



# **BEST SUBURBS IN SUNSHINE COAST - WHERE TO LIVE, INVEST AND BUY IN 2022**

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## **Abstract**

Stretching from the coastal city of Caloundra, near Brisbane, to the Great Sandy National Park in the north, the Sunshine Coast is as vast as it is varied. White sand beaches and pristine waterways sit alongside lush rainforests and Heritage-listed national parks, with charming historic villages sprinkled throughout. From the coast to the hinterland, you'll be spoiled for choice with fresh local produce and seafood, unique dining experiences, and many wonderful wineries and breweries. Top it off with a subtropical climate and exceptional nature experiences and you've found an ideal year-round destination that will surprise you in unexpected ways. This guide can help you in so many ways.

## **I. Introduction**

A big welcome to Queensland for the thousands of families making the move to the Sunshine Coast! The Sunny Coast is our favourite place to visit on weekends – just an hour from Brisbane and full of sun, surf, mountains and wonderful things to do for families. It's also home to many of our contributors. So, here's our guide to the Sunshine Coast lifestyle for families making their big sea change.

### **WHY ARE PEOPLE MOVING TO THE SUNSHINE COAST?**

The pandemic has changed all of our lives. But for some, it's been the kick to make necessary lifestyle changes. Perhaps it was the jolt to our living needs prompting an immediate reflection on whether the home and area we were forced to isolate in was where we wanted to be.

For some, a necessary sea change was put on the cards. As a result, the Sunshine Coast is the go-to sea change destination for both Brisbanites and inter-staters. Why live in an inner-city suburb, when the best of holiday experiences could be encountered a few minutes from home?

The Sunshine Coast offers an escape for city dwellers, with sunny beaches, picturesque hinterland views and soothing rainforests. The warm climate and affordable housing market has certainly made it appealing to Sydneysiders and Melburnians.

Working from home has also become the new norm and the evolving landscape of virtual work environments has meant living in the city is not necessary. Core Logic reported a significant increase in sales during the December 2020 period with Noosa taking out the top spot in Queensland for owner property sales. In fact, The Sunshine Coast made the "top" sales increases in THREE of the top five areas. It's everyone's new favourite place to live.

### **MOVING FROM SYDNEY TO SUNSHINE COAST?**

The biggest drawcard moving from Sydney to Sunshine Coast is the affordability of housing. Demand on rentals has skyrocketed, so the stability of owning a home while interest rates are low has seen a rise in property sales in regional areas offering affordable housing. When all overseas and even interstate travel came to a stop, holiday budgets were invested into housing.

The stresses of lockdown for families has seen many move interstate to the Sunshine state for a fresh start, and a place to isolate while the pandemic still roams our shores.

### **WHICH AREAS OF THE SUNSHINE COAST ARE THE MOST PROFITABLE AND IN-DEMAND?**

Noosa is known as the tourist capital on the Sunshine Coast, but it also took out the top spot for the most profitable house sales in December 2020. Sunshine Coast and Redlands (Bayside near Brisbane) were also in the top 5, revealing a pull away from densely populated cities, to laid-back suburbs with the beach and peaceful hinterland on their doorstep.



### **WHY YOU'RE GOING TO LOVE LIVING ON THE SUNSHINE COAST**

What is there NOT to love about the Sunshine Coast? Here are just a handful of places you can experience, right on your doorstep and some of these are free!

#### **Beautiful beaches**

From Caloundra to Rainbow Beach, there is a beach to suit your family's needs. Local favourites are Kings Beach and Alexandra Headland. Noosa and Mooloolaba are tourist hotspots. Everyone knows the beaches are some of the best in Australia – and far less

“developed” than the Gold Coast counterparts. Whether it’s surf or calm, you’ll love every beach on the Sunny Coast.

### **Arty culture, foodie delights and scenic landscapes in the hinterland**

Beyond the beach there is the arty culture in the hinterland. Montville is the place to discover local artist offerings and taste testing of farm-produced delights. Rainforest escapes are also part of the hinterland charm with hikes and stunning waterfalls to discover. Eumundi Markets are a tourist destination and a favourite culture shop for locals. Montville and Maleny offer an array of day trips for cheese and wine tasting, farm stays and an easy trip to purchase organic produce.

### **Hikes and climbing adventures**

Nestled amongst the hinterland are the Glasshouse Mountains which offer a stunning backdrop with hiking and climbing adventures for the more experienced.

