



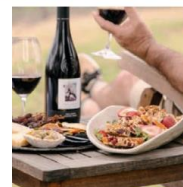
The 2020 season saw a brand new offering for the Spicers Scenic Rim Trail - the fulfillment of the original vision of Jude Turner for a multi-day luxury guided walking experience beginning at Spicers Hidden Vale and ending on Spicers Peak Station.

After 7 years in the planning the full Scenic Rim Trail opened in 2020. Set at the foothills of the Great Dividing Range and surrounded by World Heritage Listed Gondwana Rainforest, the Scenic Rim is a regional Australian paradise waiting to be explored.

Spicers Scenic Rim Trail offers an all inclusive luxury guided walking experience with daily portage. With the launch of the complete experience the existing product is being amended to allow travellers to complete the end to end trail.







#### The walk at a glance...

- 📍 Accessed via Brisbane, QLD
- 🕒 Duration is 4 days walking/5 nights
- 📏 Distance 47km (29 miles)
- ⚠️ Walk is graded as moderate to hard
- 🌿 Bush trails, rainforest, rocky sections, steep day 1
- 🏠 Walk operates from March to November
- 👥 Group size is 12 maximum
- 🛏️ Sleep 5 nights in new eco camps, farm house & retreat
- 📞 Operated by Spicers Retreats



## Spicers Scenic Rim Trail

Experience untouched beauty in Queensland as you traverse the Great Dividing Range and immerse yourself in World Heritage Listed Gondwana Rainforest.

Traverse the volcanic mountain ranges of the majestic Scenic Rim, home to the largest rainforest eco-system in South East Queensland. Queensland's high country is relatively undiscovered and lies just 1.5 hours from Brisbane.

This unique adventure starts at historic Spicers Hidden Vale, where you will join researchers from the Wildlife Centre on their daily koala monitoring. See koalas in their natural habitat and learn how research is paving the way for this population to thrive.

Following your first night, you will be transferred to the trail head to commence your walk through the majestic Scenic Rim. As you ascend Mount Mistake, you'll take in breathtaking views of the Liverpool Ranges, keeping your eyes open for rare Brush-Tailed Rock-Wallabies, birds of prey and towering grass trees. Spicers Mount Mistake Farmhouse will be your resting place tonight.

Crossing over into the Main Range National Park, which straddles The Great Dividing Range, the next three days will be spent exploring ancient rainforest, learning about Queensland's pioneering past, tuning your senses into the natural world around you and staying in world class eco-cabins that have been purpose built for the Scenic Rim Trail.

At the end of each day, you'll be rewarded with stunning accommodation and a taste of Queensland delivered with Spicers' relaxed luxury style. To compliment your trip, you can add on an additional two-day walking experience or enjoy a stay at Spicers Peak Lodge.

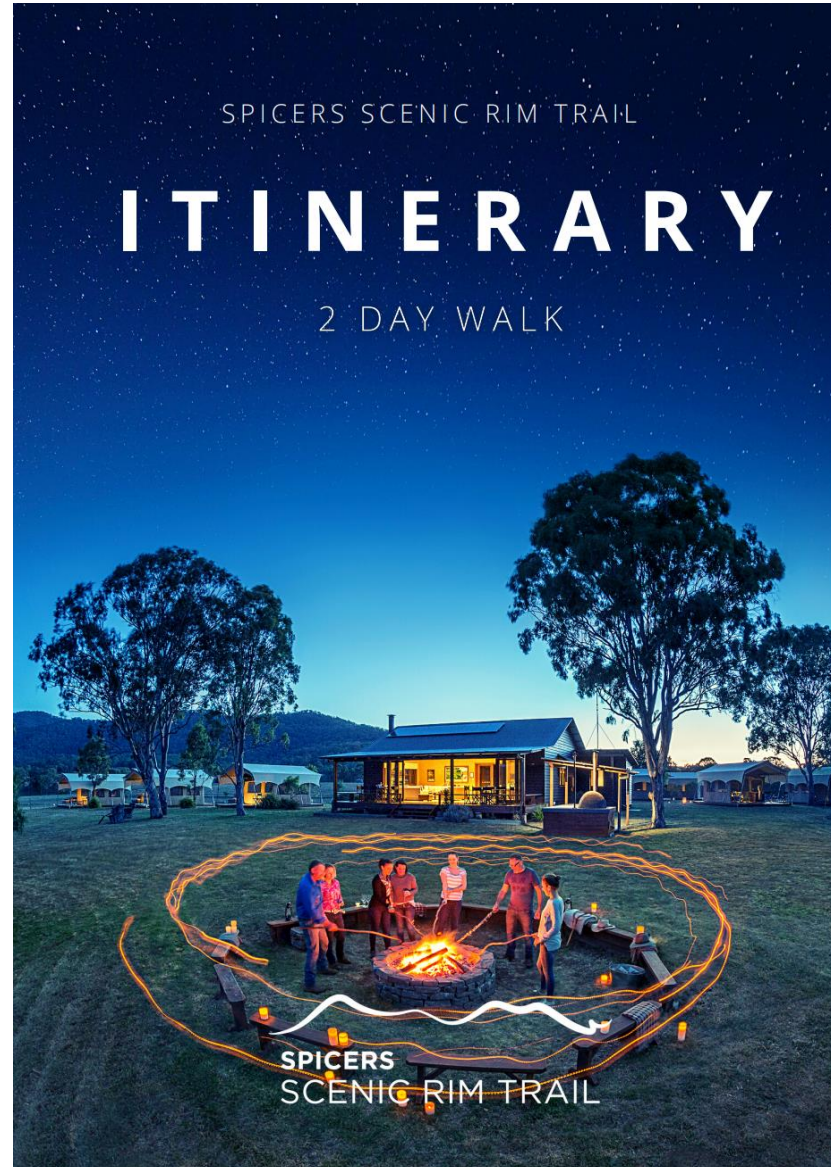
#### Spicers Scenic Rim Trail



Elevations are indicative only. Please contact the walk operators to better understand the terrain and walk difficulty.







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**We are looking forward to welcoming you on the  
Scenic Rim Trail.**

RECAP OF INCLUSIONS:

- 2 nights accommodation staying at Spicers Canopy Eco Camp
- 2 days of guided hiking with experienced trail guides
- All meals and select beverages including alcohol
- Hiking gear including day pack, water bottles & walking poles
- Luggage transferred to camp so you only carry a day pack

You are welcome to bring your own hiking gear if you prefer. We provide medium unisex back packs so you may wish to bring your own to suit your frame. If you could kindly just let us know ahead of time if you are bringing your own that would be great.





