as separate and discrete subjects, STEM integrates them into a cohesive learning paradigm based on real world applications.

What separates STEM from the traditional science and math education is the blended learning environment and showing students how the scientific method can be applied to everyday life. It teaches students computational thinking and focuses on the real world applications of problem solving.

These amazing, hands-on classes include drone flying, 3D printing creating, designing your own cartoon character to take home, and more.

This special workshop is also a certificate course, so you'll have the qualifications to show off your new skills when you return home.



[18:00] Authentic Aussie BBQ Dinner by the Hotel Pool



After an exciting day exploring the local scene and doing some hands-on learning, the coach will take you back to Robertson Gardens where we'll put on for you an authentic Aussie BBQ Dinner. An iconic "Aussie Barbie" experience is a unique aspect of Australian culture. It's a great chance to rest and refresh by our pool and BBQ area and spend some time socialising with your group.

A superb meal is cooked for you by our chefs; Aussie steak, BBQ chicken, fish, salad and much more. Quench your thirst with some green tea or soft drink.

MONDAY

[08:00] Continental Breakfast at Robertson Gardens Restaurant



Head up to our restaurant in the morning and start your day with a hearty continental breakfast. Be sure to fill yourself with energy for another action-packed day.

Fresh fruit, yoghurt, coffee and tea, and pastries are all provided so you'll have plenty of variety to choose from for your morning meal. All of the breakfast food is prepared fresh every morning by the chefs at Robertson Gardens.

Early in the morning you can also head down to the bird feeder by the laundry block and feed the native rainbow lorikeets. The coach will depart for English School at 9:00am.

[09:30 - 12:30] English School Class at AIBT

After a delicious breakfast, the coach will transfer you to your very first class of English School in Australia. Working with the teachers, resources, and other students at AIBT (Australian Institute of Business and Technology), you'll begin to hone your English Skills and learn the ins and outs of the language in a relevant, real-world context.

Class sessions run for 3 hours, and you'll have time to enjoy a delicious packed lunch provided by the chefs at Robertson Gardens to make sure your energy levels are high. Be sure to take your backpack with pens, papers, and other stationary you might need to complete your work. You will of course be rewarded at the end of your studies with a certificate to take home and show off your new skills.



[13:00] Coach will pick you up from English School and transfer to your next destination.

MONDAY

[13:30 - 17:00] Koala Sanctuary

Following your first day of English School is an exciting visit to the iconic Lone Pine Koala Sanctuary for an interesting afternoon at this renowned native wildlife establishment.

Here, you'll get to hold a koala and have your photos taken. The koala sanctuary is also home to other native Australian wildlife, and you'll have the chance to experience and learn about them all. The large variety of Australian wildlife includes koalas, kangaroos, platypi, rainbow lorikeets, and more. Remember to have your camera on hand to take plenty of snapshots!

Not only will you see and meet these animals, but your trip to the koala sanctuary is an excellent learning opportunity. The facilities are designed to educate you on native Australian flora and fauna as you patrol the property in beautiful, natural settings.



[17:30 - 18:30] Mount Coot-tha Lookout



Just before the sun starts to set you'll be transferred to the spectacular Mt. Coot-tha Lookout. The ever popular Mt Coot-tha boasts spectacular views of the city and is home to a reputable cafe and restaurant; perfect for a nice evening with the group.

Learn about the Mountain's history and make sure you take some photos for those lasting memories of its spectacular views. Remember to take some warm clothes too; it can get pretty chilly up there!

[18:30 - 20:30] Dinner at West End

Following a spectacular trip to Mount Coot-tha and to top off an awe-inspiring and educational day, you'll be transferred by 6:30pm to West End for a succulent Chinese meal. West End is well known for its unique dining options, and here you'll get to recharge your energy and taste for yourself the amazing food the local dining venues have on offer. With so many dishes on offer, you're sure to find something to fill you up. The coach will return to the hotel by 8:30pm where you'll have some time in your room to do some homework before getting some much needed sleep.



TUESDAY

[08:00] Breakfast in Robertson Gardens Restaurant before departing at 9:00am.

[09:30 - 12:30] English School with Packed Lunch

[13:30 - 14:30] The Cube at QUT and Campus Tour



After English Class this morning you'll be heading over to the QUT Gardens Point Campus where you'll first get a tour of The Cube. The Cube is one of the world's largest interactive digital display systems, and offers unique and engaging learning experiences.

Learn what university life is like in and around Brisbane. QUT offers a wide range of courses, many focused on STEM areas of interest. This tour is sure to provide you with some valuable knowledge to take home.

[14:30 - 17:00] Brisbane Museum District

After an informative and educational tour of QUT Gardens Point, you'll board the iconic CityHopper ferry and hop across the river to the south side of Brisbane City, where you'll get to tour the incredible Brisbane Museum district. Offering many interactive displays, this tour will provide you with knowledge in fun and exciting ways. You will love the hands-on practical and educational exhibits.

