



TRADE MANUAL



LINKING FOUR
EXTRAORDINARY
REGIONS

GO BEYOND MELBOURNE

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**YARRA VALLEY &
DANDENONG RANGES**



PHILLIP ISLAND



MORNINGTON PENINSULA

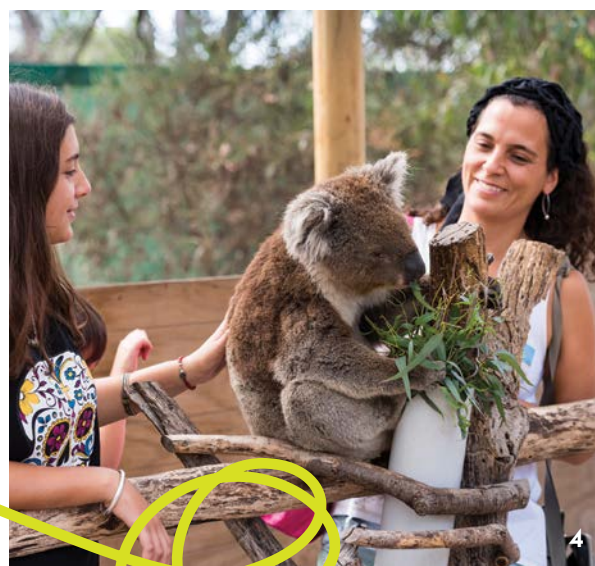


GEELONG & THE BELLARINE



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Opposite: Coombe Yarra Valley Winery, Yarra Valley & Dandenong Ranges
1. Warburton, Yarra Valley & Dandenong Ranges
2. Phillip Island Penguin Parade – Ultimate Adventure Tour
3. Western Beach, Geelong Waterfront
4. Moonlit Sanctuary Wildlife Conservation Park, Pearcedale



Welcome to

GO BEYOND MELBOURNE



Melbourne is a magical city. But Go Beyond Melbourne and you'll discover the pure alchemy of four extraordinary regions. Travelling between them is simply effortless – and what you discover along the way will stay with you forever.



A WORLD OF CONTRASTS

The Yarra Valley and the Dandenong Ranges, Phillip Island, the Mornington Peninsula, Geelong and The Bellarine. Four very different regions, four totally different experiences, which you'll only fully discover when you spend a few days beyond the city.

You can travel effortlessly from mist-wreathed mountain forests to perfect white sandy bays in just 90 minutes. From floating over Yarra Valley vineyards in a hot air balloon at dawn to watching Phillip Island's penguins waddle up the beach that evening.

From riding the 100-year old Puffing Billy train through the Dandenongs or searching for platypus at Healesville Sanctuary, to go-karting a scale replica Grand Prix Circuit or a lantern-lit wildlife tour – in the same day, without missing a beat.

Explore historic villages on the Mornington Peninsula, then cruise by ferry across Port Phillip Bay to Queenscliff and explore the Bellarine Taste Trail. The next morning, learn to throw a boomerang, get a taste for bush tucker and learn about ancient dreaming stories at Narana.

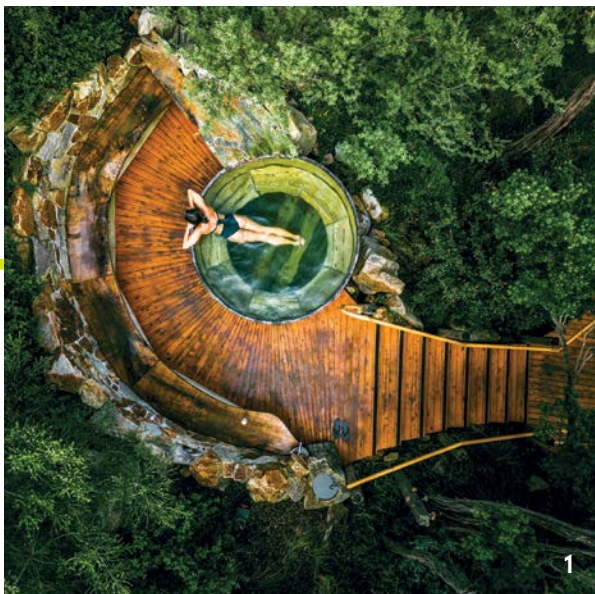
No wasting time returning to the city in peak hour traffic each night. Simply motor on to your next destination (in about 90 minutes) and relax in accommodation you simply can't experience in the city: vineyard estates, historic mansions, peaceful country retreats, luxury seaside apartments, romantic B&Bs.

INSPIRATION, TOOLS, ITINERARIES

We're here to help plan an itinerary that perfectly suits every lifestyle: food and wine indulgences, family fun, romantic and wildlife. You'll find inspiring, customised itineraries in this manual.

Within each itinerary are activities to surprise and delight: get up at dawn for wildlife spotting or hot air ballooning, take an evening lantern-lit tour of rare and endangered species, or star gaze from a thermal pool.

Opposite: Flinders foreshore, Mornington Peninsula
1. The Enchanted Adventure Garden, Mornington Peninsula
2. Indented Head and St Leonards, The Bellarine
3. Hot air ballooning over the Yarra Valley



TOP TIPS FOR ITINERARY PLANNING

Some sights are only seen in the early morning, early evening or at night. So you may be best to make a really early start on some days, to catch wildlife feeding in its natural habitat, go hot air ballooning or watch sunrise over breakfast.

When the sun is going down, you could take a sunset champagne cruise, watch the famous little penguins on Phillip Island, or stargaze from a naturally heated mineral water pool.

EARLY MORNING

If you're up with birds each morning, you're also up with a lot of other native wildlife, such as kangaroos, wallabies, wombats and echidnas.

Best spots to watch them include: Greens Bush on the Mornington Peninsula, the You Yangs Precinct on the Bellarine Peninsula and the Eastern Sherbrooke Forest Walk in the Dandenongs for the beautiful but elusive lyre birds.

Early morning is also THE time to go hot air ballooning in the Yarra Valley, drifting over vineyards and farmlands at dawn before a champagne breakfast.

If you're on the Mornington Peninsula or the Bellarine Peninsula, early morning is the perfect time to take a dolphin cruise.

LATE AFTERNOON AND EVENING

Head for the peaceful Yarra River banks at Warburton to spot native platypus playing in the river in the late afternoon.

In the evening there's the celebrated Penguin Parade on Phillip Island, when hundreds of little penguins waddle

from the sea to their burrows. From mid-April to early May 300,000 shearwater chicks make a spectacular sunset departure to fly 16,000 km from Phillip Island to feed near Alaska in the northern summer.

Also on Phillip Island, Wildlife Coast Cruises have leisurely twilight bay cruises through the sheltered waters of Western Port Bay. Sip a drink from the bar and watch the towns light up around the bay as the sun sets. At the Mornington Peninsula's Moonlit Sanctuary, lantern-lit tours revealing rare and endangered nocturnal species give a whole new meaning to nightlife.

And if you're up in the Dandenong Ranges, take a dinner excursion on the vintage Puffing Billy train, then head for Mt Dandenong and the extraordinary views of Melbourne's night lights.

Near Geelong, The Q Train makes delicious dinner trips with local produce featuring on the menu.

STARGAZING

No city lights, just pure, clear country air and a vast canopy of stars in the southern skies. Lie back in the naturally heated mineral water hilltop pool at Peninsula Hot Springs on the Mornington Peninsula and look for shooting stars; walk under the star-studded sky at Cowes, Newhaven, Rhyll or San Remo on Phillip Island.

On the Bellarine Peninsula, head right to the end of Point Lonsdale Jetty, to The Bluff at Barwon Heads or the hills around Portarlington for stargazing.

WE'RE HERE TO HELP

Go Beyond Melbourne (GBM) is a new touring partnership created to provide inspiration and tools for planning a multi-day tour around four extraordinary regions – each within 90 minutes of Melbourne.

GBM will help you create inspiring and memorable journeys to take your visitors beyond the city centre on a personalised road trip. Just check the customised itineraries starting on page 26.

1. Alba Geothermal Springs & Spa, Mornington Peninsula
2. Wildlife Coast Cruises, Phillip Island
3. Penguin Parade, Phillip Island



YARRA VALLEY & DANDENONG RANGES

In the Yarra Valley & Dandenong Ranges, spend daybreak hot air balloon gliding over mist-tinged vineyards, then ride a heritage train through lush fern-filled forests or get close-up to native creatures at Healesville Sanctuary. Round out the stay with cellar door drop-ins at some of Australia's most famous wineries before heading to a romantic luxury retreat for the night.



PHILLIP ISLAND

On Phillip Island, thrill to world class motorsport action, breakfast at seaside village cafés and cruise out to Seal Rocks for a fur seal meet-up. Amble a coastal nature walk then get centre stage for the nightly show, when the little penguins splash out of the sea and waddle up the beach to their burrows.



MORNINGTON PENINSULA

Mornington Peninsula is a land of abundance; of farmgate trails, cellar doors and chef's hatted restaurants. Of bubbling thermal hot springs and lantern-lit after-dark wildlife adventures. Dive with the dolphins, swim with the seals and golf like no one's watching. Follow the wine, food and farmgate trail then settle into a seaside apartment and drift off to a natural sound of the crashing waves.



GEELONG & THE BELLARINE

In Geelong & The Bellarine, do a twirl on an 1890s carousel and promenade along Geelong's glittering waterfront built for the ages. Gather the family for a rockpool ramble on a Bellarine beach, then visit Narana Aboriginal Cultural Centre and learn about Aboriginal history and culture. Head north to the You Yangs Regional Park for bushwalking, magnificent views and Australian native wildlife spotting. Board a refurbished dining car for a dégustation rail journey between Drysdale and Queenscliff.

1. Searoad Ferries, Mornington Peninsula

2. Waterfront Geelong

3. Yarra Valley & Dandenong Ranges, bushwalking



Getting here

& GETTING AROUND

EASY TO REACH, EASY TO TRAVEL

So easy to access and so much to enjoy! Reach Melbourne from anywhere in the world, then effortlessly connect to our four extraordinary Go Beyond Melbourne regions.

BY AIR

Melbourne International Airport – an hour away from either Geelong or the Yarra Valley.

Avalon Airport – 20 minutes from Geelong, and links with Sydney and Gold Coast via Jetstar service as well as the Sunshine Coast via Bonza service.

Pick up a **rental car** at either airport or take the **SkyBus** from Avalon into Geelong or from Melbourne Airport into the city.

www.skybus.com.au

BY ROAD FROM INTERSTATE

Link effortlessly via the Great Ocean Road from Adelaide, or via the Sydney to Melbourne Coastal drive.

FROM MELBOURNE

Road trip the circuit – just an hour's drive to the Yarra Valley and Dandenong Ranges, 90 minutes on to Phillip Island, another 90 minutes to Mornington Peninsula, a 40 minute ferry cruise to Geelong & The Bellarine and then an hour into Melbourne city. Or, do it all in reverse! Alternatively check our website to find a tour company to take care of the driving for you: www.gobeyondmelbourne.com

ONCE YOU'RE HERE

Major freeways / tollways link the regions. Pay any tolls online up to three days after your road trip.

www.citylink.com.au

MARVELLOUS MOTORHOMES

Feel the freedom when you tour in a motorhome or campervan. Hire in Melbourne or any other city, explore our region and stop overnight as you please. Impromptu holidays are often the very best!

FERRY LINKS

Searoad Ferries (p63) depart daily on the hour (7am-6pm) from Sorrento Pier (Mornington Peninsula) and Queenscliff Harbour (The Bellarine) all year round. Foot passengers, cars, motorhomes and coaches.

www.searoad.com.au

Port Phillip Ferries (p68) offer a daily foot passenger services from Melbourne Docklands to both the seaside village of Portarlington on the Bellarine and the waterfront city of Geelong.

www.portphillipferries.com.au

Western Port Ferries depart daily from Stony Point (Mornington Peninsula) to French Island and Phillip Island. Carries foot passengers and bicycles only.

westernportferries.com.au

BY PUBLIC TRANSPORT (FROM MELBOURNE)

Yarra Valley & Dandenong Ranges – Metro train to Lilydale, Upper Ferntree Gully, Belgrave or Hurstbridge. Coach services run between towns and villages in the region.

Mornington Peninsula – Trains depart all Melbourne CBD stations for Frankston every 10-15 minutes. Coach services run between Port Phillip Bay coastal towns in the region. V/line train runs from Frankston to Stony Point.

Geelong – V/line trains run regularly between Melbourne's Southern Cross Station and Geelong. Coaches link train services to towns on The Bellarine.

Phillip Island – V/Line coach from Melbourne runs daily.

**Information and timetables via ptv.vic.gov.au*



SPECIAL INTEREST TOURS

SMALL GROUP & PRIVATE TOURING

A self-drive holiday is the best way to explore at leisure and create an itinerary where every stop is one you really want to make. But driving in a new country (and sometimes on the other side of the road) can be tiring. So we've put together information on small group and private touring in all four of our regions.

A fantastic choice of tours enables you to take a day or half day off driving, sit back and relax. A local expert can create a memorable private tour, or take you behind the scenes on an authentic small group excursion to meet the locals. Some operators enable overnight stops in regions, and others connect one or more regions.

Check out the operators below...they offer discovery tours, wine and food, wildlife including the famous Penguin Parade, a combination of French Island and Phillip Island, hot springs, and more.

Some of these tour operators can also cater for larger groups and incentive delegates on request.



Explore Australia Tours (p57)

Tours: Phillip Island/French Island, Mornington Peninsula, Geelong and Bellarine. Food, wine, exploring, hot springs. Private tours, small groups 11-21. **Pickup/drop off:** Mornington Peninsula, Geelong and Melbourne.



Grape Explorations Australia (p58)

Tours: Specialising in relaxed, casual and sophisticated boutique winery and artisan producer tours. Bespoke experiences; 2-29 guests. Luxury transport. **Pickup/drop off:** Melbourne and regions, overnight stays optional.



MP Experience Tours (p60)

Tours: Meet Mornington Peninsula artisans on wine, food, produce tours. Also indulgence, wildlife, golf. Private, small group (7 guests). **Pickup/drop off:** Mornington Peninsula, overnight stays optional.



Naturaliste Tours (p51)

Tours: Tiny French Island, 4WD to hidden spots, wildlife encounters, farm, winery or provedore. Private, small group, max 11. **Pickup/drop off:** Mornington Peninsula or Phillip Island via ferry, overnight stays optional.



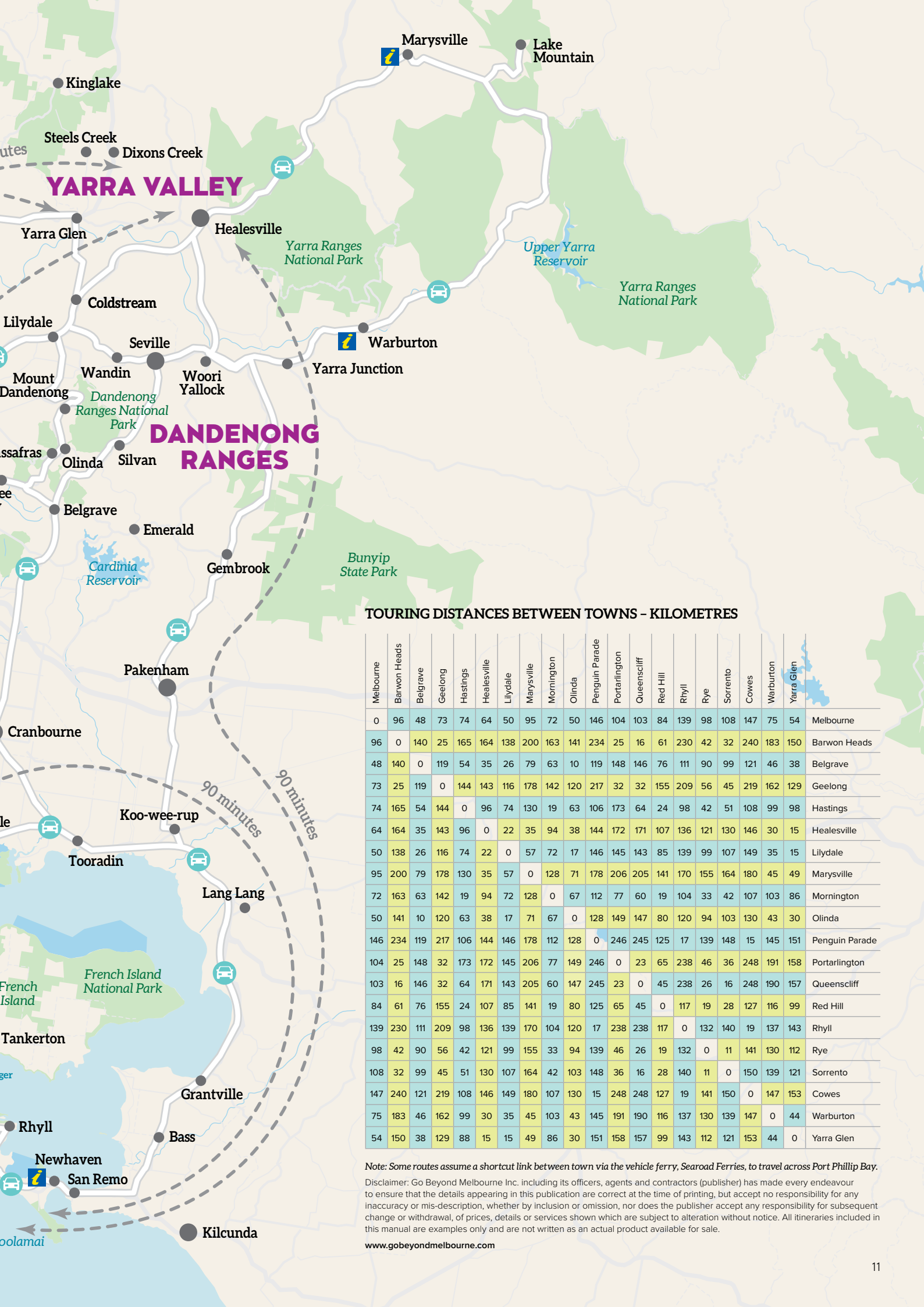
Wild Adventures Melbourne (p65)

Come on an incredible eco-adventure. Mountain biking, bushwalking, snorkelling or standup paddle boarding, then visit a sustainable winery, hot springs or book an adventure picnic.



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TOURING DISTANCES BETWEEN TOWNS - KILOMETRES

	Melbourne	Barwon Heads	Belgrave	Geelong	Hastings	Healesville	Lilydale	Marysville	Mornington	Olinda	Penguin Parade	Portarlington	Queenscliff	Red Hill	Rhyll	Rye	Sorrento	Cowes	Warburton	Yarra Glen	
Melbourne	0	96	48	73	74	64	50	95	72	50	146	104	103	84	139	98	108	147	75	54	Melbourne
Barwon Heads	96	0	140	25	165	164	138	200	163	141	234	25	16	61	230	42	32	240	183	150	Barwon Heads
Belgrave	48	140	0	119	54	35	26	79	63	10	119	148	146	76	111	90	99	121	46	38	Belgrave
Geelong	73	25	119	0	144	143	116	178	142	120	217	32	32	155	209	56	45	219	162	129	Geelong
Hastings	74	165	54	144	0	96	74	130	19	63	106	173	64	24	98	42	51	108	99	98	Hastings
Healesville	64	164	35	143	96	0	22	35	94	38	144	172	171	107	136	121	130	146	30	15	Healesville
Lilydale	50	138	26	116	74	22	0	57	72	17	146	145	143	85	139	99	107	149	35	15	Lilydale
Marysville	95	200	79	178	130	35	57	0	128	71	178	206	205	141	170	155	164	180	45	49	Marysville
Mornington	72	163	63	142	19	94	72	128	0	67	112	77	60	19	104	33	42	107	103	86	Mornington
Olinda	50	141	10	120	63	38	17	71	67	0	128	149	147	80	120	94	103	130	43	30	Olinda
Penguin Parade	146	234	119	217	106	144	146	178	112	128	0	246	245	125	17	139	148	15	145	151	Penguin Parade
Portarlington	104	25	148	32	173	172	145	206	77	149	246	0	23	65	238	46	36	248	191	158	Portarlington
Queenscliff	103	16	146	32	64	171	143	205	60	147	245	23	0	45	238	26	16	248	190	157	Queenscliff
Red Hill	84	61	76	155	24	107	85	141	19	80	125	65	45	0	117	19	28	127	116	99	Red Hill
Rhyll	139	230	111	209	98	136	139	170	104	120	17	238	238	117	0	132	140	19	137	143	Rhyll
Rye	98	42	90	56	42	121	99	155	33	94	139	46	26	19	132	0	11	141	130	112	Rye
Sorrento	108	32	99	45	51	130	107	164	42	103	148	36	16	28	140	11	0	150	139	121	Sorrento
Cowes	147	240	121	219	108	146	149	180	107	130	15	248	248	127	19	141	150	0	147	153	Cowes
Warburton	75	183	46	162	99	30	35	45	103	43	145	191	190	116	137	130	139	147	0	44	Warburton
Yarra Glen	54	150	38	129	88	15	15	49	86	30	151	158	157	99	143	112	121	153	44	0	Yarra Glen

Note: Some routes assume a shortcut link between town via the vehicle ferry, Searoad Ferries, to travel across Port Phillip Bay.

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Link two, three or all four regions

LINKING OUR REGIONS

Go Beyond Melbourne and link any of our diverse regions in countless different ways. For shorter sojourns or longer ventures, create journeys themed to visitor interests, cherry-pick key activities or free-flow through two, three or all four regions. Oodles of choice, endless possibilities.

PLANNING SEAMLESS VISITOR JOURNEYS

All four Go Beyond Melbourne regions link to each other or Melbourne via either 60 minute or 90 minute drives, or a scenic cross-bay ferry cruise. Think of Go Beyond as looping, not linear.

Planning a visitor itinerary depends on number of travel days, visitor interests and key activities. Within those parameters, there are oodles of choices. You can link two, three or all four regions and create a seamless journey for visitors – a looping route that transitions effortlessly onto the next region without any need to return to the city overnight.

A MULTITUDE OF OVERNIGHT POSSIBILITIES

No matter how you choose to link our Go Beyond Melbourne regions, you'll discover a multitude of accommodation options that make touring effortless for visitors. From luxury villas perched on scenic clifftops to art-filled hotels overlooking stunning vineyards. From family-friendly seaside holiday parks and B&B retreats to opulent mansion hotels – all in the heart of the action across our four regions.

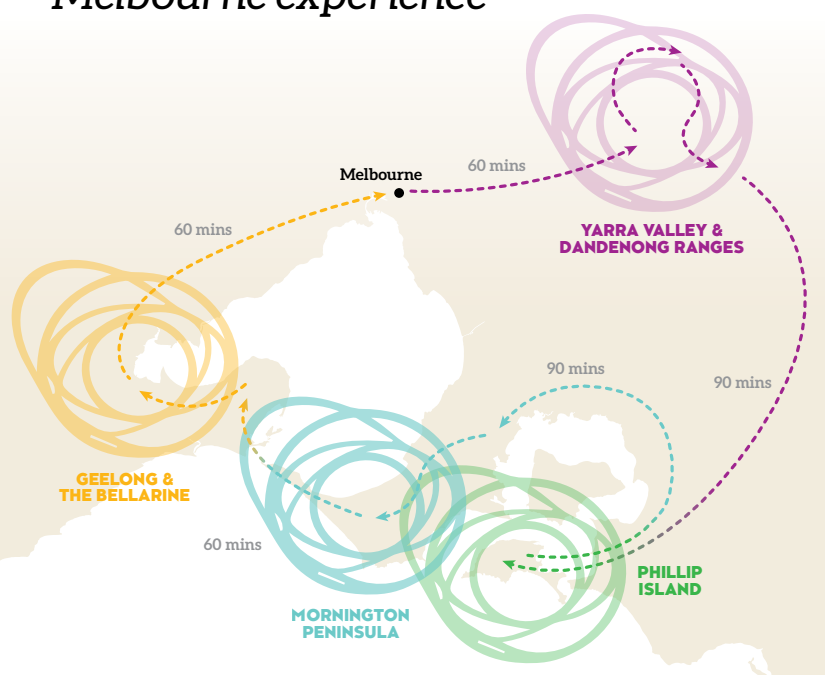
LINK ALL 4 REGIONS

for the complete Go Beyond Melbourne experience

HIGHLIGHTS

Discovering the magic of all four, side-by-side regions – that's the hero Go Beyond experience. So much choice! Refer to our themed itineraries for ideas (p24).

- Take Puffing Billy's unforgettable train journey through magical forests (p47)
- Enter an interactive world of wildlife and fun with Phillip Island Nature Parks – Antarctic Journey (p53)
- Ride Arthurs Seat Eagle gondola for bird's eye views of coast and bushland (p56)



HIGHLIGHTS

A scenic ferry ride from coast to coast, a 90 minute drive to island paradise and, all around, a looping shoreline of contrasting coastal landscapes to explore.

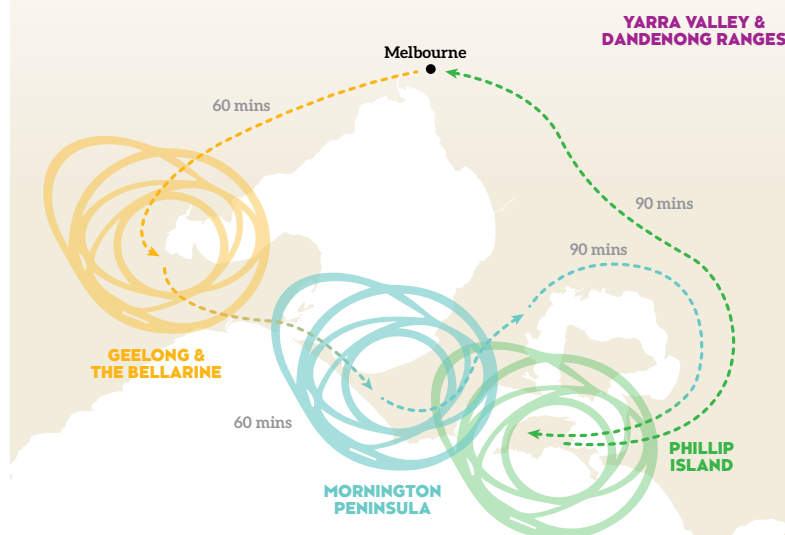
- Explore Waterfront Geelong's stunning scenery, bay beach and delicious dining (p70)
- Delve into French Island's vast natural wilderness with Naturaliste Tours (p51)
- Cruise with Wildlife Coast Cruises to see fur seals, sea caves, surf breaks and more (p55)



LINK 3 REGIONS

and explore the coastal route

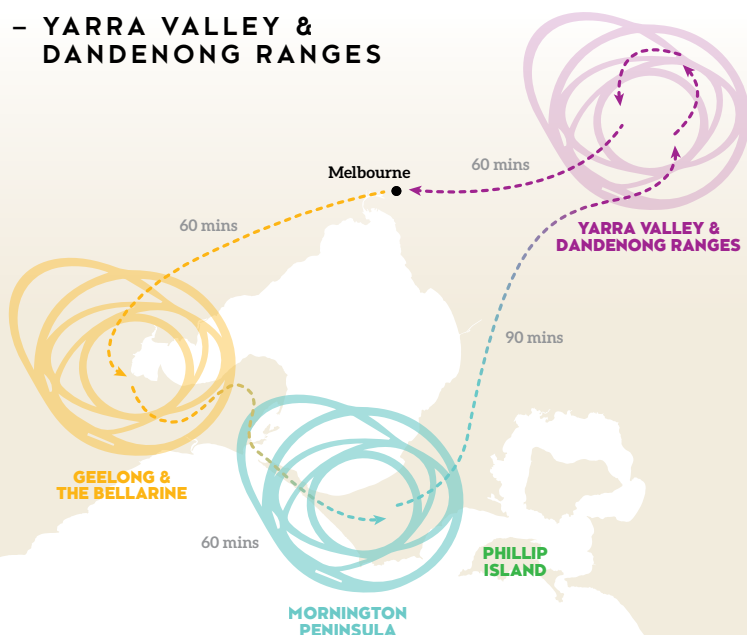
- GEELONG & THE BELLARINE
- MORNINGTON PENINSULA
- PHILLIP ISLAND



LINK 3 REGIONS

for an epicurean and golfer's delight

- GEELONG & THE BELLARINE
- MORNINGTON PENINSULA
- YARRA VALLEY & DANDENONG RANGES



HIGHLIGHTS

Valleys and verdant landscapes brimming with award-winning wineries, food producers and golf course mastery, all within easy reach across three neighbouring regions.

- Stay and play at either Peppers Moonah Links (p79), The Dunes Golf Links (p79), Peninsula Kingswood Country Golf Club (p79) or the stunning new Curlewis Golf Club Resort (p80)
- Savour superb *méthode traditionnelle* wines in Chandon's cellar door (p44)



HIGHLIGHTS

Creatures great and small – get close-up to them all in three regions bristling with wildlife sanctuaries, native habitats and tour operators dedicated to unique experiences.

