



WetSide Water Education Park is a unique, free, seaside public space that teaches visitors about the value of water and its sustainable use in a fun, interactive, integrated way.

The park is located on one hectare of foreshore land at Pialba, Hervey Bay. WetSide was built by Wide Bay Water Corporation out of a desire to create an asset with multi-layered benefits all with the common theme of water.

Some of the main objectives of WetSide are to:

- Take water education out of pamphlets and textbooks and put it into a fun, activity-based environment. Australia is the world's driest inhabited continent. In the face of increasingly unpredictable weather patterns and a growing population, the ability to secure safe, reliable water supplies is vital. A facility like WetSide helps society to think differently about water, its collection and use.

## WATER EDUCATION PARK

- Set a benchmark in sensitive foreshore development by constructing a built environment in sympathy with the natural environment. This includes incorporating existing trees as part of the facility; building raised boardwalks to prevent plant trampling and preserve scent trails; removing exotic weeds from the site and planting the dunes with natives so that the foreshore returns to as natural a state as possible.
- Provide a free, public asset for the Fraser Coast where friends, family and visitors can gather in a public space that celebrates the highlights of their region – beach views, pristine waters and stunning marine life.