GOMA, Queensland's Gallery of Modern Art, is a fantastic place to experience both sight seeing and learning. Meanwhile the renowned Queensland Museum has on display a plethora of exhibits spanning a vast array of topics, from natural history to biology and the history of man. Your brain will be packed with knowledge between all of these closely knit venues.



TUESDAY

[17:00 - 18:30] South Bank Tour

After a day full of fun and unique learning experiences, you can spend the evening enjoying the oasis in the city that is South Bank. With a guided tour of the area, you'll see how South Bank is a marvellous location highlighting a huge range of landmarks and an iconic location for rest and relaxation close to the city. Here you'll have the chance to explore the rehabilitation pool and epicure gardens.

Along the river you'll discover a huge cultural melting pot of attractions, from the riverside beach to the tropical jungle gardens.

While you're here take the chance to traverse the shopping and entertainment outlets all along Grey Street, just one block back from the main cultural area of South Bank along the river. Get yourself an ice cream or afternoon snack as you explore this iconic Brisbane attractions and be sure to take plenty of photos.



[18:30 - 20:30] Dinner at Jade Buddha Restaurant



Just as you're feeling peckish it's time to board the CityHopper again for a quick trip across the river, and after an action packed and educational day you'll be treated to a delicious dinner at Jade Buddha restaurant, overlooking Brisbane River. Spectacular views of the story bridge can be seen as you enjoy your meal.

The heritage-listed Story Bridge crosses the Brisbane River between Fortitude Valley and Kangaroo Point with six lanes for traffic and pedestrian and cycle-ways on either side. The walk across the bridge is the best lookout for miles, with spectacular views of both the city and the river to enjoy with dinner.

Afterwards, the coach will transfer you back to the hotel by 8:30pm.

WEDNESDAY

[08:00] Breakfast in Robertson Gardens Restaurant before departing at 9:00am.

[09:30 - 12:30] English School with Packed Lunch

[14:30 - 16:00] Karawatha National Discovery Centre

After school today you'll be taken to check out the newly opened Karawatha Forest Discovery Centre to learn a little more about this beautiful pocket of nature and the council's efforts to help preserve it. Inside you'll find a range of interactive learning activities suitable for kids and adults alike, while outside is a unique and natural playground.

While you're here, enjoy a packed lunch in this beautiful native Australian setting.



[16:30 - 17:30] Beenleigh Chocolate Factory



Treat your sweet tooth after an adventure in the national park with a trip to where chocolate is made! On this visit to the Beenleigh Chocolate Factory you'll get the full tour and learn how chocolate and confectionery is made and manufactured from start to finish.

It's also a good chance to buy yourself a treat, or a souvenir for someone special back home. The coach will pick you up and deliver you back to the hotel by 6:00pm.

[18:00 - 21:00] STEM Certificate Presentation and Dinner at the Hotel

To congratulate you on your effort earlier in the week, tonight you'll be treated to a special presentation by STEMPunks. Along with the presentation of the special figurines you made during your lessons at STEMPunks earlier in the week, you'll receive a special thank and you certificate to commemorate your work. Meanwhile, the skilled Robertson Gardens chefs will prepare a delicious meal for the group to enjoy for dinner.



THURSDAY

[08:00] Breakfast in Robertson Gardens Restaurant before departing at 9:00am.

[09:30 - 12:30] English School with Packed Lunch

[14:00 - 16:00] Griffith University Facilities Tour

The learning continues today with a tour of the renowned Griffith University Nathan Campus. In true Aussie fashion, this campus is nestled amongst native bushland, so keep your eyes peeled for native wildlife while you're learning about university life and the courses offered by Griffith to students all across the globe. You'll have a particular treat in visiting the micro and nanotechnology research centre. The staff expertise here is in the fundamental theory of materials, materials development, microelectronics, micro electromechanical systems (MEMS) and microfluidics.



[16:30 - 17:30] Skyzone Trampoline



Next up you'll be transferred over to Skyzone to burn off that pent up energy for an hour session at the exciting trampoline park. With more than 100 interconnected trampolines that let you literally bounce off the walls, and a range of trampoline activities, everyone is sure to have a lot of fun before the coach takes you to dinner afterwards.

The Stratosphere is where you learn to fly. Jump from trampoline to trampoline with your mates, get a feel for anti-gravity and teach yourself to soar. A good place to learn the basic skills of Sky Zone.

[18:00 - 21:00] Westfield Garden City

Your final stop of the day is Westfield Garden City, which has all the fine dining and shopping you could want. See many of the awesome wares on offer after dinner in a Thai restaurant at 6:00pm. Once you're full, enjoy some late night shopping. Late night shopping in a major shopping centre is a great opportunity to grab yourself a souvenir or two before the coach takes you back home for the evening at 9:00pm.



FRIDAY

[08:00] Breakfast in Robertson Gardens Restaurant before departing at 9:00am.

[09:30 - 12:30] English School with Packed Lunch - Completion with Certificate!

[13:00 - 21:00] Surfers Paradise, The Jewel of the Gold Coast



After finishing off your final English Class it's time to celebrate with a trip to the Gold Coast! The coach will transfer you immediately from school and go via Labrador to see the wild pelicans, before continuing onto Surfers Paradise.

