

# GOLD COAST TO LOCKYER VALLEY

## 2 days/1 night

### DAY 1: Gold Coast to Laidley

 APPROX. 165KM | 2 HRS

Begin enroute by taking the M2 and onto A2 from the Gold Coast to head towards Plainland. First stop on this taste adventure is a slight detour off the highway at Gatton, heading to Tins and Trays Patisserie for morning tea. Travel on to take State Route 80 to Laidley, onto Whites Road, arriving in Forest Hill. Bask in the heritage as you explore the old pubs, antiques and second-hand stores. The next taste adventure begins with lunch at the Lockyer Hotel, before checking into a country cottage at either Clewleys Country Haven or Branell Homestead where you can nestle down in front of an open wood fireplace.

### DAY 2: Laidley to Gold Coast

 APPROX. 142KM | 1HRS 45 MINS

Enjoy a brisk winters morning, embracing life on the farm before heading to produce rich farms to fill your esky with food grown right in Queensland's "Salad Bowl". Must visit: Awassi Cheesery – an artisanal producer of bespoke farmstead sheep cheeses; Mulgowie Farmers Markets (held on the first Saturday of each month) for stalls full of seasonal farm grown produce and goods; UB's Farm for their famous heirloom tomatoes and other delicious vegetables as well as pre-cut salads; Schulte's Meat Tavern for the highest quality fresh red meat, pork and lamb products; and 9Dorf Farms for pasture raised chicken and eggs, beef, pork and aquaculture. Esky full? Now return home to the coast with all your handpicked treasures.

Fancy a pub lunch?

Check out these friendly country pubs in the Lockyer Valley:

- Porters Plainland Hotel,
- The Mulgowie Pub,
- Queensland National Hotel (QN), Laidley ,
- The Lockyer Hotel, Forest Hill,
- The Forest Hill Hotel,
- The Royal Hotel, Gatton,
- The Withcott Hotel,
- The Brightview Tavern,
- Murphy's Creek Tavern, or
- Tentill Pub.



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