

We know how important it is to find affordable and entertaining activities on your travels for you and your family or friends. The Free Attractions Guide is great for things to see and do in at no cost!

Covering all the capital cities and a few other popular destinations you can experience city life by the way of street markets, lookouts and playgrounds or create outback adventures in swimming holes and rainforests.

For convenience the Free Attractions Guide has been designed to be printable with addresses, phone numbers and a map to help you find each location with ease.

With all these attractions no-one could possibly be bored on your next campervan holiday. It's easy! Just print out your desired location and start planning today!



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# **Gardens, Lookouts and Beaches**

#### Adelaide Botanic Gardens

From the very beginning, there was a plan for botanic gardens as part of the city of Adelaide. The gardens were officially opened in 1857 and live on in vibrancy to this day. A high point of the facility in which they are kept is the Victorian-era Palm House, which currently houses flora from Madagascar. The Santos Museum of Economic Botany is dedicated to the collection and interpretation of 'useful' plants, and was established in 1879. The gardens aren't all about the past though; they are the first garden to build a Creek Wetland that will environmentally sustain itself and in turn provide the water supply for the rest of the gardens year round. The grounds are also home to three eateries and a garden shop for heirloom plants.

Address: North Terrace, Adelaide

#### **Black Hill Conservation Park**

Black Hill Conservation Park lies within the Mount Lofty Range. It is the low she oaks which give Black Hill its name and the park is best known for bird watching, bush walking and rock climbing. The surprise here is this rugged landscape contains a wide variety of flora that offers a stunning display of native flowers in the spring. While you're visiting the park, take the opportunity to walk through the Wildflower Garden that dates back to the 1940s.

Address: 115 Maryvale Rd, Athelstone

# Glenelg Beach

Glenelg is the site of South Australia's original mainland settlement in 1836. Connected to the city by the Bay Tram, the only tram still operating in Adelaide, Glenelg Beach is the most popular of Adelaide's beaches. Check out Jetty Road, which is a long ribbon of shops and entertainment facilities. The Bay Discovery Centre, in Glenelg Town Hall, is a free museum about Glenelg's history. You can see wild dolphins and may even be able to swim with them. It's a must-do whilst in Adelaide.

Address: Glenelg

#### **Montefiore Hill Lookout**

For a spectacular view of Adelaide, head to the Montefiore Hill Lookout. This lookout is also known as Light's Vision. Created in 1938, the lookout was built to commemorate Colonel William Light, Adelaide's founding father, with a life-size bronze statue. It is believed that Light stood at this spot and said "This is a place for a city", and from here you can see the carefully laid out city which he planned. In front of the statue are parklands which include the Adelaide Oval and Memorial Drive.

Address: Montefiore Hill, North Adelaide

# **Mt Lofty Summit**

Surrounded by bushland, this lookout provides spectacular panoramic views across Adelaide's city skyline to the coast. This view is especially beautiful at night, with the lights of the city turning the night into a fairyland. The Summit complex includes a visitor's centre which features interactive touch screens to help you learn more about the Summit and surrounding tourist attractions. Adjacent to the visitor centre is the fully licensed Summit Restaurant and Café. From the summit, you can follow the popular walk down to Waterfall Gully or to Cleland Wildlife Park.

Address: Mount Lofty Summit Road, Mount Lofty

#### **Pioneer Women's Memorial Gardens**

The design of the garden is a simple rectangle with a low decorative brick wall. At the centre of the garden is Ola Cohn's sculpture of a female figure, raised on a plinth. This is surrounded by green lawns, and four garden beds with ornamental trees and shrubs at the edges. The choice of plants was influenced by their symbolic meanings, selecting five Lombardy poplars to represent the five women of the Pioneer Women's Memorial Trust; holly oak and myrtle for protection and

love; honeysuckle for love, generosity and devotion; and lilac to symbolize memory, protection, youth and tenderness. The main entrance is located on King William Street between Torrens Parade Grounds and the rear of Government House. The sloped path to the entrance is grass. The best place to park is at the Adelaide Festival Centre Car Park (which is opposite the park).

Address: King William Road, Adelaide

# St Kilda Adventure Playground

The historic seaside town of St Kilda is a 45 minute drive north of the Adelaide CBD. While in St Kilda, families should not miss the St Kilda Adventure Playground. This children's activity area has numerous swings, slides and flying foxes which will keep children amused for hours. There is specially-designed play equipment at both ends of the park, including a wooden fort with super-sized slides, a wooden ship overlooking the water and a wave slide starting at the top of a hill. Adults will be tempted to join their children in the fun and games.

Address: Fooks Terrace, St Kilda

# Markets, Shopping and Food

#### Adelaide Central Market

These markets have been in operation since 1870, so you know they must be good. Enjoy the hustle and bustle of the market, sample the culinary delights, meet the traders and share the history and the secrets of the market. The Adelaide Central Market is truly an amazing experience and you can add to that even more by taking part in a guided tour (must be pre-booked). Or, if you prefer, you can drop in on one of the tasting sessions held on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays. Located in the heart of the CBD making it easily accessible from wherever you may be. Please note that the markets are closed on Sundays.

Address: Gouger Street, Adelaide

# **Gouger St**

One of Adelaide's premier eat streets features food from around the world. It is the gateway to the famed Adelaide Central Market and the exotic, bustling mall and food halls of Chinatown. Take a five-minute stroll down Gouger Street and you'll be embarking on a world tour of restaurants. Traditional Thai, Vietnamese, Malaysian and Japanese, Asian fusion, noodle bars, regional Chinese and yum cha, French and Argentine cuisine, and a number of first-rate seafood restaurants. In Chinatown, you'll come across red lanterns, lion statues, pagoda-style roofs and Asian grocery stores. Surrounded by impressive court buildings and legal premises on the edge of Victoria Square, Gouger Street offers a striking contrast in culture.

Address: Gouger St, Adelaide

#### **Rundle Mall**

Rundle Mall, in the centre of Adelaide, was Australia's first pedestrian mall opened in September 1976. It contains many boutiques, independent and retail stores. Throughout the mall you can enjoy meandering through a number of arcades and plazas containing smaller boutiques and eateries. However, there is more to Rundle Mall than just shopping, silver balls and bronze pigs. Take a journey with the Rundle Mall Discovery Trail to uncover the treasures which include Beehive Corner, the Rundle Mall Fountain, Rundle Lantern and much more.

Address: Rundle Mall, Adelaide

# Strathalbyn

Strathalbyn is a historic town just an hour's drive in your campervan from Adelaide City. Call in to the picturesque railway station that's become it's Visitor Information Centre and they will equip you with a guide map that takes you past the old gasworks (now a beautifully restored bed & breakfast) and the old court house and police station housing it's National Trust Museum. You'll soon discover their heritage pearls are cast on both sides of the River Angas. This heritage is supported by the town's famous antique stores. Take the tourist drive via Jupiter Creek and experience some beautiful countryside along the way.

Address: Strathalbyn, South Australia

# **Museums and Cultural Hubs**

#### South Australian Museum

This award-winning museum has a wide variety of permanent exhibits ranging from Indigenous cultures, Pacific cultures, fossils, megafauna, minerals, whales, dolphins and world mammals. The museum contains the largest collection of Australian Aboriginal cultural artefacts in the world. The South Australian Museum's permanent galleries are packed with interesting objects drawn from the Museum's extensive collections. The Museum's permanent displays give visitors an opportunity to see examples of actual specimens from the collections; specimens that have been researched by Museum scientists.

Address: North Terrace, Adelaide +61 8 8207 7500

# The Art Gallery of South Australia

The Art Gallery of South Australia (AGSA), located on the cultural boulevard of North Terrace in Adelaide, is one of three significant visual arts museums in the state. Founded in 1881, the gallery is home to one of Australia's great art collections, housed in one of Adelaide's most beautiful historic buildings. The AGSA is renowned for its collections of Australian art, notably Indigenous Australian and Colonial art as well as Japanese art and British art, including a large collection of Pre-Raphaelite works, by artists Edward Burne-Jones, William Holman Hunt, Dante Gabriel Rossetti and Morris & Co.

Address: North Terrace, Adelaide

#### **Old Government House**

Old Government House is a historic building located in Belair National Park. Fully restored during the 1970s and upgraded in 2001, the building stands as an excellent example of Victorian-style architecture and represents a significant period in the state of South Australia's history. It was constructed from local sandstone, with the red-brick for the quoins sourced from the Blackwood brickworks, and a native timber shingle roof. The residence's indoor plunge-pool was reportedly the first in the colony. Old Government House buildings are open from 1pm-4pm on Sunday and public holidays only.

# Address: Belair National Park Adelaide Festival Centre

The arts hub of Adelaide, this is the place to see a wide variety of shows. From local gigs to international shows like Grease. Dance, theatre, opera and rotational exhibitions are also on offer among the 4 theatres, gallery and piano bar housed here.

Address: King William Rd, Adelaide Architecture

# **Other**

# City Loop & Bee Bus Lines

Whether you want to travel down the street or across town, Adelaide offers two free city courtesy buses to make it simpler. The Adelaide free stops are clearly signposted so they're easy to identify. If you're unsure about your destination, ask your driver for assistance.

The Adelaide FREE 99C City Loop has over 30 convenient stops around the city with services travelling in clockwise and anti-clockwise directions and a ramp

# **Holy Trinity Church**

Adelaide is known as the City of Churches, and a visit would not be complete without seeing some of the fine examples. One of the oldest is Holy Trinity Church, also known as the Pioneer Church of South Australia. The church's clock is famous, having been made by the clockmaker to King Edward IV. Holy Trinity Anglican Church is historically significant in that it contains elements of the earliest surviving Anglican Church building in South Australia. Of special note is the William IV window that was brought to Adelaide in 1836.

Address: 87 North Terrace, Adelaide

# Adelaide Town Hall

The Adelaide Town Hall was hailed as 'the largest municipal building south of the Equator' when it opened in 1866. The plans were selected as part of a contest, the final prize being awarded to Edmund Wright, who had been Lord Mayor in 1859. Join a tour to find out about the Town Hall's interesting architecture and history. The hall is famous for an appearance by The Beatles on the balcony in 1964, which attracted an estimated 300,000 fans, their biggest crowd.

Address: King William Street, Adelaide

providing easy access for people using wheelchairs and prams. The 99B Bee Line bus runs continually along North Terrace and King William Street to Victoria Square. Both services make it easy for you to transfer to other Adelaide Metro buses, trains and trams that can take you to the tourist destinations.



# **Araluen Cultural Precinct**

The Araluen Cultural Precinct gives a fascinating glimpse into the art, culture and heritage of Central Australia, and into some of the local identities that helped develop the region. The Araluen Cultural Precinct - formerly the Araluen Centre for Arts & Entertainment - is a cultural centre incorporating museums, a theatre and the Araluen Arts Centre, featuring four art galleries.

Address: Araluen Cultural Precinct, Larapinta Drive, Alice Springs

# Araluen Arts Centre, incorporating the Albert Namatjira Gallery

The Araluen Arts Centre features four art galleries. The Albert Namatjira Gallery features a large collection of works by Aboriginal artist Albert Namatjira, his family and contemporaries, and current works by Aboriginal watercolour artists. International and independent movies are shown in the theatre, which seats about five hundred.

Address: Araluen Cultural Precinct, Larapinta Drive, Alice Springs

#### Museum of Central Australia

The Museum of Central Australia is an interpretive centre for Central Australia's unique natural history. The exhibits and displays follow the evolution of the landscape and the fascinating creatures that inhabited it. It is interesting to note the relationship between the geo-morphological explanations of the way this land was formed alongside the traditional Arrente.

