

Case study

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Noosa Junction bus station

Visitors to the Sunshine Coast are now greeted by a striking architect designed bus station that provides an integrated central location for public transport and tourism.

Delivered in August 2011, TransLink's \$10 million Noosa Junction bus station provides local residents and visitors with a contemporary and comfortable transport interchange.

The bus station includes seven bus stops split across two platforms for use by TransLink services and inter-city coaches. There are also areas for courtesy buses, an information pod, public toilets and bicycle storage. The bus station features a series of public spaces and civic art installations that incorporate coastal architecture and natural landscape elements to reflect the local Noosa character.

Program Manager Grant Morris said the Noosa Junction bus station reinvigorated and modernised the local landscape.

"The final design incorporates a number of green environments, including a pergola floating garden, a grove garden, a vertical garden and a melaleuca grove where travellers can sit and relax while waiting for their bus," Grant said.

"We've balanced the requirements of a TransLink bus station design with a 'Noosa look-and-feel' to ensure customers have the safety and accessibility of typical TransLink infrastructure but can also enjoy the atmosphere of the local community."

The Noosa Junction bus station has been awarded a regional commendation from the Australian Institute of Architecture for excellence in urban design and public buildings. The project will be judged at the Queensland awards in September 2012.

The Noosa Junction bus station featured in *Steel Profile* magazine and is set to appear in an upcoming edition of *Landscape Australia*. The project was also included in the recent "Bloom" exhibition held by the Australian Institute of Landscape Architects at the Gallery of Australian Design in Canberra, which features projects seeking to create transport nodes that serve as social hubs and make travel safe, accessible and fun.

TransLink provided \$5 million to fund the Noosa Junction bus station, along with \$3 million from Infrastructure Australia (Commonwealth Government) and \$2 million from the Sunshine Coast Regional Council.