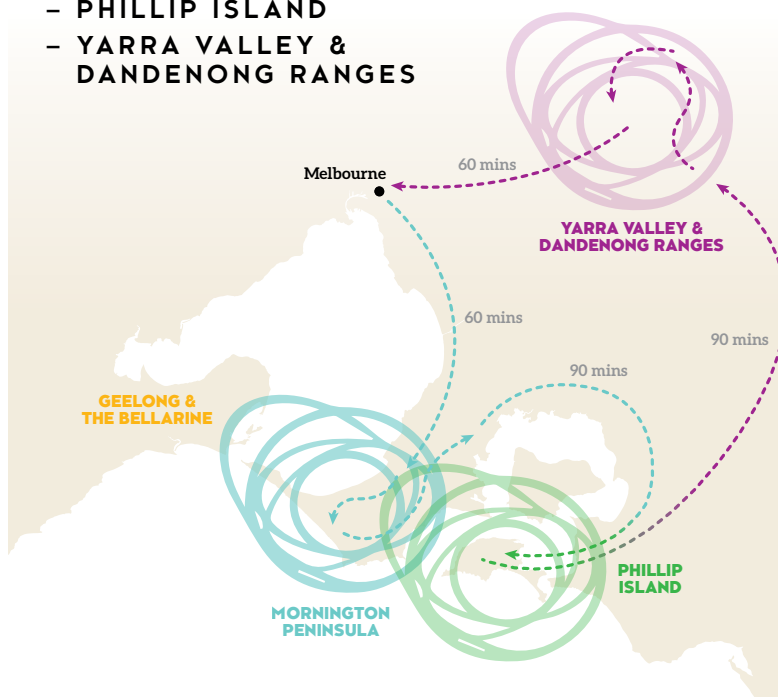
- Get close-up with Bottlenose Dolphins with Polperro (p61), Moonraker Dolphin Swims (p60) Sea All Dolphin Swims (p68) or WaterMaarq Boat Tours (p65)
- Witness the world-famous penguin parade from an exclusive viewing station with Phillip Island Nature Parks (p54)
- Stroll along the Wurundjeri Walk at Healesville Sanctuary (p46)



LINK 3 REGIONS

and let yourself go wild

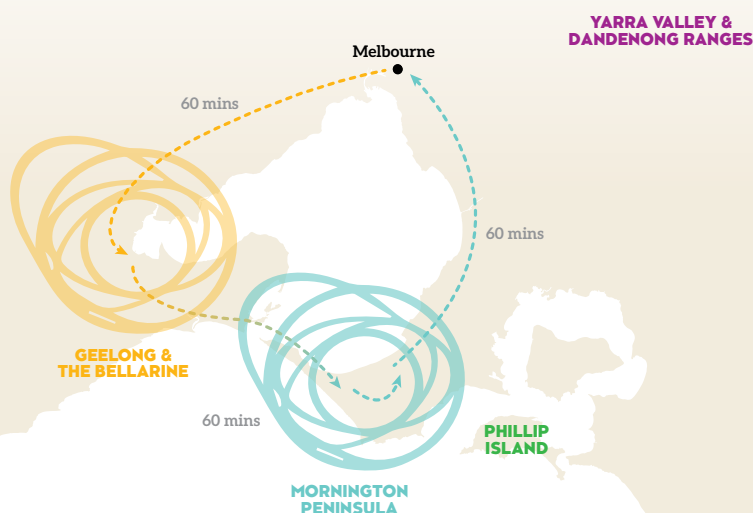
- MORNINGTON PENINSULA
- PHILLIP ISLAND
- YARRA VALLEY & DANDENONG RANGES



LINK 2 REGIONS

*for a short seaside break
with a wealth of producers*

- GEELONG & THE BELLARINE
- MORNINGTON PENINSULA



HIGHLIGHTS

Meet the makers and producers on their turf, in the vineyards, farms and restaurants that thrive in these across-the-bay regions where the sea is never far away.

- Sample hand-crafted wines paired with delectable dishes at Jack Rabbit Vineyard (p66)
- Get behind the scenes with gourmet producers on an MP Experience Tour (p60)
- Pluck giant, juicy strawberries straight from the field at Rocky Creek Strawberry Farm (in season) (p63)



HIGHLIGHTS

Thrill to new adventures (big and small) in a route connecting mountains, vast skies, valleys and an island paradise in two regions just 90 minutes apart.

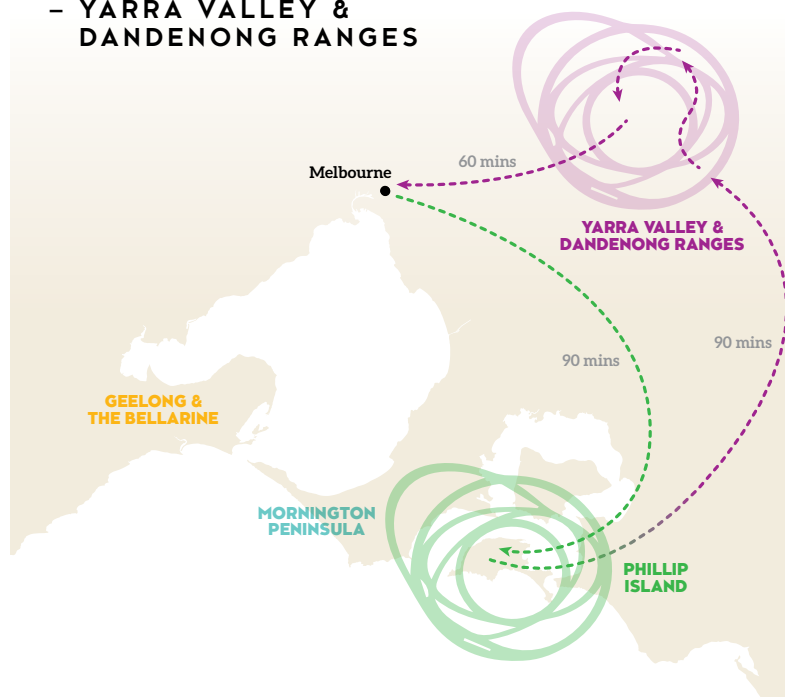
- Get an unforgettable view of coastal scenery with Phillip Island Helicopters (p53)
- Thrill to the exhilarating go kart challenge at the Phillip Island Grand Prix Circuit (p52)
- Glide high above Yarra Valley on a dawn hot air balloon flight with Global Ballooning Australia (p46)



LINK 2 REGIONS

for a little taste of adventure

- PHILLIP ISLAND
- YARRA VALLEY & DANDENONG RANGES



LINK 2 REGIONS

and wander through gardens galore

- YARRA VALLEY & DANDENONG RANGES
- MORNINGTON PENINSULA



HIGHLIGHTS

The glorious gardens go on forever in these two adjoining regions combining lush mountain landscapes, fertile valleys and romantic seaside opulence that never gets old.

- Tour stunning heritage gardens at Coombe Yarra Valley's Melba Garden Walk (p45)
- Explore acres of vineyard dotted with sculptures at Montalto (p59) or Pt. Leo Estate (p61)
- Get lost in stunning artistic gardens and several magical mazes at The Enchanted Adventure Garden (p57)





Welcome to

YARRA VALLEY & DANDENONG RANGES

Just an hour's drive east of Melbourne, the Yarra Valley and Dandenong Ranges, offer a place for visitors to experience the best of nature perfectly blended with an internationally recognised food and wine offering.



This beautiful region is known for its stunning natural beauty and a range of wineries producing exceptional cool-climate wines. Explore rolling vineyards, lush rainforest and crystal-clear creeks and towering mountain ash forests. Enjoy the fresh air and explore the numerous hiking trails, mountain bike tracks, and gorgeous gardens. Jump on board Puffing Billy, Australia's historic steam train for an unforgettable journey through the picturesque Dandenong Ranges or take in a bird's eye view from a hot air balloon.

Visit quaint villages, sample local artisan produce straight from farm gates, sip internationally awarded spirits straight from the distiller and pick fresh fruit right from the orchards. Experience a round of golf as resident kangaroos watch on, an up-close encounter with native wildlife at Healesville Sanctuary or indulge your sweet tooth at a local chocolatier.

Whether you are looking for a romantic getaway, an adventure, or a tranquil escape from the city, or a gourmet day out, the Yarra Valley and Dandenong Ranges have exactly what you're looking for.



With year-round experiences and festivals to suit everyone, there's always something to discover.

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Experience sunrise in a hot air balloon as you float peacefully above the Yarra Valley.
- Visit the Australian native animal hospital at Healesville Sanctuary.
- Helicopter into a leisurely vineyard lunch
- Travel via heritage steam train through the spectacular Dandenong Ranges on Puffing Billy.
- Unwind on a Greg Norman designed golf course or enjoy a luxury spa day.
- Cycle the Lilydale to Warburton Rail Trail on an e-bike or enjoy the heart pounding thrill of a world-class mountain biking trail in Warburton.
- Sip at the cellar doors of some of the world most loved wines and distilleries including Chandon, Four Pillars, De Bortoli Estate, Rochford and more.
- Enjoy some of Australia's finest food experiences: from sampling fruit picked from the tree, locally made cheeses and chocolates to fine dining in vineyard restaurants.

Opposite: Puffing Billy
1. Global Ballooning
2. Four Pillars Gin Distillery



Welcome to

PHILLIP ISLAND

Go Beyond Melbourne and cross the bridge into a precious island haven. Just 90 minutes' drive south east from Melbourne, Phillip Island packs a bundle of experiences into its 100km coastline – myriad of wildlife, breathtaking natural scenery, motorsport magic and family fun aplenty. And it's just 90 minutes from either Mornington Peninsula or Yarra Valley & Dandenong ranges.



This precious gem along the Victorian coast defies its dimensions with expansive sandy beaches, spectacular rugged cliffs and safe havens for swimming, snorkelling and beach play.

Phillip Island's coastline is its calling card, especially for the thousands of Little Penguins who waddle up the beach at dusk to nest in the sand dunes. The nightly Penguin Parade attracts visitors from around the globe.

Loads of Australian native creatures love the island life, animals, birds and marine life call Phillip Island home. Your journey begins before getting to Phillip Island, at Moonlit Sanctuary feed kangaroos and wallabies or take a night tour.

Join Wildlife Coast Cruises to discover the largest Australian Fur seal colony. Follow the boardwalk at The Nobbies to take in the rugged coastline. Then visit the Antarctic Journey.

Take to the sky aboard a modern fleet of helicopters. Phillip Island Helicopters will show you miles of rugged coastline including Cape Woolamai, Seal Rocks, the Australian Grand Prix track and Summerland (home of the Penguin Parade).



Thrill seekers, put your foot down and head straight to the Grand Prix Circuit for adrenalin-pumping go-karting around the circuit or take guided circuit tours.

Dive in for family fun at the always puzzling A Maze'N Things and ever-sweet Phillip Island Chocolate Factory. Then live it up at award-winning breweries, taste-tempting restaurants and cafés, pubs and farmers markets.

This island paradise is naturally playful. It's where picnics meet fine dining, where thumping surf breaks meet quiet sandy coves, where speed demons meet nature-lovers and where 'going beyond' is an every day rite of passage.

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Let Wildlife Coast Cruises get you close-up to wild ocean creatures in their natural habitat.
- A perfect mix of adventure filled with fun and epic scenery. With Ocean Adventures Phillip Island you can enjoy activities above and under the water.
- Thrill to a unique helicopter adventure that takes personalised touring to new heights.
- Taste your way around with wine cellars, breweries, fresh seafood and seasonally changing menus.
- Catch a ferry to French Island and let Naturaliste Tours show you this hidden treasure of wilderness
- Wake up to sea views and discover nature as it awakens. Stay in a modern resort, apartment, boutique B&B, holiday park or farm stay.

Opposite: Pyramid Rock Lookout
1. Penguin Parade
2. Cape Woolamai



Welcome to

MORNINGTON PENINSULA

Go Beyond and experience the endless magic of Victoria's most inspiring region. A place where homegrown produce and passion astounds. Where a beautiful natural landscape is found. And where a coastal paradise awakens with the sunrise each day.



The Mornington Peninsula is the home for unbeatable adventure, vintage charm and culinary delight. Explore more of our award-winning dining destinations, inviting breweries and 50+ cellar doors. Seasonal farmgates, gorgeous accommodation sites and diverse land and marine experiences are here to inspire too. Follow the Wine Food Farmgate Trail to reveal the region's most delicious secrets. Or travel on the Beer, Cider & Spirits Trail to meet some of the best brewers, cider-makers and distillers in Australia.

A journey to the hinterland is a visual feast of picturesque vineyards; Crittenden Estate Wine Centre, Trofeo Estate and Green Olive at Red Hill are here to dazzle. Add an extra splash of awe to an already-superb visit to Pt. Leo Estate or Montalto, and wander along their world-class sculpture trails. Enjoy industrial-chic atmospheres paired with taste sensations at JimmyRum Distillery & Bar and St Andrews Beach Brewery. Join MP Experience and Grape Explorations Australia for a private and unique tour of the region's food and wine scene.

With a backdrop of brilliance and beauty, the Mornington Peninsula's range of land and marine pursuits is exceptional. Dive underwater to meet the dolphins and fur seals we call our close friends. Relax in natural geothermal waters at Peninsula Hot Springs with more than 70 bathing experiences. Or lead the way along one of our much-loved walking, cycling



or hiking trails, which put the 'great' into the great outdoors. There is plenty of glorious greenery to see at Heronswood House and Garden, Enchanted Adventure Garden and more.

And speaking of greens, this is your dream destination if you're a golfer. Book at the Dunes Golf Links, Peninsula Kingswood Country Club or Peppers Moonah Links. Play on championship courses and stay in luxury accommodation at each.

Who is feeling curious? Hop on board the iconic Searoad Ferry to see the true beauty of the region from afar. Jackalope Hotel and Lancemore Lindenderry Red Hill are here to make your sleep beneath the stars simply blissful.

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Join Polperro, Moonraker Dolphin Swims or WaterMaarq for close-up encounters with marine wildlife. Wild bottlenose dolphins and Australian fur seals cannot wait to meet you!
- Relax in award-winning geothermal pools at Peninsula Hot Springs.
- Tee-off at one of our world-class golf courses, located between coast and country.
- Indulge in an extraordinary fine dining and cultural experience at Pt. Leo Estate and explore one of Australia's Ultimate Wineries at Montalto.
- Journey on the Wine Food Farmgate Trail or Beer, Cider and Spirits Trail to find the very best producers and produce of the region.

Opposite: Alba Thermal Springs
1. Peninsula Hot Springs
2. Moonraker Dolphin Swims



Welcome to

GEELONG & THE BELLARINE

Geelong is Victoria's second city with a glittering waterfront on its doorstep and beautiful, beach-fringed Bellarine Peninsula in its backyard. It's double the personality, double the adventure and double the fun when you Go Beyond to Geelong & The Bellarine.



Geelong and The Bellarine – a place where you can explore the best parts of Australia, from the rugged country to the salty coastline. A destination where you can awaken the foodie, the explorer and the maker within you.

It starts in Geelong which is well-connected – arrive by rail, road, ferry or fly into Avalon Airport, just 20 minutes away. The north-facing waterfront sparkles against palm trees and yachts, and the heritage bones of the city provide a unique backdrop for shopping, food and art precincts. Walk the famous Baywalk Bollards Trail stretching along the foreshore, catch views from atop the Giant Sky Wheel or relish in the feel of yesteryear at The Carousel.

Whether you're arriving by road, cruising in across the bay with Searoad Ferries or Port Phillip Ferries, The Bellarine puts on a stunning welcome with her own distinctive character.

Slip into coastal feels, discovering chilled out towns, glorious beaches and grand old hotels. Tuck into fresh mussels in Portarlington, snorkel at St Leonards Pier, discover the grandeur and waterways of Queenscliff.

How about a sea view to pair with your winery lunch at Jack Rabbit Vineyard? Find foodie experiences mustered together on The Bellarine Taste Trail. Breathe in the farm fresh air and take some of Australia's most awarded cool-temp wines for a taste test with around

Opposite: Eastern Beach – Geelong
1. Wineries with bay views – Northern Bellarine
2. Little Malop Street – Geelong



60 wineries scattered around The Bellarine and inland to the Moorabool Valley. It's here too where you'll find the adventure playground of the You Yangs and Brisbane Ranges, where wildlife and endless kilometres of hiking and mountain biking trails await.

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Book a first class experience on Australia's premium train restaurant – The Q Train – and savour a dégustation menu in a private dining compartment.
- Swim with wild seals and dolphins and get up close and personal with local marine life with Sea All Dolphin Swims.
- Visit one of Australia's Top 100 Golf Clubs, Curlewis Golf Club, and play a round or hit-out at a state-of-the-art driving range.
- Little Malop Street Precinct in the Geelong CBD boasts a lively zone packed full of wine bars, pubs, cafés, trendy eateries and live entertainment spaces.
- Experience the world's oldest living culture first at Narana Aboriginal Cultural Centre. Learn to throw a boomerang, buy superb art and meet kangaroos, wallabies and emus.
- Immerse yourself in the story of Australian wool, fibre and textiles at the National Wool Museum.
- Escape the busyness of life on over 200 acres of rural and conservation land at Lon Retreat & Spa.
- Get a taste of Africa at Werribee Open Range Zoo.

Go Beyond and discover

4 DIVERSE REGIONS, YOUR WAY

Our four extraordinary regions are like no other. They're not even like each other! But they do share common themes – core types of experiences and activities visitors can zero in on for a made-to-measure Go Beyond Melbourne journey.

CREATE YOUR UNIQUE JOURNEY

The choices are endless. Road trip the Go Beyond Melbourne touring circuit clockwise or anti-clockwise (p12-15). If time is limited, travel from one region to another in just 90 minutes or less. Cherry-pick favourite interests and activities, then combine two, three or all four regions.

INSPIRATION FOR MULTI-DAY TOURING

You'll need a good four or five days to truly get to know this place. Let our insiders be your guides. Go Beyond Melbourne's carefully curated five-day itineraries (from p26) make it easy to plan and discover our four distinct regions following four touring themes: Wildlife & Adventure, Food & Wine, Romantic Indulgence and Family Fun.

USING THIS ITINERARY GUIDE

Each themed itinerary offers many, many options – more than you'd ever cover in a single day within a region. So choose your own adventure: select 2-3 morning activities followed by 3-4 afternoon activities and a place to stay the night. We've covered a range of budgets, interests and accommodation styles across the themes.



**Opposite:**

1. Kayaking, Phillip Island
2. Clay Ridge, Peninsula Hot Springs, Mornington Peninsula
3. Yering Gorge Cottages, Yarra Valley & Dandenong Ranges

This page:

4. Curlewis Golf Club, Geelong & The Bellarine
5. Mount Martha Beach, Mornington Peninsula
6. Healesville Sanctuary, Yarra Valley & Dandenong Ranges
7. Underground viewing at Phillip Island Penguin Parade

**WHAT'S YOUR TRAVEL STYLE?**

Whether you're a wildlife adventurer, hopeless romantic, gourmet foodie or fun-loving family, you'll discover a personalised Go Beyond Melbourne journey amongst our themes.

WILDLIFE & ADVENTURE

Go Beyond to one of Australia's best destinations for close-up wildlife encounters, from penguins parading at Phillip Island to wading with platypus or spotting a koala in the You Yangs Regional Park. Adventure calls from dawn hot air balloon rides, scenic chopper flights, aerial challenges in the treetops, lessons in paddleboarding or surfing, and high-octane motorsport action.

FOOD & WINE

Go Beyond on a gastronomic gallivant through four delicious regions. Explore world-class wine, chef's signature dishes and superb fresh produce like nowhere else in the world. Fish for trout or salmon, buy seafood fresh from the boat, pick your own fruit in working orchards, and meet the makers, growers and producers on their turf. Immerse yourself in the good life of dégustation menus and endless taste trails.

FAMILY FUN

Go Beyond for boundless giggles, family adventures and magic moments shared together. Gather the family and learn to surf, fish or ride horseback. Venture side-by-side into breathtaking forests, seascapes, national parks and wildlife close-ups. Team-up for maze unpuzzling, mini-golf or go karting. Overnight in a family-friendly holiday park and take in the evening penguin parade or a lantern-lit wildlife tour.

ROMANTIC INDULGENCE

Go Beyond where guilt-free self-indulgence rules. Relax into champagne breakfasts, blooming flower festivals and cool forests. Get lost in landscaped gardens and long, lazy winery lunches with glorious views. Find yourself in a geothermal bath, spa retreat, candle making or gin masterclass. Surrender to the charms of a beautiful country house hotel and unforgettable sunset moments.

Creature close-ups and action thrills

WILDLIFE & ADVENTURE

5 Day Itinerary

Answer the call of the wild with creature close-ups on land, under water and in the treetops. Satisfy your sense of adventure with outdoor action, aerial challenges and guided tours into nature's hidden gems. Overnight in nature, in luxury and in style.



DAY ONE:

YARRA VALLEY & DANDENONG RANGES

MORNING ACTIVITIES (select from)



Healesville Sanctuary (p46) is a bushland haven for Australian wildlife. Encounter a host of native creatures – kangaroos, dingoes, emus and more. Zero in on unique experiences: getting close-up with koalas and kangaroos.



Rochford Wines (p48) Take a break from adventuring for a total wine and food experience. Lunch in the restaurant or pizzeria, try a wine flight tasting with cheese or charcuterie, visit the cellar door, shop at the grocer.



Warratina Lavender Farm (p49) Enjoy the gloriously fragrant great outdoors amid 10,000 lavender plants. Harvest is November to January, but lavender flowers all year. Guided tours, homestead gardens, tea rooms, lavender gift shop.

AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES (select from)



Cloudhill Gardens (p44) One of Australia's finest in the lush Dandenongs. Five acres, 25 exquisite garden 'rooms', sculptures, huge trees, topiary. Heirloom plants at Diggers Garden Shop, dining in Seasons Restaurant.



Olinda Tea House (p47) A gorgeous spot for high tea, Devonshire tea, lunch or dinner in the heart of the lush Dandenong Ranges. Their friendly alpacas, wildlife and peaceful Japanese-inspired gardens are an absolute delight.



Puffing Billy Railway (p47) is a thrilling experience. Board the heritage steam train and journey the Dandenong Ranges, through winding forests and fern gullies. Peer from open-sided carriages in search of wildlife glimpses.



Paradise Valley Hotel (p47) A true local hero. Convivial hotel with the best regional beers on tap, award-winning bistro, leafy beer garden close to Puffing Billy's railway. Local produce, sustainability and community are key.

STAY OVERNIGHT (select from)



Re'em Yarra Valley (p72) Opening November 2023 on the Helen and Joey vineyard and farm. 16 lavish suites including 4 super-luxury, fine dining, cellar door, spa treatments. Beautiful gardens, enjoy farm experiences.



Araluen Boutique Accommodation (p71) is a 4.5-star boutique luxury bed and breakfast set on four acres with stunning views. Relax on the balcony or take a sunset walk to spy some of Australia's most iconic native wildlife.



BIG4 Yarra Valley Park Lane Holiday Park (p71) Close to famous Healesville Sanctuary, set in 60 acres of glorious bushland. See prolific wildlife on walking trails or take a golf buggy. Cosy cabins, luxe villas and glamping.



Yering Gorge Cottages (p73) overlooks the Greg Norman designed Eastern Golf Club. Trail walk a 120 acre private nature reserve with resident kangaroos and wildlife, and relax in a luxurious self-contained cottage.

DAY TWO:

 YARRA VALLEY & DANDENONG RANGES

 PHILLIP ISLAND

MORNING ACTIVITIES (select from)



Global Ballooning (p46) turns hot air into incredible experiences. Float into a sunrise balloon flight high over the Yarra Valley's patchwork landscape of vineyards and mountains. Come back to earth for a champagne breakfast.



Naturaliste Tours (p51) offers rare insights into French Island. Take a 15-minute ferry ride from Phillip Island (or Mornington Peninsula) and join a small guided tour of this hidden treasure of natural wilderness and wildlife.



Koala Conservation Reserve (p51) There was a new batch of too-cute baby koalas in late 2019, so come and meet them! Spot koalas from treetop boardwalks in a remnant woodlands, watch for wallabies, echidnas and rainbow-coloured birds.



The Westernport Hotel (p55) offers an authentic Australian bistro experience. Stunning outlook over the San Remo bridge and jetty. Head down to the daily pelican feeding at noon – an easy stroll from the Hotel.

AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES (select from)



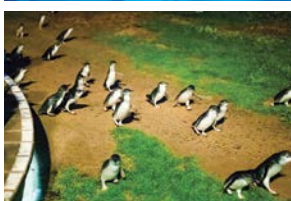
Wildlife Coast Cruises (p55) showcases one of Australia's largest wild fur seal colonies at Seal Rocks, 2km from Phillip Island. Meet these playful creatures in their natural environment as the boat drifts within metres of them.



Ocean Adventures (p52) Aquatic adventures any way you like them! Explore the coastline on a jetboat or racing boat. Snorkel or scuba dive around dramatic sites teeming with sealife. See fur seals, rays dolphins and maybe whales.



Antarctic Journey (p53) Take a deep dive into the Southern Ocean! A cinematic journey with playful penguins, seals and more. Experience the Antarctic Chill Zone, visit the Research Station and café.

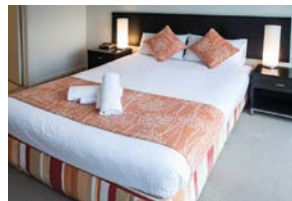


Phillip Island Nature Parks Penguin Parade (p54) offers an intimate wildlife experience. A waddle on the wildside to witness little penguins making their sunset journey home to one of Australia's largest penguin colonies.

STAY OVERNIGHT (select from)



Kaloha Holiday Resort (p74) with absolute beach frontage and less than a five minute walk to shops, cafés and restaurants, is centrally nestled in one of the best seaside positions on Phillip Island.



Oceanic on Thompson (p75) Self-contained apartments in the heart of Cowes' main street action. Surrounded by cafés, restaurants and shopping. Close to beaches, Grand Prix track, Nobbies, Penguin Parade and Koala Reserve.



Ramada Resort Phillip Island (p76) sits in 65 acres of beautiful countryside. Relax and recharge in stunning natural surroundings with superb resort facilities – pools, tennis courts, health centre and walking tracks aplenty.

DAY THREE:

 PHILLIP ISLAND

 MORNINGTON PENINSULA

MORNING ACTIVITIES (select from)



Phillip Island Helicopters (p53) choppers guests high above Cape Woolamai, Seal Rocks, Australian Grand Prix Track and the endless island coastline. Or dial up the thrills and choose a heli adventure from the package menu.



Phillip Island Grand Prix Circuit (p52) is home to world-class motor sport and daredevil action. Buckle in for adrenalin pumping go karting on the 750m replica Grand Prix Circuit or take a circuit tour.



Royal Botanic Gardens Cranbourne (p63) Surrounded by remnant bushland and wetlands, the 15-hectare Australian Garden features many walks, wildflowers, water features, lifestyle gardens. Open-air bus rides and café.



Peninsula Kingswood Golf (p61) Two championship golf courses, large driving range, golf lessons. Restaurant, pool, gym, luxury clubhouse rooms and peaceful remote accommodation, breakfast provided.



Moonlit Sanctuary (p59) is awesome by day but comes alive by night when the wildlife is ready to play. Take a lantern-lit tour to glimpse night birds, gliders swooping, endangered quolls foraging and more.

AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES *(select from)*



Arthurs Seat Eagle (p56) is a state-of-the-art gondola that sweeps up over the forest to the highest point on the Mornington Peninsula. Expect breath-stealing bay and city views plus cheeky wildlife glimpses.



Enchanted Adventure – The Home of Tree Surfing (p57) is all thrills. Make like Tarzan – test skills, balance, strength and coordination while navigating through the trees, bridges, walls, nets, swings and lofty ziplines.



Red Hill Trail Co (p62) From easy to extreme adventures on mountain e-bikes. Pick your challenge level, then ride with experienced guides through the tree-lined trails of Red Hill and its surrounds for 2-3 hours.



Moonraker Dolphin Swims (p60) is the ultimate aquatic wildlife experience. Snorkel with dolphins, swim alongside fur seals, explore underwater marine parks and join the search for weedy sea dragons.

DAY FOUR:

 **MORNINGTON PENINSULA**

 **GEELONG & THE BELLARINE**

MORNING ACTIVITIES *(select from)*



Polperro Dolphin Swims (p61) provides unforgettable marine and ecotourism experiences. Cruise out with a small group to swim with wild Bottlenose dolphins and fur seals, and snorkel the clear waters of Port Phillip Bay.



WaterMaarq Boat Tours (p65) Recognised masters that create fun friendly and relaxed ethical seal and dolphin tours. Adventure guides get you calmly swimming closer to vibrant and exotic fish, rays and seadragons.



Wild Adventures Melbourne (p65) See incredible nature and wildlife on spectacular eco-adventures. Stand up paddleboarding, mountain biking, bushwalking; plus wineries, cafés, breweries, distilleries, hot springs.

STAY OVERNIGHT *(select from)*



Links Lodge at The Dunes (p79) Luxury accommodation, close to beaches, hot springs and lots of adventure activities. Golf for all: juniors, beginners, expert players on fine 18-hole championship course and 9-hole course.



Iluka Group Retreat & Glamping Village (p77) Explore the bush, private lake and wetlands on a beautiful 36-acre property, walk to Shoreham beach. Gorgeous glamping in Bell tents, group lodge accommodation for 90.