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## DETAILED ITINERARY

### Day One

12km | Grade 3 & 4 | Moderate Difficulty

**Arrival details |** Meet your guides & fellow walkers at 8am at our private property. If you are self driving we recommend using the GPS coordinates 28°01'55.7"S 152°28'07.2"E as Google Maps has been known to take people next door. The address is 7791 Cunningham Hwy Clumber and you will see a Scenic Rim Trail sign at the entrance to the property. Follow the unsealed road & directional signage to our meeting point.

Your car will remain here for the duration of your trip. Please note that under cover parking may not be available, if this is a concern we can assist with arranging transfers.

Upon arrival we will collect your luggage & provide you with all you need for the day ahead, including your hiking gear & lunch. Please note bathroom facilities are available at the meeting point. We will depart for the trail as soon as everyone has arrived (approx. 20min drive).

**Trail |** Today's hike takes you over the Great Dividing Range, enjoying beautiful views of the mountains as you traverse Mt Mathieson. The first half of the day includes a 480m ascent with some steep & rocky sections.

We relish our time in the rainforest taking it slow through this relatively small outcrop of Gondwana Rainforest. Once we emerge we join historic Spicers Gap Road that takes us all the way to Spicers Peak Nature Refuge following farm roads & the creek line into camp.

After a well earned shower spend the rest of the afternoon relaxing in your glamping style tent or enjoy a soak in the outdoor hot tub, a beautiful spot for sunset.

A three course dinner will be served in the main lodge at 6pm. Enjoy some fireside chatting after dinner or head outside and marvel at the stars if the night is clear.



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## DETAILED ITINERARY

### Day Two

15km | Grade 4 & 5 | Moderate to Hard

If the weather is clear we highly recommend getting up early and watching the sunrise over the mountains. During the warmer months breakfast will be held earlier to make the most of the cool mornings.

Walking out of camp we cross through the farm fields before descending into Oakey Creek with it's morning sunlight glittering through the trees. We follow the creek before starting our ascent up the ridgeline, keeping our eyes & ears peeled for the endangered Glossy Black Cockatoo that is known to frequent this particular area.

Using a combination of trails & farm roads to reach a remote section of the Main Range National Park we put our fitness to the test as we climb higher along the ridge & over rocky outcrops before resting for lunch where we are afforded stunning views of the valley below.

Depending on the conditions of the trail the guides will have advised whether you will be walking through to Peak or hiking back to Canopy before driving to Peak for afternoon tea. The trail into Peak is graded hard & may be closed due to erosion and/or conditions.

After a relaxing afternoon tea you will be transferred back to Spicers Canopy.

Dinner will be at 6.30pm with tales from the days adventure being shared around the table.





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## DETAILED ITINERARY

### Day Three

Wake up to the birds and enjoy a restful morning with a cooked breakfast at 8am. Sit under the trees and relax before your 10am transfer back to our meeting point.

If you have booked an add-on stay at Spicers Peak Lodge (highly recommended) we will arrange transfer details ahead of time.

If you have some time to explore the local area before heading home the Scenic Rim Brewery, Karoomba Lavendar Farm & Summer Land Camels all offer a unique local experience.

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- Alcoholic beverages are included & responsible service of alcohol applied
- Spicers Canopy has shared bathroom facilities & all bathroom amenities are provided.







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## We are looking forward to welcoming you on the Scenic Rim Trail.

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- 3 nights accommodation staying at Spicers Canopy Eco Camp
- 2.5 days of guided hiking with experienced trail guides
- All meals and select beverages including alcohol (RSA applies)
- Hiking gear including day pack, water bottles & walking poles
- Luggage transferred to camp so you only carry a day pack

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The afternoon is spent descending down the mountain enjoying some quiet time taking in the sights and sounds of the bush land before arriving back at Spicers Canopy for afternoon tea.

Join your group for sunset drinks around the fire pit (providing no fire bans are in place) and watch the sun set on the mountains.

Dinner will be at 6pm with tales from the days adventures being shared around the table.





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## DETAILED ITINERARY

### Day Three

6km | Grade 4 | Easy to Moderate

Take pleasure in knowing you have an extra day to relax, explore and enjoy.

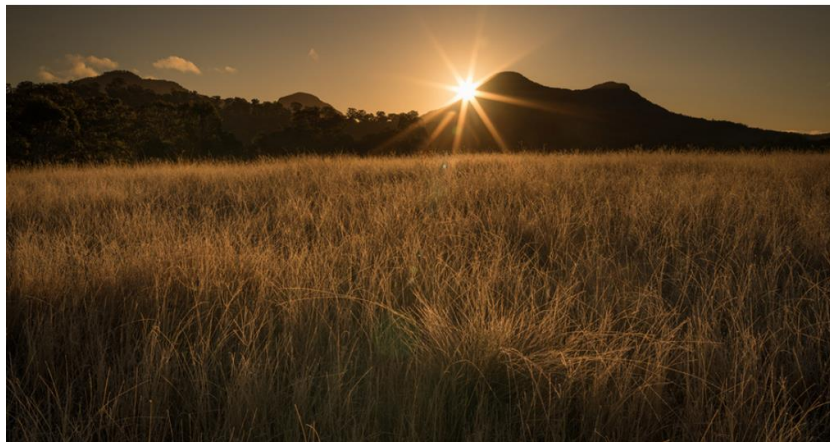
After breakfast we head off to explore Miller Vale Creek. A beautiful gorge like walk with enveloping rock walls and still billabongs. This creek is home to some very elusive platypus but you never know your luck.

We have morning tea on trail before heading back to camp for lunch followed by an afternoon on relaxation.

The rest of the day is at your leisure before your final dinner this evening.

### Final Morning

There is no rush this morning with a cooked breakfast at 8am and transfer at 10am you can take your time and enjoy your final moments before saying a very fond farewell.