Mt Coolum is a popular hike for families, and one locals enjoy as part of an active lifestyle. But experiences aren’t the only reasons for loving life on the Sunshine Coast.

### **Schools and shopping**

The variety in Sunshine Coast public and private education gives families the opportunity of choice when selecting education for their children. The Sunshine Coast boasts some of Queensland’s top performing secondary schools and is among the few regional locations to offer alternative educational opportunities like Steiner Schools.

Being a coastal town, your children will be exposed to opportunities around life saving and surfing in place of the traditional school sports. The Sunshine Coast is just big enough to offer something for every family, but small enough to ensure your child can get that “small school” attention.

Shopping is a highlight for locals with mall pockets in Noosa and Mooloolaba. Noosa’s Hastings Street is the waterfront equivalent of Rodeo Drive and Sunshine Plaza is the go-to shopping destination for Sunshine Coast residents needing a mega-shopping hit. The Sunshine Coast also offers the famous Eumundi Markets, where you’ll find everything to grow, eat, wear and decorate in one perfect day out for families.

### **Animal encounters**

The Sunshine Coast is home to some of Queensland’s best animal encounters including Australia Zoo and Wildlife HQ to name just a few. Read our full article on the best things to do with kids on the Sunshine Coast [here](#).

If you are looking to bring your pet to the Sunshine Coast, check out these pet friendly accommodation options on the Sunshine Coast.

## **SUNSHINE COAST PAIN POINTS**

While there is much to love about living on the Sunshine Coast, there are pain points the locals know all too well. Ask any local what they love about the Sunshine Coast lifestyle and they'll list off a hundred things. Ask them what drives them batty and most will list:

### **Sunshine coast traffic**

The eternal roadworks in upgrading highways to accommodate the increased traffic from Brisbane to the Sunshine Coast and vice versa can be a downer on traveling times.



Upgrades to exits and with many closed off for roadworks can add extra time to a local trip on a one-way highway with no u-turns. Public holidays can accentuate this traffic.

Unfortunately, these roadworks make traffic a sore point for locals. It can be a car park during the peak holiday season like the Sunshine Coast school holidays – especially during summer over Christmas and New Year's. While the highway isn't awesome, the Sunshine Coast does boast some pretty good local traffic infrastructure. Just avoid Mooloolaba waterfront at peak time.... or you know, pack a lunch.

### **Public transport**

The Sunshine Coast is a large area and getting from one suburb to another can be difficult if relying on public transport. The vast majority of Sunshine Coast locals believe more public transport should be provided for locals and tourists. While there's been some progress on this front, the proposed light rail has met a fair bit of opposition. Commuting to Brisbane is also a big issue without a car. The inter-city train line runs through the hinterland, meaning that getting to Brisbane or further afield means a lengthy commute from the coastal suburbs.

Luckily the Sunshine Coast boasts a healthy ecological approach to life and the public transport available is widely used, clean and generally on time (traffic permitting). If you're moving up and need to pick up new wheels (even on a budget), there are plenty of opportunities to find used cars on the Sunshine Coast.

### **Popular destination for holidays... aka TOURISTS**

The Sunshine Coast is a popular destination for city dwellers to holiday during peak seasons and this can make the peaceful lifestyle somewhat chaotic. Families from Brisbane and surrounds will flock to the Sunshine Coast to make the most of the summer weather making the peak season hectic for locals.

Expect delays on just about everything during the school holiday season, from lines at the supermarket to zero parking spaces. Mooloolaba and Noosa carry the heaviest tourist load with Caloundra a close runner up, as a favourite destination for younger families.

On the flip side, the Sunshine Coast relies on tourism as one of its major industries. So, tourists are, a necessary evil.

### **ROAM ONLINE WITH THE LOCALS**

If you're looking for recommendations in the area or want to make new friends on the Sunshine Coast, why not roam with locals online? Like most smaller communities, there is a vibrant online culture where you can tap all the information you need about moving to the Sunshine Coast. Our top picks for online communities?

- Sunshine Coast Mums – information on parenting and anything family related
- Official Sunshine Coast Community Board – general area news
- Sunshine Coast Stuff For Sale – local buys or decluttering – meet 110,000 of your new neighbours in one group!
- Sunshine Coast Locals – businesses sharing experiences or needs in the area



## II. Living on the Sunshine Coast

The Sunshine Coast has a population of around 330,00 people and is an area of Queensland situated on the eastern coast, about one and a half to two and a half hours drive north of Brisbane. As with the Gold Coast, the Sunshine Coast is an area with beautiful beaches and stunning hinterland, all in one.