Flinders Hotel (p77) is a 4.5-star luxury escape with boutique charm and a new onsite cooking school. Coastal village location and a focus on absolute style and quiet seclusion make it a treat every single time.



InterContinental Sorrento (p77) Elegant accommodation, superb dining; wildlife and adventure just down the road. Dolphin and seal swims, sea kayaking, stand up paddleboarding, coastal walks, national park cycling.

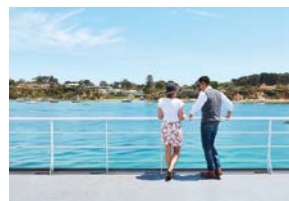
AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES *(select from)*



The Dunes Golf Links (p64) Play on the outstanding 18-hole championship course and enjoy true links golf. There's also one of Australia's best standalone 9-hole courses - perfect for a quick round or for beginners.



Peninsula Hot Springs (p60) is a coastal oasis. Take a healthy, adventurous approach to bathing in natural hot spring mineral water. Try a Turkish steam bath, a cave pool or an underground sauna. Sink in, and sigh.



Searoad Ferries (p63) criss-cross Port Phillip Bay 24 times a day and depart Sorrento every hour to reach Queenscliff (Bellarine Peninsula) in approximately 40 minutes. Drive on, drive off and relax into a picturesque cruise.



The Q Train (p69) Who doesn't love a historic railway adventure! Return journey between Drysdale and Queenscliff in refurbished dining carriages, superb coastal views, dégustation menu and local wines, beers and ciders.

STAY OVERNIGHT (select from)

BIG4 Ingenia Holidays Queenscliff (p80) is set amongst native gardens just 500 metres from the beach. Kick back in a luxury villa, dip in the indoor heated pool or take the beach track for a sea swim.



Lon Retreat & Spa (p81) is an adults-only exclusive retreat set on 200 acres of rural and conservation land, hidden away on a hill by the ocean. Enjoy private beach access, nature walks, the mineral water fed heated pool and Spa.

DAY FIVE:**GEELONG & THE BELLARINE****MORNING ACTIVITIES** (select from)

Tarra Queenscliff (p69) Queenscliff's newest restaurant in a spectacular building on the harbour. Come from Sorrento with Searoad Ferries, or drive to this historic town. There's also a café, lounge and retail store.



Sea All Dolphin Swims (p68) offers adventure tours and sightseeing experiences on Port Phillip Bay. Swim with wild seals and dolphins and get up close and personal with local marine life.



Curlewis Golf Club (p66) The ultimate golf experience! Australia's fastest-growing golf club: 71 par golf course, \$20 million clubhouse, luxe accommodation, The Range @ Curlewis indoor/outdoor driving bays, auto tees, XGolf.



Narana Aboriginal Cultural Centre (p67) is an award-winning attraction centred on the world's oldest living culture. Wander the walkways among resident emus and wallabies and explore ancient dreaming stories, art and more.

AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES (select from)

National Wool Museum (p67) is a multi award-winning hands-on cultural destination with a national profile and a local heart. Learn the Australian story of wool, fibre and textiles.



You Yangs Precinct (p70) is dominated by granite peaks that make up the You Yangs Regional Park. Only 22km from Geelong, it's an excellent spot to enjoy nature close to the city.



Revitalise Escapes (p68) Where wellness and wildlife experiences come together. Expert guides take you to glorious scenery, show you local wildlife and introduce Indigenous culture. Mind, body and soul will love it.



Werribee Open Range Zoo (p70) offers a taste of African adventure just outside of Melbourne! Keep an eye out for lions, gorillas, hippos, bison, giraffe, meerkats, rhinos, zebra and heaps more.



Taste sensations at every turn

FOOD & WINE

5 Day Itinerary

The very best of Victoria's local produce, wine, cider, beer, hand-crafted spirits. Add a pinch of the exotic, with an edible forest, clifftop dining, a truffle hunt, luxury vineyard stays. Visit a paddock-to-plate boutique farm, take a cooking class.



DAY ONE:

YARRA VALLEY & DANDENONG RANGES

MORNING ACTIVITIES (select from)



Coombe Yarra Valley (p45) is home to history, award-winning estate grown wines, a stroll-able 7 acre garden, a gallery and fabulous cellar door dégustation experience pairing a flight of wines with matched culinary bites.



Yarra Valley Dairy (p50) Famous, family-owned, award-winning cheeses reminiscent of France and Italy's finest. Cheese tasting in 130-year-old milking shed, or enjoy a platter of handmade cheese and local small-batch wine.



Yarra Valley Chocolaterie & Ice Creamery (p49) Free chocolate tastings, chocolatiers handcraft 350 different chocolate treats, chocolate-making sessions, house-made ice creams, café specialising in decadent sweet delights.



Rochford Wines (p48) is much more than a winery. Sip award winning cool climate wines, ogle breathtaking views and hang out in versatile indoor-outdoor dining and tasting spaces.



Four Pillars Gin Distillery (p46) Invites guests backstage where the magic happens. Experience a Distiller's Masterclass and discover how gin is made, how to drink it, and how to taste it like a pro.



Chandon (p44) was established by French Champagne house, Moët and Chandon. Enjoy panoramic views, take a self-guided tour and savour wines (including méthode traditionnelle sparklings) in the Brasserie.

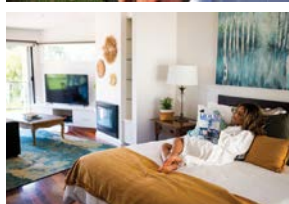


De Bortoli Yarra Valley Estate (p45) invites guests to excite their palate with great new wines. These third-generation winemakers offer unique cellar tasting experiences including estate grown labels served with exceptional cheeses.

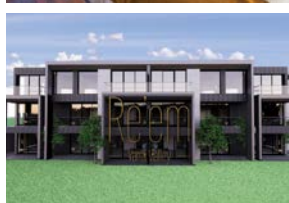
STAY OVERNIGHT (select from)



Chateau Yering Hotel (p72) offers award-winning dining at Eleonore's Restaurant. Unwind and relax in this gracious space with a modern Australian menu reflecting a creative choice of ingredients and daring combinations to delight.



Araluen Boutique Accommodation (p71) nestles in 4 acres of picture-perfect gardens and bushland. Dip into the swimming pool, collect fresh eggs from the free-range hens and settle back in a self-contained villa.



Re'em Yarra Valley (p72) Opening November 2023 on the Helen and Joey vineyard and farm. 12 lavish suites with balconies, 4 super luxury spa suites, fine dining, cellar door, spa treatments, gardens, farm experiences.

AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES (select from)



Dominique Portet (p45) Inimitably French! 10th-generation wine-making family, now in the Yarra Valley. Bordeaux-style wines, cellar door experiences, French-inspired small plates in the restaurant or garden terrace.



Re'em Yarra Valley (p48) From November 2023: open daily for lunch and dinner in modern full-service restaurant. Helen and Joey vineyard and farm, with cellar door sampling and sales, gardens and farm experiences.

DAY TWO:

 YARRA VALLEY & DANDENONG RANGES

 PHILLIP ISLAND

MORNING ACTIVITIES (select from)

**Global Ballooning (p46)**

eases you into a magical one-hour sunrise balloon flight over vineyards and valleys for a soft landing in winery country where a champagne breakfast awaits. Flights depart 364 days a year.

**Phillip Island Helicopters p53)**

Indulge in a helicopter flight over what you're going to see, eat and drink. Options include Seal Rocks, Cape Woolamai, Churchill Island, Grand Prix Circuit, Cowes, Penguin Parade.

**Phillip Island Chocolate**

Factory (p52) See the chocolate factory in full non-stop chocolate-making action and create a personalised chocolate masterpiece. Even your entry ticket is made of chocolate!



Churchill Island (p53) A tiny and precious piece of history with café featuring farm-fresh food, beautiful gardens, historic buildings, farm activities including milking, working dog demonstrations and sheep shearing.

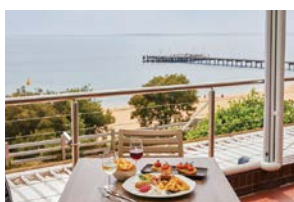
AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES (select from)

**Rusty Water Brewery, Restaurant and Bar (p54)**

is all about real food and real people. Tuck into handcrafted ales and a seasonal menu using the freshest local ingredients and products, all crafted with love.

**Phillip Island Winery (p54)**

Invites you to pull up a chair front and centre for an expert-led tasting, wander 'The Yards' for gorgeous views or graze your way through a local produce platter. Music on weekends.

**Beach HQ Restaurant & Bar (p50)**

Features the region's best: local Gippsland beef, local wines, beers and top local produce. And the best views of Cowes' foreshore, Westernport Bay, French Island and the Mornington Peninsula.

**Phillip Island Nature Parks Penguin Parade (p54)**

lets visitors experience the magic of little penguins making their sunset journey home to one of Australia's largest penguin colonies. A not-to-be-missed wildlife experience.

STAY OVERNIGHT (select from)

**Genesta House (p74)**

A gorgeous guesthouse in Cowes. Three suites, old-world charm with modern amenities, 100-year-old gardens. An easy stroll to Cowes town centre, the beach, restaurants and shopping.

**Kaloha Holiday Resort (p74)**

with absolute beach frontage and less than a five minute walk to shops, cafés and restaurants, is centrally nestled in one of the best seaside positions on Phillip Island.

**North Pier Hotel (p74)**

is the ideal spot to base yourself. Just a stone's throw from the beach with rooms to suit all budgets from dorms, suites, family rooms and spa rooms.

**Phillip Island Apartments (p75)**

Spacious 1, 2 and 3-bedroom Cowes apartments with balcony or patio, outdoor pool, heated spa, BBQ area. Close to the best local dining and shopping. Swimming beach just minutes away.

DAY THREE:

 PHILLIP ISLAND

 MORNINGTON PENINSULA

MORNING ACTIVITIES (select from)

**MP Experience Tours (p60)**

offers private small group tours in Mornington Peninsula's magnificent food and wine region. Get behind-the-scenes on a Meet the Gourmet Producers tour, a winter Truffle Farm tour and more.

**Chief's Son Whisky Distillery (p56)**

Single malt whisky is a singular pleasure! Taste hand-crafted whiskies, learn about distilling using small batch processes and hand-selected barrels. Sample whisky from the still and barrel, bottle your own.



Pt Leo Estate (p61) is a visual feast with art, rolling vineyards and ocean views. Perch yourself on the terrace, glass in hand, and take in the commanding views. Or truly spoil yourself with a two-hatted fine dining experience.

**Max's Restaurant at Red Hill Estate (p59)**

has been described as 'the best view of any vineyard in the world'. Take a seat in the light-filled hilltop eatery, soak up the vista and contemplate a menu of local-inspired cuisine.

AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES *(select from)*



Crittenden Estate Wine Centre (p57) Explore the Crittenden family's famous cool-climate wines that are so expressive of this region. A second-generation family-owned winery, known for sustainable vineyard management.



Trofeo Estate (p64) A unique story: elegant, fruit-driven wines aged exclusively in Italian terracotta amphora (no oak). Red Hill cellar door and restaurant in spectacular 1930s reimagined cannery with deck overlooking vines.



JimmyRum Distillery & Bar (p58) Rum is the next big thing, and JimmyRum craft distillery is the place to sip and learn about this handcrafted spirit at Victoria's dedicated first rum craft distillery. Tours, tastings and master classes. Cheers!



Alba Geothermal Springs & Spa (p56) Dine on locally sourced, seasonal produce from celebrated chef Karen Martini's menu. Slip into the rain pool, forest pools, sunset pool or private pool, and book into the divine spa.

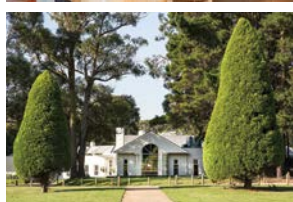
STAY OVERNIGHT *(select from)*



Jackalope Hotel (p78) is an award-winning escape from reality. A high-end hotel in pristine vineyard surroundings, with every space carefully created and curated by leading designers. Immerse in art and indulgence at every turn.



Flinders Hotel (p77) Historic hotel, charming village packed with providores. Saturday cooking classes such as Italian or Asian; popular Saturday Gin High Tea including top shelf local and imported gins with premium tonics.



Lancemore Lindenderry Red Hill (p78) features 40 elegantly Hecker Guthrie designed spacious guest rooms with quality furnishings and fittings. Swoon over views, sample wines and savour farm-to-table dining.



Lakeside Villas at Crittenden Estate (p78) offers the ultimate vineyard escape. Appearing to float above the lake among the vines, each 4.5 star spacious, self-contained villa boasts wood fire, spa bath and private deck.

DAY FOUR:



MORNINGTON PENINSULA



GEELONG & THE BELLARINE

MORNING ACTIVITIES *(select from)*



Grape Explorations Australia (p58) Join a small group or take a bespoke tour of top Mornington Peninsula wineries. Meet the winemaker, taste the wines and grazing lunch. Or follow the beer, cider and spirit trail.



Green Olive at Red Hill (p58) is all about paddock-to-plate sustainable farm tours, food and wine lunch packages, picnics in the olive grove and a shop brimming with natural products – all in one incredible place.



Rocky Creek Strawberry Farm (p63) boasts pick-your-own strawberries (Nov-Apr) and a year-round decadent Dessert Café where the house-made ice-cream is to-dine-for and strawberry themed produce thrives.



Montalto (p59) boasts 30 permanent sculptures dotted throughout its grounds and vines. Explore first, then hit the Piazza Café and sit amongst expansive kitchen gardens to tuck into wines and a menu designed to share.

AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES *(select from)*



Bellarine Taste Trail (p66) Musters the region's best foodie experiences. Over 50 food and wine destinations including wineries, beer, cider and fabulous restaurants. Or explore berry, olive and tomato growers, farmgates and farmers' markets.



Jack Rabbit Vineyard (p66) is renowned for unrivalled panoramic views across the bay to Melbourne. It's also a showpiece for the gastronomic gems of the Bellarine, flaunted in the restaurant, vineyard and cellar door.



The Q Train (p69) is a lovely dégustation dining experience that travels along a heritage railway line between Drysdale and Queenscliff. Indulge in a pre-departure beverage in Club Loco – showcasing wines, beers and ciders from the region.

STAY OVERNIGHT (select from)

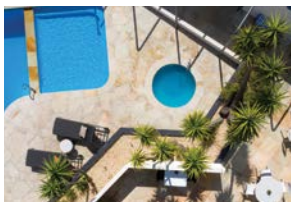
BIG4 Ingenia Holidays Queenscliff (p80) Right opposite the beach with luxury villas in beautiful gardens, indoor pool, day spa and gym. Follow your taste buds to Queenscliff's quaint café strip, and the delicious Bellarine Taste Trail.



Lon Retreat & Spa (p81) is the perfect place to escape the busyness of life. Features seven luxurious suites and a mineral spa. Here you can reconnect with the beauty of slow and simple. Cloud-watch, stargaze and walk without a map.



R Hotel Geelong (p81) Boutique hotel nestled within a heritage listed building, offering hotel room and apartment style accommodation. Walking distance to eateries and bars.



Rydges Geelong (p81) boasts one of the city's best locations, right in the heart of all the action. Retreat to a beautifully appointed room with water views, and enjoy. Or, stroll out to the city's vibrant bar and restaurant scene.

DAY FIVE:**GEELONG & THE BELLARINE****MORNING ACTIVITIES** (select from)

Revitalise Escapes (p68) Before you head off on food and wine indulgences, feed the mind, body and soul with a wellness experience. Take in nature, local wildlife and Indigenous culture, swim with dolphins, play golf.



Lon Retreat & Spa (p81) Situated on 200 acres by the ocean, this adult's only retreat and mineral spa awaits. Offering three unique treatment rooms featuring mineral water fed soaking tubs, steam rooms and breathtaking views of the ocean.



Curlewis Golf Club (p66) is one of Australia's Top 100 Golf Clubs – perfect for playing a round before hitting the clubhouse for lunch. And what a lunch! The hip, green and seriously delicious menu dazzles the tastebuds.



Claribeaux at Curlewis Golf Course (p66) With spectacular views spanning the fairways and greens of Curlewis Golf Club, this signature French influence restaurant offers a contemporary fusion and a focus on sustainable local produce.

AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES (select from)

Portarlington Delight in this seaside village with loads of local flavour. Enjoy a meal at one of the many restaurants and cafés scattered down the main street or indulge in the famous Australian Blue Mussels grown just offshore.



Narana Aboriginal Cultural Centre (p67) Award-winning attraction centred on the world's oldest living culture. Visit the Australian Indigenous art gallery, sample bush tucker, visit the indigenous inspired café.



Little Malop Street Precinct (p67) boasts a lively zone packed full of wine and cocktail bars, pubs, cafés, trendy eateries and live entertainment spaces. Select a venue (or two, or three) and be treated to a safari of beverage and epicurean delights.



Create forever memories

ROMANTIC INDULGENCE

5 Day Itinerary

Love is in the air. Go Beyond Melbourne for the most romantic interlude. Be swept off your feet by spectacular scenery, incredible gardens, luxurious indulgence and shared adventures. Long beach walks, lazy winery lunches and dinners that stretch into stunning sunsets. Overnight in lakeside retreats, beachfront cabins and gracious mansion hotels.



DAY ONE:

GEELONG & THE BELLARINE

MORNING ACTIVITIES (select from)



Werribee Open Range Zoo (p70) serves up an amazing African adventure. Be immersed in the sights and sounds of the savannah with a guided tour, go behind the scenes and get up close to the animals, or even stay overnight.



Waterfront Geelong (p70) is much more than a stunning north-facing foreshore. Stroll hand-in-hand along the promenade, ride the vintage 1890s carousel and book a table for two in the dining precinct that buzzes day and night.



Baywalk Bollard Trail (p65) Come face to face with the characters which shaped Geelong's history as you stroll along the colourful and intriguing Waterfront Bollard Trail comprising 104 intricately carved bollards.

AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES (select from)



The Bellarine Taste Trail (p66) Utterly delicious! 50 glorious food and wine experiences including farmgate producers, vineyards, great eateries featuring local produce, breweries, a cidery, a distillery and provedores.



Jack Rabbit Vineyard (p66) is a restaurant, vineyard and cellar door boasting unrivalled panoramic views. Devour a menu that's a gastronomic showpiece for the Bellarine Peninsula.



Sea All Dolphin Swims (p68) offer adventure tours and sightseeing experiences on Port Phillip Bay. Snorkel with wild dolphins and seals – or spot them from the comfort of the boat. Ride the boom-net hammock, enjoy a duck spa!



Revitalise Escapes (p68) Feed the mind, body and soul. Wellness experiences with expert guides include nature, local wildlife and Indigenous culture. Add an adventure: helicopter rides, golf, swimming with dolphins.



The Q Train (p69) is Australia's premier train restaurant. Climb on board for a first-class dining in a private compartment for two – a 3-hour, 5-course dégustation menu while the train rollicks through stunning landscapes of the Bellarine.

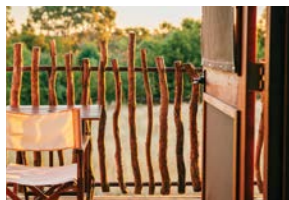
STAY OVERNIGHT (select from)



Lon Retreat & Spa (p81) is an adults exclusive retreat set on over 200 acres of rural and conservation land, hidden away on a hill by the ocean. Enjoy private beach access, nature walks, the Lon Spa Bliss!



Curlewis Golf Club Resort (p80) Lux, contemporary accommodation with divine beds and views. Set amid indigenous landscaping right next to outstanding golf course. Bar, French-fusion restaurant, entertainment complex.



Werribee Open Range Zoo Slumber Safari (p70) Unique overnight experience with fully hosted safari tour, exclusive animal encounter, African inspired dinner and luxury lodge accommodation.

DAY TWO:



GEELONG & THE BELLARINE



MORNINGTON PENINSULA

MORNING ACTIVITIES (select from)

**Searoad Ferries (p63)**

criss-cross Port Phillip Bay 24 times a day and depart Queenscliff every hour to reach Sorrento (Mornington Peninsula) in just 40 minutes. Drive on, drive off and relax into a picturesque cruise.

**Wild Adventures Melbourne (p65)**

Go exploring together: stand up paddleboarding, mountain biking, go bushwalking, take an adventure picnic, visit wineries, cafés, breweries, distilleries, hot springs. So many hidden gems!

**Peninsula Hot Springs (p60)**

is pure indulgence! Select a massage, bathe and dine package, sink into a tranquil geothermal pool in the spa dreaming area, and sigh the rest of the day away.



Pt Leo Estate (p61) Truly a visual feast for all who visit, with art, rolling vineyards and ocean views. Select from casual terrace dining, Chef's Hat restaurant or two hatted fine dining restaurant.

AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES (select from)

**Arthurs Seat Eagle (p56)**

takes you to the highest point on the Mornington Peninsula for grand views over the bay, city and hinterland. Snuggle up in comfort in a state-of-the-art gondola and enjoy the high.

**Red Hill Candle Co. (p62)**

Design your very own romantic candle fragrance, choosing from 40 scents including floral, herbal and Australian. Interactive candle-making workshops, a Scent Library and gift shop.

**Crittenden Estate Wine Centre (p57)**

Overlooking vineyards and a private lake, this is one of the Peninsula's oldest family-owned wineries. Share and compare the famous cool-climate wines that express the best of this region.

**InterContinental Sorrento (p77)**

Romance blossoms in this reimagined historic hotel. Love the relaxed style of the Peninsula: casual lunch, afternoon drinks in the beer garden, evening cocktails, fine dining and music.

STAY OVERNIGHT (select from)

**Jackalope Hotel (p78)**

Jackalope offers a new standard in luxury accommodation – 45 luxury rooms, a 30-metre infinity pool, an on-site winery, two bars and two outstanding restaurants.

**InterContinental Sorrento (p77)**

Coastal glamour in a famous icon, now reinvented. Rich history and contemporary design in a luxury destination with elegant guestrooms, seven restaurants and bars, spa, bathhouse.

**Lakeside Villas at Crittenden Estate (p78)**

seem to float among the vines! Each self-contained and spacious villa is 4-star luxury with a private deck, spa bath and glorious wood fire, perfect for sharing a bottle of wine by.

**Lancemore Lindenderry Red Hill (p78)**

Luxury country house hotel, surrounded by traditional English-style gardens and vineyard. Pretty walks, fine art collection, intimate and casual dining.

DAY THREE:



MORNINGTON PENINSULA



PHILLIP ISLAND

MORNING ACTIVITIES (select from)

**Alba Thermal Springs and Spa (p56)**

Luxury wellness sanctuary and spa. Superb geothermal bathing: rain and herbal-infused botanical pools, forest and sunset pool, private rooftop pools. Fine restaurant.

**Polperro Dolphin Swims (p61)**

Experience amazing marine experiences with wild Bottlenose dolphins and Australian fur seals. Swim or snorkel through unique wildlife encounters in Port Phillip Bay's beautiful, clear waters.

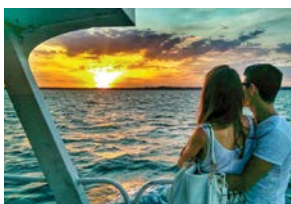
**The Dunes Golf Links (p64)**

It's all here: luxury accommodation, close to beaches, hot springs, wineries and great restaurants. Golf for beginners and expert players on 18-hole championship course and 9-hole course.

**St Andrews Beach Brewery (p64)**

Famous racehorses once trained here, and you can match light bites with craft beers in the historic former stable. Or book a grand 3-course picnic on this magnificent 92-acre property.

AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES *(select from)*



Wildlife Coast Cruises (p53)
Experience some of Australia's richest wildlife waters. Watch curious seals play within metres of your boat, look for dolphins, whales and birdlife. Or relax and sip a drink on a romantic twilight cruise.



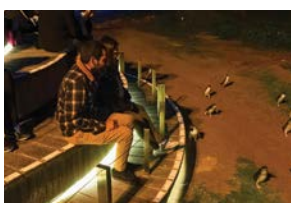
Churchill Island (p53)
A tiny historic island that's been farmed since the 1850s. Restored farmhouse and cottages, working farm, fragrant cottage gardens, coastline walks with magnificent views.



Phillip Island Winery (p54)
This boutique winery offers expansive lawns, cellar door, rural views and glimpses of the glittering seas of Bass Strait. Quality local produce, grazing boards, native meats.



Antarctic Journey (p53)
Amazing interactive experiences in the Antarctic Chill Zone and virtual Southern Ocean exploration, with playful penguins and seals. Research Station, café, clifftop boardwalks.



Phillip Island Nature Parks Penguin Parade (p54)
is a world-famous wildlife experience. Gather on the beach at dusk to watch little penguins making their daily trek from the ocean, across the sand to their burrows.

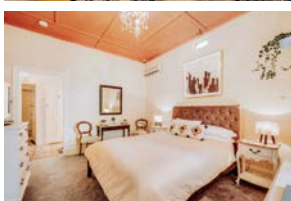
STAY OVERNIGHT *(select from)*



Ramada Resort Phillip Island (p76)
Stylish studios and eco-cabins in 65 acres of beautiful natural bushland; 10 minute drive to the Penguin Parade. Walking and biking tracks, wildlife, swimming and surf beaches nearby.



Phillip Island Towers (p76)
A class act: 4.5-star apartments close to Cowes' shopping, dining and the beach. Stroll down to the jetty and take an adventure tour to see fur seals, or visit French Island with Naturaliste Tours.



Genesta House (p74)
A gorgeous guesthouse in Cowes for true romantics. Three suites, old-world charm with modern amenities, 100-year-old gardens. An easy stroll to Cowes town centre, the beach, restaurants and shopping.

DAY FOUR:

PHILLIP ISLAND

YARRA VALLEY & DANDENONG RANGES

MORNING ACTIVITIES *(select from)*



Naturaliste Tours (p51)
offers rare insights into French Island, which is two thirds national park. Take a 15-minute ferry ride from Phillip Island and join a guided 3-hour tour of the island's history, wildlife and hidden treasures.



Phillip Island Chocolate Factory (p52)
sweetens up every day! See the chocolate factory in full non-stop chocolate-making action and create a personalised chocolate masterpiece. Even your entry ticket is made of chocolate!



Puffing Billy Railway (p47)
The ultimate steam train trip. 3-hour first class return journey with 3-course lunch and wine. Historic carriages, magnificent forest and fern scenery. Or choose an open sided carriage for fun travel.

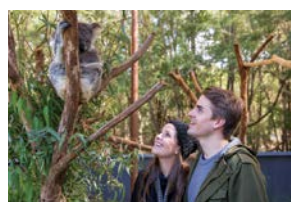
AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES *(select from)*



Cloudehill Gardens & Diggers Garden Shop (p44)
perches high in the hills – a magical, romantic maze of wander-worthy stone walls and garden rooms set within woodlands of shady trees. A beautiful, fresh-air place to hang out together.



Dominique Portet (p45)
A little touch of French romance. 10th-generation wine-making family, in the Yarra Valley. Bordeaux-style wines, cellar door experiences, French-inspired dining, restaurant and garden terrace.



Healesville Sanctuary (p46)
Famous haven for koalas, emus, kangaroos, platypus, dingoes, wombats and birdlife. Wander bushland tracks, have a close-up wildlife encounter, visit the wildlife health centre, learn from keeper talks.



Four Pillars Gin Distillery (p46)
is a small distillery with a giant heart. Book a private tasting, hang out with gin devotees in the copper-spangled distillery and discover what's making craft gin such a huge sensation.

STAY OVERNIGHT (select from)

Chateau Yering Hotel (p72)
is a historic homestead reborn as a gracious 5-star mansion hotel, sitting grandly on a 250 acre estate with sweeping Yarra Valley views. Book the Garden Suite – king-size with fancy fittings and lavish furnishings.



Re'em Yarra Valley (p72)
The epitome of luxury, opening November 2023 on the Helen and Joey vineyard and farm. 16 lavish suites with balconies, fine dining, cellar door, spa treatments, gardens, farm experiences.



Yarra Gables (p73)
A TripAdvisor 2020 Travellers' Choice 'Best of the Best'. 4-star motel and private houses surrounded by delightful lawns, trees and gardens. The perfect place to relax after winery and gin tastings.



Yering Gorge Cottages (p73)
Breathe in fresh country air on extensive walking trails in the huge nature reserve, tee off on the Greg Norman-designed golf course. Watch kangaroos grazing as you share a regional wine on your balcony.



Coombe Yarra Valley (p45)
was once Dame Nellie Melba's home. Now they produce cool climate wines and a divine cellar door dégustation menu worth singing about. Relax and cuddle up for a tour of the stunning 7 acre garden.



Yarra Valley Chocolaterie & Ice Creamery (p49) The ultimate yum! Free chocolate tastings, demonstrations, couverture chocolates to buy, housemade ice creams, café serving decadent treats, chocolate-making sessions.

AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES (select from)

Chandon (p44) was established by French Champagne house, Moët and Chandon. Enjoy panoramic views and savour romantic wines (including méthode traditionnelle sparklings) in the Brasserie.



Cherryhill Orchards (p44)
A third-generation farm devoted to everything cherry. Pick cherries in summer, visit the farmgate shop for cherry gifts and treats. Or take a picnic and find a secluded spot on this beautiful property.