The exhibits include a journey through the evolution of Central Australia, through to exhibits including a replica paleontological dig, and a replica of an ancient waterhole with mega-fauna.

Address: Araluen Cultural Precinct, Larapinta Drive, Alice Springs

# **Strehlow Research Centre**

The Strehlow Research Centre is a museum and cultural centre located in Alice Springs, NT. The Research Centre is responsible for the care of the Strehlow Collection of indigenous central Australian ethnographic objects and archival materials.

Address: Araluen Cultural Precinct, Larapinta Drive, Alice Springs

# **Central Australian Aviation Museum**

The Central Australian Aviation Museum is a celebration of the spirit, effort, and courage of the people who founded avionics in the centre of Australia. Despite adverse conditions, harsh environments, and staggering distances, mail runs were set up, supplies were brought in, and connections were formed across a vast and unwelcoming desert. Eddie Connellan, a pioneer of aviation in the Northern Territory, established Alice Springs' first aerodrome on the current Precinct site in 1939. The original hangar, associated buildings and the Connellan family homestead remain a part of the Precinct.

Address: Araluen Cultural Precinct, Larapinta Drive, Alice Springs

# **Aboriginal Desert Art Gallery**

Aboriginal Desert Art Gallery is one of Australia's largest Aboriginal art galleries. Located in the Todd Mall, Alice Springs, the gallery was established in 1985. Over 50 local Aboriginal artists are represented, and there is an extensive display of Aboriginal art on display. Travellers can visit to view unique, beautiful artworks, to either browse or purchase.

Address: 87 Todd Street, Alice Springs

# Adelaide House Museum and John Flynn Memorial Church

Now under the protection of the National Trust, Adelaide House is one of Alice Springs' oldest remaining buildings. In Todd Mall, next to the John Flynn Memorial Church, this impressive building was designed by Flynn in 1916-17 and opened as a hospital-hostel in 1926. Wander the displays to learn Flynn's story and the connection of the bush nursing hostel and the Traeger Pedal Radio, which brought health services to the vast outback.

John Flynn dreamed of a cathedral within Central Australia where people of all faiths could worship. After his death, his friends across Australia built one in his memory. It was opened by the Prime Minister in 1956.

Address: Todd Mall, Alice Springs

# Alice Springs RSL Military Museum

The Alice Springs War Museum is housed within the Alice Springs RSL Club. The museum is acknowledged as the most significant regional collection of war memorabilia in Australia, dating from circa 1854 to the Timor conflict. The collection contains extensive displays from both World Wars, including a pictorial portrayal of Alice Springs at War. The centrepiece of the display is the motorised Quadricycle Gun Carriage. It is the only replica known to exist of this unusual velocipede.

Address: Schwartz Crescent, Alice Springs

# Alice Springs Telegraph Station

The township of Alice Springs obtained its name from the waterhole at this historic Telegraph Station. Established in 1872 to relay messages between Darwin and Adelaide, the Alice Springs Telegraph Station is the best preserved of the 12 stations along the Overland Telegraph Line. The Telegraph Station features the original buildings of stone which have been restored with house furnishings and artefacts from the early 1900s. Set against the magnificent MacDonnell

Ranges, the reserve also offers opportunities for walking, picnicking and wildlife observation. Guided tours are available. Entry to the reserve is free but an entry fee applies to the historic precinct. The Historical Precinct is open 8am-5pm daily except Christmas Day.

Address: Herbert Heritage Drive, Alice Springs

# **Anzac Hill Lookout**

The Anzac Hill Lookout is the ideal spot for a panoramic view of the town. The Anzac Hill Memorial was unveiled on 25 April 1934 (Anzac Day) and was originally dedicated to all those members of the armed services who had paid the supreme sacrifice during World War I. It has now become a memorial to all those who have served in the defence of their country during all wars in which Australia has participated.

Address: Anzac Hill Road, Alice Springs

# **Arltunga Historical Reserve**

Located 110 kilometres east of Alice Springs, via the East MacDonnell Ranges, the historic town of Arltunga was officially Central Australia's first town and once supported up to 3000 people. Arltunga was born out of a gold rush in 1887, when alluvial gold was discovered in a dry creek bed. At the time, Alice Springs consisted of just the Overland Telegraph Station, and was little more than an outpost that had expanded as it became the supply base of Arltunga. Today you can relive the heyday of Arltunga at the Historical Reserve, where the remains of mines, old miner's camps and stone buildings (some of which have been restored), are preserved for the public to explore. The fossicking area is located outside of the reserve; however you can pan for gold in the visitor centre's courtyard display. After 70 km of sealed road along the Ross Highway, there is a gravel road which leads northeast for 33km to Arltunga.

Address: Arltunga Road, via Ross Highway, Alice Springs

# **Ellery Creek Big Hole**

High red cliffs, a large waterhole and a sandy creek fringed by gums make Ellery Creek Big Hole one of the most popular and picturesque picnic spots in the West MacDonnell Ranges. Much more than just a popular place for the locals to take a refreshing dip, Ellery Creek Big Hole is also recognised as an internationally significant geological site. A three kilometre Dolomite walk provides an opportunity for visitors to explore some of the interesting formations. Camping is permitted, however fees apply.

Address: Namatjira Drive, 90kms west of Alice Springs

# **Emily and Jesse Gaps Nature Park**

Explore Emily and Jessie Gaps Nature Park, 10 kilometres east of Alice Springs. The first European sighting of Emily and Jessie Gap was in 1871. It was thought that Emily and Jessie were the daughters of Sir Charles Todd, but this was found to be untrue. Today, the basis on which the names are derived is still unknown. The park protects sacred sites and galleries of rock painting significant to the Arrernte Aboriginal people and associated with the Yeperenye and other dreamtimes.

Address: Ross Highway, Hale

# **Hermannsburg Historic Precinct**

Located 126kms west of Alice Springs, the Hermannsburg Historic Precinct is the last surviving mission developed by the Hermannsburg Missionary Society. It shows the influence of the German Lutherans on Aboriginal people in central Australia. Hermannsburg was established in 1877 as a religious mission for Aboriginal people. It became a refuge from the frontier conflict for the Arrernte people. As well as reflecting the changing policies towards Aboriginal people, it was the home of acclaimed Aboriginal artist, Albert Namatjira. The Hermannsburg Historic Precinct was included in the National Heritage List on 13 April 2006. Hermannsburg Historic Precinct is open to visitors who can visit the old mission house, Albert Namatjira's house, a museum, a tearoom and an art gallery.

Address: Larapinta Drive, Hermannsburg

# John Flynn's Grave Historic Reserve

The John Flynn's Grave Historical Reserve contains a memorial to Reverend John Flynn and contains the ashes of Flynn and his wife. The grave is on a low hill at the foot of the MacDonnell Ranges. The plaque expresses a lifetime achievement in just a few lines His vision encompassed the continent. He established the Australian Inland Mission and founded the Royal Flying Doctor Service. He brought to lonely places a spiritual ministry and spread a mantle of safety over them by medicine and the radio.

Address: Larapinta Drive, 7kms west of Alice Springs

#### National Pioneer Women's Hall of Fame

The National Pioneer Women's Hall of Fame is dedicated to preserving the place of women in history for their special contribution to Australia's heritage.

Founded by Molly Clark of Old Andado Station in 1993 the National Pioneer Women's Hall of Fame is one of only three women's museums in operation in Australia. A pioneer woman is considered any woman who is a pioneer in her chosen field; referring not only to the traditional meaning of the word - a colonist, explorer or settler in a new land - but to anyone who is an innovator or developer of something new. Open from 10 am - 5 pm daily.

Address: Old Alice Springs Gaol, 2 Stuart Terrace, Alice Springs

# **National Road Transport Hall of Fame**

The Road Transport Historical Society is a volunteer-based project dedicated to the preservation and presentation of Australia's unique road transport heritage. It does this through its magnificent Shell Rimula Hall of Fame; Alice Springs is thought to be the birthplace of the Australian road train. The Hall is not only to commemorate the great trucks, buses and motor vehicles of the past, but to recognise the contribution of the men and women who drove and lived with these great vehicles. National Road Transport Hall of Fame, the Old Ghan Train Railway Museum and the Kenworth Dealer Truck Museum collectively make up the most comprehensive land transport museum in the southern hemisphere.

Address: 2 Norris Bell Ave, Alice Springs

#### **Old Ghan Heritage Railway and Museum**

The Old Ghan Heritage Railway and Museum is by the Road Transport Historical Society, which also operates the adjacent National Road Transport Hall of Fame. The museum contains narrow gauge equipment from the original Central Australian Railway, the Old Ghan, which operated to Alice Springs from 1929 to 1980 until replaced by a flood-free standard gauge line. The collection includes an operational heritage railway featuring a W924 Steam locomotive, an NSU diesel electric locomotive, a DH40 shunting engine and a variety of flattops, dining cars bar cars and other carriages making up the consist. The Museum itself houses a great collection of photographs and memorabilia relating to all eras of the Old Ghan.

Address: 1 Norris Bell Ave, Alice Springs

#### Olive Pink Botanical Garden

The 16ha area that is now Olive Pink Botanic Garden was gazetted in 1956 as the Australian Arid Regions Flora Reserve after intense lobbying by the Garden's founder, and first honorary curator, Olive Muriel Pink. Miss Olive Pink planted many different trees and shrubs in the 20-odd years she lived on site. It is clear from her diaries that many of the seedlings she grew failed to establish in the Garden - probably because of the harsh summers. However, despite the long drought in the 1960s, some of the trees she propagated from seed survive in the Garden today. There is a self-guided walk around some of the sites of significance for Miss Pink Most of the garden she planted around her hut was a mix of native and introduced species, such as agaves and annual flowers. Open Daily from 8am until 6pm (except Christmas Day)

Address: Tuncks Rd, Desert Springs

# **Simpsons Gap Bicycle Path**

Experience the arid central Australian landscape in an enjoyable and different way along the Simpsons Gap Bicycle Path. This sealed path meanders for 17 km through attractive bushland between Flynn's Grave and Simpsons Gap. The path meanders cross-country with generally easy grades, making it a relaxing and scenic ride for visitors of all ages. For tourists, it is a unique way to safely get to know and enjoy the local natural environment. Eighteen information signs along the path explain aspects of the area's fascinating natural and scenic features. They are a great place to rest your legs and discover more about the path's surroundings. The Cassia Hill Walk, near the path's western end, offers a break from cycling and the chance to learn about native plants.

Address: Starting at Flynn's Grave carpark

# **Stuart Town Cemetery**

This was the first official cemetery in Alice Springs and holds the remains of some of Central Australia's early pioneers. It's believed over a hundred people were buried in this small cemetery on George Crescent, but only forty names of the deceased are now known. The last burial in the Stuart Town Cemetery was in 1932 when the Memorial (General) Cemetery opened. It is preserved as a lasting memorial the pioneers of the area. These people were farmers, gold seekers. cameleers, scientists, explorers and Johannes Frederick Mueller - the first Station-Master at the Telegraph Station. Unfortunately, many graves are unmarked and the areas unidentified. No records are available prior to council controlling the area in the late 1960's. Elizabeth Gage has the earliest existing monument as she was buried in 1874. John Henry Smith died in 1918 at the age of 104.

Address: George Crescent, Alice Springs

#### **Stuart Town Gaol**

This property was constructed in 1907 and served as the town's gaol until 1938. It is a simple design made of local stone that reflects the harsh discriminatory treatment of prisoners during the early twentieth century. It houses memorabilia and stories relating to police history and life in Central Australia. Open to the public three days a week, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 10.30 to midday.