So what is the difference between the Sunshine Coast and the Gold Coast? People in these parts can argue all day long about which is best but they're both great. But they are different.

In a nutshell, the difference is that the Gold Coast is more commercial, it's busier and it is the home of many theme parks. But if you like your beaches a little quieter, although not too quiet, go Sunshine Coast.

Right in the middle of the Sunshine Coast is my favourite beach, Mooloolaba. The towns of Mooloolaba and Maroochydore are so close together they are almost one. Between them they offer beautiful beaches, plenty of cafes and restaurants, large shopping centres and the beautiful Maroochy River.

Nearby, the "world famous" Eumundi Markets are open each Wednesday and Saturday morning until around 2 PM in the afternoons with over 1000 arts and crafts stalls selling their wares. Described as more than just a market, fabulous food and world-class music.

Another world-class attraction not quite within the area, probably about 15 km outside, is the Australian Zoo, probably one of the best zoos in the world.

The real beauty of the Sunshine Coast is when you've had enough of the beach, you are literally 10 to 20 minutes drive away from stunning hinterland. The scenic drive from Maroochydore to Mapleton via the Bli Bli Road is breathtaking. When you arrive, you can enjoy a relaxing beer in the historic pub whilst taking in the rolling hill views looking back towards the sea.

You could continue your scenic drive by taking in Montville and Maleny and even push on about 20 km outside the Sunshine Coast area to see the Glass House Mountains.

The Sunshine Coast may not be as popular as the Gold Coast but it is less expensive and still has plenty to offer.

### **What's the weather like?**

Again, being so close to Brisbane the weather is very similar to the climate in the city. So no need to worry about winter and like the Gold Coast, you can use the beaches all year round.

And it will come as no surprise that possible severe weather that may affect the area from time to time. Those looking to move to this area and concerned about flooding should do some research.

If you Google "Sunshine Coast flood hazard mapping" you should easily find the Queensland government page with that information. Unfortunately, last time I looked, Adobe Flash Player version 11.1.0 or greater needed to be installed in order to view it, and that particular software is no longer recommended due to potential security issues.

If you already have it installed on your browser though, then the map is certainly worth a look.

Here's a map of the Sunshine Coast

- The Sunshine Coast can be broken down into three main areas:
- North Sunshine Coast – Includes Noosa and the Hinterland
- Central Sunshine Coast – Is the region of Maroochy
- South Sunshine Coast– is the area around Caloundra



### III. Think You Know Your Sunshine Coast? These 13 Facts Might Surprise You

OK, so you grew up in Coolumb, did nippers at Maroochydore and had grandparents in Noosa.

Now, 30 years later, you're raising kids in Maleny while working at Kawana, and spending much of your downtime at your fave Caloundra gym.

You try out every new restaurant in Mooloolaba and love nothing more than a Sunday arvo bar hop down Ocean Street; giving tips to tourists seeking hangover fixes at the Big Top. There's even a "never-fail fishing spots" map stashed in your glove box. We get iiiiiit. You're a true blue Sunny Coaster.



But if you're sick of your visitors always saying, "Yep, you've already told us that," then maybe it's time to get a little bit more intimate with your 'hood. Don't worry, we're here to help.

Here's 13 bizarre-o facts you might not know about the Sunshine Coast:

1. The Coast is seriously haunted and there's even a loyal Facebook following of enthusiasts who gossip about where all the scary stuff resides. Apparently, nurses have reported strange noises coming from the toilets next to Nambour Hospital's morgue (plop!).

2. On a happier note, newer Sunny Coast residents may have a giggle when they hear there's a suburb called Bald Knob. Tee hee!

3. Earnest Lane at Sippy Downs takes housing estate sameness to a whole new level with all 21 homes identical, some with just a slight colour-scheme difference. Residents say it's like having twins: with a little time you soon get to know which home is yours.

4. The Coast was boringly called Near North Coast before it was finally named the Sunshine Coast in 1966 after an eight-year name battle—about bloody time!

5. Nambour is actually becoming trendy with uber cool coffee shops everywhere, and it's blowing everyone's freakin' minds.

