

# SPRINGBROOK- NATURAL BRIDGE CIRCUIT

This scenic drive takes you up to the Springbrook mountain plateau and the amazing World Heritage-listed waterfalls, lookouts and rainforests of Springbrook National Park and across the ranges to Natural Bridge, a spectacular naturally-formed rock arch, lush rainforest and waterfall, complete with a colony of glow worms.

From Mudgeeraba, follow Springbrook Road along the original winding road, or from Nerang, follow Nerang-Murwillumbah and Pine Creek Rd to this scenic hinterland destination.

Stop at the Visitor Information Centre at Wunburra Lookout. Pick up the '5 Must See Places on Springbrook' brochure and check

out the range of rainforest and waterfall walks, catering for all fitness levels and abilities. On your 'Must See' list is Canyon Lookout (offering the Twin Falls 4km return walk), Purling Brook Falls (4km return walk) crossing the incredible suspension bridge at the base, and pack a picnic lunch and sit beside Goomoolahra Falls.

Stay the night at one of the many boutique B&Bs, self-contained units or luxury rainforest villas and enjoy the home-grown produce and friendly hospitality at the local cafes. Don't miss Best of All Lookout, a gentle 15 minute walk past 2,000 year old Antarctic Beech trees, leading you to the edge of the plateau and a stunning view to Wollumbin (Mt

Warning) and beyond to Byron Bay, showing the incredible geological formation of the largest remnant shield volcano that dominated the region 23 million years ago.

Head back down the mountain via Pine Creek Rd, turning left onto Nerang-Murwillumbah Rd towards Natural Bridge. Follow the 38km journey through the spectacular Numinbah Valley. At Bakers Rd, turn left and you will reach Natural Bridge – a gentle 1km walk through lush green rainforest to a naturally formed rock cave, complete with cascading waterfall through the roof. The cave is also home to a colony of glow worms which can be seen by night time guided tour.



## THE FUDGE SHOP

3 Lyrebird Ridge Rd, Springbrook QLD 4213  
**Contact:** 07 5533 5329 or [www.thefudgeshop.com.au](http://www.thefudgeshop.com.au)  
**Open Hours:** 7 days

Made fresh daily, this family-owned business offers an enjoyable treat of delicious fudge, coffee and ice creams as well as soaps, jams and other locally made honey and Lemon Myrtle products – the perfect gift idea to take away with you on your journey home. You'll be glad you dropped in.



## MOUSES HOUSE RETREAT

2807 Springbrook Rd, Springbrook QLD 4213  
**Contact:** 07 5533 5192 or [www.mouseshouse.com.au](http://www.mouseshouse.com.au)

The Mouses House retreat offers 13 individual chalets nestled throughout the World Heritage listed rainforest with cascading mountain streams. Only a short walk from the spectacular Twin Falls and Warrie Circuits at the upper end of Springbrook, the area is abundant with native vegetation, birds and animals such as the beloved Paddymelon. Travellers are welcome to stop in for a quick look. Accommodation is available for one or more nights.



## DANCING WATERS CAFÉ

33 Forestry Rd, Springbrook QLD 4213  
**Contact:** 07 5533 5335 or [www.dancingwaterscafe.com](http://www.dancingwaterscafe.com)  
**Open Hours:** 7 days

Located right next door to the entrance to Purling Brook Falls carpark is this much-loved café making a healthy selection of sweet and savoury foods from organic, local and home grown produce where possible. The perfect place to relax after the rainforest walk with arguably the best coffee on the mountain.



## ECHO VALLEY FARM STAY

34 Lyrebird Ridge Rd, Springbrook QLD 4213  
**Contact:** 0414 574 484 or [www.echovalleyfarmstay.com.au](http://www.echovalleyfarmstay.com.au)

Echo Valley Farm Stay is located within a beautiful historic working farm set amongst its own special unique natural environment at Springbrook. The recently renovated, self-contained cottage is available for holiday rental and farmstay for up to six people.

