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Travelling by car

The Grampians region is well serviced by major highways, whether travelling from Melbourne, Adelaide or the Great Ocean Road.

Melbourne to Ararat — 2hrs

Melbourne to Halls Gap — 3hrs

Melbourne to Hamilton, via Dunkeld — 3.5hrs

Melbourne to Horsham — 3.5hrs

Adelaide to Horsham — 4.5hrs

Adelaide to Hamilton — 5.5hrs

Twelve Apostles to Dunkeld — 2hrs

Travelling by train/bus/plane

There are many public transport options operated by Public Transport Victoria including rail service to Ararat, Horsham and Stawell, connecting to Melbourne and Adelaide. V/Line operate a coach service to Hamilton and both coach and tour operators can connect you to the region's attractions. Visit ptv.vic.gov.au or call 1800 800 007. Tullamarine International Airport Melbourne and Avalon Airport are the nearest airports.

Mobility access

An 'all-terrain, single wheeled, TrailRider wheelchair' is available to access a range of easy to medium level walking tracks. Parks Victoria can provide trained TrailRider Sherpas or the trailrider can be hired out by individuals. Advance bookings are required (usually 14 days). Phone Brambuk on 5361 4000.



Visitor Information Centres

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Dunkeld: Parker Street 03 5577 2558	Stawell: Pickers Market, 62 Longfield Street 1800 065 599
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GETTING HERE





The Grampians Way Touring Route

With another jaw-dropping view around every bend, the Grampians is the ultimate destination for a road trip. Hit the road and circumnavigate the majestic Grampians National Park along the winding Grampians Way. The best way to explore the whole region!

Put together an itinerary that's all your own, or follow one we've created for you.

Hop on and off the Grampians Way route to experience all of the National Park's majestic wonders, plus find the best of what lies on its doorstep. Discover the various towns and villages, with plenty to see, eat and do. Enjoy the Grampians unique culture, and explore ancient rock art sites, learn about Aboriginal history and visit art galleries and

heritage centres. With farm-gate provedores, acclaimed fine dining, cosy cafes serving delicious local produce, and 5-star wineries to visit, there is something to delight every taste. Wide-open spaces, dramatic landscapes and endless opportunities await you as you road trip around the spectacular southern extremity of the Great Dividing Range.

For more details, maps and itineraries, go to [visitgrampians.com.au/plan-your-trip](https://www.visitgrampians.com.au/plan-your-trip)

SOUTHERN ROUTE

The southern region of the Grampians offers a blend of provincial charm and natural attractions. From the gentle buzz of Dunkeld, Penhurst, Hamilton, Coleraine and Cavendish to the magnificence of ancient volcanoes and tranquil waterfalls, there is something to be discovered at every turn.

EASTERN ROUTE

The eastern route provides a scenic drive with magnificent views along the eastern edge of the Grampians National Park. A fantastic perspective of the jagged mountain ranges. Pausing along the way, explore the local towns of Pomonal, Moyston, Ararat, down to Lake Bolac.

NORTHERN ROUTE

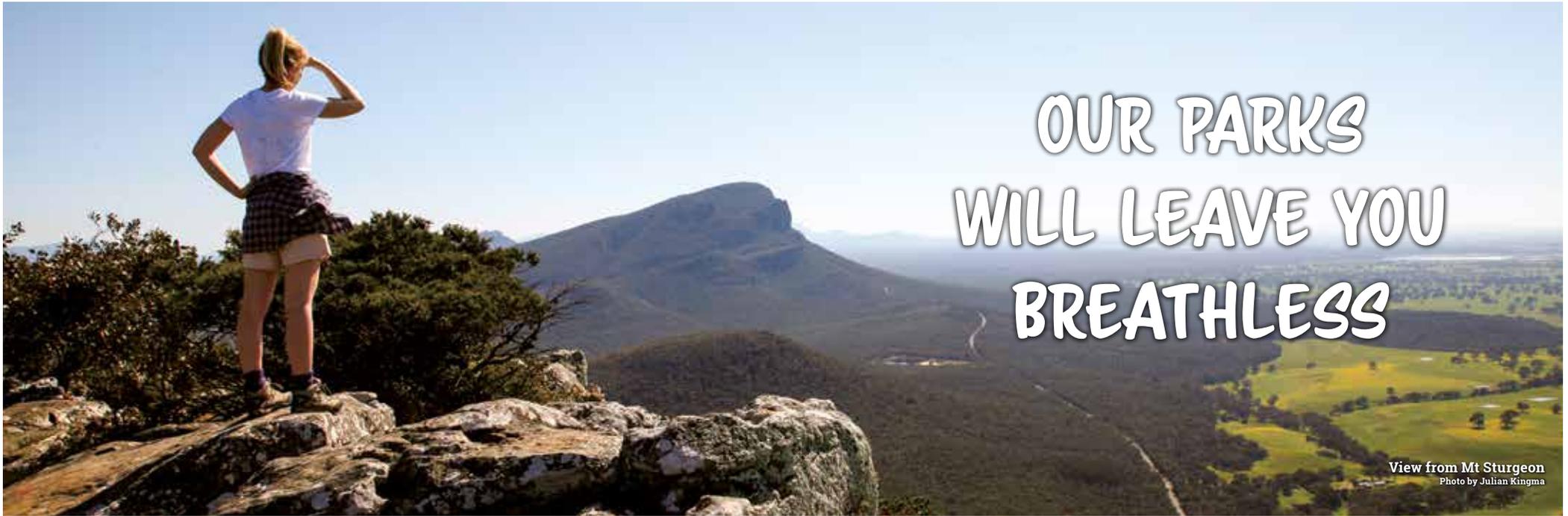
The northern Grampians possesses some of the world's most spectacular natural scenery and a rich heritage. Exploring the north, you will find diversity from the stunning Grampians National Park to the quaint towns of St Arnaud, Stawell, Great Western and Halls Gap.