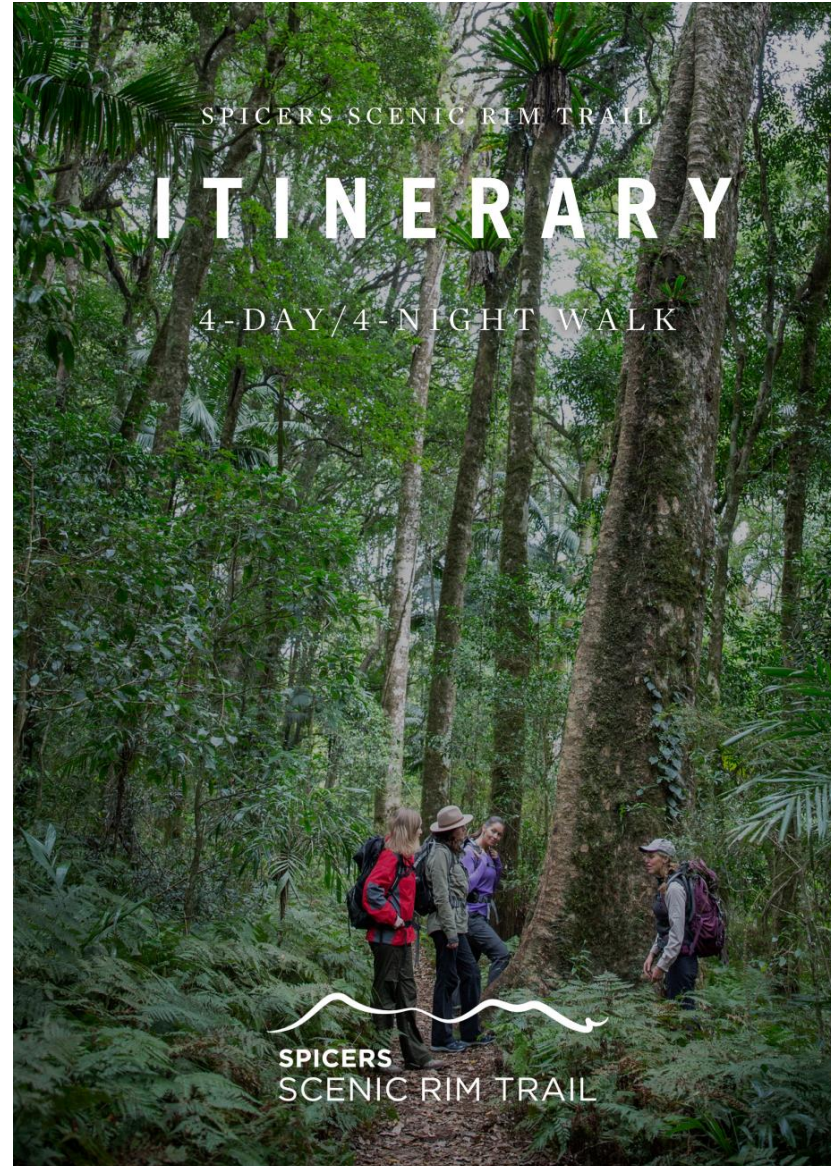
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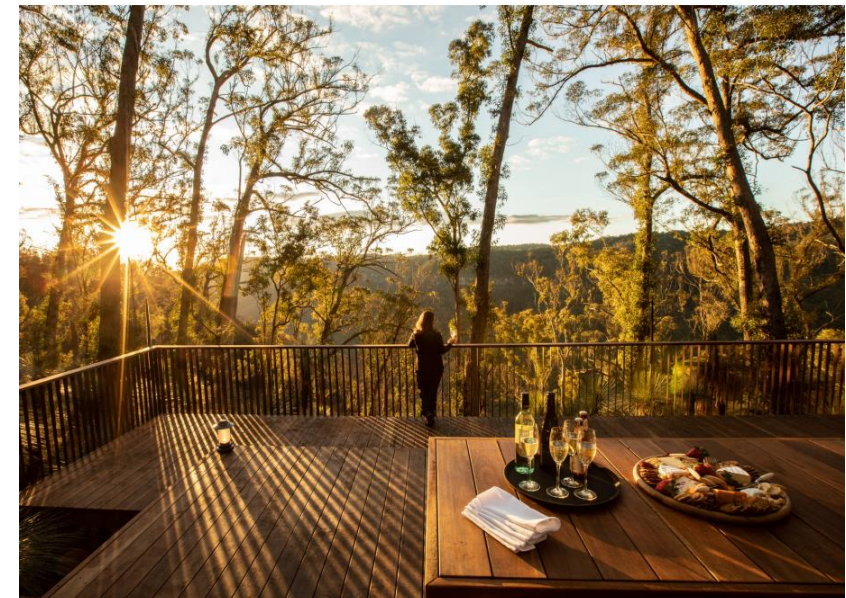
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- 4-days of guided hiking with experienced trail guides
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- Hiking gear including day pack, water bottles, gaiters & walking poles\*
- Luggage transferred daily so all you carry is your day pack
- One way scenic heli transfer on your final morning

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# DETAILED ITINERARY

## Day One To Spicers Mount Mistake

Meet your guides & fellow walkers at **0745** at Spicers Hidden Vale Retreat located at **617 Grandchester Mount Mort Road Grandchester**.

If you are self driving, upon arrival you'll be greeted with two driveway entrances take the lower entrance onto the unsealed road and park along the wooden fence. This is where your car will remain parked for the duration of your trip. Please note that undercover parking is not available, if this is a concern we can assist in arranging transfers.

Once you arrive please make your way to reception where your group will be assembling on the front deck. Your guides will provide you with a briefing & your gear for the day ahead before transferring to the start of the walk (40min drive).

There is a bathroom at the start of the trail and your luggage will be transferred up to camp as you embark on your first day of walking.

**Trail** - today's trail is approx. 12km on Grade 4 trails - *Suitable for experienced hikers as navigation and technical skills will be required (guides provide this expertise). Trails will be long, rough, and steep in sections. Rock scrambling required.* We use the natural rock to navigate some sections and your guides safely lead the way.

An adventurous day that sees you climb up the Mistake Mountain Range with a 600m ascent. The ecosystem is dry sclerophyll forest with incredible views afforded throughout the day.

A highlight is the 16m rock ladder, which you'll be safely harnessed to. You will cheer each other on as each group member makes it to the top.

We aim to arrive into camp by approx. 3.30pm each day (depending on conditions & the group) where you will be eagerly awaited by your host.

From here the afternoon is at your leisure ahead of your daily briefing in the lounge at approx. 1730 before a share style dinner at 1800.



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# DETAILED ITINERARY

## Day Two Spicers Mount Mistake to Spicers Amphitheatre Eco Cabins

If the sky is clear watching the sunrise is highly recommended at Spicers Mount Mistake.