DAY FIVE:**YARRA VALLEY & DANDENONG RANGES****MORNING ACTIVITIES** (select from)

Global Ballooning (p46)
eases you into a magical one-hour sunrise balloon flight over vineyards and valleys for a soft landing in winery country where a champagne breakfast awaits. Flights depart 364 days a year.



Full-on fun, together FAMILY FUN

5 Day Itinerary

5 days of excitement, adventure, laughter and totally new experiences. Meet wildlife, delve into history and the indigenous culture. Take ocean adventures, explore glorious bushlands, pick your own fruit. Stay on a farm, on an island or go glamping.



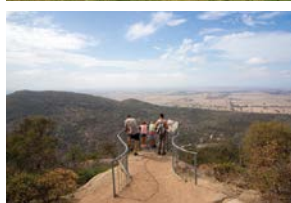
DAY ONE:

GEELONG & THE BELLARINE

MORNING ACTIVITIES (select from)



Werribee Open Range Zoo (p70) offers a unique opportunity to encounter magnificent animals of the African savannah where they are given space to behave as they would in their natural habitats.



You Yangs Precinct (p70) a magnificent Regional Park, with koalas, kangaroos, echidnas. Bushwalk or hike to the top of Flinders Peak (340m), visit Serendip Sanctuary's wetlands with 150 species of birds, plus other native wildlife.



Explore Australia Tours (p57) Skip driving for a day! Take a family small-group experience, exploring Geelong and the Bellarine aboard a deluxe mini coach. Local knowledgeable guides are great storytellers for kids!



The Carousel Geelong (p69) This recently restored work of art is fun for the whole family. Constructed circa 1892, it is one of only 200 in operation globally. Enjoy dazzling waterfront views while being serenaded by an original Band Organ!



Geelong Botanic Gardens features a dramatic entrance of Queensland Bottle Trees. Beyond, discover weird and wonderful plants and expansive manicured lawns ideal for sprawling on a blanket in the shade of age-old trees.



Narana Aboriginal Cultural Centre (p67) is an award-winning attraction centred on the world's oldest living culture. Learn to throw a boomerang, get a taste for bush tucker and learn about ancient dreaming stories.

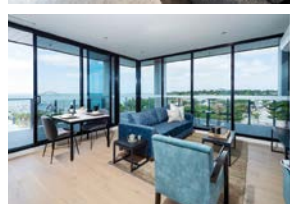


Little Malop Street Precinct (p67) A totally cool spot with kid-friendly cafés, casual dining and street art. A famous arts hub, with the Geelong Gallery, Arts Centre and Geelong Library and Heritage Centre right here.

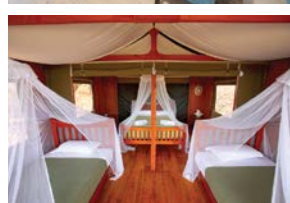
STAY OVERNIGHT (select from)



BIG4 Ingenia Holidays Queenscliff (p80) offers luxury villas set amongst native gardens. Chill out just 500 metres from the beach, dip in the indoor pool and let the kids explore the family-friendly resort.

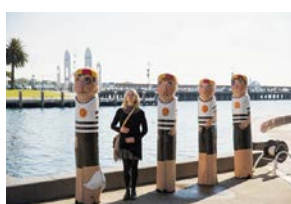


R Hotel Geelong (p81) is an ideal central base for families. Located in the heart of Geelong, just minutes from the lively foreshore of Eastern Beach. A blend of hotel rooms and apartments - including some dog friendly apartments.



Werribee Open Range Zoo Slumber Safari (p70) Unique overnight experience with fullyhosted safari tour, exclusive animal encounter, African inspired dinner and family lodge accommodation.

AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES (select from)



Baywalk Bollards (p65) bring history to life. Download a guide, stroll the trail and get to know more than 100 sculptures depicting characters galore including a Koori family, a group of lifesavers, explorer Matthew Flinders and more.



National Wool Museum (p67) is housed in a beautifully restored 1872 bluestone wool store showcasing the Geelong region's wool story from the sheep's back to the clothes rack.

DAY TWO:



GEELONG & THE BELLARINE



MORNINGTON PENINSULA

MORNING ACTIVITIES (select from)



Sea All Dolphin Swims (p68) specialises in awesome, outdoor experiences ideal for the whole family. Snorkel, swim or sightsee with wild seals and dolphins or catch a wave at one of the best beaches in Victoria.



Searoad Ferries (p63) cross three marine national parks on the Queenscliff to Sorrento journey, providing wildlife glimpses and glorious views that differ every trip. Kids can keep watch for glimpses of dolphins and passing ships.



Enchanted Adventure - The Home of Tree Surfing (p57) is fun central – themed gardens, seven mazes (including a grand hedge maze), giant puzzles, bushland obstacles, canopy walk, tube slides and adventure activities such as Tree Surfing!



Arthurs Seat Eagle (p56) is located in Arthurs Seat State Park. Wander walking trails before being gondola-swept up to the highest point on the Mornington Peninsula. Enjoy bird's eye views from on high at the family-friendly café.

AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES (select from)



Red Hill Candle Co. (p62) Everyone has their favourite scents, and you're sure to find yours here! Interactive candle-making workshops let you choose three fragrances from the Scent Library and create candles to take home.



Red Hill Trail Co (p62) Great e-xcitement on e-bikes! Small group tours for casual to advanced riders. Experienced guides take you through the beautiful tree-lined trails of Red Hill and its surrounds for 2-3 hours.



Rocky Creek Strawberry Farm (p63) grows the biggest, sweetest, most delicious strawberries. Take to the fields and pick-your-own (Nov-Apr) or head to the café for choc-dipped strawberries and strawberry ice-cream.



Red Gum BBQ (p62) is a little slice of South Georgia on the Mornington Peninsula. Set up for families and socialising with craft beers on tap, indoor and outdoor dining, children's play area, and seriously mouth-watering BBQ.

STAY OVERNIGHT (select from)



Carmel at Sorrento (p76) grew from a gorgeous 100 year-old limestone cottage to 6 huge contemporary 3-bedroom apartments – or spoil yourself with the penthouse! Close to main street shops, cafés, and the beautiful beach.



Iluka Group Retreat & Glamping Village (p77) Family fun and glamping in spacious Bell tents on a beautiful 36-acre property, plus group lodge accommodation for 90. Explore the bush, wetlands, a private lake and Shoreham beach.



Links Lodge at The Dunes (p79) Luxury accommodation, close to beaches, hot springs and wineries. Golf for everyone: juniors, beginners, expert players. Superb 18-hole championship course; 9-hole course for learners.



Peppers Moonah Links Resort (p79) Overlooks championship golf greens, vineyards and farmland. Treat the whole family to a resort stay in a deluxe suite with stunning views of the 18th fairway, plus all your creature comforts.



Rye Hotel (p80) located opposite the beach, offers overnight guests the choice of award-winning poolside and beachfront suites, some with magnificent bay views. Dine in the onsite bistro or select a dining venue just steps away.

DAY THREE:



MORNINGTON PENINSULA



PHILLIP ISLAND

MORNING ACTIVITIES (select from)



Green Olive at Red Hill (p58) An exciting small farm experience. Let the kids loose on the trampoline, take a sustainable farm tour, see sheep and hens, enjoy lunch from farm and other local produce.



Royal Botanic Gardens Cranbourne (p63) Explore diverse landscapes in the 15-hectare native Australian Garden with walks, striking red sands, rich flora, water features and lifestyle gardens. Open-air bus and café.



Moonlit Sanctuary (p59) is a brilliant spot to hand-feed kangaroos, wallabies and emus, and get up close to koalas. After dark, a lantern-lit wildlife tour gives a whole new perspective on native bush critters.

AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES (select from)



Churchill Island (p53) is a tiny gem off Phillip Island. A 19th century working farm, it's magnificently preserved with heritage equipment, farm animals, beautiful gardens and historic buildings. Get involved in daily farm activities too.



Antarctic Journey (p53) is all the fun of the world's most extreme continent, without leaving the island. Get into interactive, hands-on fun and feel-real virtual wildlife close-ups.



Beach HQ Restaurant & Bar (p50) Unsurpassed water views from huge terrace; restaurant specialises in seafood dishes, local Gippsland beef; many dietary options. Gippsland and Phillip Island wines and local ales feature.



Phillip Island Nature Parks Penguin Parade (p54) offers Penguins Underground, the ultimate add-on experience where you watch the penguins waddle up the beach at eye level from an underground viewing station – unforgettable!

STAY OVERNIGHT (select from)



Anchor Belle Holiday Park (p73) is set in 2.5 hectares of bushland just 100 metres from the beach. Book a deluxe self-contained cabin or three bedroom villa and set the kids loose on the giant jumping cushion and playground.



Kaloha Holiday Resort (p74) is a tropical beachfront haven, just five minutes' walk to the town centre. Relax in the hot tub, dip into the saltwater heated swimming pool or gather the kids for a play in the children's playground.



Phillip Island Apartments (p75) offers one, two and three bedroom self-contained apartments that make family touring a breeze. Located in the vibrant seaside town of Cowes, the 4.5 star apartments are spacious, comfy family retreats.



Phillip Island Park Lane Holiday Park (p75) Motel rooms, cabins, camping, caravanning. A Maze 'N Things right next door, Koala Conservation Reserve just over the road. Pool, playground, onsite restaurant and brewery.

DAY FOUR:

PHILLIP ISLAND

YARRA VALLEY & DANDENONG RANGES

MORNING ACTIVITIES (select from)



Wildlife Coast Cruises (p55) all-season fun. Year-round tours showcase Australia's largest wild fur seal colonies at Seal Rocks. For even more wildlife magic, book ahead for summer twilight cruises and winter whale-watching cruises.



A Maze 'N Things (p50) is a feast of hands-on family sharing activities including illusions, puzzles, mini-golf, giant 3D maze, amazing interactive magic displays, mysterious caves and SkyTrail, a thrilling high ropes course.



Phillip Island Chocolate Factory (p52) has been called the sweetest and most addictive attraction on Phillip Island. A celebration of all things chocolate, with interactive play machines, make-your-own chocolate and a chocolate café.

AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES (select from)



Puffing Billy Railway (p47) is a thrilling experience. Board the 100-year old heritage steam train and journey through winding forests and fern gullies, across historic timber bridges to Gembrook, the perfect family picnic spot



Paradise Valley Hotel (p47) A true local hero. Convivial hotel with the best regional beers on tap, award-winning bistro, leafy beer garden close to Puffing Billy's railway. Local produce, sustainability and community are key.



Olinda Tea House (p47) Ever said 'hi' to a friendly alpaca? Come and meet them, enjoy all-day dining from morning tea to dinner, book a private picnic amid the glorious gardens. Go exploring and spot native wildlife.



Tesselaar Tulip Festival (p49) hosts the famous Sep/Oct tulip festival as well as the Mar/April KaBloom festival, both family favourites. Enjoy live entertainment, tractor rides, treasure hunts, sculpture exhibits plus food and wine.

STAY OVERNIGHT (select from)

BIG4 Yarra Valley Park Lane Holiday Park (p71) Set in 60 acres of bush, waterways and landscaping that's a magnet for wildlife. Explore on foot or in a golf buggy. Spacious family villas sleep up to 8, or go glamping in luxury tents.



The Sebel Ringwood (p72) Right at the gateway to the Yarra Valley. Bespoke rooms, and 1-bedroom apartments that sleep 4. Have a family dinner in the restaurant, or let the kids order from the 24-hour room service menu.



Yarra Gables (p73) is very handy to Healesville Sanctuary. This small luxury property set in peaceful cottage gardens offers a number of spacious family rooms, three 3-bedroom, 2-bathroom cottages.



Yering Gorge Cottages (p73) Beautifully appointed cottages alongside the Yarra River, overlooking golf greens. Relax with a glass of wine on your balcony, watch the kangaroos. Lots of outdoor activities plus nature reserve.



Healesville Sanctuary (p46) is all about Australian wildlife. Don't miss the 'Spirits of the Sky' native bird show, the many daily keeper talks or meeting vets and nurses who care for more than 1,500 native animals each year.

AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES (select from)

Rayner's Orchard (p48) is one of Dandenong Ranges' many u-pick farms and, with 450 fruit varieties, it's fruit all year round! Revel in a fruit-tasting tractor tour and pluck ripe beauties fresh from the tree.



Cherryhill Orchards (p44) opens its gates every day through cherry season (Nov-Jan) for pick-your-own cherry adventures. After, get into gourmet cherry delights in the farm shop. Cherry ice-cream anyone?



Warratina Lavender Farm (p49) lets the kids frolic through fields of blooming lavender (in season). Soak up the view and fragrance from the Lavender Cottage Tearooms, where a menu of lavender-themed morsels beckons.

DAY FIVE:**YARRA VALLEY & DANDENONG RANGES****MORNING ACTIVITIES** (select from)

Yarra Valley Dairy (p50) Kids love the 130-year-old restored milking shed and delicious cheese tastings. Lots of history, award-winning fresh soft cheeses, platters available, tempting local produce and wines in the gift store.



Yarra Valley Chocolaterie & Ice Creamery (p49) Simply scrumptious! Plenty of free chocolate tastings, hand-crafted chocolate demonstrations, café with decadent sweet treats and ice creams. Welcoming lawns for kids' play time.



TRIP PLANNER

makes personalised itineraries so easy!

You've seen our exciting themed itineraries, now it's time to meet our very clever Trip Planner. Trip Planner helps you create a completely personalised touring itinerary, taking in some or all of our regions.

On the following pages you'll find attractions, activities and tours, then accommodation, for all regions.

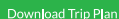
Note: that all attractions and accommodation are colour coded to their region.

 **YARRA VALLEY & DANDENONG RANGES**  **PHILLIP ISLAND**
 **MORNINGTON PENINSULA**  **GEELONG & THE BELLARINE**

So now take a look at Trip Planner: www.gobeyondmelbourne.com/trip-planner/

0 Trip Planner

You choose the regions you want to visit, drop in your choice of attractions and activities, then add your accommodation for each night. Remember: you can just keep travelling on to your next region – there's no need to return to Melbourne at the end of each day.

- 1 First decide on your route, e.g. Melbourne to the Yarra Valley, Phillip Island, Mornington Peninsula via Searoad Ferries, Geelong and the Bellarine (or vice versa), then back to Melbourne.
- 2 On the **Trip Planner** page, click on **Destinations**. You'll see all four regions drop down. Choose your first region, e.g. the Yarra Valley. Scroll down to view attractions, tours and accommodation.
- 3 Click on the Suitcase icon  on each attraction and the accommodation you want in your first region – it's all automatically added to **Trip Planner**. Finished adding items for your first region? Click on the Trip Planner icon and you'll see the Attractions and Accommodation you've chosen. Scroll down to view your map. Check the map, and change the order of your itinerary if you find there's backtracking.
- 4 Then do the same for the other regions you want to visit. *Note: you can only add up to 23 options in total.*
- 5 Once you've completed your itinerary, you can download a PDF . It shows all attractions and accommodation day-by-day, a route map, and very detailed directions with driving instructions and distances between each attraction. It couldn't be easier!

USEFUL TIP

If a particular hotel really takes your fancy, drop it into your itinerary first. Then drop in the attractions you'd like to see in that region. Your map immediately shows how close each attraction is to your accommodation, and makes planning your day so easy.

WANT FURTHER INFORMATION?

If you'd like to download detailed, step-by-step instructions for using Trip Planner, you'll find them **here**.

1. Bollard Trail, Geelong Waterfront



DO IT YOUR WAY

Choose your attractions and accommodation

Our 5-day themed itineraries tempt you with almost endless options for touring, exploring, indulging and staying in beautiful places. But they're just the start of the thrill of Go Beyond Melbourne. Now it's your turn to decide exactly what you want to see and do, and how many days you want to spend travelling.



LET'S GET STARTED!

Start turning the pages and you'll find everything is grouped together to make it really easy to create your perfect short break or holiday. All the attractions, activities and tours come first, colour-coded by region (see opposite page for colour codes). Then all accommodation, also colour coded by region.

So let's say you just wanted to explore the Yarra Valley and the Dandenongs for a few days. You'll find five pages of attractions, all alphabetically ordered. Further on, there's Yarra Valley accommodation.

Make your choices (tip: 2-3 morning attractions and 3-4 afternoon attractions are the maximum we'd recommend), head to the Trip Planner and drop it all in. Easy!

WHAT'S YOUR PASSION?

We've got a whole 5-day itinerary for Wildlife and Adventure, but suppose you want to do a deep dive into aquatic activities for a summer holiday? Turn to Phillip Island, the Mornington Peninsula and Geelong and the Bellarine, where you'll find jetboat tours, coastal cruises, boat trips to a huge seal colony, dolphin and seal swims. Plus gorgeous beaches for swimming and strolling.

Let's say you love wine, but you (or your partner) want to explore the doors that are opening to craft breweries, cideries and distilleries. Every region has excellent vineyards, the Yarra Valley has Australia's most successful gin distillery, and the Mornington Peninsula, Phillip Island and Geelong and the Bellarine will also pour hand-crafted beers, cider, rum, whiskey, gin and vodka.

Would you rather leave your travels in the hands of our expert tour companies? Simple! Choose from wildlife or wine tours, ballooning or 4WD, ocean or airborne adventures in all regions.

When you've selected your activities and accommodation, use the Trip Planner to check proximities and plan itineraries without backtracking.

1. Driving the Back Spur Yarra Valley & Dandenong Ranges
2. The Pinnacles, Cape Woolamai, Phillip Island
3. Bayplay snorkelling with sea dragons, Mornington Peninsula
4. Brisbane Ranges, Geelong & The Bellarine



CHANDON

Established in 1986, Chandon Australia is a premium wine brand with winery operations based in the Yarra Valley, Victoria. Dedicated to creating méthode traditionnelle cool-climate sparkling wines, Chandon crafts wines which are complex, expressive and reflective of their origins.

A visit to the winery home provides the opportunity to experience one of the largest ranges of méthode traditionnelle sparkling wines in the country, along with a dynamic wine tourism offering, including a tasting bar, restaurant, lounge bar, retail boutique and a magnificent view of the surrounding Yarra Ranges.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Winery / Restaurant
Capacity	Restaurant 80 Lounge & Tasting Bar 150
Group facilities	Groups welcome, bookings required
Opening hours	7 days: 11.00am-4.30pm (excluding Christmas Day and Boxing Day)

FEATURES

- Dining in the restaurant & lounge bar
- Picnic experiences available over warmer months (details on website)
- Tasting experiences (private & group)
- Chandon boutique

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CHERRYHILL ORCHARDS

CherryHill Orchards is a third-generation family orchard with a passion for growing the best cherries. Their award-winning tourism experience is one of Australia's most loved cherry-picking destinations, welcoming over 50,000 visitors every summer.

With more than 185 acres of cherry trees across 2 orchards, a farmgate shop offering delicious beverages, cherry gifts and treats including their famous cherry ice-cream, picnic facilities and breathtaking views, it's the perfect day trip for family and friends.

CherryHill Orchards is just one hour's drive from Melbourne. Group packages, exceptional facilities and multi-lingual staff make them the orchard of choice for many international visitors.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Attraction / U-pick Farm
Capacity	No limit
Group facilities	Groups welcome, guided tours for groups of 20+
Opening hours	Daily: 9am-5pm from mid November to early January

FEATURES

- Multi-lingual staff
- Picnic area
- Cherry Bus around the orchard
- Guided tours for groups of 20+

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CLOUDEHILL GARDENS & DIGGERS GARDEN SHOP

Explore one of Australia's finest gardens, discover unusual heirloom plants at the Diggers Garden Shop and dine at the onsite Seasons Restaurant.

At Cloudehill you will uncover 5 acres of stunning garden rooms with flowering borders, magnificent mature trees, unexpected sculpture and garden topiary. This is a must see garden at the top of the Dandenongs, set within woodlands of historic cool climate trees.

Rejuvenate, be inspired and learn from our gardening experts and regular workshops.

The Diggers Club is proud to partner with the internationally renowned Cloudehill Gardens to provide inspiration for garden lovers.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Attraction / Garden
Capacity	No limit
Group facilities	Guided tours, group menu options, coach parking
Opening hours	7 days, 9am to 5pm Closed Good Friday, Christmas Day and Boxing Day

FEATURES

- Seasons at Cloudehill Restaurant
- Diggers Garden Shop and Nursery
- Workshops and special events

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COOMBE YARRA VALLEY

Once the home of the world-famous opera singer Dame Nellie Melba, Coombe Yarra Valley offers both great wine and amazing food, to create a timeless and unique culinary and cultural experience. Set in the grounds of Melba's Estate, the cellar door, restaurant and gallery provide an encapsulating experience for all the senses.

Coombe honours the wonderful life of Dame Nellie Melba through its guided tours of the estate, including the original home and surrounding gardens, as well as the restored motor house and outbuildings.

The timeless elegance of Coombe Yarra Valley provides the perfect setting for a sumptuous lunch, wine tasting, and to celebrate those special moments in life.

VENUE DETAILS

Type	Attraction / Restaurant / Cellar Door
Capacity	150 people
Group facilities	Group wine tasting experiences, estate tours, group dining options
Opening hours	Wed-Sun: 9.30am-5.00pm

FEATURES

- À la carte restaurant seats 150
- Historic buildings and garden setting
- Cellar door with award-winning wines
- Seven acres of historic gardens

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DE BORTOLI YARRA VALLEY ESTATE

Less than an hour's drive from Melbourne, the De Bortoli Yarra Valley Estate is a vibrant, family friendly winery, overlooking the valley's rolling hills. Taste award-winning wines, picnic with a cheese box and wine in the manicured gardens, or indulge in a wine experience by appointment in one of the cellar door's private rooms.

The restaurant 'Locale' is a popular choice for dining, offering warm hospitality, with the philosophy of great wine, food and friends coming together in a magnificent setting. The menu reflects the seasons as distinctly as the views of the vineyards from the restaurant windows. Locale sources the best local produce, their seasonal menu reflecting the De Bortoli family's rich Italian heritage.

VENUE DETAILS

Type	Winery / Restaurant
Capacity	120 guests
Group facilities	Groups welcome, bookings required
Opening hours	Locale restaurant: lunch Thu-Mon from 12pm, dinner Sat from 6pm Cellar door: 7 days, 10am-5pm

FEATURES

- Cellar door with award-winning wines.
- Wine experiences. Locale restaurant featuring Italian-inspired cuisine
- Wheelchair accessibility

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DOMINIQUE PORTET

The Portet family holds possibly an unmatched record in the Australian wine industry. Dominique is the 9th generation in his family to be committed to winemaking, and now with one of his sons Ben Portet now heading the business, the 10th generation of winemaking is celebrated and on show through their award winning wines.

Since arriving in Australia from Bordeaux in 1976, Dominique was at the forefront of the renaissance of the Australian wine industry, firstly at Taltarni Vineyards in Victoria, and then at Clover Hill in Tasmania. In 2000 he founded the Dominique Portet winery, in the Yarra Valley where he has been creating wines in the classic Bordeaux style ever since.

VENUE DETAILS

Type	Winery / Restaurant
Capacity	Restaurant: 70 guests; Garden Terrace: 60 guests
Group facilities	Group tastings, lunch, private wine experiences
Opening hours	Tastings 7 days: 10.30am-5pm. Restaurant: Wed to Sun: 11am-4pm

FEATURES

- Private Wine Experiences
- Hosted Tours available
- French inspired food offering
- Museum Tastings available
- Wheelchair accessibility

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FOUR PILLARS DISTILLERY

Four Pillars Distillery is based in Healesville in the Yarra Valley. Founded in 2013, they've since become one of the most awarded gin distilleries in the world, from being named Distillery of the Year and Brand Innovator of the Year at the 2022 Gin Magazine Awards, to achieving the Green Spirit Initiative Trophy at the 2022 International Wine & Spirits Competition.

The distillery offers everything from gin tastings to delicious gin drinks to small group masterclasses, including a Maker Session where guests can help distil their own gin. Enjoy a G&T paddle with some gin-inspired snacks in the gin garden or try a delicious cocktail in the spectacular copper bar.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Attraction / Gin Distillery
Capacity	250 people
Group facilities	Groups welcome, bookings required
Opening hours	Sun-Thu: 10.30am-5.30pm Fri-Sat: 10.30am-9.00pm

FEATURES

- Tasting Bench, Gin Garden, Bar Area
- Gin masterclasses, workshops, special events – check the website for details
- Indoor / outdoor seating, Pet friendly area (call ahead for availability)

2 Lilydale Road, Healesville VIC 3777
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GLOBAL BALLOONING AUSTRALIA

Start your Yarra Valley day with a sunrise hot air balloon experience with an award-winning company – Global Ballooning Australia. Since 1992, they've shared a sunrise with over 120,000 passengers in 35 balloons and well known for reaching highest standards in safety, innovation and excitement.

This famous Victorian winery region – Yarra Valley is a leisurely 50-minute drive from Melbourne's CBD and has more than 80 vineyards dispersed throughout, which means you'll have plenty to see from the sky-high vantage point of a hot air balloon. Let the breeze usher you along the corridors of grapevines and over the Yarra River as you lose yourself in the breathtaking views of mountains, vineyards and maybe even spot some kangaroos!

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Special Interest Tour
Capacity	Can fly max 150 pax per morning
Group facilities	Groups are welcome, must book in advance
Opening hours	Daily flights

FEATURES

- Approx. 1 hr flight over the Yarra Valley
- Complimentary in-flight photos and a flight certificate
- Optional buffet sparkling breakfast
- Optional CBD return transfers

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HEALESVILLE SANCTUARY

Explore a bushland haven for Australian wildlife just one hour from Melbourne. Wander through tranquil tracks and meet iconic Australian animals including koalas, emus, kangaroos, platypus, dingoes and wombats. The Platypus Discovery, a unique opportunity to experience this beautiful animal.

The Wurundjeri Walk, celebrates the life of Indigenous Elder William Barak. Visit the Australian Wildlife Health Centre to meet our vets and nurses, as they expertly care for native Australian animals.

Ideal for group markets with food options and private guided tours available. Healesville Sanctuary, part of Zoos Victoria, a conservation organisation dedicated to fighting wildlife extinction.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Attraction / Wildlife
Capacity	5,000 people. Limited for encounters
Group facilities	Guided tours, catering options
Opening hours	7 days: 9am-5pm

FEATURES

- Spirits of the Sky presentation
- Platypus Discovery
- Wurundjeri Walk
- Australian Wildlife Health Centre
- Close-up animal encounter option
- Daily keeper talks

Badger Creek Road, Healesville VIC 3777
T: +61 3 9340 2788 E: contact@zoo.org.au W: zoo.org.au/healesville





OLINDA TEA HOUSE

Nestled in the heart of the stunning Dandenong Ranges, the Olinda Tea House is a contemporary Asian fusion restaurant, serving morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea, high tea, Devonshire tea, and dinner.

Olinda Tea House is proudly rated as Number 1 restaurant within the entire Yarra Valley & Dandenong Ranges region on Zomato. With unrivalled ambiance, visitors are delighted to relax and immerse in this stunning secret place in the mountains.

Be welcomed by the friendly alpacas, spot native wildlife and enjoy exploring the delightful gardens. Then unwind in the Olinda Tea House's modern environmentally sustainable restaurant and soak up all the peace and tranquillity nature has to offer!

VENUE DETAILS

Type	Restaurant / Café
Capacity	150 guests
Group facilities	Welcome host service Groups of 25 or more – advance notice essential
Opening hours	Mon, Wed, Thurs: 11am to 9pm; Fri-Sun: 11am-10pm. Closed Tuesdays

FEATURES

- Glorious, tranquil garden surroundings
- Enjoy a friendly alpaca 'welcome'
- Venue for functions, conferences
- Mandarin and Cantonese available

86 Olinda-Monbulk Road, Olinda VIC 3788

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PARADISE VALLEY HOTEL

People flock to Clematis for the well stocked public bar with a range of the best beers available on tap in the region. Others nestle into the award winning, contemporary bistro, whilst the sunseekers grab a drink and a menu before locating a picnic table in the expansive, leafy beer garden that abuts Puffing Billy's meandering track.

Located a short drive from Melbourne, the venue is owner operated with the community, sustainability, and local produce at its core. These values flow onto the warm and attentive staff ensuring a visit here will make you wish 'The Clemo' was your local too.

National winner of 'Service excellence' for Australian Hoteliers Association 2022/23

VENUE DETAILS

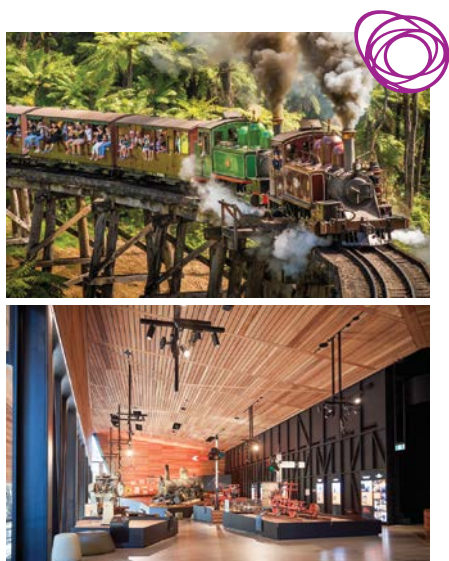
Type	Pub/ Bistro/ Entertainment
Capacity	400 inside; 400 outside
Group facilities	Groups welcome, bookings essential
Opening hours	Daily. Bistro: 12pm-9pm Public bar: 11am until late Closed Christmas Day

FEATURES

- Leafy beer garden; Live music
- Local craft and large breweries on tap
- Views of Puffing Billy as it passes
- Functions of all sizes welcome

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PUFFING BILLY RAILWAY

Ride in open-sided carriages and experience the time-honoured tradition of sitting on the carriage sill over the rolling hills of the Dandenong Ranges, on the original 24km mountain track between Belgrave and Gembrook.

