



Conferences and Events



Conferences

At The Sands Torquay

Just over an hour from Melbourne and 20 minutes' drive from Geelong lies The Sands Torquay Resort, a unique and modern resort that is packed with experiences and geared for corporate gatherings.

Floor to ceiling views across the 18 hole championship golf course are uninterrupted all the way to the rolling dunes and cliff face of Victoria's famous Surf Coast. Here the Great Ocean Road is just down the road. You are on the Bellarine Peninsula. Teams can tour boutique wineries or gourmet producers, surf Bells Beach, sky dive, pursue all manner of water sports and enjoy signature dining experiences on-site.

Discover a region rich in original activities and impressive indulgences.



Conference Venues

Catering from intimate board meetings to large-scale events, each of our conference venues feature floor to ceiling windows overlooking the golf course and automated blackout blinds.



Rotunda Room 43.5m²

Our Rotunda Room space is a cozy and intimate room suited for smaller events or conferences.

CATERING FOR UP TO 30 DELEGATES.



Boardroom 60m²

Catering for delegates, the Boardroom can also be used for smaller more formal business meetings and conferences.

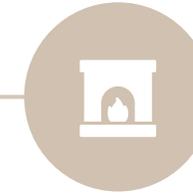
CATERING FOR UP TO 20 DELEGATES.



Bunkers Lounge 220m²

Bunkers is the perfect space for mid sized events or as a breakout space for larger conferences. With floor to ceiling windows and views over the golf course, there is a bar within Bunkers for drinks service and access to the outdoor patio.

CATERING FOR UP TO 100 DELEGATES.



Spike Cafe 230m²

Open fireplace and terrace, this space is ideal for tea breaks, pre-dinner drinks, gala events and trade displays or exhibitions.

CATERING FOR UP TO 100 DELEGATES.



Shirley's Bar 313m²

With sprawling views over our 18 hole golf course, Shirley's bar is ideal for a larger events and conferences, sure to impress.

CATERING FOR UP TO 200 DELEGATES.



Spike Cafe & Shirleys Bar 543m²

Combining the use of both the Spike Cafe and Shirleys, we can cater for up to 400 delegates.

**CATERING FOR UP TO 400 DELEGATES
THEATRE STYLE.**



Outdoor Marquee

With ample outdoor space within the gardens and golf course, we have space for large scale outdoor events. Contact us directly to discuss your specific needs.

CONTACT US FOR MORE DETAILS



Conference Packages



Full Day Delegate Package

Inclusions

- Freshly baked morning tea and afternoon tea
- Working lunch of assorted sandwiches, wraps or rolls, one hot item, cheese and fruit platter, tea and coffee
- Full day conference room hire*
- Notepads, iced water, pencils
- Standard AV equipment (flipchart and whiteboard)
- Dedicated Event Co-ordinator for the organisation of your event
- Complimentary car parking & Wifi
- Big Screen Smart TV with HDMI connector cable
- Portable PA System

\$75



*Half Day Delegate Package

Inclusions

- Freshly baked morning tea or afternoon tea
- Working lunch of assorted sandwiches, wraps or rolls, one hot item, cheese and fruit platter, tea and coffee
- Half day conference room hire*
- Notepads, iced water, pencils
- Standard AV equipment (flipchart and whiteboard)
- Dedicated Event Co-ordinator for the organisation of your event
- Complimentary car parking
- Big Screen Smart TV with HDMI connector cable
- Portable PA System

\$60



*Please note a room hire fee applies to groups under 10 delegates. Ask our team about upgrading your package to include a hot buffet lunch.

*Half Day Delegate Package has the same inclusions as Full Day, except only has 1 tea break included.

Team Building Activities



18 Hole Golf Course

A golfers delight with coastal views, sea breeze and well groomed greens and fairways. Our 18-hole course is perfect for golfers seeking a playing experience on a links style championship golf course, designed by Stuart Appleby. With a team of onsite golf professionals, putting greens, club and cart hire plus a large outdoor driving range, we can tailor an experience to suit your event.