## THINGS TO DO ALONG THE WAY

- Take a photo of the 'best' panoramic view of a volcanic caldera from Best of All Lookout on Springbrook mountain plateau
- Pack lunch for the best picnic spot on the plateau at Goomoolahra picnic ground with a refreshing creek, waterfall and amazing view
- Look out for the native wildlife including Paddymelons, koalas, big lizards and a variety of birdlife, including the distinct call of the Lyre Bird
- Take a night tour and see the glow worms light up the Natural Bridge cave

## NATIONAL PARKS

Springbrook National Park  
Plateau and Natural Bridge Section

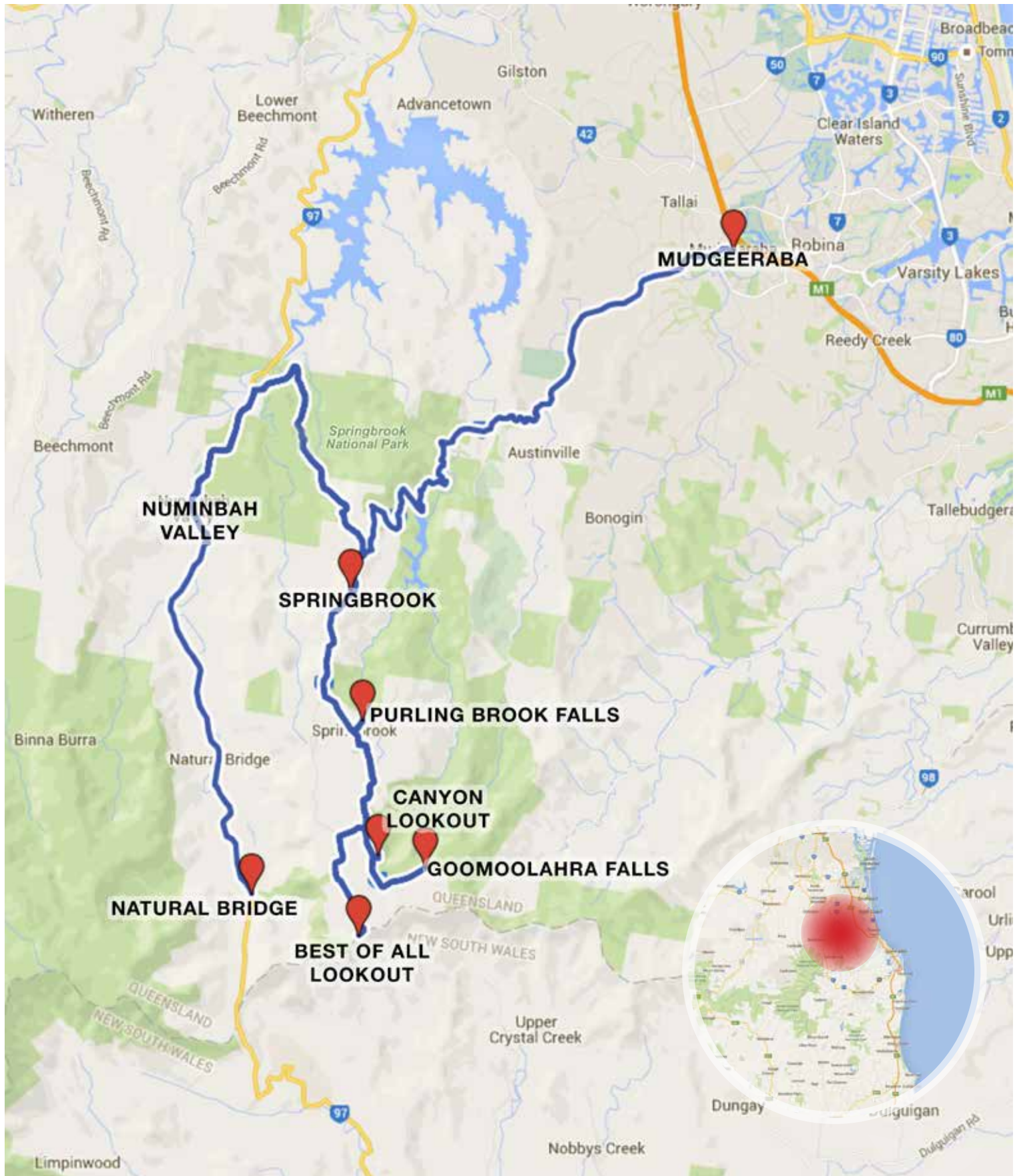




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