

Queensland

52 WEEKENDS AWAY



Starry Nights Luxury Camping

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THE LOCATION This property is only an hour north of Brisbane Airport, but feels a world away. It's a 20-minute drive to the beach at Mooloolaba and 10 minutes to the town of Montville.

THE PLACE Owners Shane and Nicole Nelson took three years to find the right property, and two years building the pair of glamping tents they felt best suited it. They didn't mess around. Each measures 75 square-metres and features recycled barn floorboards, a hand-carved stone basin, rotating fireplace, hot

shower, flushing toilet and claw-foot bath. All that comfort – and you're surrounded entirely by rainforest.

THE EXPERIENCE Kookaburras start up at dawn, followed by yellow-tailed black cockatoos and whipbirds. This is the only wildlife corridor between the national park next door and Petrie Creek a few hundred metres away (which has great swimming holes), so there's wildlife aplenty, including kangaroos feeding outside your tent. Make use of the guest lounge with infra-red sauna, pool tables,

games, books, a selection of organic beverages and an espresso machine. Hampers, laden with food grown on the property or sourced locally, can be delivered for you to cook on your barbecue.

DON'T MISS While Montville is a Sunshine Coast hinterland hotspot, the lesser-known Woombye is even closer (five minutes). Check out the great cafes in a village so pretty, it looks like a year-round flower show.

FROM \$355 a night; two-night minimum stay, three nights across public holidays. *Craig Tansley*