Known as "The Jewel of the Gold Coast", see first-hand where the famous Surfers Paradise gets its name and reputation as you discover some of the best beaches and tourist spots Australia has to offer.

There's no shortage of attractions and things to do at Surfers! Remember to take a stroll along the waterfront and explore the huge variety of shops and storefronts showcasing an amazing range of items and wares. It's the perfect place to grab a souvenir or two for back home. Surfers Paradise offers some of the Gold Coast's best shopping opportunities, everything from women's fashion to unique gifts and stylish home wares.

You'll be treated to a nicely prepared dinner at 7:00pm at one of the many outstanding restaurants that can be found all around the area, before heading back to Robertson Gardens by 9:00pm - enjoy yourself a rest on the coach, exhausted and satisfied of course!



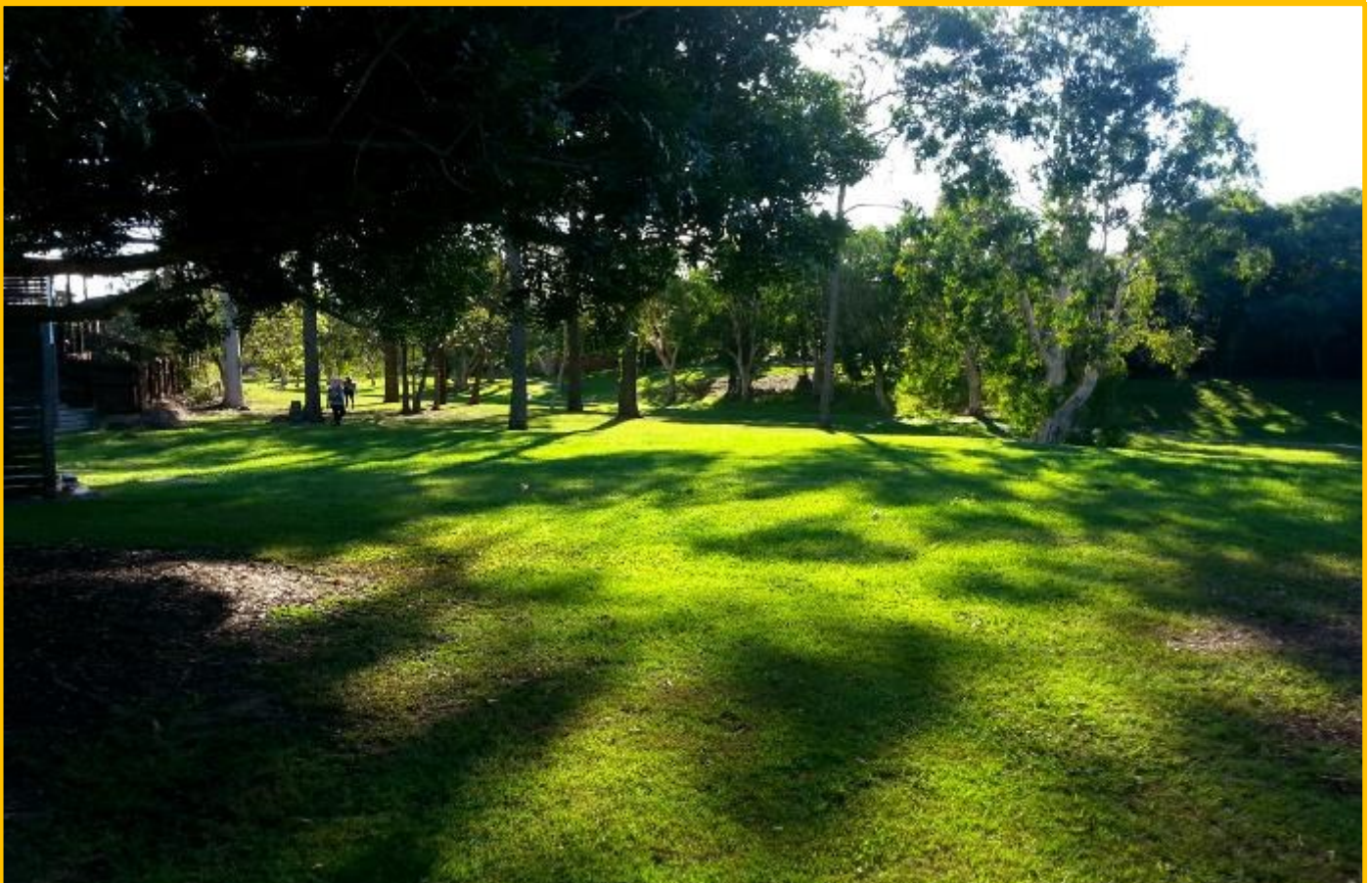
SATURDAY

[07:00] Final breakfast before checking out and departing at 7:30am.



The coach arrives at Brisbane International Airport for your flight at 10:50am.

We hope you enjoyed your time in Australia. We wish you safe travels and farewell!



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