

welcome to

WOODGATE



Beach & Bay

Boasting 16 km of sandy, uncrowded beach, there's a place just for you at Woodgate!

Protected ocean waters and shady picnic spots make an ideal day out at the beach.

Visit [Theodolite Creek](#) to the north (fishing, paddling) and take in the view across the Burrum River at [Walkers Point](#) to the south.

Roll down the windows and breath in the ocean-air.

- Do pick up all of your rubbish and belongings.
- Don't drive or park on sand dunes or disturb dune vegetation.
- Do use the amenities available including rubbish bins and toilets, not the sand dunes.

Our Town

People love Woodgate for its laid back village feel; the quiet, beach and bush.



There's no shopping centres, high rises or nightclubs. You'll find everything you need to connect and enjoy a holiday with family or friends.

We also throw on a few great family events, including a huge Easter fair and fishing competition.

- Do catch a beach sunrise or sunset.
- Attend an event:
 - » [Easter@Woodgate Fair \(Easter Monday\)](#)
 - » [Woodgate Beach Hotel Fishing Classic \(Sep\)](#)
 - » [Arts in Spring Festival \(Oct long weekend\)](#).

National Park

Pristine national park and marine park provide protected habitats for vulnerable species including turtles, dugongs and migratory birds.

The coastal forests, wetlands and iconic wallum of the [Burrum Coast National Park](#) surround Woodgate.

Get off-road along 4WD tracks, camp under the stars, or take a walk through wetlands and forests.

The bay, beach and waterways are part of the [Great Sandy Marine Park](#) and include conservation, habitat protection and go slow zones.

- [Check National Park & Marine Park websites for maps and information.](#)

Wildlife

Wildlife abounds! Kangaroo, echidna, goannas and a myriad of bird species from sea eagles, ospreys and curlews to, brolga, black cockatoo and bee-eaters. Keep an eye on the water for dolphins, turtles and dugong.

We're quite fond of all them, so please take care.

- Slow down- watch for wildlife on or near roads.
- Admire from a distance- remember, they are wild animals and can become stressed or defensive in close contact.
- Go slow on the water- avoid collisions with turtles and dugong.
- Be aware- snakes live in the sand dunes, so stick to the paths.



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FAQS

Is it safe to swim?

Protected by K'gari (Fraser Island) our bay is safe to swim. Theodolite Creek to the north is great for kayaking and paddle boarding.

Are there sharks? Well, it's the ocean. There hasn't been any recorded nasty encounters but be sensible.

Not all fins are sharks. Dolphins and Guitarfish (which are rays but often mistaken for sharks due to their large dorsal fins) are common.

Are there stingers? Bluebottles can blow in on a northerly wind but we don't have a stinger season. There are Stone Fish in the creeks; wear shoes when exploring.

Can I drive on the beach?

Get off-road in the **Burrum Point** (south) and **Kinkuna** sections (north) of the National Park, including adjacent beaches. No permit required.

Entry to the southern beach is off Acacia Street. Drive south towards the point. Access to Kinkuna is via Woppis Road.

Take **Heidke's Road** from Walkers Point for a drive alongside the Burrum River into forest; stop in at Hoppy Lark's on the Gregory River.

- **High clearance 4WD vehicles only.**
- **Check the National Park website for maps and conditions.**
- **Don't drive off-track or in the dunes.**
- **Do make sure your vehicle, equipment and skills are up to it- there is no vehicle recovery service.**

Are there walking tracks?

Stroll or ride along the paved pathway following the Esplanade or tackle a track in the National Park- **Banksia Track** in the Woodgate section or the longer **Melaleuca Track** at Burrum Point.

- **Check the National Park website for maps.**

Is woodgate pet friendly?

Dogs are welcome on-leash at the beach, the pub, cafes and bowls club.

Yes, your dog is friendly and well behaved, but **Council regulations require your dog to be leashed.**

There are two designated off-leash areas (see QR code below).

- **Do pick up poo & bin it (kicking a bit of sand over it is not OK).**

Where can I fish?

Fish off the beach, at Theodolite Creek or at **Walkers Point** (Burrum River). Small boats can put in at Theodolite Creek or on the beach at the 4WD access, otherwise use the boat ramp at Walkers Point. (Tip: avoid using the ramp opposite the pub).

- **Check marine park zones before you go.**

Where can we eat/shop?

Woodgate Beach Hotel and the **Woodgate Club** (bowls club) offer meals and entertainment.

Dine-in or takeaway at **Serenity Cove Cafe** or the **General Store**. Grab a fresh sandwich or pie from **Childers Bakery**.

Get essentials from the **Friendly Grocer**, **Home Hardware** and **Pharmacy** on Frizzells Road and, fuel from **Serenity Cove Convenience Store**.

Markets are held first and third Sundays of the month at the Woodgate Club.

Can I have a fire on the beach?

No. As part of the Great Sandy Marine Park fires are prohibited.

Is there public transport?

The hotel and bowls club operate free courtesy buses. The **Woodgate Community Bus** runs scheduled trips to Childers or Bundaberg (0473 798 031).

What's the siren for?

Shark? Tsunami? Air raid? Keep calm. It's the siren our Rural Fire Brigade use to alert members to an activation.

Marine Stranding Hotline
1300 130 372

Woodgate Wildlife
Rescue **0459 241 318**



Great Sandy Marine Park



Burrum Coast National Park



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Dog off-leash areas

