

QUEENSLAND MUSEUM

KURILPA

BRISBANE



**SELF-GUIDED
VISIT FOR
SCHOOL GROUPS**

In keeping with the spirit of reconciliation,
Queensland Museum acknowledges the First Peoples, the
Traditional Owners of the lands where we live and work.

We recognise their continuing connection to land,
water and community.

We pay respect to Elders – past and present – and
acknowledge the important role Aboriginal Peoples and
Torres Strait Islanders continue to play as part of the
Queensland Museum community.

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South Brisbane

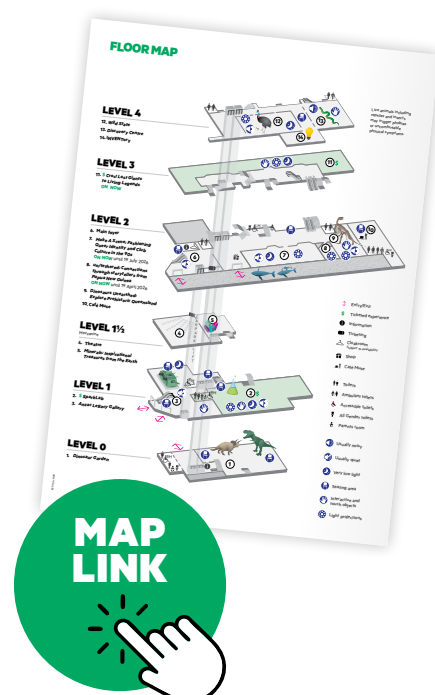
School Bookings

museum.qld.gov.au/kurilpa/plan-your-visit/visit-as-a-school

- **This itinerary is flexible.**
- Teachers may adjust depending on year level, group size and learning focus.

Tips for Teachers

- 01 Divide into smaller groups to avoid congestion in galleries.
- 02 Rotate through spaces to keep the flow of students manageable.
- 03 Allow breaks: factor in 10–15 minutes for morning tea or lunch before or after the itinerary.
You can take a break in the Dinosaur Garden on Level 0.
- 04 Download the Queensland Museum Kurilpa map



- Begin your journey here to **spark curiosity**.
 - **Specialist staff** are on hand to help you find answers to your questions and identify what you may have seen, heard, or collected.
 - Please **allow around 10 minutes** to interact with the Discovery Centre team.
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- Explore a **wide variety of the museum's collections**, from taxidermy animals to objects you can get close to. Each object describes something about Queensland's natural and cultural histories.
- Get **up close to live animals**, including a snake, stick insects and giant cockroaches.
- **Ask** *"What is this? What can it tell us about a time, place, people, design, materials etc?"*
- **Choose an object that surprises you**—what is it, and why do you think it belongs in the museum?

- Journey through **Queensland's diverse ecosystems**—from the arid outback to lush rainforests, and beneath the waters of our 700km coastline.

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- **Explore animal communities** and discover their **diverse adaptations** for surviving in particular environments.
 - Look for the **connections** between living things and their environments.
 - Understand why Queensland is **Australia's most biodiverse state**, and why protecting these habitats is so important.
 - Think about ways **humans impact** these habitats and wild communities. What can we do to help protect the natural world?

Dinosaurs Unearthed:

Explore Prehistoric Queensland

Level 2 

- Step back in time to the age of the dinosaurs and experience the wonder of **life-sized models, fossils and interactive displays**.
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- Discover how Queensland Museum palaeontologists study fossils and use the **latest technologies**—including medical imaging and 3D scanning—to unlock secrets of the past.
 - See what Queensland’s fossil record has revealed so far—from prehistoric giants to ancient seas (where we now find deserts). **Time travel through millions of years** towards the age of megafauna and evidence of our First Peoples.
 - Consider how **Earth’s surface has changed** over millions of years as continents shifted, altering coastlines, climates and ecosystems.
 - Investigate reconstructions, fossils and digital media to learn **how dinosaurs adapted to survive**—and how some lineages still live on in animals we see today.
 - **Compare dinosaurs with animals you know**—what features are similar, and what has changed over time?

Make a Scene:

Fashioning Queer Identity and Club Culture in the 90s

Level 2 

Until 19 July 2026

- This temporary exhibition brings together **fashion, pop culture and LGBTQIA+ lived experience**. Some stories and artwork include experiences of stigma and marginalisation, themes of sexuality, drug use, discrimination, the AIDS epidemic, and its personal and political impact.
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- Enter a creative space where visual culture and identity come alive through **fashion, pop culture and performance**.
- Students can reflect on **how people express themselves** through what they wear and create.
- How can clothes and performance tell a story about **who we are**?

- Explore our intimate gallery showcasing **Queensland Museum collections** on rotation.
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- The Theatrette brings stories to life, offering insight into the people, places and objects that make up **Queensland Museum's rich collections**.
- What **new stories or perspectives** could you discover here?

Minerals:

Inspirational Treasures from the Earth

Level 1.5 

- Discover the beauty and science of the natural world through Queensland Museum's **stunning mineral collection**. These geological treasures reveal the incredible **processes that have shaped our planet** for billions of years.
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- Examine more than **230 rare minerals and gems** from around Australia and the world—each with unique colours, shapes and stories.
 - Discover how **heat, pressure and time transform elements** into dazzling natural formations.
 - Think about the balance between **resource use and environmental responsibility**.

- This gallery invites students to reflect on stories of courage, resilience and sacrifice, while **developing historical knowledge and critical thinking skills**.
 - Groups can also explore replica First World War objects through the Anzac Legacy Kit (\$90), offering a **hands-on way to connect with the past**.
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- Explore the First World War from a **Queensland perspective**, learning about the experiences of those on the front line and the families, friends and communities who supported them at home.
 - Reflect on personal stories, objects and the **impact of conflict on families and communities**.
 - Investigate *Mephisto*, the **only surviving German A7V Sturmpanzerwagen tank in the world**. *Mephisto* connects the two gallery themes: *Queensland at War* and *Queensland Remembers*.
 - Consider ways the war impacted Queenslanders, both overseas and at home? Why is it important to **reflect on the legacies** of war today?