**Breakfast** - is served at 7am with tea and coffee available earlier. Note: breakfast times may vary depending on the time of year and conditions.

After breakfast you will pack your luggage and make your final preparations for the day. Your guides will provide you with your lunches, show you where to refill your water bottles and lead you through some stretches.

**Depart** - 8am walk out of camp saying farewell to your hosts who will transfer your luggage to the next camp.

**Trail** - today's trail is approximately 18km in distance on mostly a Grade 3 trail - *Formed track, some obstacles. May have short steep hills and steps*, with the final hour of the day spent on a Grade 5 trail *unformed track. Likely to be very rough, steep and unmarked.*

You'll start with a meandering climb before entering the Gondwana Rainforest for your first encounter of this natural wonder and a taste of what's to come. You'll emerge from the rainforest to follow a former logging trail, some sections aren't under canopy so in the warmer weather we take plenty of water breaks. In the final section of the day we step deep into the rainforest on a private Grade 5 trail that takes us into camp.

**Approx. 3.30pm** - arrive into camp greeted by our friendly hosts with afternoon tea and a cool beverage. Your hosts and guides will take you up to your treehouse like cabin giving you an orientation and briefing for the incredible camp you now find yourself in.

There are two wash pavilions and after a well earned shower you are welcome to make your way to the lounge to relax. Sunset at the viewing deck is highly recommended with **dinner being served at 6pm**. In the warmer months you may wish to leave the tilt door in your cabin open overnight and enjoy the sounds of the forest.





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## DETAILED ITINERARY

### Day Three

Spicers Amphitheatre Eco Cabins to Spicers Timber Getters Eco Cabins

Each cabin has a yoga mat so feel free to roll it out on your private balcony or take it down to the viewing deck and enjoy some morning relaxation and stretching before breakfast.

Following our morning routine of breakfast, packing and gathering our gear for the day ahead we say farewell to our hosts and start our day.

**Trail** - today's walk entails Grade 3, Grade 4 and Grade 5 trail and an approximate distance of 16km. We start the day with a relatively flat warm up as we make our way up the access road enjoying the sounds of the rainforest birds as we go. This initial track can sometimes get muddy so we may have to skirt our way around some puddles as we make our way past.

As we descend into the valley we become enveloped by rainforest. Half of today is on Grade 5 trail with our guides leading the way on the unmarked trails. We ascend down some rocky boulder sections that will require us to crouch down and go slowly. The pace is slower as we take care with our footing navigating the tree roots and rocky sections.

The last section of the day offers a climb up to camp where your hosts will be waiting to welcome you to Spicers Timber Getters Eco Cabins. Architecturally the camps are the same however each has a unique interior and exterior.

Formally a loggers camp you can view the old tin cabin that once housed loggers 'timber getters' of the era.

Gather in the lounge for your daily briefing ahead of dinner at 6 - 6.30pm.

Enjoy a port or Bailey's after dinner before turning in for a restful night sleep.



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## DETAILED ITINERARY

### Day Four

Spicers Timber Getters Eco Cabins to Spicers Hidden Peaks Cabins

The birdlife is beautiful here particularly at dawn for the early risers. Following our morning routine of breakfast, packing and gathering our gear for the day, we say farewell to our hosts at 8am and start our day.

**Trail** - today's walk entails Grade 3, Grade 4 and Grade 5 trail, approximate distance of 16km. We start the day with a heartwarming climb up the fire trail past, an old pine plantation. Once at the top we once again head deep into the rainforest on Grade 5 trail.

We come across some huge rainforest trees with buttresses six feet tall. Once again the pace is slower as we all take care with our footing navigating the tree roots and rocky sections. Emerge from deep in the rainforest to climb up and over Bare Rock offering 360 degree views on a clear day.

From here we join the public trails and will often pass fellow walkers, not many of whom will ever venture where you have just been. In the final section of the trail the modern world comes into earshot as we hear trucks carrying goods from the coast to the west. Vehicles will be waiting for you at the end of the trail ready to transfer you to Spicers Hidden Peaks Cabins.

The drive is approximately 15 minutes to camp where you will be greeted and shown to your handcrafted log cabin, each with your own en-suite. After you have rested and settled into camp meet around the fire pit to share stories and your favourite memories from the trip followed by a celebration dinner.

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**Breakfast** on your final morning will be served from 8am. Enjoy some free time before being transferred to our heli pick up point (5min drive) for a 10am departure. Trace the trail from the sky & fly over what you have just walked before touching down at Spicers Hidden Vale Retreat.

Here we say a fond farewell as you depart with life long memories and a renewed love of nature.





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- Sometimes amendments are made to the itinerary if that is the case you will be given as much notice at possible.
- If the helicopter is unable to fly due to poor weather on the day you will be provided with a refund of \$250pp.



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## TRAINING TIPS

Training is the best way to ensure you are ready for your multi-day hike.

### STABILITY

- Go on as many bush walks as you can during the lead up to your walk this will allow you to wear your boots in as well as build strength and stability
- You will be walking in the mountains & through the forest and as a result the trails will be uneven with tree roots, rocks & obstacles. You need to be able to navigate this kind of terrain comfortably.

### STRENGTH

- Strong legs are great for powering you up hills and steps
- Walk up flights of stairs or practice step ups on a single step
- Lean against a wall and squat as far as feels comfortable start with 1 minute and see how long you can build up to
- Hiking builds leg strength quickly, go for a weekly or fortnightly trail hike and you'll soon find you'll be looking for more hills
- Bike riding is a great low impact way to build strength your leg muscles

### DISTANCE

- If you are a regular walker it's a good idea to include some distance walking into your program
- Research bush walks in your area and build up from 5km to 8km to 10km to 12km and 15km this will give you confidence that you can go the distance
- Carry a back pack on your walks so you are used to carrying some weight (note all your luggage is transferred so you are only carrying your water, lunch & personal items)