Set in the scenic surrounds of Emerald Lake Park, the new Lakeside Visitor Centre features indoor and outdoor event spaces, local food and wine, and inspiring group experiences. Function spaces can be hired independently or combined with train journeys, including private charter trains, exclusive carriage hire, and onboard dining in enclosed heritage first-class carriages.

Sit back, relax, and bask in the company of loved ones with a ride onboard.

VENUE DETAILS

Type	Attraction
Capacity	Excursion Train: 250 pax; max 28 pax per carriage
Group facilities	Bookings required for groups over 20 people
Opening hours	7 days: 9am to 5pm Closed Christmas Day Pre bookings required.

FEATURES

- 122-year old preserved steam railway
- A choice of journey options to explore including private carriage hire
- Pre-purchase a grazing box to enjoy

Start your journey from 1 Old Monbulk Road, Belgrave VIC 3160 OR Lakeside Station

– Emerald Lake Road, Emerald VIC 3782 T: +61 3 9757 0700 E: info@pbr.org.au W: puffingbilly.com.au





RAYNER'S U-PICK ORCHARD

Rayner's Orchard is a family run, boutique orchard in the Yarra Valley that grows over 450 varieties of fruit including many varieties of stone fruit, tamarillo, persimmon, feijoa, kiwi and citrus and more.

Enjoy the best tree ripened seasonal fruit. This orchard is unique in that it is the only farm in the Yarra Valley to have fruit all year. Tractor fruit tasting tours run everyday. U-pick is available on fruit tasting tours.

The Peach Café serves traditional farm-style meals. Visit the farm shop for a huge range of fruit-based products.

Fruit Bottling Workshops daily (bookings essential). Function room available for group hire by arrangement.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Attraction / U-Pick Fruit
Capacity	Tours: 150 guests per hour
Group facilities	Bookings essential for group Tractor Fruit Tasting Tours
Opening hours	Mon to Fri: 10am-4pm

FEATURES

- Over 450 varieties of fruit grown
- Tractor fruit tasting adventure tours
- Picnic shelter seats 50
- Fruit bottling workshops
- U-pick fruit every day of the year

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RE'EM YARRA VALLEY

Re'em is a 16 room luxury boutique hotel and restaurant located on the Helen & Joey Yarra Valley vineyard and farm. Offering a unique combination of contemporary hospitality and event facilities, gardens and farm experiences, as well as winery experiences, tastings and wine sales. Re'em is opening November 2023. Re'em restaurant will offer a contemporary fine dining experience drawing on the local regional produce for which the Yarra Valley is so famous. The menu will have diverse offering, from wine and cheese pairings, single course plated meals, to full multi-course sharing banquets.

The Helen & Joey Cellar Door (Currently open 7 days / 10am-5pm) offers a wide range of wine styles, with tasting and winery experiences suited to individuals, tour groups and business events alike.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Winery, Cellar door, Restaurant
Capacity	Restaurant 100 Cellar Door 80
Group facilities	Wine and winery group activities
Opening hours	7 days: Lunch and dinner Cellar door: 10am-5pm

FEATURES

- Contemporary full-service restaurant
- Helen & Joey winery cellar door
- Boutique luxury accommodation
- Events and winery experiences
- Outdoor facilities, gardens, lake and views

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ROCHFORD WINES

Rochford... captivate the senses

Rochford Wines has a versatile indoor / outdoor winery that can cater for anything from group bookings to gala dinners or incentive groups.

The winery is renowned for staging innovative events and features a restaurant, terrace and cellar door, retail shop, wine club and expansive natural amphitheatre and observation tower. The restaurant itself is a large, light filled space with spectacular views. The courtyard is a shaded and relaxed outdoor space – great for a group wine tasting.

For incentive and team-building activities, choose from wine blending, wine games, grape stomping and much more.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Winery / Restaurant
Capacity	Up to 7,000 people
Group facilities	Group activities, dining options available, bookings essential
Opening hours	7 days: 9am-5pm, or by appointment

FEATURES

- Two restaurants, cellar door, gift shop
- Special events venue
- Wine blending
- Grape stomping
- Incentives

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TESSELAAR TULIP FESTIVAL

One of Victoria's most iconic tourist attractions. Set on a 25 acre working farm in the picturesque Dandenong Ranges, the festival offers a breathtaking view of over a million spring flowers in bloom. The fields burst into colour each September and include over 100 different varieties of tulips.

Visitors can enjoy live entertainment daily, fairy garden, tractor rides, souvenir stalls, treasure hunt, delicious foods and more.

Be immersed in Dutch culture with clog dancing performances and workshops, cheese market simulation, staff in traditional Dutch costumes, clog shop, Dutch food and windmills.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Attraction / Garden Event
Capacity	No maximum capacity
Group facilities	Guided tours, group rates
Opening hours	Mid-September to mid-October: 10am-5pm daily, check website for specific dates

FEATURES

- 65 year history
- Focus on Dutch culture
- Millions of flowers in bloom in Spring
- Working farm with plenty of photo opportunities and tractor-led train ride

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WARRATINA LAVENDER FARM

In 1991, Warratina was just a small hobby farm. Now, the farm is home to over 10,000 lavender plants spread amongst 10 acres of beautiful farmland. Peak season runs from November until the end of January however lavender is available to view year round.

Experience the tranquil surroundings and breathe in the fragrances of lavender. Stand amongst the lavender against the backdrop of the Yarra Ranges. When visiting, learn about the different varieties and uses of lavender, the plants' life cycle, and how and when Warratina harvest and dry the flowers.

Explore the lavender fields and homestead garden, enjoy a delicious lavender tea or lavender ice-cream, try a lavender scone at the lavender tea room and visit the gift shop.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Attraction / Garden
Capacity	100 people
Group facilities	Guided tours, dining
Opening hours	Tea House & Lavender Shop: 10am-4pm. Closed Mon and Tues. Check website for public holiday opening times.

FEATURES

- Year-round lavender on show.
- Tea rooms, gift shop selling lavender products
- Fabulous photo opportunities

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YARRA VALLEY CHOCOLATERIE & ICE CREAMERY

A destination for chocolate lovers of all ages.

Entry is free to the spectacular Chocolaterie set on 40 acres of landscaped gardens and grounds with picturesque Valley views.

Enjoy abundant free chocolate tastings, watch European Chocolatiers handcraft 350 different chocolate products and be amazed at our stunning showroom choc-filled with thousands of couverture chocolate delights.

Indulge in a delicious selection of house-made ice creams or relax in the all-day 300 seat Café serving breakfast, lunch and specialising in decadent sweet treats.

There is always seasonal fun and festivals happening here and a wide range of chocolate tasting and making sessions.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Attraction / Restaurant
Capacity	500 guests
Group facilities	Free Entry. Private rooms for booked workshops
Opening hours	Daily: 9am to 5pm

FEATURES

- 2000m² Chocolaterie with all production in view
- 40 acres of grounds, stunning views
- Free Entry and tastings
- 300 seat all day café.
- Hosted chocolate tasting and making workshops

35 Old Healesville Road, Yarra Glen VIC 3775
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YARRA VALLEY DAIRY

Yarra Valley Dairy is situated on a family-owned dairy farm right in the middle of the rolling hills of the luscious Yarra Valley.

Since 1996, when the first cheese was made, Yarra Valley Dairy have been producing award-winning, fresh, soft cheeses, made in styles reminiscent of the farmhouse cheeses of France and Italy, crafting a unique range inspired by this generous region.

Take in the stunning views of the Yarra Valley whilst enjoying a platter of these extraordinary, handmade cheeses with a glass of local small-batch wine.

Experience a cheese tasting of wonderful produce with one of the knowledgeable staff, all in the surrounds of their beautifully refurbished 130 year old milking shed.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Farmgate produce
Capacity	50
Group facilities	Cheese tastings, light meals
Opening hours	Daily: 10.30am-5pm

FEATURES

- Original Yarra Valley farm property
- Café seats 50
- Cheese tastings and sales of award winning, iconic cheeses
- Local wines and produce
- Stunning views of the Yarra Valley

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A MAZE'N THINGS

No visit to Phillip Island is complete without a trip to A Maze'N Things. This exciting world of optical illusions, mazes, puzzles and magic will astound, intrigue and confuse for hours.

In Puzzle Island you will experience world-first activities that will have you laughing or scratching your head in disbelief.

Magic Manor has amazing interactive magic displays, astounding illusions, a disappearing room, a time machine and lots more.

SkyTrail provides a great high ropes adventure and outdoor family fun.

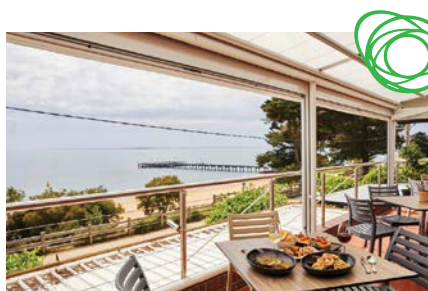
This truly unique, exciting and wonderful place is open 7 days. Don't forget to visit Parky's Lollies & Gelato! You won't be disappointed.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Attraction / Adventure
Capacity	300 people
Group facilities	Group tour options
Opening hours	7 days: 9am-5pm

FEATURES

- School and corporate groups
- Puzzle Island and Illusion Rooms
- Magic Manor
- Giant 3D Maze and Mini Golf
- SkyTrail High Ropes Course
- Specialty gift shop and café
- Parky's Lollies & Gelato
- Open 7 days a week

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BEACH HQ RESTAURANT & BAR

An expansive terrace that provides unsurpassed water views over the Cowes foreshore beach, Westernport Bay, French Island and the Mornington Peninsula.

The team at Beach HQ, use local produce wherever possible. The menu offers something for everyone, seafood dishes, local Gippsland Beef or traditional Australian style dishes, along with vegan, vegetarian and gluten free offerings. Group menus are available by request.

Choose from their extensive range of Phillip Island / Gippsland wines as well as varietals from some of Australia's leading wine regions. For the beer lovers, the island's best range of local ales are on tap and also available by bottle or can.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Restaurant /Bar
Capacity	160 guests
Group facilities	Groups welcome Group menus available
Opening hours	Mon-Tues: on request Wed-Thurs: 4.30pm-late Fri-Sun: 7.30am-3.00pm 4.30pm-Late

FEATURES

- Spectacular water views
- Contemporary European and Australian cuisine, local produce
- Features local Gippsland / Phillip Island wines and local handcrafted ales

5/17 The Esplanade, Cowes, Phillip Island VIC 3922
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KOALA CONSERVATION RESERVE

Get close to wild koalas in their natural habitat in one of Phillip Island's last remnant woodland reserves at the Koala Conservation Reserve, home to 17 koalas boasting two elevated treetop boardwalks which allow visitors an up-close viewing.

You may also spot other Australian wildlife throughout the bushland – swamp wallabies, brushtail and ringtail possums, echidnas and over 150 species of birds.

Learn the history of koala conservation on Phillip Island in the interactive museum and exhibition space.

Phillip Island Nature Parks is a self-funded organisation. Revenue generated through ecotourism activities is invested into vital conservation, research and education.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Attraction / Wildlife
Capacity	Unlimited
Group facilities	Group catering, private tours, educational programs, function areas
Opening hours	10am-5.30pm. Opening times vary, check website

FEATURES

- Meet the Island's local wildlife
- Walk alongside koalas on treetop boardwalks
- Café, visitor centre, gift shop
- Accessible facilities and parking

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MOONLIT SANCTUARY WILDLIFE CONSERVATION PARK

Fantastic opportunities to get close to Australian native animals at this award-winning wildlife conservation park.

Explore 10 hectares of bushland, meeting endangered species, feeding kangaroos and wallabies, petting koalas and enjoying hands-on encounters with friendly birds, wombats, pythons and dingoes. Moonlit Sanctuary is home to over 70 Australian species. Find out about endangered species or enjoy a magical evening wildlife tour.

During the day, visitors can enjoy nine different keeper presentations as well as a daily wildlife show. At night, Moonlit Sanctuary comes alive in a remarkable way, with world-famous lantern-lit tours. Evening tours must be booked.

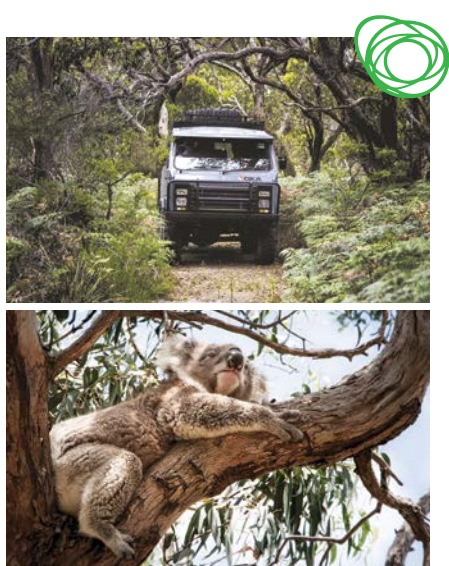
VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Wildlife Park / Tours
Capacity	No limit, some restrictions on encounters
Group facilities	Guided & evening tours, education programs
Opening hours	Daily Closed Christmas Day

FEATURES

- En route to Phillip Island
- Eco-Tourism Association Eco-accredited
- Feed a kangaroo, pet a koala, play with a dingo, hold an owl or a python
- Enjoy a behind-the-scenes tour
- Light meals and refreshments, gift shop

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NATURALISTE TOURS

Discover French Island, a pristine, off the grid, eco destination, located just one hour from Melbourne and a short ferry ride from Phillip Island or the Mornington Peninsula.

Perfect for nature lovers and visitors looking for that 'yet to be discovered' gem. Travel by 4WD through National Park and forests, stop for wildlife encounters including koalas, echidna and birds of prey.

Venture off road to hidden spots exclusive only to Naturaliste Tours. Stop at a farm, winery or providore and meet the locals. Experienced guides will share the stories of then and now, with a sense of fun and adventure!

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Special Interest Tour
Capacity	11 passengers
Group facilities	Small groups welcome, private tours can be tailor-made
Opening hours	Tour days / times vary from each departure point. Closed Christmas Day and Boxing Day

FEATURES

- Small, private touring
- Unspoilt wilderness, amazing wildlife
- Knowledgeable guides

10 Tankerton Road, French Island VIC 3921

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OCEAN ADVENTURES PHILLIP ISLAND

Tour Cape Woolamai with Ocean Adventures. Select an adrenalin-filled adventure aboard 'The Drift' jetboat or an action-packed private experience on 'The Thundercat', a passenger-carrying racing boat. Opt to see Cape Woolamai from below the ocean surface on either the Guided Sea Scooter Snorkel Tour or PADI Discover Scuba Program. Visit dramatic dive sites teeming with aquatic life.

Tours take in pristine Bergens beach and Cape Woolamai's iconic granite sea caves and cliffs – only accessible by boat! Spot fur seals, dolphins, rays and occasionally a southern right whale passing by.

Specialising in a range of group activities as well as private tours, Ocean Adventures can customise tours and adventure experiences.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Adventure Tours
Capacity	Groups: 14 pax per tour Private tour: min 2 pax
Group facilities	Larger group sizes catered for too
Opening hours	Daily tours: Oct-May Tours by confirmed booking only: Jun-Sept

FEATURES

- Unique vessels for adventure based wildlife and historical sightseeing tours
- Private, corporate and special event customised tours available
- Highly experienced, qualified guides

Departing San Remo Jetty, Marine Parade, San Remo VIC 3925
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PHILLIP ISLAND CHOCOLATE FACTORY

Observe the chocolate factory in action! See the entire production facility in full view with Panny's team creating chocolates non-stop.

Phillip Island Chocolate Factory is much more than just a 'factory'. There is a café, a retail store and a unique tourist attraction – Panny's Amazing World of Chocolate. This is a fascinating, interactive and educational celebration of all things chocolate.

Visitors move through a series of display spaces, each dedicated to a facet of chocolate, where they are invited to get 'hands on' in the process. Chocolate in history, chocolate in advertising, chocolate in art and chocolate in play are all explored in this unique and wondrous world.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Attraction
Capacity	150 guests
Group facilities	Self-guided tour, retail shop, dining, off-peak guided tours
Opening hours	Daily: 9.30am-5.30pm

FEATURES

- Interactive play machines, hands-on experience, self-guided tour
- Complimentary offer on arrival of one of Panny's 'secret recipe' white truffles – a delicious introduction to Panny's skills as a chocolatier
- Café, chocolate shop, restaurant

930 Phillip Island Road, Newhaven, Phillip Island VIC 3925
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PHILLIP ISLAND GRAND PRIX CIRCUIT

The Phillip Island Grand Prix Circuit is home to the world's leading motorsport series including the Australian Motorcycle Grand Prix and the Superbike World Championship, as well as various Australian series.

The internationally acclaimed Circuit also offers a variety of activities: Go Karting on the 750m replica Grand Prix Circuit, History of Motorsport Display with a superb collection of 25 Grand Prix Aprilia and Cagiva motorcycles. Follow in the footsteps of motor racing champions on a Guided Circuit Tour with access to restricted areas.

The Champions Café offers a café style menu and comfortable indoor and outdoor seating.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Attraction
Capacity	Large
Group facilities	Go Karts, Guided Circuit Tours
Opening hours	7 days. Visit website for details

FEATURES

- World-renowned venue home to MotoGP and World Superbikes
- Go Karts – Single and Tandem
- Guided Circuit Tours
- History of Motorsport Display
- Champions Café

Back Beach Road, Cowes, Phillip Island VIC 3922
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PHILLIP ISLAND HELICOPTERS

Magnificent views... stunning coastline... famous landmarks... just a few of the amazing visuals Phillip Island Helicopters passengers experience daily.

Cruising in comfort above one of Australia's most popular holiday destinations, a scenic helicopter flight over Phillip Island is an unforgettable experience. For visitors this is the ultimate way to see what the island has to offer with any one of our many flight options.

Seal Rocks, Cape Woolamai, Churchill Island, the Phillip Island Grand Prix Circuit and Summerland Bay, the home of the Penguin Parade, are some of the many sights that make Phillip Island a perfect destination for helicopter scenic tours.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Special Interest Tour
Capacity	24 passengers per hour
Group facilities	Groups of all sizes welcome, various tours
Opening hours	7 days: 10am-5pm Closed Christmas Day

FEATURES

- Scenic joy flights, corporate charters and heli experience packages
- Experienced pilots with expert local knowledge commentary
- Spectacular views
- Excellent photographic opportunities

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PHILLIP ISLAND NATURE PARKS – ANTARCTIC JOURNEY

Immerse yourself in the hands-on family fun and interactive experiences in the Antarctic Journey at the Nobbies Centre. 'Feel the freeze' in the Antarctic Chill Zone, compare your thermal image to an Emperor Penguin, visit the Research Station, or check out the sustainable menu in the virtual café.

Dive into the depths of the Southern Ocean and immerse yourself in the breathtakingly cinematic audio-visual experience – a journey via several giant screens where you will discover curious seals, playful Antarctic penguins and more.

Phillip Island Nature Parks is a self-funded organisation. Revenue generated through ecotourism activities is invested into vital conservation, research, and education.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Attraction
Capacity	No limit
Group facilities	Group catering, private tours, educational programs, function areas
Opening hours	Daily: 10am-5.30pm (last entry 5pm). Opening times vary, check website

FEATURES

- Partnership with WWF Australia
- Immersive multimedia experience
- Clifftop boardwalks at the Nobbies
- Licensed café, visitor centre, gift shop

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PHILLIP ISLAND NATURE PARKS – CHURCHILL ISLAND

Wander through the beautiful gardens and historic buildings set against the stunning backdrop of Western Port Bay at Churchill Island.

Get involved in the daily farm activities of blacksmithing, milking, sheep shearing, whip cracking and working dog demonstration.

Watch out for clues of Churchill Island's newest night-time wanderer. Since their introduction in 2015, the Eastern barred bandicoot has been reclassified from Extinct in the Wild to Endangered, with the help of the Nature Parks Conservation Team. Phillip Island Nature Parks is a self-funded organisation. Revenue generated through ecotourism activities is invested into vital conservation, research, and education.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Attraction / History
Capacity	Unlimited
Group facilities	Group catering, private tours, educational programs, function areas
Opening hours	Mon-Fri: 10am-4.30pm. Last entry 4pm. Opening times vary, check website

FEATURES

- Daily hands on farm activities
- Heritage listed homestead
- Café, visitor centre, gift shop
- Accessible facilities and parking

246 Samuel Amess Drive, Churchill Island, Newhaven VIC 3925
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PHILLIP ISLAND NATURE PARKS – PENGUIN PARADE

Watch Little Penguins waddle home every night at Phillip Island's Penguin Parade – one of nature's true spectacles.

Choose from beach-front General Viewing stands, premium areas including Penguins Plus or Underground Viewing, and a range of intimate fully accredited eco tours.

Phillip Island Nature Parks is an advanced ecotourism destination located on Phillip Island – home to an estimated 40,000 Little Penguins – one of the largest colonies in Australia.

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VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Attraction / Wildlife
Capacity	General Viewing: 2100 Penguins Plus: 228 Underground Viewing: 60
Group facilities	Group catering, private tours, educational programs, function areas
Opening hours	Visitor Centre opens at 5pm (4pm in Winter)

FEATURES

- Authentic ecotourism experience
- Many different viewing options
- Eco-certified Advanced Ecotourism
- Knowledgeable, committed rangers

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PHILLIP ISLAND WINERY

Five minutes from the Penguin Parade and set on the south coast of Phillip Island, this inviting property is open five days a week for lunches and afternoon grazing options and holds regular weekend music events.

Phillip Island Winery is an authentic Australian winery in a rural setting offering wonderful local produce.

The grounds are stunning yet simple, offering expansive lawns, rolling rural views and glimpses of the glittering turquoise water of Bass Strait. The cellar door offers wine tasting and retail wine sales.

Wander through 'The Yards' and shop a carefully curated selection of giftware and providore items to take home with you.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Winery
Capacity	180
Group facilities	All inclusive tour, function and wedding packages
Opening hours	Wednesday to Sunday: 11.30am to 5.30pm

FEATURES

- Country and ocean views
- Cellar door wine tasting
- Flexible opening times for groups and incentives
- Rustic venue with several unique dining areas to choose from

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RUSTY WATER BREWERY RESTAURANT & BAR

Step into a world of hand-crafted ales, beer and wine sampling and fine food! Rusty Water Brewery Restaurant & Bar is home to Phillip Island Brewing Co.

A hand-crafted beer is not like your standard lager. Unique flavours are created with the use of specialty malts, yeasts, hops and the addition of things like oak, orange, vanilla and spices.

Our beer is small batch hand-crafted so visitors will experience colour, aroma and flavours of the highest quality on tasting.

Try all of our ales from a current range on tap and watch for our new specials then enjoy them matched with our great food and hospitality.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Brewery / Restaurant
Capacity	160 guests
Group facilities	Groups welcome
Opening hours	Mon, Tues: by arrangement. Wed-Thur: 4.30pm-late Fri-Sun: 11.30am until late

FEATURES

- Home to Phillip Island Brewing Co.
- Boutique specialty and seasonal ales on tap, Contemporary European and Australian cuisine
- Rustic bush setting, 5 minutes from Cowes

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THE NOBBIES

Overlooking the Bass Strait, the Nobbies area boasts spectacular clifftop views of Phillip Island's rugged coastline and beyond.

Explore the winding boardwalks (500m in length) and see the explosive blowhole in action.

Gaze out to the Nobbies rock formations and beyond to Seal Rocks, home of Australia's largest fur seal colony. You may even spot a migrating whale in the right season.

Look out over the Bass Strait while enjoying sustainably caught, MSC certified seafood, or opting for a burger, fresh salad, cake or ice cream at The Nobbies Centre café.

VENUE DETAILS

Type	Walk. Café
Opening hours	Seasonal hours. Opening times are subject to change. Check www.penguins.org.au for hours

FEATURES

- Stunning views along the Southern coastline of Phillip Island
- See the blow hole in action
- Gaze out to seal rocks – Home to one of Australia's largest fur seal colonies
- Enjoy sustainable fish n chips with a view
- Café, restaurant

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THE WESTERNPORT HOTEL

En route from Melbourne to the Phillip Island Penguin Parade, The Westernport Hotel in San Remo is the perfect venue for a meal before or after viewing the island's famous penguins.

Open seven days a week for lunch and dinner, The Westernport is an authentic Australian bistro experience and offers a range of budget to premium tour menus including local meats and seafood.

With a 200-seat bistro, The Westernport Hotel offers exceptional service, delicious and varied meal options, a fantastic selection of local and interstate wines, and the coldest range of beer in town.

VENUE DETAILS

Type	Restaurant / Bistro
Capacity	200
Group facilities	Budget to premium level tour menu packages
Opening hours	7 days: 11.30am-late

FEATURES

- Stunning outlook over the San Remo bridge and jetty
- Just 20 minutes to the Penguin Parade
- Walking distance to shops and daily pelican feeding
- Unique menus

161 Marine Parade, San Remo VIC 3925
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WILDLIFE COAST CRUISES

Discover Phillip Island and Wilsons Promontory with incredible coastal voyages. Eco-credited tours highlight these beautiful coastlines and include encounters with marine life such as seals, whales, and dolphins. Choose from a selection of boat tours whether it be migrating whales, visiting thousands of fur seals, relaxing on a sunset cruise, or immersing yourself in awe-inspiring scenery at Wilsons Promontory.

Wildlife Coast Cruises' modern 20-metre catamarans let guests cruise with comfort and ease, accompanied by their crew of knowledgeable and passionate naturalists to help guests develop a greater appreciation for marine life and environment. A fantastic opportunity to explore these exceptional areas.

VENUE DETAILS

Type	Special Interest Tour
Capacity	70 people
Group facilities	Group prices for groups 20 or more on scheduled cruises. Private charter tour also available.
Opening hours	7 days a week

FEATURES

- Wildlife boat tours discovering seals, dolphins and whales (winter and spring)
- Short cape cruise and sunset cruise, half day and full day tours
- Group tours, functions and private charter

Jetty Rotunda, The Esplanade, Cowes, Phillip Island VIC 3922
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ALBA THERMAL SPRINGS & SPA

Alba Thermal Springs and Spa is a world class luxury wellness sanctuary located on the Mornington Peninsula.

Positioned in beautiful, landscaped gardens, Alba offers contemporary geo-thermal bathing including a rain pool, forest pools, a sunset pool, and private pools on the rooftop and The Terrace. Luxurious full day self-care packages, half day rituals and treatments are available in the spa.

Alba's restaurant, Thyme, showcases locally sourced, seasonal produce with a menu designed by award winning chef Karen Martini. Luxury villa accommodation will be available from late 2023.

VENUE DETAILS

Type	Thermal Springs & Spa
Capacity	400 guests
Group experiences	Bathing, private bathing, dining, small group experiences in the spa
Opening hours	Daily: 7.00am to 10.00pm

FEATURES

- Tranquil bathing experiences
- Private pools including rooftop salt baths
- Luxurious spa treatments, rituals and packages
- All day dining at Thyme

282 Brown Road, Fingal VIC 3939

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ARTHURS SEAT EAGLE

Board a state-of-the-art gondola at the Arthurs Seat Eagle and fly over the state forest to the highest point of the beautiful Mornington Peninsula where the views will take your breath away. You will be torn between looking at the amazing view across the bay to the city or over the peninsula, and spotting the wildlife, as you soar high above the trees.

Enjoy this experience all year round with a choice of both open or closed gondolas and take in the different views throughout the seasons.

Take time while visiting to grab a snack or enjoy a meal in the Eagle Café, or explore one of the many walking trails through the Arthurs Seat State Park.

VENUE DETAILS

Type	Attraction
Capacity	34 gondolas, 272 guests
Group facilities	Advance bookings required, coach parking, group lunch options too
Opening hours	7 days, open from 10am Closed Christmas Day

FEATURES

- Amazing views of the bay to the city
- State-of-the-art all weather gondola
- Highly accessible experience for people of all abilities
- Eagle Café for lunch or coffee

Arthurs Seat Road, Arthurs Seat VIC 3936

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CHIEF'S SON DISTILLERY

One of Australia's largest family owned and operated, independent single malt whisky distilleries. **Winner:** Australia's Best Single Malt Single Cask No Age Statement category. Chief's Son whiskies are truly hand crafted using the very best of artisan ingredients, small batch processes, hand selected barrels and a totally manual system.

The Tasting Room / Distillery Door overlooks the working distillery floor and is the perfect place to learn about some of the finest, premium single malt whiskies being made today. Sample whiskies and learn the incredible story behind Chief's Son Distillery.

