A drive from Mackay to Eungella takes approximately 1 hour.

The usual approach to Eungella from Mackay is along the scenic Pioneer Valley following the Mackay-Eungella Road. When travelling south from Proserpine it is essential to go all the way to Mackay. It is possible to leave the Bruce Highway to the meet the Mackay-Eungella Road at Marian, Mirani or Gargett townships.

When travelling north from Sarina however, it is quicker and easier to go through Eton. If driving the Peak Downs Highway, it is best to cut across from Eton to Marian.

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Broken River is home to the platypus. It is here you will find viewing platforms, an information centre, amenities and kiosk with refreshments. This part of Australia is recognised as the world’s most reliable location for observing platypuses in the wild.

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Perched high on the Clarke Range, Eungella Township is the hub for one of Queensland’s most extensive protected areas encompassing Eungella National Park and Crediton State Forest. Eungella has a rich cultural history of gold mining, timber, dairying and tourism.

The National Park showcases a huge expanse of magnificent sub-tropical rainforest spanning rugged gorges and escarpments. There are 25km of graded walking tracks which range in length and level of challenge - from a 300m wheelchair accessible walk, a 17km circuit hike featuring stunning mountain and rainforest scenery, to the 57km Mackay Highlands Great Walk.

At Eungella Dam, camp if you like and bring your bathers, boat, canoe and windsurfer. Fishing is available if you have a permit. These shy creatures are best seen early morning and late afternoon. Maps for walking trails are also available here at the Information Centre. For those who enjoy scenic drives, a journey up Dalrymple Road or a wander around the Crediton Loop demonstrates the unusual mix of dairy and rainforest. Grah lamb hand at a cafe or food outlet, or perhaps enjoy a picnic at Sky Window, North Street Park, Broken River or Eungella Dam. After a hard day of leisure, why not enjoy a homemade icecream or perhaps a beer to help you take in the fantastic view on offer. If time permits stay for dinner and watch the sunset. Eungella offers food to suit all palates and budgets, from tasty fish and chips to fine cuisine.

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Eungella is the perfect destination for a day trip or extended relaxing stay.