### AEROBIC FITNESS

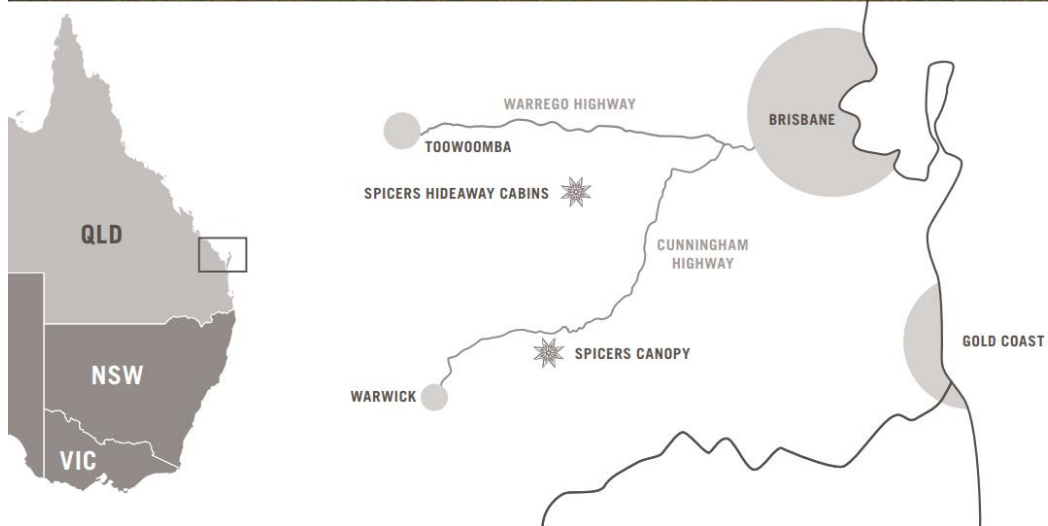
- You will need a good level of aerobic fitness to comfortably navigate the ups & downs of the trail.

### STRETCHING

- Always stretch before and after exercise and especially hiking. A good stretch can be the difference
- We have yoga mats and muscle rollers at each camp







**SPICERS CANOPY**  
Maryvale - Scenic Rim QLD  
Luxury glamping in the midst of the spectacular mountain peaks of Main Range National Park.



**SPICERS HIDEAWAY CABINS**  
Grandchester - Lockyer Valley QLD  
A rustic bush destination located on Old Hidden Vale station with access to over 100 kilometres of world-class mountain biking trails.





# nature by day, luxury by night

SPICERS CANOPY | 10 LUXURY TENTS | 2 EVENT SPACES | OPEN PLAN KITCHEN

Spicers Canopy is possibly the most unique and memorable space for a group get together in South East Queensland.

A stunning eco-site set in a 5,000 acre private nature refuge, Spicers Canopy offers a fully hosted, all-inclusive back to nature experience ideal for small leisure, incentive or corporate groups looking to explore and connect in a completely different way.

Luxury tents, a relaxing hot tub with stunning mountain views,

a generous lounge with a fireplace and a farm style open plan kitchen flowing out onto a large veranda add complete comfort to your eco-experience.

Whether you climb to the top of the local peaks on a guided walking experience or set out to see some of the local native wildlife, Spicers Canopy is sure to leave you with a deeper love for the wonderful and diverse environment that is the Australian bush.



## SPICERS CANOPY QUICK GUIDE

- 10 luxury tents
- Guided bush walks
- Open-plan kitchen or outdoor wood-fired cooking
- Mountain bikes
- Meeting/events pavilion
- Outdoor hot tub and fire pit
- On-site parking





#### ACCOMMODATION

Spicers Canopy is predominantly gas and solar powered and features ten tastefully appointed safari-style luxury tents, sleeping up to 20 people. The three private bathrooms located in the main lodge have steaming hot water ready to welcome the weary explorer at the end of the day.

Each tent offers:

- King or twin beds
- Polished floorboards
- Luxurious armchairs
- Bedside table with lamps
- Bathrobes
- A covered deck with deckchairs
- Hot water bottle turn down

#### EVENT SPACE DIMENSIONS & CAPACITIES

VENUE	AREA m <sup>2</sup>	BOARDROOM	CABARET	THEATRE	COCKTAIL	BANQUET DINING
Casual Lounge & Dining Area	90	-	-	-	20	20
Ironbark Pavillion	90	20	-	20	20	20

#### LOCATION

Spicers Canopy lies on Spicers Peak Station adjacent to the World Heritage Listed Main Range National Park. It is located on the Scenic Rim, close to the Great Dividing Range and the Granite Belt wine region. Driving time to the property is 90 minutes from Brisbane and two hours drive from the Gold Coast.

#### CLIMATE

MONTHLY AVERAGE TEMPERATURE	MAXIMUM	MINIMUM
January – summer	32°C	18°C
July – winter	20°C	5°C

#### ONSITE EXPERIENCES

- Guided nature walks
- Night time wildlife spotting
- Birdwatching
- Mountain biking
- Archery
- Evening camp fire and star gazing

#### EVENTS

The Lodge features a casual lounge and dining area opening up with bi-fold doors to allow the cooling summer breezes in, or the option to leave it closed in the cooler weather and light the open fireplace. Electronic gadgets are kept to a minimum, providing the perfect opportunity to get back to basics and gain perspective about your business without everyday distractions.

The Ironbark Pavillion is an open air hardwood building featuring wood-burning fireplace and flexible seating arrangements with mountain views. The pavillion features drop-down canvas sides, ideal for cooler days.

#### DINING

Produce from local growers is prepared with a touch of ceremony by our chefs in the open-plan kitchen or outdoors on the wood fired oven. In the warmer months, guests are invited to dine on the outdoor deck beneath the stars or exchange tall tales around the fire with fellow guests. In winter, the fireplace is stoked to burn all night with hearty meals served in the warmth of the communal lodge building.





## SPICERS HIDEAWAY CABINS

ACCESS VIA SPICERS HIDDEN VALE, GRANDCHESTER • LOCKYER VALLEY, QLD

# escape to the bush

SPICERS HIDEAWAY CABINS | FOUR 2 BEDROOM CABINS | OUTDOOR KITCHEN AND COMMUNAL DINING AREA

Located on the same 12,000 acre cattle station and wildlife refuge as Spicers Hidden Vale, Spicers Hideaway combines the convenience of close proximity to Brisbane with a more rustic and self-sufficient country experience within a world-class mountain bike park.

The stunning native slab timber cabins, open communal kitchen and dining area and firepit provide guests with a self-contained destination while also allowing guests access to Hidden Vale Adventure Park and Homage Restaurant.

### ACCOMMODATION

Each of the four cabins feature two bedrooms, each bedroom containing a double bed and single bunk. All linens and towels are included in your stay.