Exclusive tours with the distiller can be arranged to enter the distillery floor, still platform and sample directly from barrel.

VENUE DETAILS

Type	Whisky Distillery
Capacity	30 guests
Group facilities	Guided tour (bookings essential); Whisky tasting
Opening hours	Mon-Fri: 10am-4pm Sat: 11am-4pm

FEATURES

- Exclusive barrel area tasting
- Single malt whisky tasting experience
- Purchase directly from the distillery
- Hand crafted single malt whisky
- Meet the distiller

25/50 Guelph Street, Somerville VIC 3912

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CRITTENDEN ESTATE WINE CENTRE

Crittenden Estate is one of the oldest family owned and operated wineries on the Mornington Peninsula. Established in 1982, the family is passionate about creating quality cool climate wines that represent the region. Rollo Crittenden, second generation winemaker, credits the quality of the Crittenden wines with the sustainable management of the vineyard that has been imperative in their processes for the last 15 years, vastly improving the quality of the soil, fruit and wine.

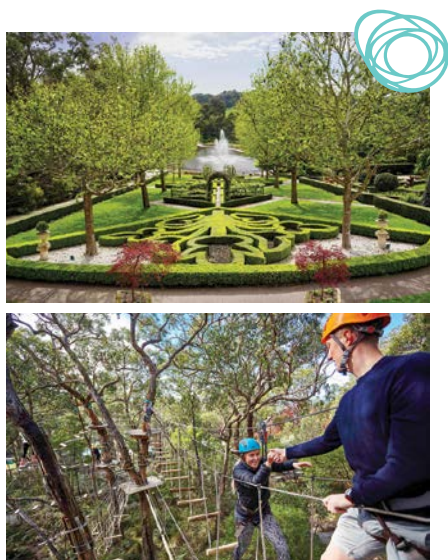
The recently renovated Crittenden Wine Centre overlooks the property's lake and vineyards. The venue provides an innovative way of tasting that enables guests to explore the Crittenden's wide range of wines that are crafted onsite.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Winery
Capacity	30 guests
Group facilities	Groups up to 6 people. Bookings essential
Opening hours	Daily 10.30 to 4.30pm Closed Christmas Day, Boxing Day, Good Friday

FEATURES

- Award-winning wine cellar door
- Seated wine tasting experience
- Wide range of wines to taste and purchase
- Ambient surrounds overlooking lake

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ENCHANTED ADVENTURE – THE HOME OF TREE SURFING

Immerse yourself in an outdoor experience like no other at Enchanted Adventure, where there is fun and enjoyment for all ages.

This award-winning attraction in Arthurs Seat boasts stunning artistic gardens and several magical mazes to explore. Take in the breathtaking views from the Canopy Walk, suspended between trees or experience the thrills of the giant Tube Slides as you race down the hill!

For thrill seekers, there is the famous Tree Surfing activity – a physical challenge in the tree tops!

Be sure to visit the awesome attraction, the 'Sky Scramble', an aerial playground high in the trees for children under 135cm.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Attraction / Adventure
Capacity	No maximum capacity
Group facilities	Group activity options e.g. team building
Opening hours	Every day of the year from 9am to 5pm Closed Christmas Day

FEATURES

- 20 themed gardens
- Extensive sculpture collection in the park
- Tree Surfing, Tube Slides, Canopy Walk and Mazes

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EXPLORE AUSTRALIA TOURS

Enjoy high quality experiences whilst discovering the hidden gems of regional Victoria. Explore Australia tours have been designed to 'Live like a Local', incorporating boutique wineries, breweries, off the beaten track locations and unique Australian wildlife.

Their 'Food & Wine' and 'Sightseeing' tours offer experiences that allow travellers to visit unrivalled places whilst treading the path less followed. Tour options include: the Bellarine and Mornington Peninsulas, French Island plus Penguin Parade as well as 'Around the Bay in a Day'.

Features small group experiences aboard deluxe mini coach with local guides who are personable and great storytellers.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Tours / Transport
Capacity	Deluxe 11 to 21-seater
Group facilities	Small groups welcome Private tours tailor-made
Opening hours	Tour days/times vary for each departure.

FEATURES

- Small group day tours from Melbourne, Geelong and Mornington Peninsula
- New optional inclusions: Q Train, Dolphins sightsee tour, Puffing Billy Steam & Cuisine luncheon
- Optional overnight packages

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GRAPE EXPLORATIONS AUSTRALIA

Relaxed, casual and sophisticated private group wine region tours of the Mornington Peninsula, Yarra Valley and surrounds. Grape Explorations takes guests to some of the most beautiful, boutique and often family-run vineyards, cellar doors and artisan producers in select regions, all in their luxury fleet of Mercedes-Benz vehicles.

Meet winemakers on their 'Hidden Gems' wine tour, artisan producers of cider, cheese, beer and spirits on bespoke tours and take in the incredible scenery and local spirit of these amazing regions.

Grape Explorations Australia can pick up from any one location including Mornington Peninsula, Melbourne's CBD and Station Pier.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Special Interest Tour
Capacity	11 guests per tour Larger tours on request
Group facilities	Groups welcome Tailored tours on request
Opening hours	7 days. Closed Christmas Day and Boxing Day

FEATURES

- Travel in style and luxury
- Meet with winemakers
- Exclusive barrel room and cellar tastings available
- Fun and educational experience

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GREEN OLIVE AT RED HILL

Green Olive at Red Hill, winery and olive grove, is a whole farm experience. They grow olives, grapes, herbs, veggies, hops and bush food as well as raise sheep and chooks to create a range of food and wine you'll love! This picturesque 27 acre farm offers stunning views across the vineyard and kitchen garden. Farm the good life!

Green Olive at Red Hill offers a range of food and wine experiences. They provide food and wine lunch packages, picnic lunches to enjoy in the olive grove or beside the lake, sustainable farm tours to explore paddock to plate food and corporate team building activities.

Picnic experiences can be tailored to couples, families and larger groups.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Attraction / Restaurant
Capacity	Dining: max 170 people Farm tours: max 200
Group facilities	Special group options available
Opening hours	Thurs-Mon: 9am to 5pm Closed: Tuesday and Wednesday

FEATURES

- Award-winning tourism business
- Olive grove, vineyard
- All day food and wine
- Farm tours, farm animals

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JIMMYRUM DISTILLERY & BAR

JimmyRum is a craft rum and cane spirit distillery with an audacious goal to change the way Australians think about rum. Uncomplicated, unpretentious and unruly, they're putting together rums that are distinctive and downright delicious.

This outstanding range of rums and cane spirits are handcrafted in the Mornington Peninsula distillery, in a unique locale surrounded by many other artisanal producers.

Distillery guests can enjoy a unique behind the scenes tasting tour, hands-on half and full day distilling experiences or simply relax in the distillery cocktail bar and rum garden enjoying JimmyRum's full rum cocktail range, local beers, spirits or wines and tapas style food.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Distillery and Bar
Capacity	120
Group facilities	Distilling experiences, tours, masterclasses
Opening hours	Bar: Thur- Fri 12-9pm; Sat 12-10pm, Sun 12-7pm Tastings/Sales: 10am-5pm daily

FEATURES

- First dedicated Victoria craft rum distillery. Award-winning spirits
- See how rums are fermented, distilled and bottled on-site
- Relaxed cocktail bar and rum garden

6 Brasser Avenue, Dromana VIC 3936

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MAX'S RESTAURANT AT RED HILL ESTATE

Established in 1994, highly awarded and positioned to capture the extraordinary vineyard and coastal views, Max's Restaurant is a Peninsula experience not to be missed. The friendly team deliver local, seasonal produce with a modern twist and professional service.

Located at Red Hill Estate, the glass-walled restaurant provides optimal scenic views over the vineyard and across Western Port Bay to Phillip Island.

Max's offers a modern Australian menu, utilising the finest local produce and incorporating Max's own range of produce including 100% Mornington Peninsula Extra Virgin Olive Oil, Morello Cherry Balsamic Vinegar and house made dukkah.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Winery / Restaurant
Capacity	80
Group facilities	Group menus, group wine tasting, advance bookings
Opening hours	Lunch: Wed-Sunday Dinner: Friday and Saturday evenings

FEATURES

- Stunning views
- Fabulous food and wine
- Friendly, professional service
- Cellar door wine tasting

53 Shoreham Road, Red Hill South VIC 3937

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MONTALTO

Montalto is a place where you can celebrate life, and enjoy a moment out of the ordinary.

Owned by the Mitchell family since 1999, Montalto is where seasonal, heirloom produce is grown, shared and celebrated. Montalto's home estate of 30 acres under vine is the primary source for their premium wines, and the expansive kitchen gardens and orchards supply their kitchens in The Restaurant and The Piazza.

Montalto's award-winning winemaking team, led by Simon Black, create wines of exemplary quality and character, in a style that reflects each vineyard site. Perfect to drink now, or to cellar, Montalto wines are to savour.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Winery / Restaurant/ Cellar Door
Capacity	80 (Restaurant)
Group facilities	Wine tastings and experiences, picnics, functions and weddings
Opening hours	11am to 5pm, 7 days

FEATURES

- Hatted Restaurant
- Iconic Piazza
- Award-winning wines
- Seated wine tastings
- Free sculpture trail

33 Shoreham Road, Red Hill South VIC 3937

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MOONLIT WILDLIFE SANCTUARY NIGHT TOURS

At night, Moonlit Sanctuary comes alive! On this unique wildlife safari visitors meet amazing animals in an intimate tour led by a passionate and knowledgeable guide.

Hand-held lanterns guide the way through the bush and wetlands of the park as friendly free-roaming kangaroos hop over to be hand-fed and super-cute gliders take nectar from visitor's hands. The tour also has opportunities to get up close to pythons, potoroos, wallabies, endangered quolls, pademelons and many other animals in their natural nocturnal environment.

- Tours take 1 1/2 hours to complete and begin at twilight. Bookings essential.
- Endless occasions for amazing photos with wildlife

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Wildlife Park Tour
Capacity	Each tour is limited to 16 participants
Group facilities	Group dining can be arranged
Opening hours	Night tours begin between 7pm & 8.30pm

FEATURES

- Eco-tourism accredited
- Get close to wildlife
- Lantern-lit wildlife tour
- City transfers available
- Private night tours available

550 Tyabb-Tooradin Road, Pearcedale VIC 3912

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MOONRAKER DOLPHIN SWIMS

Join the award-winning Moonraker team and experience the very best of Victoria's aquatic wildlife. Snorkel with dolphins, swim alongside friendly fur seals, explore underwater marine parks filled with colourful fish and join the search for weedy sea dragons.

Moonraker offers a range of swimming and sightseeing options as well as luxury private tours. Experience this amazing natural environment on a low impact luxury, eco-friendly cruise. Choose between half day swimming and sightseeing tours or take off on a 1.5 hour wildlife adventure tour.

These spectacular adventures are suited to all ages and experience levels providing the chance to view some of Australia's marine animals in their wild natural habitat.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Special Interest Tours
Capacity	80 guests
Group facilities	Group prices for 15 or more on scheduled cruises, private charter tours also available
Opening hours	October to May: tours daily. Office: 7 days

FEATURES

- Dolphin and seal swimming and sightseeing activities
- Wildlife adventure sightseeing tours
- Luxury private charters
- Corporate, group, special event cruises

Sorrento Pier, Esplanade, Sorrento VIC 3943

T: +61 3 5984 4211 E: info@moonrakercharters.com.au W: moonrakercharters.com.au



MP EXPERIENCE TOURS

MP Experience offers personalised small group discovery tours of the Mornington Peninsula. Meet the local artisans on our wine, food, farmgate tour, see native wildlife, experience a day of indulgence or tour the wineries or golf courses. Transport only and airport, CBD transfer options available.

The directors of MP Experience, brother and sister team Max and Danielle, grew up on the Mornington Peninsula. Max owns the award-winning and pioneering Max's Restaurant at Red Hill Estate and Danielle has years of experience in winery touring. Together, they have unparalleled and extensive knowledge of the area, the culture and the people that make the Peninsula what it is today.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Tours / Transport
Capacity	Transport up to 7 people, truffle hunt / mushroom forages up to 20 pax, larger groups catered for on request
Group facilities	Bespoke and tailored tours available

FEATURES

- Private small group tours
- Travel in comfort by Mercedes
- Local knowledgeable guides
- Discover hidden gems of the Peninsula
- Exclusive access to private properties

53 Shoreham Road, Red Hill South VIC 3937

T: +61 410 596 637 E: tour@mpexperience.com.au W: mpexperience.com.au



PENINSULA HOT SPRINGS

Peninsula Hot Springs is a natural hot spring, day spa and wellness destination. Natural geothermal mineral waters flow into the pools and private baths providing relaxation and rejuvenation.

Bath House: A social bathing experience like no other. Explore over 50 globally-inspired bathing experiences including a hilltop pool, offering stunning 360 degree views.

Spa Dreaming Centre: A sanctuary reserved for guests 16+. Enjoy the serenity and discover over 10 bathing experiences.

Moonlit Bathing: Indulge your sense of adventure with an overnight bathing experience like no other. Enjoy Moonlit bathing under the starry evening sky and unwind. Adults-only Spa Dreaming Centre.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Hot Springs / Spa
Capacity	Over 200 people
Group experiences	Hot Springs bathing, Fire & Ice, Body Clay Ritual, Daily Nourish workshops in the Food Bowl
Opening hours	Open 365 days a year. See website for operating hours

FEATURES

- Natural geothermal mineral Hot Springs
- Food and Beverage packages for all groups sizes
- Daily wellness activities

140 Springs Lane, Fingal VIC 3939

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PENINSULA KINGSWOOD COUNTRY GOLF CLUB

Peninsula Kingswood is home to two championship golf courses (designed by Australian Golf Architecture firm Ogilvy Clayton Cocking Mead). Of all the incredible features across both courses, perhaps the most memorable are the putting surfaces, which feature Pure Distinction bentgrass. The greens are praised for their fine, fast surfaces which complement the strategic layout of each hole. Bunkers and creek-lines add a level of complexity to the already strategic route created by the careful sculpture of the natural landscape.

PK has a variety of practice facilities for visitors to enjoy. With a large driving range, and state-of-the-art Teaching Facility, with professional golf lessons available.

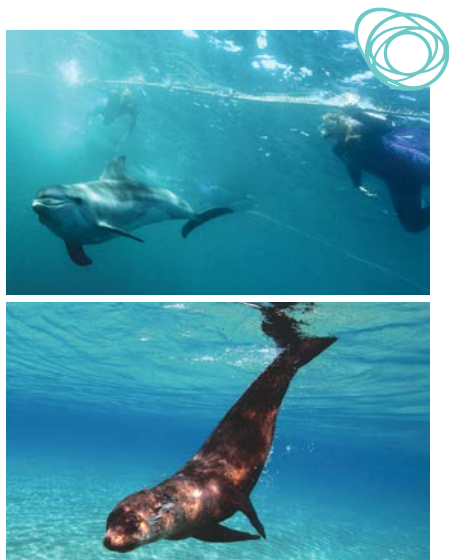
VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Country Golf Club
Group facilities	36 holes. Group catering packages, private dining rooms

FEATURES

- Situated on the famous Melbourne Sandbelt
- Golf Australia Magazine 2022 ratings #6 North #16 South
- Other facilities includes bunker practice area, two chipping greens and six putting greens.

211-279 Skye Road, Frankston VIC 3199

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POLPERRO DOLPHIN SWIMS & MARINE EDUCATION

Polperro is Port Phillip Bay's original dolphin swim operation. This award-winning family business is dedicated to giving passengers the best possible experience while ensuring these magnificent, wild creatures are able to roam free in the bay. This memorable ecotourism adventure features close encounters with other fascinating marine life including seals.

Swimming with dolphins is a rare and magical experience, so who better to help you connect with these magnificent creatures than the people who have been making these introductions in Port Phillip Bay the longest, Polperro Dolphin Swims. All equipment, including wetsuits and snorkels, are provided as well as change areas below deck.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Special Interest Tour
Capacity	20 swimmers and up to 5 sightseers per cruise
Group facilities	Small personalised groups tours
Opening hours	Half day trips twice daily (morning and afternoon) Oct-April inclusively

FEATURES

- Authentic ecotourism experience
- Individual bookings welcome
- Customer care and environmental care are paramount
- Wonderfully warm, welcoming crew

Operates from Sorrento Pier, Esplanade, Sorrento VIC 3943

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PT. LEO ESTATE

Meandering up the driveway, you are welcomed with the sight of an inspiring Grand Arch, a waved concrete structure, a 75-year-old Queensland King bottle tree and a doorway that offers a teasing glimpse of something remarkable. From arrival, you are taken by the sweeping views of Westernport and Phillip Island that naturally frame the 50-acre vineyard, 16-acre sculpture park and paddocks of grazing cattle.

Within, the award winning building offers a celebration of world class food, wine and service through its Cellar Door and Terrace; its award winning Dining Room; And its internationally acclaimed fine dining restaurant, Laura. It is truly an international Food, Wine and Art destination.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Winery / Restaurant/ Sculpture Park
Capacity	Laura: 23-46 Pt. Leo Bistro: 102-110 Wine terrace: 80
Group facilities	Groups welcome
Opening hours	7 days: check website for times

FEATURES

- Two hat fine dining restaurant – Laura
- One hat restaurant – Pt. Leo Restaurant
- 4-star winery – Halliday 2022
- All weather wine terrace; 16-acre sculpture park

3649 Frankston-Flinders Road, Merricks VIC 3916

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RED GUM BBQ

Mornington Peninsula's coolest BBQ and beer hall. Red Gum BBQ offers rustic country vibes, fine local wines, exceptional craft beer and the best Aussie-smoked, American-style BBQ this side of the equator.

This converted warehouse has been transformed into a great BBQ hall with reclaimed timbers and vintage décor, creating a warm and unique space perfect for connections. Offering two flexible spaces available for incentives, dining, meetings, events and team building experiences.

With a menu of slow-cooked, authentic Southern BBQ (including meats smoked for up to 12 hours using native Australian hardwoods) and offered with traditional sides like cornbread, mac 'n cheese, slaw and pie.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Restaurant
Capacity	170 guests
Group facilities	Group set menus, private dining available, incentive program design
Opening hours	Wed-Sun: 11am-9pm Mon-Tue: appointment only Closed Christmas Day

FEATURES

- Open Smoke Pit
- Ethically sourced, organic meats
- Authentic southern-style American BBQ experience

87 Arthurs Seat Road, Red Hill VIC 3937
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RED HILL CANDLE CO

Red Hill Candle Co. offers visitors a unique opportunity to delve into the world of fragrance with in-store activities in their Scent Library, interactive candle making workshops and a retail space (Factory Store) featuring local and regional makers, allowing guests to enjoy a journey of inventiveness unlike any other in Australia.

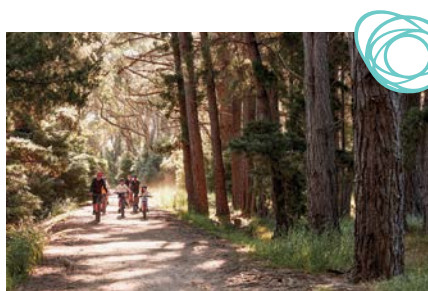
Guests are invited into the fun and bright Scent Lab to create lasting memories by designing their very own signature blended candle fragrance choosing from 40 scents including favourites like lemon myrtle, Australian sea salt. This factory store is positioned within the thriving Dromana Industrial Estate which is fast becoming a hub for exceptional tourism experiences showcasing the essence of the region.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Attraction / Activity
Capacity	30 guests
Group facilities	Break out lounge area and private rooms
Opening hours	Thurs to Sun: from 11 am Tues and Wed: by appointment.

FEATURES

- Make and design your own candles
- Candle making group workshops
- Behind the scenes tours to see how candles are made

Factory 1, 4-6 Thomson Terrace, Dromana VIC 3936
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RED HILL TRAIL CO

Discover the hidden beauty of the Mornington Peninsula through the unique experience of riding an e-bike along the trails of Red Hill and its surrounds.

Red Hill Trail Co's e-bike tours are designed for everyone from the casual rider to the advanced mountain bike rider.

Their experienced and qualified guides will support you during the 2-3 hour tour, share some of the little known facts about the area, whilst having fun along the way.

The perfect way to share time with family, friends, social groups and work colleagues in nature.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Adventure Tour/ Experience
Capacity	10 people per tour. Larger groups on request
Group facilities	Tailored group tours, day experiences on request
Opening hours	Daily tours at 9.00am and 1.30pm – 7 days

FEATURES

- 2-3 hour guided tour with experienced guides. High quality e-bikes, helmets
- Immersion into the hidden beauty of the Mornington Peninsula
- 3 tours available for the casual to the advanced rider

12 Purves Road, Arthurs Seat VIC 3936
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ROCKY CREEK STRAWBERRY FARM

Enjoy picking your own famous Rocky Creek strawberries, from November to April, at this beautiful hinterland property.

Buy seasonal fresh produce or peruse the retail shop for tempting local gourmet products and a variety of strawberry themed gifts.

Indulge year round in heavenly desserts and delectable chocolate fondue and house-made icecream in the strawberry café.

The Café has a seasonal menu featuring Rocky Creek produce. Perhaps try the Rocky Creek strawberry temptation available on the café menu (image opposite).

Simply delicious!

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Attraction / U-Pick Farm
Capacity	200 people
Group facilities	Groups welcome
Opening hours	Nov-Apr: daily 9am-5pm May-Oct: Fri-Sun, school holidays/public holidays. Note: opening hours may change without notice, check website for details.

FEATURES

- U-Pick Strawberries, Dessert Café
- Seasonal berries, local café area
- Child-friendly venue

244 Shands Road, Main Ridge VIC 3928
E: cafe@rockycreek.com.au W: rockycreek.com.au



ROYAL BOTANIC GARDENS CRANBOURNE

Explore the diversity and wonder of Australian landscapes at Cranbourne Gardens. The 15-hectare native Australian Garden with its striking red sand and picturesque wildflowers also features a rockpool, waterholes, eucalypt walk and lifestyle gardens.

Book a ride on the electric, open-air Explorer bus around the Australian Garden and hear stories of the landscape. Then visit the Boon Wurrung Café for something sweet or savoury with views over the Garden.

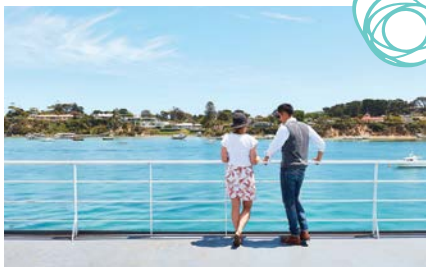
The Australian Garden is surrounded by remnant bushland and wetlands, brimming with native plants, mammals and amphibians. Take a stroll along the pathways and be immersed in nature.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Attraction / Nature
Capacity	No maximum capacity
Group facilities	Explorer 22 passengers
Opening hours	Daily: 9am-5pm (Closed Christmas Day)

FEATURES

- Designed Australian Garden
- Extensive walking paths throughout bushland
- Electric, open-air Explorer bus, walking tours and regular programs
- Café accepts group bookings
- Gift Shop

Corner Ballarto Road and Botanic Drive, Cranbourne VIC 3977
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SEAROAD FERRIES

Experience Melbourne's beautiful Port Phillip Bay! In just 40 minutes, cruise you and your car effortlessly across Port Phillip Bay. It's the fastest, most relaxing and scenic way to link Victoria's Great Ocean Road with the Mornington Peninsula. And it reveals the most spectacular Bay views, from historic Sorrento on the Mornington Peninsula to quaint Queenscliff on the Bellarine Peninsula.

Two ships provide hourly departures from each charming village between 7am and 6pm, seven days a week.

This drive-on-drive-off experience is a very smooth and easy way to continue a road trip rather than driving the 200 kilometre/3 hours around through city traffic and on toll roads.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Tours / Transport
Capacity	700 passengers and 75 cars every sailing
Group facilities	Coaches welcome, group dining onboard
Opening hours	Departs every day, every hour on the hour, 7am-6pm

FEATURES

- Spectacular scenery, dolphin spotting
- 40 minute crossing versus 3 hour drive around bay; easy drive-on-drive-off
- All weather
- Cars, motorhomes and coaches

1 Wharf Street East, Queenscliff VIC 3225 & Esplanade, Sorrento Pier, Sorrento VIC 3943
T: +61 3 5257 4500 E: travel@searoad.com.au W: searoad.com.au





ST ANDREWS BEACH BREWERY

Enjoy a variety of craft beers and a bite to eat in the former stable of group one winning horses.

St Andrews Beach Brewery brews onsite using the finest aroma hops and heirloom variety malt to ensure each beer is full of flavour and character.

Inspired by the property's unique story, the core range of beers includes US Pale Ale, Australian Lager, Golden Ale, Pilsner and Session Ale.

St Andrews Beach Brewery also offers a delicious snack menu that consists of a variety of small plates, share plates, salads, pizzas and burgers that go hand in hand with the core range of craft beers.

VENUE DETAILS

Type	Brewery
Capacity	180
Group facilities	Group bookings
Opening hours	7 days: hours vary season to season

FEATURES

- Unique modern Brewery
- Beer brewed onsite
- Private dining areas
- Relaxed beer garden
- Tasting bar

160 Sandy Road, Fingal VIC 3939
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THE DUNES GOLF LINKS

The Dunes Golf Links captures the essence of true links golf. The 18-hole championship course reflects the highest standards of course maintenance and customer service, matched by only the very best private clubs.

The Cups course rates amongst the best stand-alone 9-hole courses in Australia with several magnificent par 3 & 4's. This course is perfect for a quick round for seasoned players and is an excellent introduction to the game for juniors and beginners.

The Dunes Golf Links and Links Lodge is a picturesque venue for executive retreats, romantic getaways, or group golfing experiences.

VENUE DETAILS

Type	Golf course
Capacity	150 guests
Group experiences	Corporate golf days welcome
Opening hours	6.30am-6.30pm

FEATURES

- Victoria's #1 Public access golf course
- Tailored group food and beverage packages available
- Luxury onsite accommodation

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T: +61 3 5989 0201 E: stay@thedunes.com.au W: thedunes.com.au



TROFEO ESTATE

Nestled at the foothills of Red Hill, Trofeo is a winery with a unique story. Ancient terracotta vessels meet innovative winemaking. One of the largest producers to age exclusively in amphora, Trofeo produce elegant and fruit-driven wines without the presence of oak.

The 1930s cannery houses the cellar door and restaurant, stretching onto a deck and garden overlooking 50 acres of vineyard.

Trofeo Estate's award winning chef delivers a relaxed approach to fine dining, with a seasonal tasting menu or a more casual fare showcasing the best of the region.

Visit the cellar door to taste their award-winning wines and experience the terracotta difference.

VENUE DETAILS

Type	Winery/Restaurant
Capacity	100 guests
Group facilities	Wine tastings, larger groups, events, wedding
Opening hours	Cellar door: 7 days Restaurant: Wed-Sun for lunch service. (Summer trading 7 days a week)

FEATURES

- Unique cellar door experience
- Indoor and outdoor dining areas
- Caters for larger groups /events
- Terracotta Amphora wines

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WATERMAARQ BOAT TOURS

Sea life through Dolphin eyes on WaterMaarq's awarded ethical Nature tours.

Swim with dolphins, seals and weedy seadragons to discover the vibrant Great Southern Reef colours on board a fun, swift and stable 12-person RIB boat. Or view the spectacle from the comfort of your seat on a small group eco sightseeing tour.

And you'll know, when you join a WaterMaarq boat tour, you immerse yourself into the dolphin's playground.

How contagious the natural joy of living freely like a dolphin is. Guided by friendly crew, the whole dolphin boat tour experience is a deepening of connection with loved ones and friends. What a difference it makes to see life through the tenderness of dolphin eyes.

VENUE DETAILS

Type	Dolphin and seal swim RIB tours
Capacity	12 guests
Group facilities	Individual and private charters available
Opening hours	Daily Tours Office: Thu-Tue, 11am-4pm

FEATURES

- Ethical and personalised dolphin and seal swim and sightsee tours
- Qualified adventure guides
- Great Southern Reef, dolphin, seal and seadragons specialists

Berth 1, Sorrento Pier, Esplanade, Sorrento VIC 3943
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WILD ADVENTURES MELBOURNE (WAM)

WAM connects small groups with incredible nature and wildlife on spectacular eco adventures of the Mornington Peninsula.

Discover the highlights and hidden gems of the Peninsula on multi-activity outdoor adventures include stand up paddleboarding, mountain biking, bushwalking and snorkelling combined with indulgence and relaxation at sustainably conscious wineries, hot springs, and tasting fresh local produce.

WAM runs fully guided and self-guided adventure tours, SUP lessons, private group tours and adventure picnics. WAM is a regenerative tourism operator and a certified B-Corp so all experiences are designed to have a positive impact on their guests, the environment and community.