Laser Tag

A military style team building activity involving laser taggers, camouflage and pumped up participants. Adventure for Life sets up a series of missions that will encourage your team to stay focussed, communicate, and operate with military precision. Scenarios include search and rescue missions, VIP escorts, and ambushes. Play in the daylight or at night. Missions can last from 2 to 10 hours - it's up



Beach Olympics

Bring out the competitive side in your delegates with beach or resort activities. This program typically runs in round-robin format with teams playing beach soccer, tug-of-war, problem solving challenges, golf games, wine tasting, sandcastle building, and treasure hunts.



Amazing Race

This event is set up like an “Amazing Race”. The twist is, nothing goes right. Batteries are flat, cameras don’t work, facilitators go missing, pens run out of ink. Can your team work around the problems and finish the task, or will they quit and join a facilitator in the pub? This program helps clients create a resilient culture at work. Besides acting incompetently, our facilitators keep their eyes peeled for positive and negative behaviour patterns for the debrief. This program is designed for companies that are going through a restructure or rapid growth.



Tough Mudder

Nothing gets your team working together better than a very muddy physical challenge. Our muddy obstacle courses will see delegates crawl under wire, scale walls, cross watercourses, abseil, and get very dirty together. It’s not a race, and guests will quickly work out they need to work as a team to succeed. This program is perfect for new teams setting out on a big project, or great for new grad programs. It’s team building but not as you know it. We have courses in the Hunter Valley and Yarra Valley. Please note this activity is suitable for large groups of 100 + people.



Wild Goose Chase

Perfect for larger groups, a Wild Goose Chase program is a points-based adventure race delivered on tablets using our exclusive software. At checkpoints, teams can access questions or challenges via GPS and image recognition technology. Events can be pure fun or designed to help achieve your business objective and conducted on foot, bike or in vehicles. Why not turn your transfer to The Sands into a car rally team building activity?



Disaster Scenario

A realistic disaster scenario which involves your group searching for or stumbling across an injured hiker. The team must solve a complex problem in a remote location. Things start to spiral out of control as bees, snakes, diabetes, and horrendous 'accidents' start to take their toll on the group. You will be beyond mobile range (figuratively) and darkness is closing in. Placed in a stressful and unfamiliar situation, can your team cope? Who will lead the rescue effort? Who will use the resources at their disposal efficiently, but most importantly, what will they learn?



Escape Room

Teams have conducted a daring art heist but the heist leader has double crossed everyone and they are now locked in a room. They have one hour to escape before the police arrive. Which team will solve a series of puzzles, riddles and challenges and find a way out?

Our Escape Room software allows multiple teams competing against each other. They don't even have to be in the same location to take part. This is an ideal ice-breaker or activity to encourage creative problem solving and attention to detail.



Murder manor

is best described as Cluedo on steroids. Seven people have gone to a school reunion and only six have survived the night. Teams work their way through witness profiles, witness statements, and a manor map searching for clues. The event is based on iPads, uses image recognition and augmented reality. Teams also take photos, shoot videos, and re-enact the crime scene. Can they work out who the killer is and the weapon used?

Dining Options

Our inspired team of chefs aim to ensure your event at The Sands Torquay is unique and one that all of your guests will remember.

Our conferencing clients are invited to select from an extensive range of mouth-watering menus catering for various tastes ensuring your conference or event is a memorable one. Alfresco dining is available (weather permitting) and private dining and themed dinners can be arranged on request.

The Surf Coast region provides an abundance of fresh food and gourmet wines, influencing The Sands passion for using local produce and wines across our event menus.



Dining options

- Shared banquets
- Buffet dinners
- 2 course alternate service dinner
- 3 course alternative service dinner
- Canapé options
- Beverage packages
- Themed events



Signature dining experience

Indulge in our gourmet BBQ buffet in one of our fantastic function spaces, overlooking the sweeping views of the private championship 18 hole golf course. Allow your team to relax in the fresh sea air, from the balcony, lawn area or undercover dining area where we will set up an experience just for you. Afterward, they can even practise their golf putting skills on one of our practice greens.

*Min of 30 guests for buffet dinners.





