

About

# Royal Bull's Head Inn

Learn about how Royal Bull's Head Inn became an important part of European settlement on the Darling Downs, the families that owned it and the ghostly tales that live on.

What a great Offer from the Inn keeper, 'Good food, good wine and spirits, a family room plus now stables for the horses with food thrown in!' William Horton knew the power of advertising and was quick to take opportunities when they came a-calling!

The original Inn was a simple structure of timber slabs with a shingle roof and contained a parlour. Outbuildings behind the Inn were workshops for tradespeople such as a blacksmith and saddlers. Horton extended the Inn to the building you see today.

Sold by Horton's son to the Lynch Family in 1879, it then became the Drayton Post Office run by Sarah Lynch and was renamed The Terrace. Her daughter Frances continued to run the Post Office after the death of her mother for 45 years – it was believed to be an Australian record.

The National Trust purchased the Royal Bull's Head Inn in 1974, restoring the Inn to its 1859 configuration and maintaining it as such since that time.

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## See

Select pieces of the dinner service donated to the National Trust by a descendant of Violet Lynch, the fourth daughter of Richard and Sarah Lynch.

## Learn

How the name Drayton evolved from the tribes of the Jagera, known as Chinkerry – meaning water to 'The Springs' – and was renamed by Thomas Alford after his birthplace in England.

## Do

Make your way through the rooms of the Inn and out into its garden, taking time to enjoy its formal and informal plantings.