6. Australian actress and once Mooloolaba resident Diane Cilento was the envy of millions of drooling girls around the world when she married Sean Connery (AKA Bond, James Bond) and had two love babies with him! The couple had a holiday home on Parkyn Parade, and spent much of their time exploring Mudjimba Island (#lifegoals).

7. Eudlo is an aboriginal word for fresh water eel. Ewww-dlo!

8. Everyone knows Buderim primary is the oldest school around the traps, but ever wondered how they transported the timber up there in order to BUILD the damn thing? By a team of bullocks and a wagon! Nowadays, it's hard enough getting a 1990s sedan up there.

9. Council members will soon vote to rename the heritage-listed Big Pineapple to become the Big Pina Colada. Members deem the name more appropriate now its famed sundaes (served to every kid in the 70s and 80s) are defunct, claiming the giant fruit has officially been pickled and is more famous for being a place where you watch live music and get drunk once a year. Hear, hear.

10. Speaking of the 80s, you know that giant kangaroo mascot, Matilda, who opened the 1982 Commonwealth Games in Brisbane? Known for her famous wink, she first retired to the Gold Coast's Wet'n'Wild before fuel company Matilda snapped her up in 2011. She now sits comfortably at Kybong Puma petrol station, south of Gympie. Blink (I mean, wink) and you might miss her.

11. Now known as Australia's own "health mecca", the Coast has the most yoga, meditation, organic stores and juice-cleanse bars than any other region in the country per capita. This is totally unconfirmed, but absolutely true (#healthfreakcentral).

12. After two swimmers drowned at Kings Beach in 1911, life lines and buoys were kept on the beach so visitors could perform their own rescues. Sorry peeps, no Baywatch beauties in silly caps and DTs to save you back then.

13. Everyone here knows exactly how many minutes it takes them to get to the Sunshine Plaza. This is especially so if you're a real estate agent.

14. A Mooloolaba ice-creamy is about to claim a Guinness World Record for the largest parfait that ever graced the planet. Just last month, Sweet Lips Creamery stuffed 30-odd litres of ice-cream and custard, and around 12kg of fruit, pavlova, biscuits, and Cherry Ripes into a giant sundae glass, topping it off with 40 cans of whipped cream. Can this puh-lease become an everyday menu item? Seriously though!

#### **IV. Best Sunshine Coast suburbs for families revealed**

The Sunshine Coast has long been touted as one of the best places to raise a family, but now thanks to the release of CoreLogic research, it's clear to see which are the Coast's more family-friendly suburbs.

The research, which was commissioned by Aussie Home Loans, saw the renowned researchers look at several factors, including percentage of family households in each suburb, affordability and 2016 Census data.



Mountain Creek was found to be the most family-friendly suburb in the region.

This may not come as a surprise to most, since the area has a strong reputation for being coveted by families seeking to live within the Mountain Creek school catchment and close proximity to the beach.

Rounding up the top five were Peregrine Springs, Mooloolah Valley, Kuluin and Meridan Plains. The only two beachside suburbs to make it into the top 20 were Yaroomba and Wurtulla, which came in at 11th and 19th respectively.

North Shore Realty agent Jonathon Cameron says he is not surprised to see Peregrine Springs rank second in the list, with its location a short drive to the beach among its many qualities.

“You’ve got two good schools, great restaurants and the recreational centre for residents who live within the Ridges. To top it off, and this is something that is often overlooked, there are two major sporting venues there for the local community to get involved with, so it’s easy to see why a lot of people are attracted to living there.”

Mr Cameron advises sellers to “put your best foot forward in terms of investing in your marketing.”

“For buyers looking to move their way in there, don’t hesitate, don’t circle around and visit a multitude of different homes over a three-month period because the houses you are looking at today might be gone tomorrow, what you think might be expensive today will be cheap tomorrow.”

The majority of sales in the Peregrine Springs area have been in the \$600,000 to \$700,000 range with an average of 35 days on the market. There has also been an increase in the number of homes selling in the \$800,000 to \$1 million bracket.

Rounding out the top 20 were Yaroomba, Palmwoods, Eumundi, Beerwah, Caloundra West, Glasshouse Mountains, Cooribah, Coes Creek, Wurtulla and Sippy Downs.

## **V. The Best Things To Do On The Sunshine Coast**

Looking for the best things to do on the Sunshine Coast?

Far from being the sleepy coastal cousin to the glittering Gold Coast, the northern coast and hinterland region of the Sunshine Coast is a bounty of world-class local produce, award-winning dining options, spectacular landscapes and sacred Aboriginal sites.

