



Bear north for a koala cluster

Explore Port Macquarie and the surrounding hinterland with a koala as your guide - well, actually 50 koalas. The new Hello Koalas sculpture trail comprises 50 hand-painted, metre-high fibreglass koalas dotted around the region,

and celebrates Port Macquarie's status as Australia's koala capital. Visit the world's only koala hospital, signposted by a sculpture painted by singer John Williamson, and drop in on a few real koalas at Billabong Zoo, marked by a koala painted by artist

"Shiner" Bruce Whitaker. Plans are afoot for a three-metre-high Big Koala to add to Australia's love of all things supersized, from prawns to pineapples. The trail runs until December 2015. To download a touring map see hellokoalas.com.