Address: 8 Parsons St, Alice Springs

#### **Todd Mall Markets**

An outdoor market operates in the Todd Mall every second Sunday from mid-February to early December featuring local produce, arts, crafts and food from 9 am until 1 pm except in June, July and August when the market finishes at 2 pm. Although Council plays a large role in the Todd Mall Market these are coordinated by Todd Mall Markets Incorporated which is run solely by volunteers. The clanging bell signals the arrival of the town crier, who tells of stands with souvenirs, local art and craft including hand crafted jewellery, delicious local produce, alfresco dining and entertainers. Enjoy a leisurely Sunday morning brunch and stroll down the pedestrian mall, explore the arcades, plazas and shops.

Address: Todd Mall, Alice Springs



# **Arts and Culture**

#### **Brisbane Powerhouse**

Nestled on the banks of the Brisbane River, the Powerhouse is a key hub for the arts in the river city. Formally a power station, carrying the load of Brisbane's long lost tram network, the Powerhouse is a stunning multi-arts venue housing distinct galleries of contemporary and street art. Additional to the galleries are the performance halls hosting an array of programs from comedy, film, theatre, visual arts, festivals and music. And, as a bonus, after you have absorbed some of the coolest art in town, you can pop next door to New Farm Park for a picnic in the sun.

119 Lamington Street, New Farm +61 7 3358 8622

# **Gallery of Modern Art (GOMA)**

Goma, as it's called by the locals, is Queensland's premier arts institution. Internationally acclaimed, the museum boasts some of the most prestigious collections around. Offering a range of galleries to choose from, festivals and film screenings, Goma also caters for children. As leaders in developing arts programs for kids, there is never a shortage of things for them to do. In a hop, skip and a jump you'll find yourself at Goma's sister The Queensland Art Gallery. Only 150m apart, this duo will provide you with an art filled day for sure!

Cultural Centre, Stanley Place, Southbank +61 7 3840 7303

#### **Queensland Museum**

A huge hit with children and adults alike, the Queensland Museum boasts dinosaurs, reptiles, whales and a large selection of innovative and interactive displays replicating some of the most important stories of Queensland's history. Although the museum itself is free, if you are keen to throw in a couple of dollars for the day you can also check out the Science Centre while you're there. An amazing, hands-on experience, the Science Centre is a feast for your senses where you look, touch, listen and play in activities like the static electricity ball, the floating dish and the lightening ladder!

Cnr Grey and Melbourne Streets, Southbank +61 7 3840 7555

# State Library of Queensland

For a unique experience, head to the State Library! While it is home to all of the things you'd expect from a library, the State Library also offers a rich collection of children's activities, cultural activities, festivals and a cafe. Whether it's looking back through our Indigenous history gallery, attending one of the many free events like the Brisbane Writer's Festival or relaxing with a coffee, the State Library is sure to deliver a thought provoking and inspiring experience.

Cultural Centre, Stanley Place, Southbank +61 7 3840 7666

#### **QUT Art Museum**

This is a fun and modern gallery to attend. Displaying both fine art and contemporary pieces, the museum will inspire novices and experienced art critics alike. Located at the Queensland University of Technology's Garden's Point campus, a trip to this museum also offers some great architectural sights too!

2 George Street, Brisbane City +61 7 3138 5370

# UQ Art Museum, UQ Physics Museum, UQ Antiquities Museum

All located at the St Lucia Campus of the University of Queensland, these museums have plenty to offer. From ancient Egypt to the history of science, these museums will keep you very busy! While you're there, take in the beautiful buildings and landscapes of the campus, they are vast and beautiful with plenty of cafes and places to eat, you can't go wrong!

University Drive, The University of Queensland, St Lucia +61 7 3365 1416

# Musgrave Park Cultural Centre

The Musgrave Park Cultural Centre provides a focus on the Aboriginal culture of Brisbane and a venue for traditional and contemporary Indigenous visual and performing arts. The centre boasts an art gallery and exhibitions space, a theatrette, a café and a visual and performing artists' workshop space.

121 Cordelia Street, South Brisbane +61 7 3846 5700

# **Freemasons Ann Street Memorial Centre**

The Freemasons Ann Street Memorial Centre is the headquarters of the craft in Queensland and a memorial dedicated to those who gave their lives in the World Wars. Tours take place at 2pm each Friday and donations are appreciated.

311 Ann Street, Brisbane City +61 3229 2422

#### **Markets**

# **Chinatown Mall and The Valley Markets**

Growing from the underground and alternative music scene of Brisbane, theses markets predominantly feature apparel, jewellers and vinyl stalls. Occasionally there will be some local artists either perfoming or selling their work too. Held on Sat/Sun mornings.

Cnr Brunswick Street and Chinatown Mall, Fortitude Valley +61 7 3854 0860

#### **Riverside Markets**

Every Sunday, Stall Holders assemble a colourful street market in central Brisbane, presenting an electic range of locally crafted and imported handicrafts, clothing, jewellery, furniture, homewares, local produce, plants, home-made treats and more!

1 Eagle Street, Brisbane +61 7 3870 2807

#### Southbank Markets

This is a mixed bag markets. With arts, gourmet food, clothing, hand-crafted jewellery, massage and tarot readings, not to mention being situated in the heart of Brisbane's creative scene, there is a lot to see. A great feature of these markets is that they not only run on the usual Sat/Sun combo but also run on Friday nights from 5-10pm. Stanley Street Plaza, Southbank, South Brisbane +61 7 3844 2440

#### **West End Markets**

For some of the best produce, food, craft, clothing and music head to the West End Markets. On every Saturday morning from 6am-2pm, these markets are the place to be for all things unique and alternative.

Davies Park, end of Jane Street, West End

# **Brisbane Botanic Gardens and Mount Coot-tha Lookout**

Only 7kms from the CBD and features a magnificent tropical display dome, a lagoon, Japanese gardens, Bonsai display, 52 hectares of themed gardens and the Sir Thomas Brisbane Planetarium. Take a drive out there from the CBD with your campervan hire from Brisbane.

Mount Coot-tha Road +61 7 3403 2535 While you're at the Gardens, take the time to drive up to the top of Mount Coot-tha. Only a few minutes further up Mount Coot-tha Road, once you reach the top there is a restaurant and viewing observation deck. The panoramic views from here of Brisbane city and beyond are breath-taking and certainly worth the trip!

# **Captain Bourke Park**

Captain Burke Park features inner city parklands beneath the Story Bridge (named after John Douglas Story) with city and river views, there are BBQ's available to enjoy a picnic.

Holman Street, Kangaroo Point

# **City Botanic Gardens**

An easy walk from the busy CBD, visitors will see exotic and gorgeous plants that flourish in Brisbane's sub-tropical climate. The City Botanic Gardens are the city's oldest park, originally planted by convicts in 1825 with food crops to feed the prison colony. Make sure you don't miss a walk through the mangroves on the boardwalk. There are free guided walks daily (except public holidays) led by experienced volunteers.

George Street, Brisbane +61 7 3403 8888

#### **New Farm Park**

More than 17,000 visitors come to New Farm Park every week to enjoy a picnic, relax and read the paper, go bike riding or walking on the paths that run adjacent to the river. Relax in the sun underneath the tree lined park or get adventurous among the city's treehouses, forts and bridges built up in the trees!

Brunswick Street, New Farm

# **Kangaroo Point Lookout**

Boasting an awesome riverside BBQ picnic park, below and atop the Kangaroo Point Cliffs, this lookout is incredibly unique! Stemming from an untouched mining history, the cliffs are the premier Rock-climbing and Abseiling spot in Brisbane. Pick your position, up top or on the river down below and enjoy marvellous city views whilst you watch (or even attempt yourself) the thrill seekers climb and descend the cliffs.

Top of the cliffs: River Terrace, Kangaroo Point Bottom of the cliffs: Lower River Terrace, Kangaroo Point

#### **Roma Street Parklands**

Experience the theme gardens such as the topiary maze, rainforest walk, lake, celebration lawn and amphitheatre. There are plenty of artworks to admire. There are playgrounds designed for children of all ages, with swings, including the Liberty Swing designed for those with a disability, slides, spinning toys, climbing frames, gongs and sound boxes, as well as steps, trees and a rock-lined tree bed for games and exploration

1 Parkland Boulevard, Brisbane

#### **Southbank Parklands**

A hot spot of Brisbane City is Southbank. With a manmade beach located on the edge of the Brisbane river, city views, cafes, restaurants and shops, picnic areas and of course swimming, southbank doesn't disappoint. If this wasn't enough, the Cultural Centre (mentioned above with Goma/Museum/Sate Library) is neighbour to the Southbank Parklands and there is an IMAX cinema to boot!

Southbank, South Brisbane

#### Wynnum Esplanade

Located 25kms from Brisbane's CBD is a seaside suburb boasting a cool breeze and caters for morning walkers, joggers and cyclists with its long stretches of waterfront parkland and bikeways. The recently renovated salt water Wading Pool on the esplanade is very popular, featuring an awesome water-play area for the kids and has historic importance as it was built during the Depression years of the 1930s.

Wynnum Esplanade, Wynnum

#### **Architecture**

# City Hall

This beautiful sandstone building situated in the heart of the city was erected between 1920 and 1930 and is heritage listed topped with a 92 meter clock tower. For a fee, visitors may take the lift to the observatory deck which passes the through the clock workings.

King George Square, Brisbane

# **Albert Street Uniting Church**

As Brisbane's spiritual home for over 160 years, this church is open Monday to Friday, 10am to 2pm and is a truly magnificent sight to look at.

Cnr Albert and Ann Streets, Brisbane City +61 7 3031 3030

# Cathedral of St Stephen

Located just a 10 minute walk from Central Station, the Cathedral of St. Stephen is perfect for those interested in art and architecture, and the religious and local history of Brisbane.

Elizabeth Street, Brisbane City

#### **Customs House**

Customs House is a cultural, educational and heritage facility of the University of Queensland, and overlooks the beautiful Brisbane River and CBD. Enjoy the splendor of this magnificent building's origin and soak up all of its architectural beauty.

399 Queen Street, Brisbane City +61 7 3365 8999

#### **Old Government House**

Regarded as Queensland's most important historical building, Old Government House is situated within the grounds of the QUT Gardens Point Campus, and is an ideal way to see Brisbane's history and colonial past. The house is open from Sunday to Friday, from 10 am to 5pm.

George Street, Brisbane City +61 7 3138 8005

#### **Parliament House**

Parliament House is Queensland's premier heritage building and is one of Brisbane's best known landmarks. Bound by the Brisbane River and the Queensland University of Technology, this glorious sandstone building is packed full of history and heritage and is sure to delight political enthusiasts.

Cnr George and Alice Streets, Brisbane City +61 7 3406 7562



#### Anastasia's Pool

Anastasia's Pool is a rock pool which is part of the romantic history of the town. The pool was modified from a natural rock pool by a former lighthouse keeper, for his wife, Anastasia. Anastasia suffered badly from arthritis and found relief in the warm water which filled the pool at high tide. Anastasia's Pool is on the north side of Gantheaume Point, which is well worth a visit for its famous dinosaur footprints. Thought to be 130 million years old, the footprints can be seen at very low tides. You can find out the times of the tides by contacting the Broome Visitor Centre. Anastasia's Pool and Gantheaume Point are a short drive from Broome's town centre.

Gantheaume Point Rd, Broome

#### **Bedford Memorial Park**

The Bedford Memorial Park commemorates those people who have fought in conflicts on behalf of Australia and contains many historical monuments and plaques with the Anzac Memorial dominating the centre of the park grounds. It is located along Hamersley Street. The park has wide expanses of green law and, views of the waters of Roebuck Bay. The remains of the engine that was used to drive the pearling industry's lifesaving decompression chamber and a stone treasure chest to honour the explorer William Dampier, are among the other attractions in the park.