Do your next trip justice; here are 30 incredible things to do on the Sunshine Coast.

1. Grab dinner to go as you check out the eclectic stalls and live music at Nights on Ocean markets in Maroochydore. Held every second Friday night of the month from 5pm to 9pm, walk the main street and adjoining laneways, uncover the areas street sculptures and murals, and make sure to clap eyes on the famous painted ‘Seawall’. For a taste of even more nightlife, make your way to NightQuarter: open every weekend, you'll find global street arts, roving entertainment and plenty of festivals to sink your teeth into.
2. Find a quiet place to take an ocean dip and soak up the sun in Noosa National Park. Wander the coastal walk and find a secluded beach - the area is well known for koala and



dolphin spotting right along the headland. Or, seek even more solitude at the serene Noosa Everglades. Out here, it's just you and the birds.

3. Head to Maleny Dairies, just southwest of Maleny National Park, for a tour of the farm and factory. Little ones can visit the baby calves in the paddock while you settle in on one of the picnic benches with a delicious cheese platter. Heaven.

4. Walk Australia's biggest art, craft and produce market, Eumundi Markets, held every Wednesday and Saturday of the year. Famous for its expansive stalls selling a wealth of locally made wares, spend a morning perusing the markets, coffee and pastry in hand, before walking the iconic Memorial Drive, filled with local cafes, bookshops and independent stores.



5. One of the best things to do on the Sunshine Coast is to visit Australia Zoo. Home to an incredible array of native animals, spend a day getting to know the country's weird and wonderful creatures. This is also the founding place of world-renowned Wildlife Animal Hospital, where visitors are able to experience first-hand the work being done to preserve and protect Australia's unique species.

6. Fun for the whole family, take advantage of the free admission and visit The Ginger Factory in Yandina. Walk the sub-tropical gardens and explore the region's famous ginger factory, before rounding out with tastings at the café. While you're there, hop aboard 'Moreton', the park's 120-year-old ginger train, for a tour of the gardens.

7. For a day of vintage family fun head to Aussie World, where the rides are dizzying and the foot-long hot dogs are famous! Better yet, check out how to do Aussie World in a day here.

8. Go for a morning swim at Mooloolaba Spit Beach; early risers will be rewarded with glass-like conditions and golden sand (almost) to yourself. Dry off before spending the afternoon at Sea Life Sunshine Coast. Try your hand at becoming a seal trainer for a day or take a 'Behind the Scenes' tour to learn more about their rescue, rehabilitate and release program.

9. Rise with the sun and tackle the 2-hour climb to the summit of Mount Coolum. While the hike up this 25 million-year-old volcanic dome may take a degree of tenacity (and sheer willpower), you'll be rewarded with 360 degree views of Coolum Beach and Mount Coolum National Park. If hiking's your thing, check out this guide to an active weekend on the Sunshine Coast. Just don't forget the water bottle.

10. Do as the locals do and pull on your boots for the Gympie Music Muster. Held every August, this four-day music festival icon is one of the best things to do on the Sunshine Coast and promotes the local country music and arts movement at a grassroots level. It's just one of the many awesome festivals on the Sunshine Coast that'll get you dancing: and there's something for every playlist.

11. For the ultimate paddock to plate experience, pick strawberries straight from the field. On the doorstep of Mooloolaba National Park, Strawberry Fields in Palmview boasts beaches just a 10-minute drive away: take a scoop (or two) of the cafe's homemade ice-cream to go. A little further north, Cooloola Berries is a perfect pit-stop on a day of exploring the food and art communities of the Noosa Hinterland.

12. Hit the road less travelled with a self-guided mountain bike tour of the Sunshine Coast Hinterland. Hire out bikes from Ride On Mary then hit the new trails of Tewantin National Park in Noosa and the Mary Valley for a true off-road experience.

13. Get up close and personal with Queensland's incredible marine life at Sunreef Mooloolaba; the largest dive centre in South East Queensland. From swimming with whales (July-October), snorkelling or diving local reefs—including the iconic HMAS Brisbane, to getting your PADI diving licence; this is the ultimate day out on the Sunshine Coast.

14. Camp under the stars at one of these awesome campsites. The Sunshine Coast boasts some of the most beautiful campsites in Queensland, with idyllic beachside, hidden hinterland and national park spots to pitch a tent.