VENUE DETAILS

Type	Adventure Tours
Capacity	Groups: 8 pax per tour Private tour: min 2 pax
Group facilities	Small group guided tours (bespoke private tours also available)

FEATURES

- Unique adventure tours on the Mornington Peninsula
- Eco friendly with a 5 star service
- Qualified and experienced outdoor activity instructor-guides
- Private and public tour options

Experiences start from McCrae Lighthouse located in the heart of the Mornington Peninsula
T: +61 490 333 795 E: hello@wildadventuresmelbourne.com W: wildadventuresmelbourne.com



BAYWALK BOLLARDS

The Baywalk Bollards, an art project that grew into an iconic trail, explores the key characters who've shaped Geelong throughout history. They are Geelong's most photographed faces and they stand strong and tall along the city's foreshore. From Limeburners Point in the east the Bollard trail runs through Eastern Beach and the Botanic Gardens, past the waterfront precinct, along Western Beach to Rippleside Park.

Among the 104 sculptures are a Koori family, explorer Matthew Flinders and groups of the well-known lifesavers, including a bunch near Cunningham Pier.

VENUE DETAILS

Type	Attraction / Trail
Group facilities	Tour guides could provide a comprehensive and insightful tour, various bus parking spots along the trail
Opening hours	Always open

FEATURES

- Iconic public art trail
- Historic stories
- Photo opportunity

Eastern Beach Road, Geelong VIC 3220 T: +61 3 5244 7100 (press 2)
E: info@tourismgeelongbellarine.com.au W: geelongaustralia.com.au/bollards





BELLARINE TASTE TRAIL

The Bellarine Taste Trail brings together 50 unique food and drink experiences across the Bellarine Peninsula. It's a delicious way to tour a beautiful – and very tasty – region. Discover farmgate producers growing and making the produce that's served at the best eateries nearby – from mussels and cheese to fruit and vegetables.

Vineyards produce award-winning wine in stunning locations – taste some with the maker while soaking in water views and fresh air. Flying Brick Cider House turns apples and pears into award-winning cider.

On the beach, on a balcony, on the street or on the roof – there's always a unique place to devour the Bellarine Taste Trail.



VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Food and Wine Trail
Group facilities	Tour operators can design a group tour along the Taste Trail, groups are welcome at many attractions, cellar doors and restaurants

FEATURES

- Wineries
- Farmgates
- Breweries, a cidery and a distillery
- Provedores stocked with local produce
- Places to eat and drink the best of local produce

Various locations on The Bellarine

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CURLEWIS GOLF CLUB & THE RANGE @ CURLEWIS

Play the revered 71 par golf course and you'll see why Curlewis keeps catapulting up all Australian official course rankings. Step inside the spectacular new \$20 million Curlewis Clubhouse for next level facilities and epicurean experience.

Sleepover in style – the luxe rooms boast stunning views spanning fairways or across the bay. Signature restaurant, Claribeaux, will delight – French influence, contemporary fusion and a keen focus on local produce.

Enter The Range @ Curlewis. Enjoy a blockbuster experience for golfers, fun lovers and foodies. 18 indoor/outdoor driving bays, Victoria's 1st Toptracer Range installation, a cool two tier mini golf course, X Golf and seven day hospitality.



VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Golf Club, Accommodation
Capacity	80-400 people
Group facilities	Customised functions and activities
Opening hours	7 days

FEATURES

- 6,150 par 71 course; Toptracer Range
- Spectacular bay views
- Luxe accommodation
- 18 bay indoor/outdoor driving range with auto tees
- 7 day dining: Clubhouse & The Range

1345 Portarlington Road, Curlewis VIC 3222

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JACK RABBIT VINEYARD

This restaurant, vineyard and cellar door offer guests a brilliant regional experience!

Unrivalled, spectacular panoramic views across the bay to Melbourne, the You Yangs and Geelong are just the beginning. The winery is a gastronomic showpiece for the Bellarine Peninsula alongside a stable of multi-award-winning sophisticated cool climate wines.

Soak up the spectacular and ever-changing views across the bay in every direction. Delight in Jack Rabbit Vineyard's rich, diverse wines. Savour the stunning, seasonal gastronomic fare, featuring an abundance of local produce to satisfy even the most discerning palate.



VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Restaurant / Café / Winery
Capacity	Restaurant: 120 guests Cellar door: 150 guests
Group facilities	Guided wine tastings, group menu specialist, private functions
Opening hours	7 days: 10am-5pm, Dinner Fri & Sat from 6pm, Closed Good Friday and Christmas Day

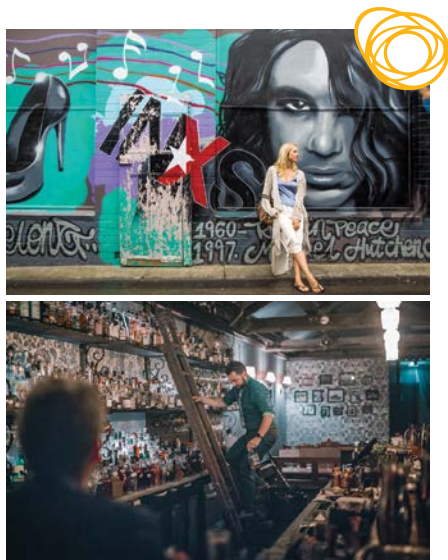
FEATURES

- Iconic Bellarine winery, sophisticated cool climate wines
- À la carte restaurant and café-style 'House of Jack Rabbit' cellar door

85 McAdams Lane, Bellarine VIC 3221

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LITTLE MALOP ST PRECINCT

The Little Malop Street precinct is one of Geelong's coolest spots to eat, drink and enjoy the good things about a city. The Geelong Library and Heritage Centre is the most striking piece of architecture in town. Next door, the Geelong Gallery has an impressive collection and a grand schedule of temporary exhibitions, while across the road the Geelong Arts Centre is a hub of theatre, music and drama for the region.

Wandering east along the street, discover huge and ever-changing street art installations down laneways. Explore great places to eat and drink within a few hundred metres. There's casual dining and international flavours, cocktail bars and even a piano bar.

VENUE DETAILS

Type	Attraction / Urban Precinct
Capacity	Some businesses have group events and special offers

FEATURES

- Relax and recharge at the architecturally designed Geelong Library and Heritage Centre
- Explore the colourful delights of the spectacular street art
- Casual eateries to sophisticated five-star restaurants
- Bars, nightlife and entertainment for a memorable day or night out

Little Malop Street, Geelong VIC 3220

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NARANA ABORIGINAL CULTURAL CENTRE

An award-winning tourist attraction, Narana seeks to build an understanding of Aboriginal history and culture in a welcoming, friendly and relaxed atmosphere.

Cultural education programs teach the wonders of Australia's Indigenous culture, connection to the land, spirituality, laws, cultural designs, dreaming stories and more. Resident emus, kangaroos and wallabies nestle amongst native trees, walkways and gardens and can be hand fed.

The stunning art gallery exhibits and sells artworks from internationally acclaimed and emerging Aboriginal and Torres Strait artists. Explore the cultural display and performance building, beautiful gardens, Café Narana and the quality retail outlet.

VENUE DETAILS

Type	Attraction
Capacity	Café: 50 guests Function centre: up to 100
Group facilities	Guided cultural tours, boomerang throwing, garden / wildlife walk
Opening hours	Mon-Fri: 9am-5pm Sat and Sun: 9am-4pm

FEATURES

- Native trees and gardens, resident friendly emus, kangaroos & wallabies
- Café Narana, Cultural Education Centre, Narana Shop
- Artwork from Aboriginal and Torres Strait artists

410 Surf Coast Highway, Charlemont, Geelong VIC 3217

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NATIONAL WOOL MUSEUM

Along Geelong's vibrant waterfront precinct, an iconic 1872 bluestone woolstore beckons you into an Australian cultural treasure. The National Wool Museum tells the timeless Australian story of wool, fibre and textiles.

The Museum hosts an exciting range of public programs, special events and customised tourism experiences including sheep shearing.

The Museum Shop offers a unique range of high-quality woollen apparel, natural fibre blankets and rugs, locally made handcrafted souvenirs and giftware, including sheepskin and Lanolin products, jewellery and more.

VENUE DETAILS

Type	Museum / Gift Shop
Capacity	No maximum capacity
Group facilities	Guided tours, sheep shearing demonstration (bookings essential)
Opening hours	Open daily. Closed: Christmas Day, Boxing Day, Good Friday

FEATURES

- Iconic 1872 bluestone building, opened as a museum in 1988
- Australian story of wool, fibre, textiles
- Experience the 1910 Axminster Jacquard carpet loom

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PORT PHILLIP FERRIES

Port Phillip Ferries offer a unique experience to cross Port Phillip Bay. Their brand new purpose built ferries cruise between the Bellarine Peninsula, Geelong and Docklands, Melbourne. They provide a comfortable vantage point, with indoor and outdoor seating, whilst enjoying the sights and surrounds. Relax with a coffee, snack or wine from the onboard café.

Arrive in Portarlington to breathe in the fresh sea air and a trip to the wineries, food producers and attractions. Or, visit the vibrant city of Geelong to enjoy the waterfront, cultural precincts and restaurant hub. Take a trip in the other direction, to Melbourne to attend events, eat out, shopping and all that the wonderful city has to offer.

VENUE DETAILS

Type	Tours and Transport
Capacity	200-400 max
Group facilities	Groups welcome onboard. Indoor and outdoor spaces available onboard and group tours can be facilitated
Opening hours	365 days a year. Check website for the most up-to-date timetables

FEATURES

- The **ONLY** vessel to transport passengers across the bay direct from Melbourne CBD to the Bellarine Peninsula and Geelong

131 Harbour Esplanade, Docklands VIC 3008

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REVITALISE ESCAPES

Enjoy indulging in wellness, exploring Australia's iconic natural scenery and seeing local wildlife. Revitalise Escapes offer unique experiences in Geelong Bellarine and on the Great Ocean Road. Tours nourish the mind, invigorate the body and rejuvenate the soul.

Select from a range of wellness activities including nature, native animals and learning about indigenous culture. Adventure activities can be added including helicopter rides, golf or swimming with dolphins.

Small group experiences with fun and experienced guides tell you stories to remember forever.

Revitalise Escapes offer transformational travel experiences and are a regenerative tourism operator. This is the perfect escape!

VENUE DETAILS

Type	Special Interest Tour
Capacity	Up to 10 guests
Group facilities	Private small group tours, customised tours
Opening hours	7 days. Closed Christmas Day and Boxing Day

FEATURES

- Small group day tours from Melbourne and Geelong
- Fully inclusive tours
- Optional overnight packages
- Private and personalised group tours

Bespoke tours start from Geelong and Melbourne

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SEA ALL DOLPHIN SWIMS

Swim with wild seals and dolphins and get up close and personal with local marine life – with Sea All Dolphin Swims.

Join exhilarating adventure tours and sightseeing experiences on Port Phillip Bay, and explore places only accessible by boat. Snorkel with wild dolphins and seals – or spot them from the comfort of the boat.

Delight in the award-winning, best outdoor experience the region has to offer. This is an adventure not to be missed – ride the boom-net hammock, jump from the boat roof, enjoy a duck spa!

A must-do experience when visiting the region! All equipment provided. All swimming abilities catered for.

VENUE DETAILS

Type	Special Interest Tour
Group facilities	Groups welcome, individual and private packages also available
Opening hours	7 days: 9am-5pm Closed Christmas Day

FEATURES

- Multi-award-winning experiences
- Sightseeing tours; private charters available
- Qualified instructors and guides
- Snorkel equipment and light refreshments provided
- Bookings essential

Shop 3, Building 6, Queenscliff Boat Harbour, Queenscliff VIC 3225

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TARRA QUEENSCLIFF

TARRA Queenscliff sits against the breathtaking natural backdrop of Port Phillip Bay in the seaside village of Queenscliff. It is an iconic, architectural, state-of-the-art building that offers an impressive collection of spaces and a range of experiences, including a new restaurant, café and event space.

TARRA's contemporary, innovative and exciting atmosphere is designed to take in the stunning location, offering fresh and delicious food, hand-selected wines, with a cuisine that is a reflection of the ocean, the land and the change of seasons. Simple things done extraordinarily well.

A perfect venue for groups, incentives and events.

VENUE DETAILS

Type	Restaurant / Functions
Capacity	100 guests
Group facilities	Group set menus, events, incentive, conferences
Opening hours	7 days: 7am-6pm Evenings by arrangement

FEATURES

- Beachside location with natural light filled spaces
- Best, uninterrupted views on the Victorian Coast
- Fresh, simple, locally sourced menu and dining experience
- 90 minutes from Melbourne

1 Wharf Street East, Queenscliff VIC 3225

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THE CAROUSEL GEELONG

Spend some time at the beautifully restored heritage Carousel at Geelong's waterfront precinct. Take a ride on one of the hand-carved wooden horses or relax and enjoy the spectacular views overlooking Corio Bay towards Melbourne and the You Yangs Regional Park, a significant cultural landscape in the traditional Country of the Wadawurrung People.

The c.1892 Carousel was made in New York by the Armitage-Herschell Company and is one of only 200 in operation today. The fully restored Carousel includes 36 Dare horses and two accessible chariots. Also at the Carousel is a replica Band Organ, providing visitors with carnival-style music and the 1890 Herschell-Spillman Steam Engine, which originally powered the Carousel.

VENUE DETAILS

Type	Attraction
Capacity	120 people
Group facilities	Group bookings and history talks available
Opening hours	Summer: Mon-Fri 10.30am-5.00pm Sat-Sun: 10.30am-6.00pm Winter: Mon-Fri 11.00am-4.30pm Sat-Sun: 10.30am-5.00pm

FEATURES

- C.1892 hand-carved heritage carousel
- Spectacular view across the You Yangs Regional Park
- Souvenir and Gift Shop

Wadawurrung Country, 1 Eastern Beach Road, Geelong VIC 3220

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THE Q TRAIN

Step on board The Q Train for a gastronomic journey along the heritage railway line between Drysdale and Queenscliff on the Bellarine Peninsula. This travelling restaurant is a unique experience, providing visitors with a delicious rail journey in refurbished dining cars whilst enjoying unique views of Swan Bay and The Bellarine.

The return journey departs from the historic Drysdale Railway Station, travelling to Queenscliff via Suma Park prior to returning to Drysdale. Indulge in a pre-departure beverage in Club Loco which opens 30 minutes ahead of boarding.

This delightful dégustation dining experience is paced at intervals throughout the return journey. Bookings are essential.

VENUE DETAILS

Type	Restaurant / Special Interest Tour
Capacity	100 guests
Group facilities	Groups welcome
Opening hours	Friday, Saturday and Sunday

FEATURES

- Travelling restaurant
- Award-winning chef
- Journey through The Bellarine
- Wine list showcases local, independent wines, beers and ciders from the region

Drysdale Railway Station, 2-10 Station Street, Drysdale VIC 3222

T: +61 3 4238 3930 E: bookings@theqtrain.com.au W: theqtrain.com.au





WATERFRONT GEELONG

This historic and bustling precinct is breathtakingly beautiful with sparkling water views. Eastern Beach, at one end, is a gorgeous reminder of days gone by with the art deco promenade, children's pool and restaurant, café and kiosk overlooking the space. Nearby, watch the yachts bobble in the breeze at their moorings in the Royal Geelong Yacht Club.

Take a spin in the historic restored Carousel or just admire the beautiful vintage ride. Steampacket Gardens in the central waterfront precinct is alive with wonderful places to eat and drink including Sailors Rest open for breakfast, lunch and dinner 7 days or just have a drink in the rooftop bar.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Attraction
Group facilities	Walk the vintage art deco promenade; take a helicopter ride, a mini train ride; ride the carousel, meet the Bollards

FEATURES

- Swimming enclosure and paddling pool
- Restaurants and cafés
- Historic precincts, water views
- The Bollard Trail, colourful painted characters representing historic figures

Eastern Beach Road, Geelong VIC 3220

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WERRIBEE OPEN RANGE ZOO

An African adventure across 200 hectares! Jump on board a guided Safari bus tour across the open range savannah spotting rhinos, giraffes, antelopes, zebra and more!

Come face-to-face with a pride of lions on the African walking trail, visit the expansive gorilla exhibit, get up close to cheetah on the prowl, discover a family of hippos in their spectacular wetland home and experience some of Australia's iconic native wildlife in a natural open range setting.

The early morning savannah experience, help our keepers with their morning duties before the Zoo opens. An amazing glimpse of life on the Savannah, includes morning tea. 8pax.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Open range zoo
Capacity	Limited capacity on encounters
Group facilities	Volunteer guided tours, catering options, team building activities
Opening hours	Daily: 9am-5pm. Safari bus tours depart from 10.30am, last entry 3.30pm

FEATURES

- Safari tour amongst some of the world's most iconic grasslands animals
- Daily keeper talks
- Optional deluxe Safari adventure

K Road, Werribee VIC 3030

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YOU YANGS PRECINCT

The granite peaks of the You Yangs Regional Park dominate the skyline north of Geelong. Only 55km from Melbourne and 22km from Geelong, it's an excellent spot to enjoy nature close to the city. Perfect for hikes and bushwalks, the views from the top at Flinders Peak (340m elevation) extend in every direction, with an incredible 360 degrees to take in. Along the way you may encounter Australian native animals such as koalas, kangaroos, possums or echidnas.

Nearby, Serendip Sanctuary is made up of grassy woodlands and wetlands. It's the ideal habitat for the 150 species of birds who live, breed and visit the sanctuary. The Wildlife Walk takes visitors on a stroll past emus, kangaroos and other native wildlife.

VENUE DETAILS	
Type	Attraction / Nature Park
Group facilities	Parking available, local interpretive guides available
Opening hours	You Yangs Regional Park, Daily: 7am-5pm, Serendip Sanctuary, Daily: 8am-4pm

FEATURES

- Up close encounters with native animals in their natural habitat
- Nature parks with walking tracks
- Mountain biking, abseiling, orienteering and horse riding available
- Wooded picnic areas with views

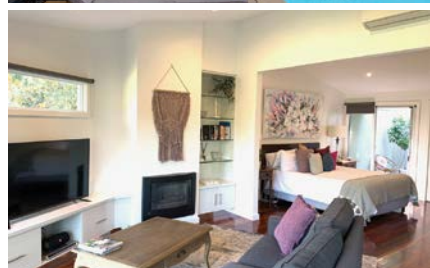
Forest Road North, Little River VIC 3211

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Shh...it's a secret. Beautiful places to stay when you explore and Go Beyond Melbourne

The very best holidays are made of three ingredients: the places you stay in, the people you meet and all the experiences that take your breath away every day.



ARALUEN LODGE

Araluen is a 4.5 star boutique bed and breakfast in the Yarra Valley, close to the region's renowned wineries and attractions. The hosts offer guests personalised service, for a unique product offering.

Set on 3 acres of gardens with stunning views over the valley, Araluen features three self-contained spa villas and a Lodge offering four individual rooms, each with private en suite. Enjoy free WiFi, outdoor BBQ, pizza oven and solar-heated swimming pool.

Each room has been individually decorated providing guests with the comforts of home in a serene and tranquil setting. Sit on the balcony or take a walk to see some of Australia's wildlife on our doorstep.

ACCOMMODATION DETAILS

Rating	★★★★★
Type	Boutique B&B
No. of beds	3 Villas (6 guests) 4 Lodge rooms (8 guests) Sofa beds villas only (extra 3 guests)
Group facilities	Small group advance bookings up to 17 guests

FEATURES

- Continental breakfast included
- Aussie BBQ experience available
- Fresh produce: on property, herb garden and orchard
- Wildlife wander freely on property

603 Steels Creek Road, Steels Creek VIC 3775

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BIG4 YARRA VALLEY PARK LANE HOLIDAY PARK

Located in the heart of the delightful Yarra Valley region and set amongst the native Australian bush, this award-winning park has accommodation options to suit every need. Choose from luxury cabins, glamping tents, pods, camping and caravan sites.

Stunning single and family belle tents populate a private precinct of the park along with hand-built glamping pods. Each of the luxurious glamping offers come furnished with all the creature comforts of home.

Cabins vary in size from 3BR cabins to new studio and creek side cabins. All cabins are fully equipped and have onsite parking.

Powered camping, caravanning and en suite sites will have guests relaxing under the stars with ease! Perfect for both tents and vans.

ACCOMMODATION DETAILS

Type	Glamping and Holiday Park Accommodation
No. of rooms	2 converted trams 9 glamping tents 5 glamping pods 6 en suite glamping pods 65 cabins; 85 sites
Group facilities	Yes, perfect for groups

FEATURES

- Native Australian wildlife encounters
- Two swimming pools and pump track
- Onsite barista coffee bar
- Just 2kms to Healesville Sanctuary

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CHATEAU YERING HOTEL

This gracious Victorian mansion sits grandly on a 250 acre estate in the heart of the Yarra Valley wine region. Combine history, sophistication and luxury and there is no better place to stay than Chateau Yering Hotel. With sweeping views across the Yarra Valley and the heritage garden, Chateau Yering Hotel offers guests an exclusive and refined ambience in which to relax and unwind.

This heritage listed property borders the Yarra River and is set on established gardens dating from 1854. This magnificent five-star property offers 32 luxury suites, individually decorated with fine antique furnishings. Chateau Yering Hotel provides an elegant venue for celebrations, small to large conferences and business meetings.

ACCOMMODATION DETAILS	
Rating	★★★★★
Type	Luxury Hotel
No. of rooms	32 suites, 28 beds can be twin shared
Group facilities	Limited choice menus available, onsite and offsite activities, choice of event spaces

FEATURES

- Victorian mansion in heritage gardens
- Conferences, celebrations, business meetings retreat
- Award-winning Eleonore's Restaurant

42 Melba Highway, Yering VIC 3770

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RE'EM YARRA VALLEY

Re'em is a 16 room luxury boutique hotel and restaurant located on the Helen & Joey Yarra Valley vineyard and farm. Offering a unique combination of contemporary hospitality and event facilities, gardens and farm experiences, as well as winery experiences, tastings and wine sales.

Re'em luxury and Alicorn super luxury spa suites are spacious, lavishly appointed rooms. Each with a private balcony, offering spectacular views of the gardens, farm and broader landscape views for which the Yarra Valley is so famous. Re'em offers 24 hour reception / night manager service, curated regional tourism service, meetings and events facilities, as well spa treatments. Re'em Yarra Valley Hotel is a complete package. Due to open November 2023.

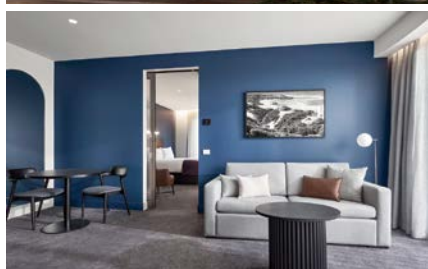
ACCOMMODATION DETAILS	
Type	Boutique luxury hotel
No. of rooms	12 luxury suites 4 super luxury spa suites
No. of beds	24
Group facilities	Wine and winery group activities. Business event facilities

FEATURES

- Contemporary boutique luxury hotel
- Restaurant, cellar door, gardens and spa treatments
- Business events and group bookings
- Wheelchair and disability access

12 Spring Lane, Gruyere VIC 3770

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THE SEBEL MELBOURNE RINGWOOD

The Sebel Melbourne Ringwood sets new standards for style and service with its sophisticated design. This luxurious property offers an exceptional restaurant, beautifully appointed rooms and apartments as well as outstanding conference and event facilities.

Guests can enjoy a wide range of onsite facilities such as 24-hour concierge, gymnasium, complimentary WiFi and round-the-clock room service.

The Orchard Restaurant and Bar, situated onsite, sets the new culinary standards as it celebrates rustic Victorian cuisine with a menu steered by local offerings. All located perfectly central to Melbourne's best offerings.

ACCOMMODATION DETAILS	
Rating	★★★★★
Type	Luxury Hotel
No. of rooms	103 rooms and apartments
Group facilities	Groups welcome

FEATURES

- The Orchard Restaurant & Bar
- Dedicated conference and event facilities
- Perfectly located at the gateway of the Yarra Valley

96-98 Maroondah Highway, Ringwood VIC 3134

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YARRA GABLES

Yarra Gables is a boutique accommodation property in Healesville in the heart of the Yarra Valley. It has five motel style rooms and 3 three-bedroom, two-bathroom houses. It is situated on 1.2 hectares of land and features extensive lawns and cottage gardens. The spacious rooms offer first-class accommodation and picturesque views.

The property offers a variety of room types, all with air conditioning, premium TV channels, free WiFi and well-equipped kitchenettes.

Yarra Gables is renowned for its high levels of personalised customer service and is consistently rated Number One on TripAdvisor.

ACCOMMODATION DETAILS	
Rating	★★★★
Type	Boutique Accommodation
No. of rooms	5 motel style rooms plus three 3-bedroom, 2-bathroom houses
No. of beds	24 - sleeps 34 guests
Group facilities	Ideal for couples, families and groups

FEATURES

- Delightful 1.2 hectare garden setting
- Rated by TripAdvisor as #1 of more than 50 B&B and Inns in Yarra Valley
- Close to Healesville Sanctuary, gin distillery and Yarra Valley wineries

55 Maroondah Highway, Healesville VIC 3777
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YERING GORGE COTTAGES

Yering Gorge Cottages, within an hour's drive of Melbourne, features 13 self-contained, beautifully appointed, one, two and four bedroom cottages. Overlooking The Eastern Golf Club and nestled into the hillside, alongside the Yarra River, with stunning views of the surrounding Christmas Hills and Dividing Ranges, guests can relax on their wide balcony watching the kangaroos grazing whilst enjoying a glass of Yarra Valley wine.

A suite of outdoor experiences and recreational activities are available including golf, tennis and bushwalking; all undertaken within the club's 120 acre private nature reserve that provides guests with the rare opportunity to get up close and personal with some of Australia's most iconic wildlife.

ACCOMMODATION DETAILS	
Rating	★★★★★
Type	Self-contained Cottages
No. of rooms	13
No. of beds	20 king or 40 singles
Group facilities	Functions and events, corporate golf and team-building activities

FEATURES

- Boutique self-contained cottages
- 120 acre private nature reserve – 12km of bushwalking trails
- Stay & Play – Greg Norman designed 36-hole golf course

215 Victoria Road, Yering VIC 3770
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ANCHOR BELLE HOLIDAY PARK

Experience the freedom and comfort of a self-catering cabin or an en suite powered site whilst relaxing socially and meeting new acquaintances in the park environment. Anchor Belle Holiday Park sits in a tranquil setting, just 100 metres from a safe swimming beach, 2km from Cowes and 5-15 minutes from all local attractions.

Anchor Belle offers a range of options to suit any traveller. Accommodation is self-contained with kitchens and bathrooms including: 2-bedroom cabins, two 3BR villas, an accessible 2BR cabin, en suite powered sites and powered sites are also available.

Anchor Belle is the perfect location for your next holiday!

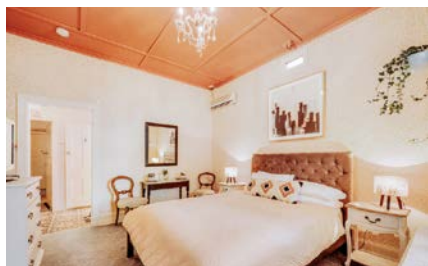
ACCOMMODATION DETAILS	
Type	Holiday Park
No. of rooms	19 2BR cabins 2 x 3BR villas 2 x 3BR double storey townhouses 1 x 2BR accessible cabin
No. of beds	80
Group facilities	Groups are welcome

FEATURES

- Indoor heated pool (Closed Victorian school 3rd term)
- Games rooms, jumping cushion, ball court and WiFi
- Free to use BBQ camp kitchens

272 Church Street, Cowes, Phillip Island VIC 3922
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GENESTA HOUSE

Step back in time. Historic Genesta House offers boutique accommodation in the heart of Cowes. Just minutes walk to the stunning Cowes Beach and main street.

Three queen suites, each decorated with its own unique character feature new ensuites, air-conditioning, delicious breakfast provisions, and free WiFi. Rejuvenate on your verandah overlooking the beautiful gardens, featuring ancient trees and pond. This is the perfect place to enjoy all that Cowes has to offer, whilst relaxing in the peaceful surroundings and enjoying the stunning beaches.

Your hosts provide personalised service and have a wealth of local knowledge having lived on Phillip Island for over 20 years.

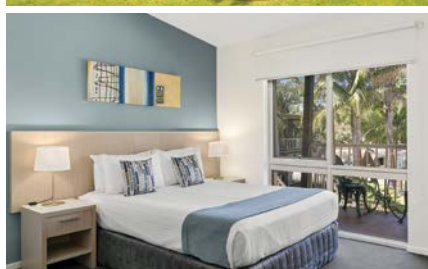
ACCOMMODATION DETAILS	
Rating	★★★★
Type	Bed & Breakfast
No. of rooms	3
No. of beds	3 Queen beds

FEATURES

- Beautifully restored historic Guesthouse
- Magnificent gardens and pond
- Centrally located in the heart of Cowes
- 3 minute walk to Cowes Beach
- Personalised service at every point of your journey

18 Steele St, Cowes VIC 3922

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KALOHA HOLIDAY RESORT

Kaloha is centrally nestled in one of the best seaside positions on Phillip Island.

With absolute beach frontage and less than a five minute walk to shops, cafés and restaurants, Kaloha is the perfect location whether travelling for business or leisure.

The resort offers a large range of accommodation including beachfront cabins with views, spacious family units, luxury queen spa rooms, self-contained two bedroom units and bright double rooms.