Hamersley Street, Broome

# **Broome Bird Observatory**

Broome Bird Observatory is located 25 kilometres from the town of Broome; the road is partially unsealed and a 4WD is necessary during the wet season. Roebuck Bay has the greatest diversity of shorebird species of any site on the planet, with 150,000 birds from 50 species visiting annually. Roebuck Bay provides a splendid backdrop for the birds and is worth visiting in its own right. There is no entrance fee into the observatory, but a donation is appreciated.

+61 8 9193 5600Crab Creek Road, Broome

#### **Buccaneer Rock**

Broome legend has it that the buccaneer turned explorer, William Dampier, landed a treasure chest of pirated pieces that he buried at Buccaneer Rock. William Dampier was quite the adventurer and documented his exploration to Australia in his book, A Voyage to New Holland, published in 1703. The Rock is located in Roebuck Bay opposite the Mangrove Hotel.

Carnarvon St, Roebuck Bay, Broome

#### Cable Beach

Cable Beach is very much a part of Australia's history - its name is taken from the telegraph cable that was laid between Broome and Java in 1889. Cable Beach is justifiably world famous and the ideal place to go swimming and watch the sunset into the Indian Ocean on a balmy, tropical night. Even though it's one of the world's best beaches, it's still possible to find your own secluded slice of sand to enjoy. During November to April, precautions should be taken due to the increased presence of box jellyfish, blue bottles and other marine stingers.

Cable Beach Road West, Cable Beach, Broome

#### Chinatown

In the late 1800s, Chinatown started out as the original commercial and industrial centre of Broome. These days, it is an unusual mix of Colonial and Asian architecture, a hub where tourists and locals mix in the restaurants, cafés and shops. The original corrugated iron huts from the early days remain and are now home to some of the world's finest pearl showrooms. On Dampier Terrace, there are two fully restored original pearling luggers.

Carnarvon Street, Broome

#### The Staircase to the Moon

Between March and October, visitors can witness the natural spectacle that has earned the name the Staircase to the Moon. When there is a low tide, and the moon sits over the mudflats of the bay, it creates an illusion of a staircase reaching heavenwards towards the moon.

Roebuck Bay, Broome

# **Deep Water Wharf & Jetty**

The Broome Deep Water Jetty is a popular fishing spot, and is also a good spot to admire the natural beauty of the Broome coastline. The blue water contrasts to the red rock formations that loom over the white sands of the beach. From the jetty you can see turtles and fish at play.

401 Port Drive, Broome

# **Djugun Tribal Creations**

Djugun Tribal Creations is a not for profit organisation providing support and training to Broome's emerging artists. Consisting of three onsite studios and a well presented Gallery, Djugun offers the experience of free daily tours. Visitors have the opportunity to meet artists and enjoy a cultural exchange whilst viewing the artists in action producing canvas painting, ceramics, sculptures and carved feature tiles.

+61 8 9192 10214/30 Clementson St, Broome

# Flying Boat Wrecks

The wreck of three Royal Dutch Air Force flying boats lay half buried in the mud at Roebuck Bay. The boats were destroyed by a Japanese Air Raid in 1942 while moored near the jetty. Only seen at extremely low tides, these boats remain as evidence of the wrecks sunk by Japanese Aircraft in World War II. It is approximately a one kilometre walk out to the wrecks, but it is imperative to check tide times.

Roebuck Bay, Broome



# **National Parks, Lookouts and Gardens**

#### **Barron Falls Lookout**

With a choice on how you explore these great falls, on foot, by train or by cableway, you can really design your own adventure here. The boardwalk is a beautiful traverse amongst the rainforest canopy and provides some great information on the historical significance of the area. Even if it's raining, the falls provide a magical experience with mist floating overhead as you walk along.

Barron Gorge National Park, Barron Falls Road, Kuranda

#### **Cairns Botanical Gardens**

71 acres of rainforest, boardwalks, lakes and heritage gardens, the Cairns Botanic Gardens offers a lot for its visitors. Regular workshops are held on drawing, birdwatching and rainforest education while the popular night cinema brings the gardens alive.

Collins Avenue, Edge Hill +61 7 4032 3200

# Josephine Falls

Located a half hour drive south of Cairns City in your campervan hire Cairns is the Josephine waterfalls which are ranked amongst the most beautiful in the Tropical North Queensland, and have been used in

many television commercials. Visitors can swim in the crystal clear waters, and relax on the sandy beach as the gentle breeze rustles leaves high in the rainforest canopy.

Wooroonooran National Park, Josephine Falls Rd, Bartle Frere 1300 130 372

# Mossman Gorge

Mossman Gorge, Daintree National Park is situated 80kms north of Cairns and is a very scenic section of the World Heritage-listed Daintree National Park. Strangler figs and epiphytic plants flourish and the crystal-clear Mossman River cascades over granite boulders. The area is also home to colourful Boyd's forest dragons. Stroll along the 400 metre walking track to viewing platforms over the Mossman River. Look for the brilliant blue Ulysses butterfly and birds such as the eastern yellow robin. Take the two kilometre loop track through lush, green rainforest to learn about the plants and find out how the local Kuku Yalanji people use them in traditional ways.

Gorge Road, Mossman Gorge 1300 130 372

#### **Markets**

# **Cairns Night Markets**

A unique market that runs every night, seven days a week, with over 130 stalls to wonder through, the night markets have become a key tourist attraction for the city. With a huge food pavilion and an array of goodies to chose from, fresh seafood, clothes, jewellery, crocodile skins, tattoos and artwork, this market is an eclectic event and a staple for any visit to Cairns.

71-75 The Esplanade, Cairns

#### **Kuranda Markets**

Welcome to the market in the rainforest! The village of Kuranda in Far North Australia is famous for its markets, and the Kuranda Heritage Market lets you experience the best of Kuranda in an all-weather covered marketmall, nestled in beautiful tropical rainforest. The Kuranda Heritage Market is open every day from 9 AM to 3 PM,

with a wide range of stalls offering locally-produced and specially imported souvenirs, art and craft, jewellery, gemstones and clothing. The market also features native wildlife attractions Koala Gardens and Birdworld, as well as a choice of eateries from hearty lunches to tasty snacks.

5 Therwine Street, Kuranda

# **Port Douglas Markets**

An arts and crafts markets specialising in handmade goods. This market has been running for 20 years and the organisers insist that all products be made by the stallholders themselves or someone in their family. This ensures genuine and authentic products are sold and local arts and crafts makers are celebrated.

Anzac Park, Port Douglas



#### **All Saints Church**

Previously the mortuary railway station at Rookwood in Sydney, this church featuring beautiful stained glass windows and a heritage pipe organ was transported stone by stone to Canberra and erected in 1958.

+61 2 6248 742011 Cowper Street, Ainslie

# Australian Electoral Commission & Electoral Education Centre

Programs are designed to foster awareness of the importance of elections, referendums and participation in a representative democracy.

+61 2 6271 4536South West Wing, Old Parliament House, King George Terrace, Parkes

#### **Australian National Botanic Gardens**

The Botanic Gardens house the national collection of Australian Native Plants. Main path provides easy access to the gardens. Parking Charges Apply.

+61 2 6250 9540 Clunies Ross Street, Acton

#### Australian War Memorial

The Memorial commemorates the sacrifice of Australian men and women who have served in war. Thousands of relics, artwork and personal items, from the Japanese Midget submarine that attached Sydney in 1942 to a brooch made for a sweetheart, show what war has meant for Australians.

+61 2 6243 4211Anzac Parade, Campbell

# Canberra Bicycle Museum

More than 60 bicycles ranging from the rare, through to the ridiculous, to the vintage, are on display in the Canberra Bicycle Museum.

+61 2 6248 0999Canberra Tradesman's Union Club, 2 Badham Street, Dickson

# **Canberra Deep Space Communication Complex**

35kms south of city centre in your campervan hire you will come across displays, models and audio-visuals recording past, present and future space exploration and discovery. The Complex is still active in the command, tracking and recording of results from the Mars Surveyor spacecraft, Cassini, Galileo and Ulysses space exploration projects and provides a vital link with NASA spacecraft.

+61 2 6201 7838Discovery Drive (Tourist Drive 5), Tidbinbilla

# **Canberra Museum and Gallery**

Integrating visual arts and social history in a range of exciting exhibitions, projects and education programs, which explore Canberra's cultural and social issues and possibilities for Canberra's future. Charges apply for special exhibitions.

+61 2 6207 3968Civic Square, London Circuit, Canberra City

# **Captain Cook Memorial Jet**

When operating at full capacity, the jet reaches a maximum height of 147 metres. About six tonnes of water is in the air at any one moment. Jet operates daily 10am-12noon and 2pm-4pm and 7pm-9pm during daylight savings.

+61 2 6271 2888Lake Burley Griffin, near Regatta Point, Parkes

#### Canberra Casino

Offers casino games such as Blackjack, Baccarat, Sic Bo, Money Wheel, Pai Gow and American Roulette. Entertainment during the evening ranges from cabaret performances, karaoke, comedy and nightclub for over 25s.

+61 2 6257 707421 Binara Street, Canberra City

# Changi Chapel

The Chapel was originally constructed by prisoners of war in Changi Camp, Singapore Island, in 1944. After the Second World War, it was returned to Australia, erected in the grounds of the Royal Military College and dedicated as a national memorial to all Australian prisoners of war.

Royal Military College, Duntroon

# **Corin Forest Mountain Retreat**

49kms from Canberra. An exhilarating bobsled/alpine slide and a 350 metre long recreational flying fox. During winter, there is snowplay and a toboggan slope.

+61 2 6247 2250Corin Road, Tidbinbilla

#### **Earth Science Education Centre**

A large purpose-dedicated space within the Geoscience Australia building, providing a safe, friendly and laboratory-like environment with access to geological materials and equipment.

+61 2 6249 9571Geoscience Australia, Cnr Hindmarsh Drive and Jerrabomberra Avenue, Symonston

# **Exhibition Park In Canberra**

Exhibition Park In Canberra (EPIC) the National Capital's premier multi-purpose events complex. The ambient country setting, versatility and personalised service set the venue apart from any other. EPIC is located just 8 minutes north of the city centre and its geographic proximity to Sydney and Melbourne

making it easily accessible for campervan hire Sydney travellers. Canberra Airport is only a 15 minute drive away and public transport services operate to and from the venue's main entrance.

+61 2 6241 3022Flemming Road, Mitchell

# Free Serbian Orthodox Church of St George

Murals depicting biblical scenes and Serbian history cover the walls and line the ceiling of this replica of an ancient Serbian village church. It is the work of the late Karl Matzek and was completed just before his death, at the age of 87.

+61 2 6295 134432 National Circuit, Forrest

#### Geoscience Australia

A large foyer area of displays of minerals, rocks, and fossils, and information on the geosciences, the activities of Geoscience Australia, and the level low energy geo-thermal heating/cooling system of award-winning building.

+61 2 6249 9111Cnr Hindmarsh Drive and Jerrabomberra Avenue, Symonston

# Gold Creek Village

Gold Creek Village centres on a historic (1883) schoolhouse and residence. Browse around the art and craft gallery and shops that feature leather craft, pottery, country style homewares, clothing, specialty gifts, food and cafes.

+61 2 6253 9780Gold Creek Road, Nicholls

# **Government House**

Official residence of the Governor-General. The house and grounds are not open to the public; however there are open days throughout the year.