15. See a different side of Noosa; board the M.V. Noosa Queen for a sunset cruise along the Noosa River. Starting from the Marina, take in breathtaking views of Makepeace Island's lush mangroves as you make your way toward Lake Cooroibah as the sun sets.



16. Hotly anticipated each and every year, the annual Noosa Eat & Drink Festival is where the top chefs from Queensland and around the country come to put on a culinary show. Want to dine under the moonlight on Hastings Beach? Sure. Fancy unearthing the latest food trends—paired with local drops— under the canopy of the Sunshine Coast Hinterland? No problem.

17. Polish off a classic burger (followed by their famous ‘concrete’ for dessert) at Betty’s Burgers in Noosa. Dine at Masterchef alumni, Matt Sinclair’s award-winning Asian eatery Sum Yung Guys in Sunshine Beach. Fine dine yourself at two-hatted establishment, The Long Apron, at Spicers Clovelly Estate in Montville. The Sunshine Coast punches well above its weight when it comes to the best restaurants in the country.



18. Reach new heights; hike to one of the 11 peaks of the Glass House Mountains. With a myriad of walks for all levels of climbers, these ancient ranges are still spiritually significant to Aboriginal Traditional Owners, capturing the magic of the Sunshine Coast Hinterland. As you look out onto a landscape 25 millions years in the making, it will, quite literally, take your breath away.

19. One of the most memorable things to do on the Sunshine Coast is to go horseback riding along the world-famous Rainbow Beach. Rainbow Beach Horse Rides are the only tour guide in the region permitted to ride horses here, with riders even being able to walk their trusted steed through the gentle ocean waters. This is once in a lifetime stuff. While you're here, make sure you check out Carlo Sand Blow or jump into a 4WD for a rip down Great Beach Drive.

20. Sail back in time onboard a historical yacht with Saltwater Eco Tours. Sailing out of Mooloolaba on weekends, listen to stories about the local Kabi Kai people and their

connection with the ocean, learn hands-on traditional sailing skills and enjoy tasty bush tucker.

21. Browse the elegant boutiques along Hastings Street in Noosa Heads; from international designer threads to locally made artworks and homewares, this is for the serious shoppers. After your retail therapy fix, stop for a coffee (or cocktail) with a beachfront view at one of the handful of bars that run right along the sand.

22. Bend an elbow with the home crowd at these hidden Sunshine Coast bars that only locals know about. Better yet, appoint yourself chief taster, book an Uber and check out the coast's best craft breweries - or let the experts at Sunshine Coast Craft Beer Tours guide you.

23. Tuck in to an a la carte brunch followed by wine tasting at Flame Hill Vineyard in Montville. The vineyard's sustainability measures, and delectable paddock-to-plate menu make this the ideal spot for long lunches with friends.

24. Throw down your towel on one of the coast's secret beaches. If the weather's not up to scratch, here are the best things to do on the Sunshine Coast when it's raining.

25. Learn to surf at Coolum Surf School, where catching waves is practically a religion. Those who prefer a more relaxing pace will love the peace and quiet of stand-up paddle boarding on the Maroochy River in Cotton Tree.

26. See the coast from new heights when you land on the beach with Skydive Noosa. Those epic views across the ocean and surrounding hinterland more than make up for jumping head-first out of a plane.

27. Test your willpower at the annual Moo Tri or Noosa Triathlon. More than a sweat, these events draw huge crowds creating a festival atmosphere all weekend: it's just as thrilling to watch from the sidelines.

28. Take in the jaw-dropping views of cascading waterfalls in Kondalilla National Park. Literally meaning 'rushing waters', the word Kondalilla perfectly sums up the steep 90m drop off of Skene Creek's waterfall.

29. No trip to the Sunshine Coast is complete without a trip to one of the best fish and chip shops on the Sunshine Coast. If you're visiting Mooloolaba, order fresh prawns straight off the trawler at the Fish Markets, then head over to the beachfront to lay out a picnic blanket and enjoy your haul.

30. Brush up on your creativity as you follow the Sunshine Coast's art gallery trail. From Buderim to Caloundra, Maleny to Montville, the region is famous for its creative talent.

## Conclusion

If you have any question about living in Sunshine Coast, please please feel free to ask them in the comments below. Or if you know this city well, why not tell us what you think of it or maybe even help out by answering some of the questions people have about the area. I'm sure anybody thinking of moving here would be very grateful for any help you can give them.

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