### LOCATION

Spicers Hideaway is located just over an hour from Brisbane CBD. The cabins are situated in the south-west of the property, eight kilometres from Spicers Hidden Vale.

### CLIMATE

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July – winter	21°C	6°C

### EXPERIENCES

- Hidden Vale Adventure Park (mountain biking)
- Hidden Vale Wildlife Centre
- Bush walking





## SPICERS HIDDEN VALE

617 GRANDCHESTER MOUNT MORT RD, GRANDCHESTER • LOCKYER VALLEY, QLD

# 12,000 acres of flavour and adventure

SPICERS HIDDEN VALE | 34 ROOMS | 4 EVENT SPACES | HOMAGE RESTAURANT

From the moment you turn into the driveway it is hard to believe that such a place could exist so close to a major city. Just an hour's drive from the Brisbane CBD, Spicers Hidden Vale is a destination that invites relaxation and rejuvenation.

Set on 12,000 acres, Spicers Hidden Vale features an architecturally designed Homestead, Australian barn, beautifully

restored colonial cottages from a bygone era and a warm country welcome. The retreat offers space to relax, space to listen, and space to embark on an adventure amidst abundant wildlife.

With a number of different indoor and outdoor spaces to explore, Spicers Hidden Vale is a unique luxury Australian experience.



### SPICERS HIDDEN VALE QUICK GUIDE

- Homage restaurant
- Market gardens with smoke house and fermenting room
- Wildlife research facility
- Tennis
- Lap pool & hot spa with valley views
- Dedicated event spaces
- Mountain bike trails
- Pool
- Wood fired oven and coal pit
- On-site parking
- Bush walking trails
- Animal Nursery
- Complimentary Wifi





## ACCOMMODATION

Scattered amongst picturesque country gardens are elegant cottages dating back to the 1800's which have been beautifully restored into guest accommodation.

The 34 rooms and suites feature verandas with sweeping country views and open fireplaces, each with their own unique character. The suites (four) are stand-alone cottages with a separate lounge room and French doors opening out onto valley views.

## LOCATION

Located in the Lockyer Valley region, Spicers Hidden Vale is only an hour's drive from Brisbane, one hour from Toowoomba and Wellcamp Airport, and 90 minutes from the Gold Coast.

Private transfers can be arranged from Brisbane or the Gold Coast. For those with limited time, charter helicopter transfers can be booked to and from Brisbane, Toowoomba and Gold Coast Airports.

## EVENT SPACE DIMENSIONS & CAPACITIES

VENUE	AREA m <sup>2</sup>	BOARDROOM	U-SHAPE	CABARET	THEATRE	COCKTAIL	BANQUET
Laidley	70	16	16	30	60	80	40
Grandchester	117	18	18	36	72	-	-
The Barn	112	-	-	-	-	80	74
Boardroom	32	12	-	-	-	-	-

## CLIMATE

MONTHLY AVERAGE TEMPERATURE	MAXIMUM	MINIMUM
January – summer	32°C	19°C
July – winter	21°C	6°C

## ONSITE EXPERIENCES

- Self-guided nature walks
- Hidden Vale Wildlife Centre
- Helicopter scenic flights
- Animal nursery
- Firepit
- Mountain biking
- ATV discovery tours
- Hot air ballooning
- Market garden tour
- Stargazing

## HIDDEN VALE ADVENTURE PARK

With over 110 kilometres of world-class mountain bike trails, Hidden Vale Adventure Park (HVAP) offers a unique outdoor experience to guests. Trails cater for all levels of experience and a range of mountain bikes are available for hire from the trailhead. HVAP also offers Polaris ATV transfers from the trailhead to a number of the higher elevation points throughout the park

## EVENTS

Perfect for small to medium sized events, the retreat offers a host of on-site meeting rooms with natural light and fresh country air.

The Laidley Room is situated at the top of the property and offers a deck area for enjoying meals and breaks. All popular set up styles are available and include internal stereo and audio visual facilities.

The Grandchester Room sits towards the property entrance with plenty of room to move, being the largest space to meet. It offers natural light, fresh air and a lounge area for an informal breakout. All conference facilities feature complimentary AV and Wifi.

The Barn, including a festoon lit courtyard, is the ideal spot for a private dinner or cocktail function for up to 80 delegates.

Completely rebuilt in 2020, the Boardroom in the Homestead provides a comfortable and private meeting space including

## DINING

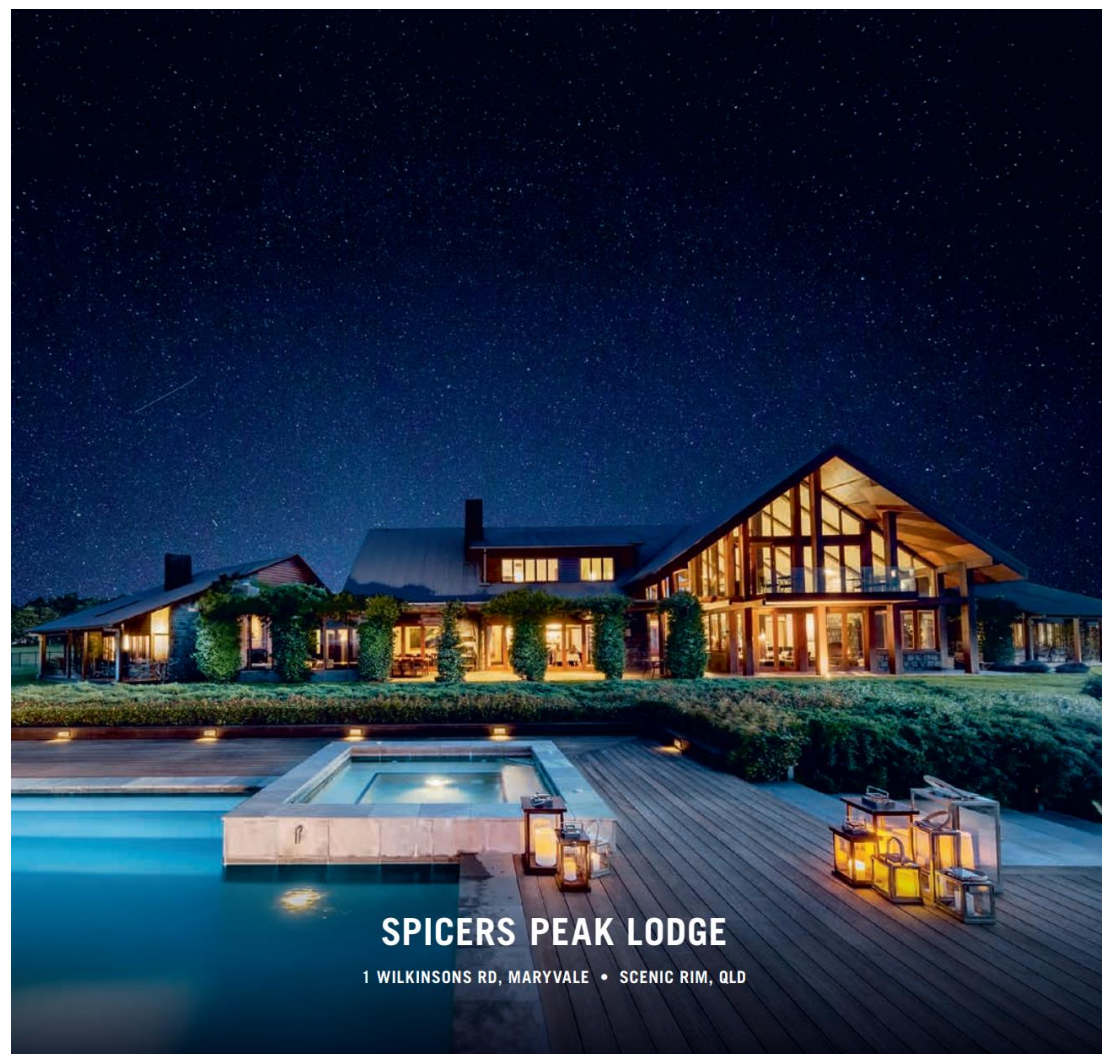
As the name suggests, Homage restaurant pays respect to the land, the local farmers and the produce itself. Created around the paddock to plate philosophy, the menu is inspired by the abundant local produce.