+61 2 6283 3533Dunrossil Drive, Yarralumla

# **High Court of Australia**

One of Canberra's prestigious public buildings. It is home to the highest court in the Australian judicial system and contains three courtrooms, a video display and a seven storey high public hall. When the court is in session it is possible for visitors to sit in the public gallery (if seating is available) and observe the proceedings.

+61 2 6270 6811Parkes Place, Parkes

# **Indonesian Embassy**

The ornamental Balinese stairway is a striking feature of this embassy. Hand-carved statues which flank the stairway depict the characters from the two Hindu epics, the Ramayana and the Mahabharata.

+61 2 6250 86008 Darwin Avenue, Yarralumla

# **Kamberra Wine Tourism Complex**

Australia's newest urban winery and the biggest ever new vine planting in the ACT. Facilities in clued the Cellar Door, the Meeting Place Bistro, the Federation Centre (VIP function rooms), a Demonstration Winery and an amphitheatre.

+61 2 6262 2333Cnr Northbourne Avenue and Flemington Road, Lyneham

# **Legislative Assembly for the ACT**

The Legislative Assembly for the ACT is the youngest legislature in Australia and comprises 17 members. The leader of the Government is the Chief Minister, elected by the Chamber; The Assembly has dual responsibilities for state and municipal matters, the only legislature in Australia which oversees two levels of government.

+61 2 6205 3016London Circuit, Canberra City

#### **Memorials of ANZAC Parade**

The national capital's major commemorative way featuring: the Australian Hellenic Memorial, the Australian Army National Memorial, the Australian National Korean War Memorial, the Australian Vietnam Forces National Memorial, the Desert Mounted Corps Memorial, the New Zealand Memorial, the Rats of Tobruk Memorial, the Royal Australian Air Force Memorial, the Australian Service Nurses National Memorial, the Royal Australian navy Memorial and the Kemal Ataturk Memorial.

# +61 2 6271 2888Anzac Parade, Campbell **Namadgi National Park**

35kms from Canberra. Namadgi National Park covers the mountainous area of the south western section of the ACT. It is part of the Australian Alps which stretches from the ACT through to Victoria. The Park contains prehistoric sites and many species of flora and fauna.

+61 2 6207 2900 Visitors Centre, Naas Road, Tharwa

#### **National Archives of Australia**

The National Archives looks after Australia's valuable

Commonwealth records dating back to Federation. The main drawcard is Australia's "birth certificate" the Constitution and Royal Commission of Assent, along with exhibitions and displays. All in a historic building in the Parliamentary Triangle.

+61 2 6212 3600Queen Victoria Terrace, Parkes

#### **National Bonsai Collection of Australia**

Located at the rear of the cottage near Stage 88 in Commonwealth Park, take the time out to enjoy this permanent display of bonsai and penjing. Paper-bark, Montezuma cypress, and other exotic and native trees were all created by Australian artists. This permanent part of the Canberra International Arboretum and Gardens is currently housed in a purpose built open air pavilion in Commonwealth Park.

+61 2 6262 9219Regatta Point, Canberra

# **National Capital Exhibition**

Tells the extraordinary story of Canberra, the creation of Australia's national capital. An essential first stop for every visitor and newcomer to Canberra, the Exhibition features interactive displays, laser models and innovative audiovisual demonstrations (commentary in six languages).

+61 2 6257 1068Regatta Point, Commonwealth Park, Parkes

#### **National Carillon**

The Carillon is one of the largest musical instruments in the world. The 53 bronze bells are controlled by hand batons and foot pedals on a keyboard.

+61 2 6271 2888Aspen Island, Wendouree Drive, off Constitution Avenue, Parkes

# **National Gallery of Australia**

The National Collection spans some 5,000 years of international art and more than 30,000 years of indigenous culture. Guided tours of the Gallery's paintings, sculptures, prints, photographs, drawings and decorative arts commence at 11am and 2pm daily. Charges apply for major exhibitions.

+61 2 6240 6502Parkes Place, Parkes

# **National Library of Australia**

See the beautiful, the rate, and the unexpected from the Library's vast collections on show in the Visitor Centre and National Library Gallery. Find out where all the books, manuscripts, newspapers, maps and paintings are on a trail of adventure throughout the Library's 200 kilometres of shelving.

+61 2 6262 1111Parkes Place, Parkes

#### **National Museum of Australia**

This spectacular attraction includes exhibits, technology, performances and hands-on activities, and hosts major national and international blockbuster exhibitions. It is also an ideal venue for meetings, product launches and special events. Charges may apply for special exhibitions.

+61 2 6208 5000Acton Peninsula, Acton

# **Old Bus Depot Markets**

Each Sunday, the former Kingston Bus Depot is transformed into a bustling market atmosphere. The Markets feature a selection of hand-crafted gifts including homewares, jewellery, aboriginal arts, fresh flowers, tableware, cards, ceramics, leadlight, woodcraft, furniture and leatherwork.

+61 2 6292 8391Wentworth Avenue, Kinston Foreshore

#### **Parliament House**

Parliament House is the home of Australia's Federal Parliament and is one of the world's most prestigious and acclaimed buildings. Situated in the centre of the nation's capital, it is renowned for its impressive architecture, landscaped gardens and collection of Australian contemporary art. When Parliament is sitting, Question Time in both Chambers begins at 2pm.

+61 2 6277 5399Capital Hill, Canberra

# Prime Minister's Lodge

The official residence of Australian Prime Ministers since 1927. Not open to the public, open days throughout the year.

Cnr Adelaide Avenue and National Circuit, Deakin



#### **Darwin Wharf Precinct**

The Darwin Wharf Precinct is a bustling, multiuse waterside area created to become the hub of recreational and commercial use in Darwin. Inspired by the curves of a pearl oyster, the Darwin Convention Centre is an architectural triumph, creating an eyecatching focal point for the Precinct. The wharf plays host to visiting cruise ships and naval vessels and is also home to marine exhibitions and historic WWII sites. Available activities include a walk along a heritage and cultural trail, which retraces the steps of early settlers, Darwin's maritime history, Larrakia sacred sites, oil storage tunnels and the site where the first Japanese bomb fell in 1942. Some of the other available activities include body surfing in the Wave Lagoon, swimming in the Recreation Lagoon, trying out the local seafood and helicopter flights.

Address: Darwin Wharf, Darwin

# **Fannie Bay Gaol**

Fannie Bay Gaol gives an insight into the conditions of late Victorian and Early Twentieth century prisons and is considered one of the Territory's most important heritage sites. Fannie Bay Gaol operated as Her Majesty's Gaol and Labour Prison in Darwin from the 20th of September, 1883, until the 1st of September, 1979. The original building comprises Blocks A and B containing sixteen stone cells and a kitchen and a wash house. The Infirmary was added in 1887 and contains the gallows installed for the last executions held in the Territory in 1952; Jerry Coci and Jonus Novotny were hanged for the murder of a taxi driver. A separate cell block for female prisoners was added in 1928, as

well as a watch tower, "native section" for Aboriginal prisoners, kitchen mess building, remand section and two maximum security wings were added during the 1950s. There was also a block for children, which in the early 1970s was also used for refugees who had arrived by boat.

Address: East Point Road, Fannie Bay

# **George Brown Darwin Botanical Gardens**

The George Brown Darwin Botanic Gardens are botanical gardens located 2km north of Darwin's CBD. The gardens cover 42 hectares and are noted for their collections of North Australian and other tropical species.

The gardens were established on their present site in 1886; this was the third attempt by European settlers of Darwin to establish a site where plants of economic importance could be tested for their suitability in the tropics. The gardens were severely damaged during Cyclone Tracy in 1974, 89% of all plants were lost. George Brown, the curator, worked tirelessly to restore the garden to their former glory, and so the gardens were named in his honour. The Darwin Botanic Gardens are more than just beautiful gardens, as they provide an avenue into the plant world for our enjoyment, scientific research, conservation and education. For the history buffs, the 1897 Wesleyan Methodist Church had been restored and relocated to Darwin Botanic Gardens

Address: Geranium Street, Darwin

# **Holmes Jungle Nature Park**

The Holmes Jungle Nature Park protects one of the few remaining areas of monsoon forest in the Darwin area. The park covers 250 hectares, with Palm Creek winding its way through the centre. From the main picnic area you overlook the wetlands to the north, monsoon forest to the east and undulating ridges and savannah woodlands to the south. As a large numbers of birds, mammals and reptiles in the monsoon forest, you might catch a glimpse of some of the native wildlife. Certainly, keep your eyes peeled for the tiny Red-backed Fairy-Wren is commonly found in clumps of Pandanus throughout the park. There is a lookout, walking and cycling path, horse riding, and European history to learn about.

Address: Vanderlin Drive, Darwin

#### Mindil Beach Sunset Market

In 1987, the first stalls set up shop in Darwin Mall. It wasn't long before the city's mainstream retailers began voicing their objections so the market moved to its new home under the coconut palms of Mindil Beach Reserve; and so the iconic Mindil Beach Sunset Market was officially born. The Markets are renowned for the magnificent sunset over Mindil Beach and the relaxed, stunning tropical setting. Market patrons can enjoy the tastes of five continents, and an extensive array of handmade craft including crocodile products, indigenous art and jewellery. Every week a variety of live entertainment is offered including live bands, street performers, cultural dance, acrobatics and fire shows.

Times: Thursday 5pm - 10pm, Sunday 4pm - 9pm

Last Thursday in April until the last Thursday in October

Address: Mindil Beach, Darwin

# The Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory

The Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory (MAGNT) is the Top End's premier cultural and artistic organisation. This is an amazing achievement, considering that on Christmas Eve 1974, Cyclone Tracy hit Darwin, destroying the old Town Hall and damaging much of the MAGNT collection that was housed within Town Hall. Now located in a purposebuilt complex, the MAGNT is home to internationally renowned artistic, cultural and scientific collections and research programs. Each year the MAGNT presents a dynamic program of both internally-developed exhibitions, carefully curated from the collection and the best travelling exhibitions from around Australia. It's also the home of the annual Telstra National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Awards - the most significant celebration of its kind in Australia. The MAGNT complex consists of five major permanent

galleries, a touring gallery, educational facilities for school groups, a theatre, the Museum Shop and the Cornucopia Museum Cafe. All contribute to providing an entertaining, diverse and educational experience for the local community and visitors to Darwin.

Address: Conacher Street, Darwin

# Jingili Rapid Creek Water Gardens

Surrounded by beautiful landscaped gardens, water gardens, ponds and fountains, this park has the most picturesque walk & cycle paths around. The boat-themed playground equipment is under shade cloth, and includes swings, slides, obstacles, rock wall, and other kiddie delights. There are barbeques, shaded picnic table areas, drinking fountains & toilet facilities.

Address: Freshwater Road, Jingili

#### **Bicentennial Park**

Bicentennial Park is a large area of parkland located in the Darwin city centre. It runs the length of Darwin's waterfront which looks over Darwin Harbour. The park stretches from Northern Territory Parliament House to Doctor's Gully. There is a walking and bike path with interesting displays of Darwin history splashed along the path. An area of parkland encompasses the Cenotaph War Memorial and the Civilian Memorial at the southwest end of the park, along with the USS Peary Memorial, which commemorated the sacrifice of the ship and lives when it was sunk by Japanese aircraft on the 19th of February, 1942.

