Gold Coast history and heritage

The history and heritage of the Gold Coast is important to us and we celebrate it and preserve it for future generations.

We have a unique and diverse cultural heritage which has been shaped by Indigenous ownership, European settlement and new arrivals from all parts of the world.

Through our diverse program of events and activities we bring history and heritage alive, promoting a deeper understanding of our city and its people.

Gold Coast histories

Discover the history of the Gold Coast and its suburbs, read and listen to stories, and view pictures of days gone by. Learn about the history of your local government and the city’s Indigenous history.

Heritage walks and trails

Experience the city’s heritage places and take a self-guided walk along one of the city’s heritage walks through Coolangatta, Labrador, Mudgeeraba, or Southport.

Gold Coast Local Heritage Register

Download a summary of all places currently listed in the Local Heritage Register. Find information and advice on how to look after, modernise or develop properties with heritage value.

History and heritage resources and events

Find out about upcoming heritage events. Download educational materials and images related to the city’s history and heritage, including information on archaeological digs that have been conducted in the city. There are many community museums and local history groups around the Gold Coast willing to share their insights and collections with you.

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