From fresh seasonal vegetables picked from our market garden to local freshwater cray and beef from our own property, this is dining in its purest form.

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## SPICERS PEAK LODGE

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# the height of luxury

SPICERS PEAK LODGE | 13 ROOMS | 2 EVENT SPACES | THE PEAK RESTAURANT

Perched atop a mountain on 8,000 acres in Queensland's High Country, enveloped by the World Heritage Listed Main Range National Park and the Great Dividing Range, Spicers Peak Lodge offers an exclusive, intimate Australian wilderness lodge experience.

The Lodge sits 1,100 metres above sea level with views across to the surrounding peaks. From untouched rainforest and rugged mountain escarpments to the pristine backdrop of a World Heritage

Listed national park and ancient volcanic regions, there is no shortage of unspoiled wilderness to experience and admire.

The architecturally designed Lodge is an eclectic mix of contemporary and classic design and has been created with its stunning natural environment in mind.

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### SPICERS PEAK LODGE QUICK GUIDE

- The Peak Restaurant
- Spa Anise Day Spa
- Private dining room
- Infinity edge swimming pool and hot spa and tennis court
- Dedicated event spaces
- Art and sculpture collection
- Library with pool table/games
- On-site parking
- Mountain bike and walk trails
- Guided walks and activities
- Complimentary Wifi





#### ACCOMMODATION

The Lodge's suites provide an ideal escape with uninterrupted views of the world below. Century-old Scottish bluestone and wide recycled timber floorboards add a touch of style and sophistication to the uniquely relaxing ambiance.

The eight Lodge Suites in the main building are spacious with open fireplaces, private verandas and some with large spa baths. The two Loft Suites boast elevated views with cosy reading nooks and direct access to the mezzanine library.

Perched on the edge of the escarpment are two luxurious, private standalone lodges, featuring separate lounge rooms and outdoor spas, open fireplaces and private verandas with panoramic views of Spicers Gap. Children are catered for in the private lodges only.

#### EVENT SPACE DIMENSIONS & CAPACITIES

VENUE	AREA m <sup>2</sup>	BOARDROOM	CABARET	THEATRE	COCKTAIL	BANQUET
Boardroom	34	14	-	20	26	14
Private Dining Room	31	12	-	16	20	12

#### LOCATION

Positioned within the Scenic Rim region of South East Queensland, 90 minutes drive from Brisbane, one hour from Toowoomba and Wellcamp Airport, and two hours from the Gold Coast, the Lodge is accessible by private car transfer or by chartered helicopter from all areas of South East Queensland.

#### CLIMATE

MONTHLY AVERAGE TEMPERATURE	MAXIMUM	MINIMUM
January – summer	25°C	17°C
July – winter	18°C	3°C

#### ONSITE EXPERIENCES

- Guided and self-guided nature walks
- Guided mountain bike adventures
- 4WD flora and fauna discovery tours
- Helicopter scenic flights
- Spa Anise Day Spa
- Birdwatching
- Star gazing
- Nocturnal walks
- Tennis
- Yoga

#### EVENTS

Fresh air, natural light, modern furnishings and some of the best views in Queensland make for an inspirational event.

The Boardroom is situated in the main lodge with access to the guest lounge and private terrace veranda. This room is ideal for private board meetings with complimentary AV facilities and WiFi.

The Private Dining room is situated next to the main restaurant and can be used for a meetings or private group dining. French doors open to the terrace offering spectacular views while the double sided fireplace warms the room.

#### DINING

All meals and beverages, including the nightly degustation dinner menu, are included at Spicers Peak Lodge.

Inspired by the fresh, seasonal, local produce and regional wines of the Scenic Rim and Granite Belt, menus at The Peak restaurant deliver the 'best of Australia on a plate'.

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## your home away from home

SPICERS BALFOUR HOTEL | 17 ROOMS | 3 EVENT SPACES | THE BALFOUR KITCHEN & BAR

From the outside, Spicers Balfour Hotel resembles many of the large and beautiful Queenslander homes found in the neighbourhood, the fashionable inner-city Brisbane suburb of New Farm. Inside it holds a level of comfort and service that sets it apart from the other luxury hotels in Brisbane.

Shaded courtyards, modern suites, a neighbourhood restaurant, a rooftop bar and friendly, personal service add to the feeling of

relaxed luxury. Created by a leading design team, the luxuriously distinctive style of this chic hotel is both unique and welcoming.

Completely individual, each of the nine executive style hotel rooms and eight luxury suites set across two buildings are charming and inviting. And while it's close to the Brisbane CBD and Fortitude Valley precincts, Spicers Balfour Hotel feels worlds away in the leafy surrounds of New Farm.



