

## 11 December 2023

# Shark Park marks the 22nd community space for Stockland Aura

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Stockland has opened Shark Park – its 22<sup>nd</sup> park in the Aura masterplanned community – on Sunday 10 December 2023, and celebrated by hosting a free event for locals.

Located on Great Keppel Way in the suburb of Banya on the Sunshine Coast, Shark Park's design celebrates the grey nurse shark and mirrors its adventurous spirit through an imaginative and playful experience.

It features a six-metre-tall shark cage playground dome, a "Shark Alley" rope bridge crossing, and "Sandy Cove" where children can dig for starfish and shell fossils. The park also has swings, fitness equipment, and picnic shelters.

Stockland Aura Senior Development Manager, Genaea Keith said residents and local families were excited to have another park in the community.

"We know through our recent Stockland liveability survey that the proximity and quality of local parks and green open space are important to our residents in Aura," Ms Keith said.

"Liveable spaces, like parks and playgrounds, contribute to the social fabric of a community, providing areas where residents can engage in recreational activities, socialise, and build a sense of belonging, connection and wellbeing.

"At Aura, there is a park within 400 metres of every home. The Aura park trail features a network of parks connected by the cycling veloway and walking paths, making them accessible for all," Ms Keith added.

Shark Park's playground designer, Tobias Volbert from Urban Play, said the new play space was thoughtfully designed to cater to people of all ages and abilities.

"The unique narrative woven into the design encourages the imagination to take centre stage. It's not just a play area, it's a storytelling space full of adventure," Mr Volbert said.

"From the feeding frenzy, the shark-infested waters to the immersive shark cage climbing dome, this play space will provide a thrilling play experience for children of all ages."

The park is the 22<sup>nd</sup> addition to the impressive selection of <u>Aura parks and playgrounds</u> following the recent opening of Space Park located on McKinlay Crescent, Nirimba and Whale Park, located on the corner of Lady Elliot Street and Great Keppel Way, Banya.



Across the Sunshine Coast region, Stockland has delivered more than 50 parks and playgrounds, dog parks, walkable waterfronts and sports parks.

For more information and to explore Aura's parks and playgrounds, go to https://shorturl.at/djrIR.

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