The resort is surrounded by beautiful tropical palms, with a large salt water swimming pool, hot spa under a Bali thatched gazebo, BBQ area and cosy, lovely onsite restaurant. Children can enjoy the playground with a huge, jumping pillow and toddlers' area.

ACCOMMODATION DETAILS	
Type	Motel / Cabins / Units/ Caravan Sites
No. of rooms	31 motel rooms, 5 beachfront cabins
No. of beds	90
Group facilities	Group room and meal packages available

FEATURES

- Beachfront and central location
- Onsite restaurant and bar
- Beachfront cabins, self-contained units, 2BR units, family and spa units
- BBQ area, free WiFi and parking
- Children's playground/ jumping pillow

Cnr Steele and Chapel Streets, Cowes, Phillip Island VIC 3922

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NORTH PIER HOTEL

Located in idyllic Cowes only 1.5 hours drive from Melbourne, with stunning water views, North Pier Hotel is the ideal spot to base yourself for your next visit to Phillip Island.

Just a stone's throw from the main beach on one of Victoria's only north facing coastlines, with rooms to suit all budgets from dorm rooms, guest suites, family rooms, spa rooms and self-contained townhouses. You will find the perfect option for your stay at North Pier Hotel.

A short stroll will find you on the doorstep to the many local cafés, restaurants and boutique shops to explore and indulge in.

ACCOMMODATION DETAILS	
Type	Hotel / Bar / Restaurant
No. of rooms	77
No. of beds	150
Group facilities	Yes

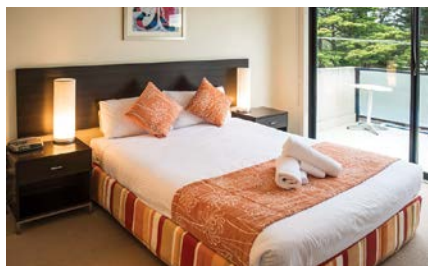
FEATURES

- Opposite main beach
- Restaurant and bar open 7 days
- Outdoor swimming pool
- Free WiFi

5 The Esplanade, Cowes, Phillip Island VIC 3922

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OCEANIC ON THOMPSON

Stay on the main street of Phillip Island with cafés, restaurants, shopping and supermarkets all at your doorstep.

Choose from 1 and 2 bedroom, self-contained apartments featuring open plan living and dining area, kitchen and laundry facilities. Free WiFi and parking are included.

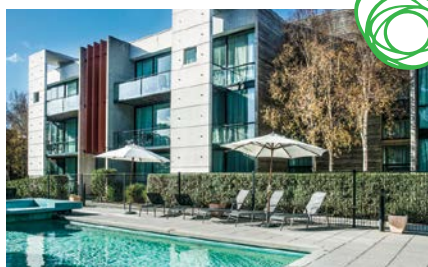
Oceanic on Thompson is within close proximity of the beach, the Phillip Island Grand Prix track plus a range of award winning natural attractions including the Nobbies and the Phillip Island Nature Park's Koala Conservation Centre and the Penguin Parade.

ACCOMMODATION DETAILS	
Rating	★★★ self-rated
Type	Self-contained apartments
No. of rooms	12 bedrooms in 6 apartments
No. of beds	10 queen beds; 4 singles
Group facilities	Meeting or function room (located at Phillip Island Apartments, approx. 10 min walk or 2 min drive)

FEATURES

- 10 minutes to the beach. A short stroll to the island's best cafés and restaurants.
- Supermarkets on the doorstep

146 Thompson Avenue, Cowes VIC 3922 (Note: Check in is via Phillip Island Apartments, Chapel Street – 700m walk)
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PHILLIP ISLAND APARTMENTS

Perfectly positioned in one of the best locations on Phillip Island. Shopping, cafés, restaurants and a swimming beach are all only minutes away.

The 1, 2 and 3 bedroom apartments have a relaxed, beach holiday feel with an open plan living space and a patio or balcony to take in the sea air. The apartments offer extra space for families and groups plus the benefits of cooking and laundry facilities and pillow top split king bedding. There is an outdoor pool with BBQ area and a heated spa.

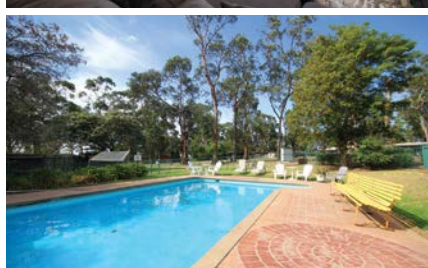
The conference room is a multi-purpose space with an open fireplace and kitchenette. It seats up to 24 delegates and can also be used as a function space by prior arrangement.

ACCOMMODATION DETAILS	
Rating	★★★★ self-rated
Type	Self-contained apartments
No. of rooms	69 bedrooms in 31 apartments
No. of beds	69 king split beds
Group facilities	Conference/meeting room

FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Outdoor swimming pool
- Heated spa. BBQ area
- Onsite parking
- Meeting / Conference / Function space
- Short walk to cafés, shops, beach

9-11 Bass Avenue, Cowes, Phillip Island VIC 3922 (enter from Chapel Street)
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PHILLIP ISLAND PARK LANE HOLIDAY PARK

Visitors escape to Phillip Island for the natural playground of picturesque beaches, beautiful coastlines and native Australian wildlife including the famous Penguin Parades.

Guests stay at Phillip Island Park Lane Holiday Park, because it is no more than 10 minutes from all the island has to offer with the main attraction of A Maze'N Things right next door and the Koala Conservation Reserve across the road! Hungry? There is even an onsite restaurant and brewery.

This holiday park has everything from rooms and cabins to caravanning and camping. All of their cabins and motel rooms are fully equipped with something for every group size and budget.

ACCOMMODATION DETAILS	
Type	Holiday Park Accommodation
No. of rooms	35 cabins and motel rooms
No. of beds	184
Group facilities	Some dorm rooms which can sleep 8

FEATURES

- Native Australian wildlife encounters
- Swimming pool and playground
- Licensed kiosk
- Onsite restaurant

1825 Phillip Island Road, Phillip Island VIC 3922
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PHILLIP ISLAND TOWERS

These spacious, luxury apartments are ideally located within a few minutes' walk of picturesque Cowes Beach and Phillip Island's main shopping and dining precinct.

Each of the 1, 2 and 3 bedroom apartments has been finished to the highest standards with designer furnishings and bespoke artwork.

All feature a kitchen, laundry facilities and plenty of living and dining space with an outdoor terrace, balcony or courtyard.

Complimentary WiFi and private parking make this an ideal base from which to explore the many attractions on Phillip Island.

ACCOMMODATION DETAILS	
Rating	★★★★★ self-rated
Type	Self-contained apartments
No. of rooms	22 bedrooms in 10 apartments
No. of beds	2 kings, 14 queens, 2 doubles and 8 singles
Group facilities	Meeting or function room – located just across the street at Phillip Island Apartments

FEATURES

- Exceptional location
- A short stroll to foreshore dining and the beach

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RAMADA RESORT PHILLIP ISLAND

Ramada Resort Phillip Island is set amidst 65 acres of natural bushland and includes walking and biking tracks throughout the resort. It is located close to an abundance of wildlife, swimming and surfing beaches and is just a 10 minute drive to the world-famous Penguin Parade. For groups, the resort can schedule dinner for guests before or after viewing the penguins.

Ramada Phillip Island has exceptional studio, two and three bedroom eco cabins creating the ideal place for a family or group getaway. All rooms also include a variety of amenities including fully-equipped kitchens, tea and coffee, ceiling fans and full laundry (two and three bedroom eco cabins only).

ACCOMMODATION DETAILS	
Type	Resort
No. of rooms	studio, 2 and 3BR eco cabins
No. of beds	500
Group facilities	Conference and meeting rooms

FEATURES

- Onsite café, restaurant and bar
- 2 outdoor swimming pools, health centre: gym, lap pool, spa, tennis
- Outdoor picnic facility areas, walking and cycling trails, children's playground

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CARMEL AT SORRENTO

Awarded Gold in the 5-star Luxury category (Victorian Tourism Awards), Carmel At Sorrento hosts six luxury, fully appointed 3BR self-contained apartments with balconies.

Each apartment comfortably accommodates up to 6 guests, and is perfect for couples, families or groups. Features include: an en suite off the master, second bathroom, powder room, kitchen/dining area, living area, butler's pantry, laundry as well as a balcony with outdoor furnishings and a BBQ.

For something extra special, try the luxurious penthouse apartment, located exclusively on the complex's top floor, offering complete privacy for guests. Luxury upgrades available. Our vision is to welcome each guest to enjoy the complete holiday experience.

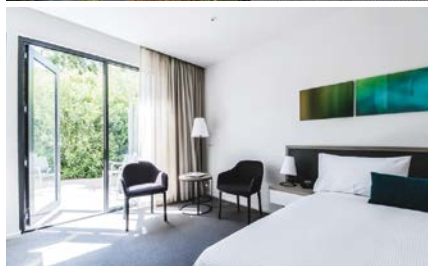
VENUE DETAILS	
Type	★★★★★ Apartments
Capacity	6 x 3BR apartments 1 x 3 BR luxury penthouse All king beds split to twins
Group facilities	Groups welcome; flexible function /entertaining spaces; group host
Opening hours	Reception open 7 days; check website for times

FEATURES

- Charming Sorrento village location
- All king beds split to provide twin beds
- Luxury rooftop penthouse
- Two separate conference spaces

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FLINDERS HOTEL MORNINGTON PENINSULA

Flinders Hotel is located in the heart of Flinders, a stunning coastal village on the Mornington Peninsula, at the doorstep of everything the peninsula has to offer.

This beautiful contemporary 4.5 star hotel features 40 luxurious guest rooms, each with floor to ceiling windows, king size beds, balcony or courtyard, premium linens and amenities. Parking, WiFi and breakfast are complimentary.

Flinders Hotel also offers multiple onsite dining options: Georgie Bass Café & Cookery, serving breakfast and lunch; The Deck Bar & Bistro, open for lunch and dinner; and Zigis, a relaxed coastal bar with an innovative tapas menu and curated beverage list.

ACCOMMODATION DETAILS

Rating	★★★★★
Type	Hotel
No. of rooms	40
No. of beds	80
Group facilities	Yes, up to 125 guests

FEATURES

- Coastal village location
- Walk to beach, pier and golf course
- 4.5 star hotel
- Cooking school, café, bistro, bar
- Conference and event facilities

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ILUKA GROUP RETREAT & GLAMPING VILLAGE

Iluka Retreat & Camp is located in the coastal township of Shoreham on the Mornington Peninsula. This 36 acre property includes accommodation for 90 in group lodges plus the additional option of Glamping in a permanent onsite village.

Your choice of accommodation! Two ideally placed lodges offer group accommodation whilst nearby is the permanent glamping village offering 25 glamping Bell tents set amongst a beautiful landscape including its own lake and bird wetlands.

Iluka is perfect for corporate and wellness retreats, family reunions, school camps, education retreats.

Walking distance to the beach, wineries and local attractions.

ACCOMMODATION DETAILS

Type	Glamping experiences and Group lodges
No. of rooms	20+ Queen Bed Bell tents; Warrawong Lodge: 9 bedrooms; Aulua Lodge: 7 Bedrooms
Group facilities	Exclusive Use Sleeps 100+ guests

FEATURES

- Warrawong Lodge; Aulua Lodge
- Bell tent glamping
- Campground facilities
- Camp kitchen

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INTERCONTINENTAL SORRENTO

Discover a reinvented icon nestled upon a hilltop on Sorrento's foreshore. A destination within itself, InterContinental Sorrento, Mornington Peninsula's 108-room hotel, resides amongst a wider precinct, boasting four restaurants and bars as well as a spa and bathhouse.

Inspired by the warm and sophisticated hues of the Mediterranean, each of the hotel's 108 guest rooms and suites offer refined seaside elegance, across the fourteen room categories. Take in bay views from sweeping private terraces, unwind in a luxurious bath or soak up the rich heritage whilst indulging in the in-room bar. Surrounded in unparalleled coastal glamour atop the Mediterranean-style Pool Deck and Bar.

ACCOMMODATION DETAILS

Rating	★★★★★
Type	Hotel
No. of rooms	108
No. of beds	112
Group facilities	Yes

FEATURES

- Complimentary in-room bar for premium rooms and suites
- Pool Deck and Bar exclusively available to hotel guests
- Three meetings and events spaces
- Four restaurants and bars and spa and bathhouse within precinct

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JACKALOPE HOTEL

A new standard in Australian accommodation, Jackalope Hotel promises an experience to remember. Only one hour from Melbourne and set on a pristine vineyard amid the Mornington Peninsula wine region. Hotel highlights include 45 luxury rooms and suites, and immersive wine and culinary experiences delivered through two awarded restaurants, a winery, cellar door and cocktail bar.

Rooms range from a spacious 38-85m² and feature floor-to-ceiling windows, private terraces, king sized beds and rain showers – while some splash out with deep-soak Japanese baths and views over the hotel's black-tiled 30m infinity pool.

ACCOMMODATION DETAILS	
Rating	★★★★★
Type	Hotel
No. of rooms	45
No. of beds	54
Group facilities	Conferencing facilities, private dining, coach parking

FEATURES

- Working winery, cellar door
- Art and installations
- 30 metre infinity pool, spa
- Cocktail bar, restaurants

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LAKEVILLE VILLAS AT CRITTENDEN ESTATE

The 3 boutique villas are constructed entirely over the vineyard lake providing a sense of floating among the vines. Each secluded villa comprises a fully self-contained experience with a well equipped kitchen adjoining a dining area and expansive living room.

The separate king size bedroom has a large walk-in robe, while other features include an authentic wood fire, deep spa bath and a BBQ on the private deck. Lakeside Villas offer an oasis of tranquillity just steps away from the onsite Crittenden Wine Centre and award-winning Stillwater Restaurant.

Lakeside Villas won Gold for best self-contained accommodation at the Victorian Tourism Awards (2019) and Silver at the QANTAS Australian Awards.

ACCOMMODATION DETAILS	
Rating	★★★★★
Type	Self-contained Villas
No. of rooms	3 villas
No. of beds	3 (plus a sofa bed in each villa)
Opening hours	Always open

FEATURES

- Located on vineyard
- Onsite winery and wine tasting centre
- Onsite restaurant – Stillwater
- Wood fireplace and spa
- Accessibility friendly

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LANCEMORE LINDENDERRY RED HILL

Carefully curated – all welcome. This classic boutique hotel is Melbourne's rural retreat. Here, 40 elegantly Hecker Guthrie designed spacious guest rooms are surrounded by some of the most spectacular coastal landscapes, villages, and celebrated food and wine producers in the country.

The Dining Room, Lindenderry's recognised hatted restaurant, offers visitors hand-selected, locally-sourced ingredients worked into delicious assemblages that will leave an enduring expression of the Mornington Peninsula and Red Hill gourmet region.

The region's most sought-after wedding venue and Melbourne's corporate go-to retreat highlights the versatility of the property's meeting and event spaces.

ACCOMMODATION DETAILS	
Rating	★★★★★
Type	Hotel
No. of rooms	40
No. of beds	40
Group facilities	Wedding & Events to 140 Conference to 70 Cellar Door to 100

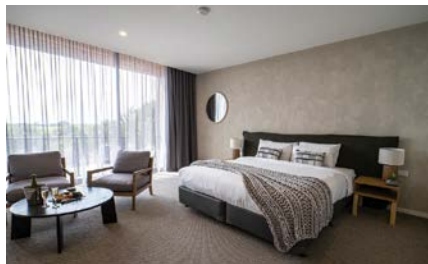
FEATURES

- The Dining Room (book online)
- Hotel, cellar door, delightful vineyard views
- Heated pool
- Wedding and Conference facilities

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LINKS LODGE AT THE DUNES

Set on 300 acres of gently rolling sand dunes is this purpose-built accommodation for the travelling golfer. The Dunes offers a choice of generous two-bedroom suites inclusive of separate living area and kitchenette, or king size bedrooms with en suite (king bed and twin bed configurations available). All rooms are totally private and feature stunning views of golf course and surrounding Mornington Peninsula. Private balconies, quality fittings and 5G WiFi are standard.

The Links Lodge is situated a short stroll to The Dunes clubhouse. Its location in the heart of the Mornington Peninsula allows easy access to nearby Peninsula attractions such as the Peninsula Hot Springs and St Andrews Beach Brewery.

ACCOMMODATION DETAILS	
Rating	★★★★
Type	Luxury Golf Accommodation
No. of rooms	11 one-bedroom studios; 6 two-bedroom suites
No. of beds	31
Group facilities	Private guest lounge and tailored dining options

FEATURES

- Natural beauty of rolling sand dunes
- Luxury accommodation all with views
- Proximity to beaches, wineries and hot springs

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PENINSULA KINGSWOOD COUNTRY GOLF CLUB

A range of accommodation options are available for those wishing to stay on-site at Peninsula Kingswood. The clubhouse contains 8 luxurious rooms overlooking the courses, and there are also 10 beautiful remote accommodation rooms overlooking the 10th hole on the South course. The remote rooms feature an expansive living space and deck with views of the course and surrounds.

Guests have full access to the clubhouse, golf shop, bowls, tennis, gym, billiard room, and pool facilities during their stay.

Breakfast is included in all stays and rooms are appointed with the best in modern amenities.

ACCOMMODATION DETAILS	
Rating	★★★★★
Type	Golf Country Club
No. of rooms	18
No. of beds	18 king beds – can be split
Group facilities	Group catering packages, private dining rooms.

FEATURES

- A range of luxurious accommodation options are available on-site.
- Two championship golf courses in the top 20 in Australia.
- 25-metre indoor swimming pool, gym, tennis court and bowling green

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PEPPERS MOONAH LINKS RESORT

One of Australia's most unique leisure resorts, Peppers Moonah Links is located in the heart of the Mornington Peninsula.

With neighbouring properties including the award-winning Peninsula Hot Springs, The Cups Estate winery and St Andrews Beach Brewery, guests don't need to travel far to experience the best that the Peninsula has to offer. The stylish and contemporary accommodation is popular among avid golfers who come from far and wide to experience Moonah Links' award-winning courses. Guests enjoy the landscaped gardens and rolling green hill views from their deluxe room or suite. The resort's 72 spacious rooms feature stylish décor with modern appliances and daily room service.

ACCOMMODATION DETAILS	
Rating	★★★★
Type	Resort
No. of rooms	72
No. of beds	144
Group facilities	Large conference and event facilities

FEATURES

- Located next to Peninsula Hot Springs, award-winning wineries and breweries
- Two championship golf courses and Golf Academy
- Restaurant, bar, swimming pool, gym

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RYE HOTEL – MORNINGTON PENINSULA

Synonymous with good old-fashioned friendly service and values, Rye Hotel is truly deserving of its great reputation. Relax over a drink at the popular Public Bar, enjoy spectacular views over the bay from our newly opened cocktail venue; The Verve Bar, dine in our spacious family-friendly bistro café area, perfect for larger groups.

Browse through a comprehensive seasonal menu of contemporary Australian pub fare bursting with flavours, fresh seafood and appetising daily specials.

Luxury-appointed accommodation offers overnight guests 30 suites overlooking the outdoor swimming pool and 14 beachfront suites, some with magnificent bay views.

ACCOMMODATION DETAILS	
Rating	★★★★
Type	Hotel
No. of rooms	44
No. of beds	Sleeps 106 guests
Group facilities	Yes up to 200 guests

FEATURES

- Opposite Rye Beach
- Conference and event facilities
- Private function rooms
- Garden courtyard with live music
- Complimentary onsite car parking
- Children's play area

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BIG4 INGENIA HOLIDAYS QUEENSCLIFF

Located in historic Queenscliff, 4km from the ferry to Mornington Peninsula and 45km from Avalon International Airport, it's the ideal coastal destination.

Previously known as Beacon Resort, this stylish holiday park is set amongst native gardens with beach access across the road. Offering luxury one, two and three-bedroom villas, contemporary self-contained cabins, motel rooms plus caravan and camping sites there's something to suit a range of holiday needs. Explore Port Phillip Bay and the Bellarine Peninsula's many attractions on the doorstep, whilst enjoying extensive leisure facilities such as a 12.5m heated indoor pool, free children's activity program, 24/7 gym and free yoga classes.

ACCOMMODATION DETAILS	
Type	Holiday Park Resort
No. of rooms	62
No. of beds	246
Group facilities	Specialist in catering for groups up to 30, group host, coach parking, function room

FEATURES

- Beautiful Australian garden setting
- Luxury villas, contemporary self-contained cabins
- Apartments, caravanning and camping
- Gymnasium and yoga

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CURLEWIS GOLF CLUB RESORT

This unique accommodation complex is nestled amidst indigenous native landscape, flanking one of the region's most revered golf courses. Luxe and contemporary, each room features an individual car park, private balcony, custom robes, divine bedding and guarantees every creature comfort is catered for.

All rooms feature premium pillowtop mattresses, luxurious duvet and fluffy King pillows.

Curlewis has a lot to offer – the commanding Clubhouse, Ivor's Spike Bar, signature restaurant Claribeaux, great golf, The Range @ Curlewis (epic entertainment complex featuring Toptracer Range, mini golf and X Golf) as well as their funky Pro Shop.

ACCOMMODATION DETAILS	
Type	Golf course resort
No. of rooms	60 Suites
No. of beds	126 beds
Group facilities	Group rates; group dining options. Onsite entertainment options: golf, driving range, mini golf

FEATURES

- Premium bay and fairway views
- Rooms flank the stunning golf course
- Awesome dining options onsite: French fusion restaurant, Spike Bar

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LON RETREAT & SPA

Escape the busyness of life on over 200 acres of rural and conservation land, hidden away on a hill by the ocean.

Seven luxury suites are spread throughout this sandstone retreat, each individually designed with its own unique character and connection to the ocean, lakes and surrounding farmland.



Each suite is a personal sanctuary, inspired by its natural surroundings combining earthy tones with contemporary luxury.

Enjoy private beach access and nature walks throughout the property to beach, dunes, Moonah forest, lakes and farm. Delight in the mineral water fed indoor heated pool or the Lon Spa with three treatment suites, Vichy Steam Showers, Mineral Soaking Tubs.

ACCOMMODATION DETAILS

Type	Luxury Retreat and Spa
No. of rooms	7
No. of beds	8 king beds
Group facilities	Exclusive hire available, events up to 120, spa

FEATURES

- Luxury Suites, adults exclusive, individually designed with ocean and rural views
- Over 200 acres of rural and conservation land to explore by the ocean
- Mineral pools, mineral spa, yoga, makers and growers pantry

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R HOTEL GEELONG

The 128 room, 4.5 star, R Hotel Geelong is a full service apart'hotel offering 24 hour reception, local tour information, car parking, and a café for breakfast. A pantry service is available for longer stays, and airport transfers can be arranged. The R Hotel opened in 2021.

Within walking distance, guests will find Eastern Beach, Geelong Waterfront Restaurants, Port Phillip Ferries for day trips to Melbourne or Port Arlington, Geelong Train Station and Westfield Shopping Centre.

The hotel is the perfect stopover for visitors wanting to explore the outstanding food, wine, beaches of the Bellarine Peninsula and Surf Coast before heading further along the Great Ocean Road.



ACCOMMODATION DETAILS

Type	★★★★★ Apartment Hotel
No. of rooms	128
No. of beds	90 twin-bedded rooms
Group facilities	Groups welcome

FEATURES

- Walk to Eastern Beach and Waterfront
- Located in the city centre
- Easy access to Bellarine Peninsula, Melbourne, and Great Ocean Road
- Large coach access
- Onsite café with pre-order breakfast to rooms

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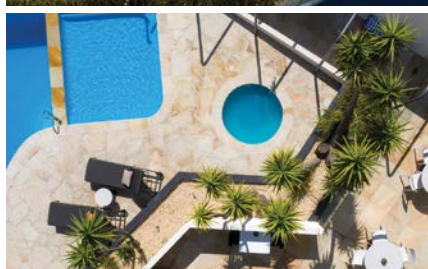


RYDGES GEELONG

Located in the heart of the CBD with sweeping views of sparkling Corio Bay and just minutes from the lively foreshore of Eastern Beach, Rydges Geelong offers stylish and affordable accommodation rooms; the perfect blend of inner city convenience and that scenic holiday feel.

The hotel is within walking distance of the Geelong Waterfront and the city's vibrant restaurant and bar scene, as well as shopping centres, golf courses, museums and galleries.

It's the perfect base to explore Geelong, the Great Ocean Road and The Bellarine Peninsula.



ACCOMMODATION DETAILS

Type	★★★★ Hotel
No. of rooms	132 rooms. 4 apartments 2 suites
No. of beds	217
Group facilities	Group and wholesale rates available, Coach parking, Interconnecting rooms

FEATURES

- Onsite restaurant, pool, spa, gym
- Electric vehicle station; secure parking
- Just minutes to shops and beaches and entertainment precinct

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Go Beyond Melbourne (GBM) is a new touring partnership created to provide inspiration and tools for planning a multi-day tour around four extraordinary regions – each within 90 minutes of Melbourne. GBM will help you create inspiring and memorable journeys to take your visitors beyond the city centre on a personalised road trip. Customised itineraries include: family friendly, romantic, wildlife, food and wine indulgences.

With four distinct regions to explore and four touring themes to follow, planning the perfect stay Beyond Melbourne is easy. If you are planning a road trip, this trade manual is a great way to get started. However, if you need extra support, we have a fantastic suite of resources that can help. With a touring map, online trip builder, themed itineraries and high resolution photography, we have the tools to help you create the ultimate Go Beyond Melbourne touring itinerary! www.gobeyondmelbourne.com



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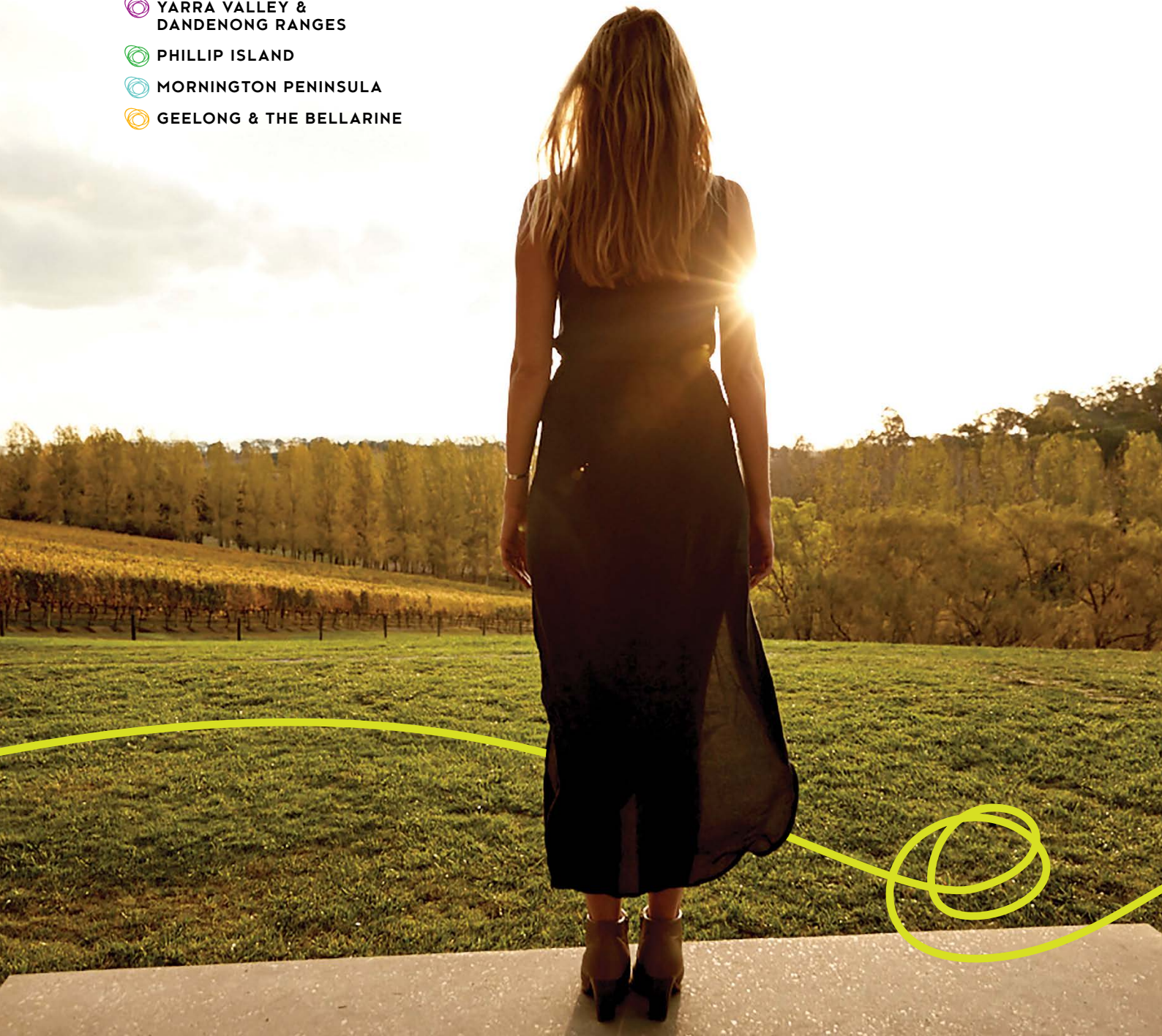
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