

24 HOURS IN

Queensland's capital city has seen a massive resurgence. Here's just one tempting way to spend an incredible day exploring the parks and foodie finds.



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BREAKFAST

A bite in the West End.

Head to this Bohemian 'hood for a hearty take on brunch. Morning After (The Glass Factory, Cambridge St.) is a local favourite for its breakfast carbonara – pasta for brunch? Yes! – and scrambled egg with lemongrass Thai sausage. Afterward, stroll Davies Park (full of vendors on weekends).



MORNING

Have a look around on tour.

Drift into the day with a laidback sightseeing tour. Take it easy onboard River City Cruises. Or learn a bit about the city's history with the Time Traveller Tour. You'll get the quick notes on the city's most famous sights, oldest buildings and local legends and burn off that big breakfast!











LUNCH

Picnic in the park.

Locals love **New Farm Park**. Join them soaking up the riverside breeze with an easy, deliciously European picnic from New Farm Deli (900 Brunswick St.) just up the road. Grab fine cheeses, Italian meats and fresh crusty bread for an unforgettable al fresco lunch.





EARLY AFTERNOON

Wander the Riverwalk.

A permanent pathway above the Brisbane River, you can stroll from trendy New Farm back toward city centre. The walk ends at historic Howard Smith Wharves, a gorgeous waterfront space filled with funky eateries and brewbars.



TEA TIME

Sneak a tipple at City Winery.

Head to Fortitude Valley and a beautifully converted warehouse on Wandoo Street for a few locally sourced small plates. Winery tours run from 11am to 4pm, and once you learn a little, you're rewarded with samples direct from the barrel.





LATE AFTERNOON

Raise your steps on

Winn Lane and

is the place for upmarket boutiques

full of absolute

treasures. You'll

find live music in

Brooklyn Standard

and an American

vibe at Fat Angel

Sports Bar on

Eagle Lane.

California Lane are packed with hip clothing boutiques and James Street

the High Line.

Test your decision making in the Valley.

For burgers and beers, it's Ze Pickle (4 Hynes St.). But the 'hood is better known for its Mediterranean moment: Go Greek at Hellenika (48 James St.), find exceptional Italian at Mosconi (164B Arthur St.) or choose Middle Eastern at Za Za Ta (1000 Ann St.). Overwhelmed? Les Bubbles (144 Wickham St.), a historic bathhouse with a colourful history, offers only one dish: Steak, "how you like it," with traditional sides.





Get fancy at Cloudland.

A Fortitude Valley legend, Cloudland (641 Ann St.) is one of the city's most ooh-la-la spaces – and fair warning, you'll need threads to match. The enormous chandeliers and indoor waterfall give the space the feel of a Baz Luhrmann film set. Nightly live music gives the space flair, while the seasonal, sparkling and sharable cocktails will get you set to fête. ■

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