Address: The Esplanade, Darwin

# Warradjan Cultural Centre

Warradjan is the local name for the pig-nosed turtle by the original owners of Kakadu, and its circular shell is the symbol of the circular nature of a community, where everyone is dependent on each other. The Aboriginal traditional land owners of Kakadu National Park, the Bininj, have wanted to share the stories about their culture, and the cultural centre is their chosen place to do this. Through the displays and exhibitions you can gain an understanding of the Bininj and their country. Warradjan Cultural Centre is open from 9 AM to 5 PM daily and is located 1 kilometre from Cooinda Lodge and Yellow Water Billabong

Address: Kakadu National Park

# The QANTAS Hangar

The only substantial relic of the former Darwin Civil Aerodrome is the aircraft hangar built in 1934 for QANTAS Empire Airways Ltd; it survived the bombing of Darwin but still has bullet holes from the event. The Hangar is now listed on the Register of the National Estate and the NT Heritage Register and owned by the Dept. of Arts and Museums. Since 1999, the Motor Vehicles Enthusiasts Club has leased the hangar and it is now an interesting museum of both the Aviation industry and Motor Vehicles in Australia. On permanent display are the Steam traction engine "Margaret Rose", 1918 AEC truck, Dennis Fire engines, the 1885 Steam Engine "Sandfly", plus many vehicles owned by members and one of the largest collections of stationary engines in Australia, the Izod Collection. Entry is free, but a donation to help with the hangar expenses is appreciated.

Address: 22 McDonald St, Parap

#### **Charles Darwin National Park**

Charles Darwin National Park is located 4km southeast of Darwin, and protects significant wetlands and woodlands, but it also houses an important slice of Darwin's heritage. The park contains World War II-era concrete bunkers, one of which has been converted into a visitors centre and display of World War II memorabilia. It also has lookouts towards the city of Darwin. The area was part of a network of military sites established during the development of Darwin as Australia's World War II northern defence line. The park has extensive walking trails as well as a mountain bike trail maintained by the Darwin Off-Road Cyclists Club.

Address: Tiger Brennan Dr, Charles Darwin



# Art. Gallery of Fine Art

Art. Gallery of Fine Art, in central Hobart, specialises in exhibiting work by Tasmanian artists. Aart exhibits work in a range of media, including drawing, oils, acrylic, sculpture and photography. You can purchase original artwork from the gallery or choose from a range of prints and cards.

63 Macquarie Street (cnr of Market Place), Hobart

# Allport Library and Museum of Fine Arts

Henry Allport bequeathed the contents of the Allport Library and Museum of Fine Arts to the people of Tasmania in 1965. It is intended as a permanent memorial to his family, who had settled in Van Diemen's Land in 1831. Convict artists and the work of many colonial landscape artists is a feature of the collection. The Allport is a living collection. More than 2000 items - book and artworks have been added since Henry's death through purchase from his Endowment Fund or by donation.

+61 3 6233 748491 Murray Street, Hobart

# Art Mob, Aboriginal Fine Art Gallery

Exhibiting Australia's best range of Aboriginal art and craft from many communities and artists. The gallery is easily accessible in historic Hobart's waterfront and is inspired by a passion for Aboriginal art. ART MOB specialises in Tasmanian Aboriginal art with a number of rare and exquisite necklaces and baskets as well as prints and paintings by noted Tasmanian Aboriginal artists.

+61 3 6236 920029 Hunter Street, Hobart

# **Battery Point**

Hobart's oldest district, once home to sailors, fishermen and prostitutes, is now a fashionable inner-city neighbourhood. The Battery Point of today retains much of the character of 100 years ago and when people seek accommodation in Hobart this is one of the most popular places to stay. Battery Point is named after a Battery of guns (long since removed) that were established on the point in 1818. The features of the area that people talk about most are the Real Estate, Restaurants, History, and for tourists it's often the Bed and Breakfasts and Salamanca Market.

Battery Point, Hobart

# **Female Factory Historic Site**

The Cascades Female Factory operated in South Hobart from 1828 to 1856. After it ceased operation as a female factory in 1856, it continued as a gaol under the administration of local authorities from 1856 until 1877.

Governor George Arthur purchased the site at Cascades for the female factory in 1827 from the owner of a failed distillery, TY Lowes. The factory's first intake of female prisoners was in 1828, and it gradually expanded to hold 700 female convicts and their children, though at its peak it was even more overcrowded than usual, holding 1200 women and children.

Rules and regulations for the management of the Factory were published in 1829. Women were employed at the factory in washing, sewing, carding and spinning.

+61 3 6223 155916 Degraves St, Hobart

# The International Wall of Friendship

The International Wall of Friendship was built to bring all of Tasmania's communities closer together and to provide a tribute to the contribution that migrant communities have made to the states development. Individually unique and of substantial value, the wall constitutes a priceless collection that is recognised as a significant tourist attraction and place of tranquillity and reflection.

188 Collins St, Hobart

#### John Elliott Classics Museum

The John Elliott Classics Museum is housed in the University Centre on Churchill Avenue and contains representative examples of the art and culture of ancient Egypt and Mesopotamia, Greece, Etruria and Rome. It contains approximately 800 pieces with new additions purchased or donated on a regular basis. The Museum is open Monday to Thursday 9am to 4pm (closed 12noon-1pm).

+61 3 6226 2235University of Tasmania, Churchill Ave, Sandy Bay

# **Kangaroo Bluff Historic Site**

Kangaroo Bluff Historic Site is situated on Hobart's Eastern Shore, only 10 minutes drive from the city centre with your campervan hire Tasmania. From Hobart, head east over the Tasman Bridge to Bellerive, then along Victoria Esplanade and Gunning Street. The Kangaroo Bluff Battery was built to support the Queens Battery (located at the Domain in Hobart) and the Battery Point battery. It was developed to stop any enemy vessels from shelling Hobart Town from just outside the range of the Domain and Battery Point batteries. Although the proposal was mentioned in the early days of settlement, procrastination was the order of the day.

The Historic Site is open between 9:00 am and 5:00 pm every day and entry is free.

Kangaroo Bluff, Hobart

# Lady Franklin Gallery

The charming little sandstone building, in the style of a Greek temple, was erected in 1842 by Jane Franklin, wife of then Governor of Tasmania, Sir John Franklin. This brilliant and gifted woman was appalled at the lack of appreciation of the Arts in the raw penal colony.

So she sought the plans of a suitable building of Greek architecture to house sculpture, paintings, prints and books for appreciation by the people of Hobart. At the opening on 16th March 1842 the foundation stone was laid including a document signed by each of those

present and written on parchment in six languages.

With the return to England of the Governor of Tasmania and Lady Franklin in 1843 the building fell into neglect until an Act of Parliament handed over the building to the Hobart City Council. More than a century passed before the building was again used in the spirit intended by Lady Franklin.

In 1948 the Art Society of Tasmania Inc was given a lease of the building as headquarters for the Society and as a gallery for displaying art. This historic building is now referred to as the Lady Franklin Gallery as the original contents of the Lady Franklin Museum are no longer housed there. At the Gallery there is an album of photographs recording the Hobart Art Society's occupation of the building.

+61 3 6228 0076268 Lenah Valley Road, Hobart

# **Royal Tasmanian Botanical Gardens**

Established in 1818, these gardens house an extensive collection of native and exotic plants. Features include a cactus house, herb garden and Japanese Gardens. The Botanical Garden is located approximately 2kms from the heart of Hobart and is open 7 days a week, 365 days a year.

+61 3 6236 3076Upper Domain Road, Hobart

#### Salamanca Market

Salamanca Market takes place in Hobart every Saturday between 8.30am and 3pm - rain, hail or shine. At Hobart's popular outdoor market you'll join the locals for a shopping experience with a difference.

Salamanca Market is one of those special places where you actually meet the people who create, make or grow what they sell. You can shop here for locally grown organic fruit and vegetables, freshly cut flowers, fine Tasmanian arts and crafts and an array of odds and ends.

Once the haunt of sailors, whalers and workmen, the old Georgian warehouses that line Salamanca Place are today Hobart's cultural hub; home to galleries, theatres, cafes, craft shops and restaurants.

+61 3 6238 2843 Salamanca Place, Hobart

#### Seven Mile Beach

Protected by the Tasmanian Parks and Wildlife Service, this stretch of beach is a popular, but uncrowded, recreation spot. It is literally pine fresh, with clean air and sand. There is an occasional surfing swell, but the beach is suitable for shallow bathing and ideal for walking the dog on a leash or riding a horse. Riding is prohibited in summer between 10am and 5pm.

Barbecue areas, a golf course, an equestrian centre, several shops, a tavern and a holiday resort are all in close proximity, making the area suitable for an extended stay in your campervan hire.

Surf Road, Hobart

# Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery (TMAG)

Exhibitions are open from 10am-5pm daily (Except Anzac Day, Good Friday and Christmas Day). Free guided tours are available Wednesday to Sunday at 2.30pm. Groups depart from the main entry foyer and the tour goes for approximately 50 minutes. During the tour you will learn about: TMAG's historic site and buildings, The Tasmanian Aboriginal Community, Early European Settlement, Life as a convict, The thylacine (Tasmanian Tiger) and Colonial artists including John Glover and Benjamin Duterrau.

+61 3 6211 411440 Macquarie St, Hobart

#### The Shot Tower

If you are a Tasmanian, you may have many times driven past this odd tower without ever stopping to satisfy the curiosity it provokes. Located in Taroona, a suburb just 11 kilometres from the centre of Hobart, the Shot Tower is a unique historic site. It is the only remaining circular sandstone shot tower in the world.

The distinctive circular tower stands 48 metres tall and was built in 1870 for the purpose of producing lead shot. Lead, with added arsenic and antimony was cast into ingots, remelted in cauldrons and then poured through colanders, forming droplets which became roughly spherical as they dropped into a tub of water at the base of the tower. The top of the tower can be accessed via a 259 step circular staircase and offers spectacular views up, down and across the Derwent River.

There is a museum at the base of the tower and a tea rooms alongside.



# 1842 Eighteen Forty-Two

"1842" occupies one of Launceston's oldest commercial buildings on the corner of St John and Cimitiere Streets (opposite the Tourist Information Centre) in the CBD. The retail showroom is in the original Counting House of Johnstone and Wilmot's wholesale grocery business, while the furniture workshop and exhibition space is in the unusual warehouse building, considered architecturally unique in Australia.

From our inner-city showroom, they also retail hand-made furniture and wood products for other Northern Tasmanian makers and exhibit art and glassware by Tasmania's finest artists. The artisans of "1842" make fine, hand-crafted studio furniture, mainly from Tasmanian timbers such as Huon pine, Myrtle, Blackwood and Sassafras.

+61 3 6331 2213Cnr Cimitiere and St Johns Streets, Launceston

# **Academy Gallery**

The Academy Gallery is located at the University of Tasmania, at Inveresk, northern Tasmania. The gallery is dedicated to the pursuit of excellence by exhibiting contemporary art and design including works from Tasmania's School of Visual and Performing Arts students.

The modern gallery is a Level A class exhibition space incorporated into the Inveresk cultural precinct. It represents the new public face of the University of Tasmania. The viewing audience consists of members

of the Launceston community and nearby regional centres, national and international visitors and numerous primary and secondary school groups. The gallery welcomes full participatory interest and engagement with its local constituency and visitors to Tasmania. The exhibition program includes international exhibition projects, exhibitions by well-known Australian and emerging artists, craftspeople, designers, as well as student exhibitions. The program aims to display art, craft and design that has the capacity to be insightful, challenging and rewarding to a wide cross-section of the community.

The Academy Gallery exhibition program focuses on production of exhibitions for touring intrastate, interstate and internationally as well as attracting high quality exhibitions from across the globe. The Academy Gallery is approximately 10-minutes drive from Launceston's central business district in a campervan hire Tasmania. +61 3 6327 2565School of Visual and Performing Arts, Inveresk

# **Benchmark Tasmania Wine Gallery**

Benchmark Tasmania Wine Gallery is located near Launceston's central business district and waterfront, northern Tasmania. At Benchmark Tasmania Wine Gallery you can experience the best of Tasmania's premium wines in one convenient location.

