

THE BIG KOALA TREASURE HUNT

8TH ANNUAL HELLO KOALAS FESTIVAL TREASURE HUNT Wednesday 25 – Thursdsay 26 September 2024 & Wednesday 2 – 3 Thursday October 2024 9am to 4pm each day

HERE ARE THE CLUES

Check out the Autumn/Winter 2024 Hello Koalas Sculpture Trail Guide + Map to help you discover the 35 selected Hello Koalas Sculptures for the Treasure Hunt. Download the Guide at www.hellokoalas.com/festival or drop into Hello Koalas Gallery + Gift Shop 2/1A Blackbutt Road Port Macquarie 9am to 4pm Monday to Friday Enquiries (7 days) 0416 641 482

TAG #hellokoalas and @hellokoalas with your favourite photos

- 1. How many painted koalas can you find on Port Macquarie's biggest Hello Koalas sculpture? You'll find THE BIG KOALA at Guulabaa, an Aboriginal name meaning 'Place of Koala'. It's a great place to embark on your journey of discovery on the Treasure Hunt. Guulabaa is located in the Cowarra State Forest, on the corner of Burrawan Forest Drive and the Oxley Highway.
- 2. You'll go wild with the fun of bouncing balls and meeting the Hello Koalas sculpture who wants to save threatened species in our rainforests.
- 3. This striking Aboriginal design overlooks the 'Donut' roundabout on the Pacific Highway and captures the blue waters and froth of the ocean waves
- 4. There is only one tiger in Port Macquarie where is it?
- 5. A warrior that alerts people to care for our Australian wildlife through a rainbow of bright colours. Can you find the green snake?
- 6. Wearing a bright red helmet, this koala is a trusted friend and has the best "Place" to call home! Great spot too for lunch or a coffee.
- 7. A familiar Australian design featuring gumnuts, blossoms and leaves against a bright red backdrop. You might have to take your photo through the big gate!
- 8. Sitting quietly at a local university, this Hello Koalas sculpture is learning to be a doctor.
- 9. Painted by an important artist from the Bunyah Aboriginal community, this friendly koala says "hello" and "goodbye" to airline passengers with a warm smile.
- 10. Historic sailing ships are featured in this classic blue and white willow design.
- 11. You'll find two koalas at this popular holiday hotel with names from Greek mythology. Which one is the 'God of the Sea'?
- 12. Living by the marina, this koala has a design inspired by Port Macquarie's Shelly Beach. Take a break and enjoy fish and chips too!
- 13. A beautifully painted and colourful koala enjoys sitting by the Hastings River watching the cruise ships come and go and having a chat with lucky people enjoying mouthwatering French cheeses and glass of something refreshing.

- 14. One of the oldest koalas in history who lived in a garage in town and died at 22 years of age and now she is still under the spotlight in a 'Wise' CBD location
- 15. You'll find this Hello Koalas sculpture at home behind a large glass window at its favourite bank. Pop in and say hello and take a photo to share with family and friends.
- 16. A treasure painted in gold and inspired by Chinese culture, hosted by an Asian inspired restaurant in a riverside location
- 17. A dancing koala who is the subject of a children's book called 'Lola had a Dream'.
- 18. This koala is so famous he has a courtyard named after him at Port Macquarie Museum.
- 19. Most koalas have brown eyes but this koala has blue eyes which is very rare and he is a lovely little chap.
- 20. A well-known barman around town who is a member of the zebu family of animals.
- 21. A shimmering and beautiful blue koala which glows with vitality, featuring The Tree of Life in her design.
- 22. This koala loves hearing from people who admire her flannel flowers and butterflies and listens to children talking softly in her ear with a gentle smile.
- 23. Is that a bird or a plane? No .. it's the Cub Reporter for Port News.
- 24. "We're here to take you there" is the tagline of one of our latest koalas who loves volunteering in the community and taking people for a drive to appointments.
- 25. The ABC Mid North Coast Studio has just received a new Hello Koalas sculpture which is inspired by the wonderful starry nights in Port Macquarie, while their regular sculpture 'Benjamin The Return of the Thylacine' has a holiday!
- 26. The newest Hello Koalas sculpture by Gaye Leanne is in her gallery near Lighthouse Beach shops and features a beautiful design of Australian flowers and birds.
- 27. This Hello Koalas sculpture is black and white and has a tag in her ear with the Comboyne postcode 2429.
- 28. There's a zebra in amongst the summer's flowing plants in our local Wauchope nursery is that really a koala?
- 29. We love their pies and sweet treats and they have one of the most gorgeous Hello Koalas adorned with pearls and bejewelled glasses. Stop by for something delicious.
- 30. The Aboriginal word 'Guula' means 'koala' and this Hello Koalas sculpture is fascinated by trains.
- 31. Take the turnoff for a drive up the highway to wards Kempsey and meet a special koala on the road to Kempsey who celebrates the country music of one of Australia's finest. There's the Nulla Nulla Regional Gallery there too.
- 32. You won't find him on the current Trail Guide because he has just returned to the Trail after a break. He is a handsome Frenchman called Froggy, with a love of good wine and his home begins with the letter 'C' and is located by the Pacific Highway.
- 33. Head back to pick up a game of Port Macquarie Monopoly and see the Hello Koalas sculpture that's featured on the board, wearing a love heart for his hometown.
- 34. A mascot for a mighty rugby football team in Port Macquarie.
- 35. Showing off her new swimming costume is one of Hello Koalas' glamorous ladies.

Drop into the Hello Koalas Gallery + Gift Shop and show us your photos of the 35 Hello Koalas sculptures you have found and receive your Certificate of Achievement!