Elegant Dinners

A contemporary approach to Australian dining and produce, fusing classic techniques with hospitality traditions. The result is a multi-sensory dining experience while staying true to the ethos of locally sourced ingredients and simplicity

Entrée

Salmon Mi-cuit, seaweed & burnt leek, artichoke crême, young celery, parsley oil, heirloom radish

Smoked beef carpaccio, pepper berry, house lemon ricotta, smoked almonds, cabernet vinegar gel

Charred heirloom carrots, 'Surf Coast' honey, popped amaranth, Ras el hanout, baba ganoush, pickled fennel

King fish crudo, heirloom radish, pickled Spanish onion, karkalla, dried lemon

Compressed melon, dried kalamatta olive, mango & coriander, red cabbage dust

Kangaroo tartar, wattle seed, native finger lime, tapioca crisp, Torquay saltbush

Honey cured duck, Italian meringue, red wine gel, shaved sprouts, lemon myrtle

Main

Braised beef cheek in soy & cinnamon, Paris mash, vine tomatoes, beef & anise glaze

Lemon & thyme slow cooked chicken, pecorino polenta, young carrots, brown chicken jus

Romana Zucchini Agrodolce, leek hearts, potato & rosemary mash, wild arugula

Ocean trout, sea herbs, gremolata, celeriac puree, rainbow chard Slow cooked & charred pork cutlet, truffled pumpkin, buttered sprout, candied walnuts

Aloo Gobi - roasted cauliflower and potato curry, 'temple' dahl, coriander, lime pickle, rose

'Milawa' duck leg, pinot noir braised, smoked carrot puree, asparagus, pinot duck

12 hour braised lamb terrine, roasted carrot & parsnip, carraway butter, young mint

Dessert

Raspberry curd tart, Rosella gel, Italian meringue, violet & rose

Chocolate nemesis, lavender & 'Surf coast' honey gel, white chocolate soil, tuille

Galub Jamon, saffron syrup, crême fraiche, pistachio, rose

Shiraz poached pear, crême anglaise, almond praline, lemon balm, white grape pearls

Chocolate fondant, crême fraiche, mint crisp, apple pearls

Two Course Dinner - 59 pp
Three Course Dinner - 70pp

**The menu above is a sample of what The Sands Torquay has to offer, our menus are purposely designed to showcase locally farmed, seasonal produce and can change accordingly.*

Accommodation Options

The Sands Torquay offers a range of beautifully designed rooms and suites with comfort in mind. Each room features a private balcony or terrace, WiFi access, tea and coffee facilities, reverse cycle air conditioning, television and all of the modern comforts for a seamless stay.



Urban Classic King / Twin

Designer Studio Rooms feature a deluxe ensuite, private balcony or terrace and all the modern comforts with your choice of one plush king-size bed or twin single beds.



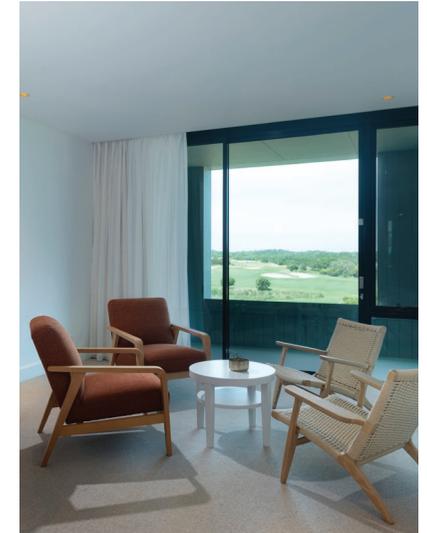
Junior Suite / Golf / Urban

Luxurious Premier Suites feature a separate lounge room and quality furnishings with a neutral palette. The separate lounge room is spacious and there's a separate powder room and private balcony. Your Premier Suite has one plush king-size bed.



Golf Classic King / Twin

Studio View Rooms boast all the fine features of a Studio Room with the addition of sweeping views over the manicured golf course. The natural contemporary tones of the furnishings and decor reflect the surrounding landscape. Choose from one plush king-size bed or twin single beds.



Bedroom Suite / Golf Urban

A contemporary Deluxe Suite with separate lounge room, ensuite and bathroom all with designer fittings and the finest appliances. Features two televisions, mini HiFi system, an eight seat dining setting and private balcony. Your Deluxe Suite has one plush king-size bed.



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