Situated in Launceston, in Tasmania's beautiful Tamar Valley, the gallery showcases the world's largest collection of Tasmanian wine, with over 250 wines from vineyards of all areas of the state.

An extensive range of rare and premium Australian

and imported wines adds to the unique experience of Benchmark. Benchmark's knowledgeable staff and interpretation centre will ensure you have all the best information to fully enjoy your Tasmanian wine experience on the Tamar Valley or Southern Wine Routes.

The gallery is located just minutes from Cataract Gorge, the Tamar River waterfront hospitality precinct and city centre. Benchmark offers free tastings of selected Tasmanian wines, and a fully licensed venue with light lunches, cheese platters, coffee and a sunny outside deck. Benchmark Tasmania Wine Gallery can provide you with a fully insured freight service for all your wine purchases, and information about the Tasmanian wine industry, its history and current developments, along with general tourist information for your holiday. +61 3 6331 3977135 Paterson Street, Launceston

# **Cataract Gorge Reserve**

Launceston's own piece of wilderness just a 15 minute walk from the city centre. Here you'll find walking and hiking trails, the world's longest single span chairlift (fees apply), swimming pool, restaurant, kiosk, peacocks and wildlife, gardens, suspension bridge, Interpretation Centre and lookouts with spectacular views.

+61 3 6323 346869 Basin Road, West Launceston

#### Clockwise

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# **Hollybank Forest Reserve**

This popular place for walking dogs and enjoying family outings is just a short drive from Launceston in your campervan hire along Lilydale Road. Hollybank offers a variety of barbecue and picnic sites from large family groups to intimate quiet sites. You can enjoy a game of cricket, kick a football, relax or have some exercise walking through the many different forest types.

There are a variety of walks to choose from including a stroll down "The Avenue" or the longer 'Walk of Change' or take the side track down to the junction of Butchers Creek and Pipers River. The English atmosphere created here is due to its name, its history and its trees, one of the earliest private plantations in Tasmania consisting of European trees. One of these species was originally planted to obtain wood for the construction of cricket bats. These deciduous trees are a colourful contrast to the natives in autumn and a delight for the children to play in. The forest is just 30-minutes drive from Launceston. Turn off on the B81 at Rocherlea. Hollybank Road, Underwood

#### **National Automobile Museum of Australia**

The National Automobile Museum of Tasmania in Launceston features one of Australia's most significant motoring collections. Spanning over one hundred years of style and technical achievement this impressive collection of traditional and contemporary automobiles is a must see for all those who appreciate history, design, engineering and style.

The museum comes alive with four sensational theme displays each year as well as constantly changing exhibits in the main hall and a mezzanine floor packed with motorcycles. Along with over one hundred exhibits the museum features a unique gift shop with a magnificent range of merchandise that will delight people of all ages.

Situated just one block from the city centre opposite Launceston's beautiful City Park, a visit to The National Automobile Museum of Tasmania is an ideal way to spend a leisurely afternoon. Open every day (except Christmas day) 9am to 5pm. Opening times during winter are 10am to 4pm.

+61 3 6334 888886 Cimitiere Street, Launceston

# Old Umbrella Shop

The Old Umbrella Shop is a heritage-listed store in central Launceston, northern Tasmania. The Old Umbrella Shop is one of the last surviving, largely intact early twentieth century shops in Tasmania. It offers an experience far from that of contemporary retail practice.

Operated by three generations of the Shott family, the shop now houses displays of the family, umbrellas and the blackwood souvenirs. Many of these souvenirs were made on the premises. The shop is also well known for the large range of umbrellas stocked for sale as well as a variety of National Trust and Tasmanian products.

While you are in Launceston, why not enjoy a coffee down by the water at Old Launceston Seaport or one of the many street-side cafes. Enjoy the leafy city parks or head down the Tamar Valley Wine Route where you will find some of Tasmania's finest cool-climate wines. Cataract Gorge is just a few minutes walk from the city centre, where you can enjoy a chairlift ride over the scenic gorge below.

+61 3 6331 924860 George Street, Launceston

# **Queen Victoria Museum & Art Gallery**

The Queen Victoria Museum and Art Gallery is the largest museum and art gallery in Australia located outside a capital city and is administered by the Launceston City Council, with continuing financial support from the Tasmanian State Government. It enjoys an enviable reputation and national profile for its collections of Australian colonial art, contemporary craft and design, Tasmanian history and natural sciences.

Special features include a Chinese Temple, Planetarium and now, the interpretation of one of Tasmania's most intact 19th century industrial environments, the Launceston Railway Workshops. The Museum is located on two sites: the original purposebuilt building in Royal Park and the Inveresk site, once the Launceston Railway Workshops.

+61 3 6323 37772 Invermay Road, inveresk

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# **Trevallyn Dam**

Trevallyn Dam is situated on the South Esk River just outside Launceston, Tasmania's northern city. Excellent for a picnic, trail walks and boating, the dam is located within the Trevallyn Nature Recreation Area. The 440 hectare (1089 acre) reserve offers a range of attractions and activities.

Visitors can walk along the South Esk River gorge, view the Trevallyn Dam wall in flood and experience cable hang-gliding. Wander the open grassy reserve where you are likely to see resident wombats and ducks out on the water. Enjoy short walks out to lookouts or a longer walk from the gorge right up past the Trevallyn Power Station.

During summer, the water is ideal for swimming and the shores of Lake Trevallyn are utilised by the Launceston



# **Gardens and Parks**

#### **Albert Park**

Albert Park is one of Melbourne's oldest and most eclectic suburbs, with its leafy streets and heritage buildings being restored and taking on new roles as chic boutiques, trendy cafes and elegant restaurants. It is located only 3km south of Melbourne's CBD. The suburb is named for the park, and the park itself was named to honour Queen Victoria's consort, Prince Albert, in 1864. The park has a lake and grassed areas, with sailing, rowing or cycling. For car enthusiasts, there is a memorial for the Australian Grand Prix. The Grand Prix was first launched in 1953, and lapped Albert Park, and each year the event pays homage to its Albert Park Heritage with events held at the park.

Address: Albert Road, South Melbourne

# **Fitzroy Gardens**

The Fitzroy Gardens are 26 hectares bounded by Clarendon Street, Albert Street, Lansdowne Street, and Wellington Parade with the Treasury Gardens across Lansdowne Street to the west. The land was originally set aside as a reserve in 1848 and it is now one of the city's most historic and aesthetically pleasing gardens. The gardens' landscaping follows a classic Victorianera design, crisscrossed by elm-lined avenues leading to several unique points of interest:

The Conservatory, built in 1930 in the Spanish mission architectural style

Cooks' Cottage - a house where the parents of James

Cook lived. The cottage was brought out to Australia in 1934 from England.

Sinclair's Cottage - built in the 1860s from polychrome brick and designed in the Italianate pattern book style. The Model Tudor Village - donated by the town of Lambeth, England, in gratitude to the people of Melbourne for providing gifts of food and clothing after WWII.

The Fairies' Tree – decorated by Ola Cohn, Australian artist & author

The Temple of the Winds rotunda - constructed in 1873 The square Bandstand - of Corinthian design, erected in 1864

Address: Fitzroy Gardens, East Melbourne

# **Royal Botanic Gardens**

The picturesque setting of the Royal Botanic Gardens Melbourne extends over 36 hectares and displays more than 50,000 plants. Since its inception in 1846, the Royal Botanic Gardens have been involved in plant research and identification. This is done primarily through the National Herbarium of Victoria, which is based at the Gardens. The Herbarium is also home to the State Botanical Collection, which includes over 1.2 million dried plant specimens, and an extensive collection of books, journals and artworks. Diverse plant collections, year-round events, unique tours, and a reputation as one of the world's finest gardens has made the Royal Botanic Gardens one of Melbourne's most popular tourist attractions. For those who like historical facts, in 1877, Sir Edmund Barton, Australia's first Prime Minister and Jane Ross were married at the

Royal Botanic Gardens. The gardens are open from 7.30am until sunset every day of the year.

Address: Birdwood Avenue, South Yarra

# The Carlton Gardens (and the Royal Exhibition Building)

The 26 hectare site of the Carlton Gardens contains the Royal Exhibition Building, the only surviving Great Hall that once housed a 19th-century international exhibition and is still used for exhibitions. When it was built, the Great Hall was the largest building in Australia and the highest building in Melbourne. According to the World Heritage listing, the Royal Exhibition buildings and Carlton Gardens are 'of historical, architectural, aesthetic, social and scientific significance to the State of Victoria.' The gardens are an outstanding example of Victorian-era landscape design with sweeping lawns and varied European and Australian tree plantings combined with flower beds. The Carlton Gardens are in two parts: an axial garden layout in the southern part of the site, and a northern garden that was landscaped after the close of the two great 19th-century exhibitions. The formal, ornamental palace garden, which was the context for the Great Hall of the 'Palace of Industry', is substantially intact.

Address: 1-111 Carlton Street, Carlton

# **Kings Domain**

The Kings Domain is an area of parklands that surrounds Government House Reserve, the offices and residence of the Governors of Victoria, the Sidney Myer Music Bowl, and the Shrine Reserve incorporating the Shrine of Remembrance. Other notable features include:

The Grotto, a former quarry, now transformed into a fern gully

The Observatory Gate complex leading into the Royal Botanic Gardens

A statue of King George V, for whom Kings Domain is named

The Pioneer Women's Memorial Garden, recognising the contribution made by Victoria's female pioneers A statue of Sir Edward 'Weary' Dunlop, made from bronze, granite and metal spikes from the Burma-Thailand Railway

Governor La Trobe's Cottage, an historic cottage built in 1839

A bronze equestrian statue of Lord Hopetoun, the first Governor-General of Australia

Address: Alexandra Avenue, Melbourne City Centre

# Flagstaff Gardens

The Flagstaff Gardens are the oldest park in Melbourne, first established in 1862. The gardens are notable for their archaeological, horticultural, historical and social significance to the history of Melbourne. The park is named for the flagstaff erected on this hilly location in 1840, part of a signalling system between the burgeoning town of Melbourne and ships sailing into port.

Address: 309-311 William Street, West Melbourne



#### **Alkimos Wreck**

The wreck of the Greek freighter, the Alkimos, is of keen interest to divers and snorkelers, though it can also be viewed from the beach. It is also reputed to be a cursed ship and haunted by Henry, the ghost of a man wearing oilskins and boots. The beach nearest to the wreck is accessed from Marmion Avenue, Eglinton, about a 45 minute drive north of Perth.

Off Marmion Ave, Eglington

# **All Saints Church**

The Swan Valley is just north east of Perth; you can be there in under an hour's worth of driving. It is a region brimming with both history and cottage industries, and is popular with tourists. All Saints Church, the oldest church in Western Australia, stands as an excellent example of the craftsmanship of the earliest settlers. The church graveyard cradles some of the earliest pioneers of the region, and it is worth spending some time inspecting the gravestones. A sign at the entrance of the church grounds, reading "It was here the vision of a State arose in his heart and mind", commemorates the site as where Captain James Stirling camped in 1827. Stirling was one the explorers who first scouted the Swan River, and became the first Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Western Australia. It is certainly a must-see for the history buffs.

Henry Street, Henley Brook, the Swan Valley, Perth 3. Armadale Settlers Common

Just 45 minutes from the city centre is the Armadale

Settles Common. It is a lovely bushland reserve available for picnicking, hiking and opportunities to photograph both the unique native vegetation & wildlife, and scenic views of the city. The common lies within the Darling Range Regional Park.