### SPICERS BALFOUR HOTEL QUICK GUIDE

- The Balfour Kitchen & Bar
- Guest lounge with library
- Private boardroom / dining room
- On-site parking
- Rooftop bar
- Frangipani lined courtyard
- Dedicated event spaces
- Complimentary WiFi





#### ACCOMMODATION

The nine Executive rooms have a contemporary European feel matched with modern amenities. Ranging in size from 18sqm to 27sqm, they are spread over two floors within the main Balfour Hotel building. Several of the ground floor rooms open onto a small courtyard, while the rooms upstairs feature large windows to allow fresh natural air.

The eight one bedroom Balfour Suites, located in the Simla building, are as spacious as they are luxurious. Reflecting the art deco style of the building, they are 43sqm in size with a spacious bedroom and bathroom, separate sitting area, luxury amenities, mini-bar, desk and all of the modern conveniences you would expect.

VENUE	AREA m <sup>2</sup>	BOARDROOM	U-SHAPE	THEATRE	COCKTAIL	CABARET	BANQUET
Balfour Room	24	14	-	-	-	-	16
Simla Room	75	30	18	50	60	24	46
Courtyard	50	-	-	-	22	-	44

#### LOCATION

Just three kilometres from the CBD and only 20 minutes from Brisbane Airport, Spicers Balfour Hotel is hidden within the chic inner-city suburb of New Farm.

A short walk around the corner lies Wilson Outlook with access via lift to Brisbane's newest and most vibrant dining and entertainment precinct - Howard Smith Wharves - featuring a number of restaurants and bars.

#### CLIMATE

MONTHLY AVERAGE TEMPERATURE	MAXIMUM	MINIMUM
January – summer	29°C	19°C
July – winter	21°C	10°C

#### LOCAL EXPERIENCES

- Local theatres
- James Street shopping precinct
- Story Bridge Adventure Climb
- Riverlife kayak and rock climbing
- Howard Smith Wharves dining and entertainment precinct
- New Farm Park
- Gallery of Modern Art
- South Bank precinct
- Local craft breweries

#### EVENTS

Here everything is at the flick of a switch. The discerning delegate can feel comfortable during important meetings with natural light, Nespresso coffee machines and complimentary AV equipment and WiFi. The Balfour Room provides the perfect setting for a private dinner or intimate business session.

The Simla Room is open plan with floor to ceiling windows and partitioning walls creating a versatile event space in the heritage listed Simla building. With a fireplace, HD projector and one touch AV system, this space is perfect for small to medium sized events.

Our frangipani and fairy-light filled courtyard is the perfect year-round spot for a casual cocktail party or small dinner party.

#### DINING

The Balfour Kitchen & Bar is New Farm's local neighbourhood restaurant where guests can dine inside or enjoy the classic Queenslander wrap-around veranda and intimate courtyard screened by frangipani trees.

Start the day with one of our famous breakfasts and enjoy the all-day menu or dinner menu, featuring modern Vietnamese flavours. Wind down at the end of the day in the rooftop bar with views of the Story Bridge and city skyline - the ideal place to take in sunset each evening while sampling cocktails from Inspirationalists - Balfour's signature cocktail list.

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THE BALFOUR KITCHEN & BAR





PASSIONATE CHEFS, CREATIVE IDEAS, SPECTACULAR SETTINGS

# breathtaking results

## CULINARY MASTERS

Spicers Retreats' chefs are deservedly renowned for their imagination and skill. Each culinary master embraces the overarching Spicers philosophy of food sustainability, combining wholesome locally sourced ingredients with their own freshly-grown produce. This strong focus on the respect for produce, producer and the environment has enabled each of the restaurants to develop a dining experience that wins the hearts and palates of guests every time.

## EVERY PLATE IS A MASTERPIECE

Modern Australian, French, Italian, Thai and Vietnamese cuisines are just a few of the cooking styles that lend their influence and inspiration to the menus created by our talented chefs.

Carefully selected wines, outstanding attention to detail and knowledgeable service complete the experience.

Whether you're planning a romantic dinner, a business lunch, a corporate celebration, high tea or relaxed breakfast, you'll find a dining experience to suit your needs and please your palate.







## SUSTAINABILITY

At the heart of Spicers Retreats is a love for the environment and a deep desire to see people experience the wonder of nature in a sustainable way, without sacrificing luxury in the process.

The Spicers Sustainability Minimum Standards have been formed in alignment with the relevant UN Sustainable Goals, with measurable and achievable targets specific to each retreat.

Our commitment to the land means we invest heavily in responsible farming techniques, sourcing ethically and sustainably grown ingredients for our restaurants, and in products and processes that help us reduce, reuse and recycle.

We also partner with suppliers and organisations who share our commitment to sustainability, constantly working to minimise our impact on the environments we are so privileged to enjoy.

Each retreat regularly audits waste and energy usage, tracking improvements in these areas year on year, and working towards our goals of zero nett waste and zero nett emissions by 2030.

Our sustainability partners include carbon TRACK, CCIQ EcoBiz, Scouts Recycling, AQUA chiara, Noosa Earth, The Last Straw and Mallow Sustainability.



Spicers Hidden Vale market garden



Hidden Vale Wildlife Centre



Amphitheatre Eco Camp



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## CONSERVATION

In addition to sustainability as a guiding operational philosophy, conservation plays a significant part in the management of the land and natural resources where our retreats are located.

The Spicers land holdings include two designated nature refuges - on Spicers Peak Station and Old Hidden Vale - where significant progress has been made in re-vegetating cleared land and clearing weed areas. Pest species management programs have been introduced to reduce introduced predator numbers and allow native species to repopulate.

The cornerstone of the Spicers conservation efforts is the Hidden Vale Wildlife Centre - a long-term \$18 million project in partnership with the University of Queensland. The Wildlife Centre's focus is practical, with captive breeding and research programs providing students with hands-on experience in the management of rare and threatened species with a view to building self-sustaining populations of flora and fauna endemic to the region.

In 2018 Spicers introduced Glossy Black Coffee, a signature coffee blend named after the Glossy Black Cockatoo, an endangered native bird found in both of the designated nature refuges. As the Spicers in-house coffee, proceeds from the sale of beans go specifically towards the rehabilitation and conservation of the Glossy Black Cockatoo's habitat.