Settlers Road, Bedfordale

# **Art Gallery of Western Australia**

The collection of the Art Gallery is housed in three buildings. The original building of the Art Gallery, founded on 31 July 1895, is a heritage-listed building that is interesting for its own sake. The second building was purpose built in 1979 and is a Modernist building constructed around cast concrete spiral staircase and has 120 degree vistas. The third building was formally the Perth Police Courts and was renovated in 1995 to assist in exhibiting and housing the growing art collection. A court room and its holding cells have been retained, and can be viewed by visitors to the gallery. The Art Gallery of Western Australian displays some of the finest art in the world. The Art Gallery is open six days a week from 10am to 5pm and is closed Tuesdays, as well as Good Friday and Christmas Day.

+61 8 9492 6622Corner of Roe St and Beaufort St, Northbridge

# **Bells Rapids**

Brigadoon is an outer city suburb of Perth, situated northeast of the city centre. Bells Rapids is situated where the Avon and Swan Rivers meet; and the Bells Rapids Walk Trail reveals scenic views of the rapids

and waterfalls. The rapids have natural spas and showers for the strong swimmers to enjoy, but there are quiet swimming holes suitable children and picnics. In August, it is a prime location for watching the annual Avon Descent White Water Race.

Cathedral Ave, Brigadoon

#### **Bibbulmun Track**

The Bibbulmun Track is a walker-only trail, with no wheeled vehicles of any kind being permitted, including bicycles. The Bibbulmun Track is one of the world's great long distance walk trails, stretching approximately 1000kms through the state forests, national reserves, parklands and farmlands. The track consists of 58 sections and is marked at regular intervals with triangular pointers. Each section is approximately one day's walk, except for the northernmost 150 km, where the sections consist of half-day walks. At the end of each section is either a town or a purposebuilt campsite. Experienced hikers can complete the entire track in six to eight weeks. For further details, contact the Bibbulmun Track office situated at Level 1, Mountain Designs Building, 862 Hay Street, Perth (open Monday to Friday from 9am to 4pm).

+61 8 9481 0551From Kalamunda, an eastern suburb of Perth, south to the city of Albany

# **Bickley Reservoir**

The Bickley Reservoir Walk is located in Orange Grove, an eastern suburb of Perth. It is classified as an easy to medium trail, approximately 7.5kms in length. The walk includes some large areas of open heathland, with extensive views across the city of Gosnells and the scenic Swan River coastal plain. The walk also passes through some pleasant mixed forest and Wandoo Woodland. Parking is available at Hardinge Park and picnic tables are available.

**Orange Grove** 

# Bilgoman Well Heritage Trail

The Bilgoman Well Heritage Trail is a 100m walk wandering through bushland past a historic well and the site of an 1860 convict depot. The well was restored as part of a Bicentennial project.

Commencing from the Bilgoman Olympic Pool in Darlington, Perth

#### **Bold Park**

Bold Park is just a few streets away from the ocean in the suburb of City Beach, just north of the city centre. It is one of the largest remaining bushland remnants in the urban area of the Swan Coastal Plain and covers 437 hectares. The park is an outstanding tribute to Perth's commitment to restore native bushland. There are no facilities in the park, such as toilets or drinking fountains.

The Boulevard, City Beach

# **Boodja Art - Aboriginal Art and Craft**

Boodja Art has been part of the Fremantle Markets since the 1990s. It is owned and operated by the Bynders, a local family, and sells indigenous-designed products. Traditional items are available, like didgeridoos, painting and carvings, as well as jewellery and craft items by indigenous artists.

+61 8 9430 4061Shop 57 Fremantle Markets, Cnr South Terrace and Henderson Street, Fremantle

#### **Boom or Bust Trail**

As Perth's population swelled during the Victorianera gold rush in Western Australia, many heritage buildings were erected. Perth boomed so quickly it seemed the city was set to bust, as this remote colony was transformed into the modern metropolis of today. The trail takes in some of the cities most glorious architecture from the Boom era, including the Perth Town Hall, His Majesty's Theatre and the General Post Office. Volunteers guide free walking tours each week day, departing from the i-City Information Kiosk. The trail can be walked in two hours.

Starts at the i-City Information Kiosk in Murray Street Mall near Forrest Place, Perth

#### **Boulder Rock**

Boulder Rock is in the Midgegooroo National Park, a forty five minute drive southeast of Perth and is a favourite spot for free climbers to practice their skills. The boulder is perched on a granite outcrop that rears above the surrounding bushland, just a few kilometres from the Canning Dam. Barbecue facilities are provided.

Brookton Highway, Armadale

# **Bridge Gallery at the Maltings**

The gallery is worth a visit simply to see the lovely old building it is housed in. At times, printmaking is carried out on an etching/block printing press by various printmakers and people are encouraged to observe and enquire. Exhibitions take on many different forms from one person single medium works to invited artist theme exhibitions in mediums like papermaking, textiles, photography, ceramics, painting, drawing and printmaking.

+61 8 9328 398735 Stuart Street, Northbridge

#### **Buckland Hill**

Buckland Hill is situated at the mouth of the Swan River and is one of the highest points in the metropolitan area, providing outstanding views of the Indian Ocean, the Swan River and the cityscape. The hill houses the Buckland Hill obelisk, a historically interesting monument used to help map the area, The obelisk was moved when the Buckland Hill reservoir was roofed in the 1980s. One of the WWII guns mounted on the peak remains there as a memorial. The hill used to be higher, but was quarried extensively for limestone.

Mosman Park, Perth

#### **Cottesloe Beach**

Cottesloe is a beach suburb only 15 minute drive from the Perth City Centre, and is a one and a half kilometre stretch of golden sand facing onto the Indian Ocean. As one of the most popular beaches in Perth, there is plenty to see and do. In 2009, Lonely Planet named Cottesloe Beach the world's second best beach for families.

Cottlesloe, Perth

#### Fremantle

Freemantle is a beachside suburb just south of the Perth city centre. It is an area overflowing with things to see and do. Just as a small sample, there is the Bathers Beach Art Precinct; the Round House, the oldest public building in Western Australia and the

Whalers Tunnel; a good selection of heritage walking trails; the historical Victoria Quay precinct; and a host of other places of interest. All of this, backing onto one of the most beautiful beaches in the world.

High Street, Fremantle

# Kings Park and Botanic Gardens

Kings Park is one of the largest and best known inner city parks in the world; at over 400 hectares in size, it is bigger than some countries. It offers breathtaking views of the city and the beautiful Swan River, all the way up to the Darling Range. It boasts three specially designed children's play areas; picnic spots galore and plenty of bikeways and walkways. The park also houses such attractions as the War Memorial Cenotaph, the DNA Tower, the Federation Walkway, the Edith Cowan Memorial Clock, Jacob's Ladder and Honour Avenue. For those interested in flora, you must visit the magnificent Gija Jumulu Boab Tree, which is 750 years old. In September, there is the month long Kings Park Festival. A visit to Perth isn't complete without a visit to Kings Park.

West Perth

#### **London Court**

London Court is a heritage-listed shopping arcade built in 1937, designed to mimic the architectural features of Elizabethan times in England. The mock-Tudor facade includes two entrances with clocks and wrought iron gates. Both clocks feature automations, with knights



# The Rocks Area

#### The Rocks

The Rocks are one of the oldest, most attractive and most interesting parts of Sydney. These days, this historic inner city precinct has galleries, shops, restaurants and Sydney's oldest pubs. The Rocks became established shortly after the colony's formation in 1788. The original buildings were made mostly of local sandstone, from which the area derives its name. Two separate pubs in The Rocks claim to be Sydney's oldest surviving pubs, the Fortune of War and the Lord Nelson.

# Cadman's Cottage

Cadman's Cottage was built in 1816 and was originally known as the Coxswain's Barracks. It is Sydney's oldest surviving house and the plain Georgian design was copied from English pattern books. Built on the foreshore of Sydney Harbour near The Rocks, the barracks were cut into a natural rock shelf and had a small sandy beach in the front. Today, the cottage is set back from the water's edge due to land reclamations. Cadman's Cottage is considered to have national significance to the Australian people as:

Its survival on the former shoreline of Sydney Cove demonstrates the evolution of the quay and of Sydney itself.

It is the oldest building in The Rocks and the third oldest building in Sydney city.

It is a rare and early example of an official colonial building.

Address: 110 George St, The Rocks

# The Rocks Friday Foodie Market

Wander, sample or shop for flowers, fresh produce and treats such as chocolate or oils while taking in the chilled out tunes of street buskers. These markets have the latest designer products, fashion, jewellery, accessories, home wares, art & crafts, ceramics, gourmet food and original gifts. The Rocks Markets has something for everyone.

Address: Jack Mundey Place

# **Museum of Contemporary Art**

The Museum of Contemporary Art is dedicated to exhibiting, interpreting and collecting contemporary art, both from across Australia and around the world. The establishment of the Museum of Contemporary Art was mandated in the will of Australian expatriate artist, John Power, who generously bequeathed his personal fortune for the express purpose of informing and educating Australians in the contemporary visual arts. Housed in an Art Deco-style building, the museum is one of the youngest of the chief cultural venues in Sydney. The museum is open 10am-5pm daily except Christmas Day.

Address: 140 George St, The Rocks

# **The Darling Harbour Area**

# **Darling Harbour**

Darling Harbour is a large recreational and pedestrian precinct opened by HRH Queen Elizabeth II on the 4th of May, 1988. The Sydney Aquarium was the first attraction to open and was soon followed by a host of museums, shops, restaurants, hotels and bars. The precinct is served by Sydney's light rail network, with to Convention, Exhibition and Pyrmont Bay stations. Paddy's Markets are great all year round, and a visit to the Lindt Café is highly recommended for the chocolate lovers.

Address: Darling Harbour, Sydney

#### **National Maritime Museum**

Discover the exciting story of Australia's relationship with the sea. The Australian National Maritime Museum was planned and built more than 20 years ago as part of the massive Darling Harbour and Pyrmont redevelopment. The museum was the site's showpiece and remains the Australian government's most visible national cultural institution in Sydney. The museum is structured around seven main galleries, focusing on the discovery of Australia, the relationships between the Australian Aborigines and the water, travel to Australia by sea, the ocean as a resource, water-based relaxation and entertainment, the naval defence of the nation, and the relationship between the United States of America and Australia. The museum's collection of ships focuses on three vessels that are open for public inspection: the HM Bark Endeavour Replica, the destroyer, HMAS Vampire, and the submarine. HMAS Onslow. The 19th century barque, James Craig, is moored nearby and can be toured with a museum ticket.

Address: 2 Murray Street, Darling Harbour

#### Chinatown

Visiting Sydney's Chinatown can be an exciting and rewarding experience for any tourist. At the eastern end of Chinatown, at the corner of George Street and Hay Street, there is a sculpture made from a dead tree trunk; created by artist Lin Li in 1999 and named Golden Water Mouth. The Chinese Garden of Friendship is close to Chinatown. Modelled on the traditional private gardens of the Ming Dynasty, the garden offers an insight into Chinese heritage and culture.

Address: Centred on Dixon Street, Haymarket, between Central Station and Darling Harbour

# Paddy's Markets

Paddy's Markets is open every Tuesday to Sunday, and is a traditional 'flea' market with stalls specialising in clothes, jewellery, souvenirs, crafts, gift wares, and a selection of fruit, vegetables, meat and seafood. The origin of Paddy's as a distinct market dates back to 1834 when Governor Bourke decided to move traders in hay and grain to a site next to the new cattle market in Campbell Street. The move created a split among stallholders within the 'fringe' market. The origin of the name Paddy's Markets is obscure, but it has been in use since at least the 1870s.

Address: Corner Hay Street & Thomas Street, Haymarket

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