WESTERN ROUTE

In the regions West, you will discover world renowned rock climbing sites, wide open spaces and delectable food and wine offerings including historic olive groves. Pace yourself and discover the delights that Horsham, Naticum, Lower Norton and the Wartook Valley have to offer.

START YOUR JOURNEY HERE

View these routes on your mobile and take them on the road
Point your camera at the code, use a QR reader,
or use this link:
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View from Mt Sturgeon
Photo by Julian Kingma

GRAMPIANS NATIONAL PARK

Renowned for rugged mountain ranges, rich cultural heritage and breathtaking views, the Grampians National Park is one of Victoria's most popular destinations. Famous for its spectacular scenery, the 168,000 hectare park is also regarded for its ecological diversity and south-eastern Australia's highest concentration of Aboriginal rock art. When it comes to walks and hikes, there are many to choose from for all capabilities, taking you to spectacular waterfalls, lookouts, rock formations and escarpments.

Step out and explore the Grampians National Park's spectacular natural beauty on foot. There are many walks and hikes on offer, from a gentle stroll to a full day adventure or the recently launched multi-day Grampians Peaks Trail. For shorter walks that are suitable for any age or fitness level try the Venus Baths Loop Walk or the Balconies Walk, both walks are easily accessible, flat and less than 2 kilometres long. For more of a challenge, hikers can spend up to half a day exploring Venus Baths, Splitter Falls, the Grand Canyon,

Silent Street and the Pinnacle via the Wonderland Loop Hike, departing from Halls Gap. To the north, the Hollow Mountain Walk with its spectacular rock formations and views over the Wimmera, is worth the rock scrambling and for awe-inspiring 360 degree vistas from the southern Grampians, Mount Abrupt and Mount Sturgeon walks will get your blood pumping. Call into a local Visitor Information Centre or **Brambuk – The National Park and Cultural Centre**, Halls Gap, for more walk information.

OUR PARKS WILL LEAVE YOU BREATHLESS

LITTLE DESERT NATIONAL PARK

A desert only in name, this 132,000 hectare National Park stretches from the Wimmera River to the South Australian border and is popular for experienced 4WD enthusiasts.

MOUNT ARAPILES/ TOOAN STATE PARK

The rugged sandstone peaks of Mount Arapiles are recognised world-wide as a premier rock climbing destination. A sealed road to the summit takes visitors to a scenic viewing area.

MOUNT NAPIER STATE PARK AND BYADUK CAVES

Home to Mount Napier, the youngest volcano in Victoria, and the Byaduk Caves, considered Australia's most extensive and accessible set of lava rock formations.

ST ARNAUD RANGE NATIONAL PARK

Experience the relatively untouched Box Ironbark forest, and find a native ground orchid. The Upper Teddington Reservoir is a peaceful place for picnics and camping.

LANGI GHIRAN STATE PARK

Granite peaks and sloping woodlands are a feature of the pleasant walk to the summit, with views of the surrounding plains in the east and the Grampians in the west.

BLACK RANGE STATE PARK

Central to the creation stories of the *Jardwadjali* people, this park contains a significant Aboriginal cultural site, *Mudadgadjiin*, and a diverse mix of flora and fauna.

MOUNT COLE STATE FOREST

Mt Cole State Forest near Ararat is a walker's paradise. The park has seasonal waterfalls, shaded picnic grounds, campsites and 4WD tracks. Visit for the Beeripmo Walk.

KANAWINKA GEOTRAIL

Victoria's south-western volcanic plains are part of Australia's most extensive volcanic province. The Kanawinka Geotrail takes you on a journey including Mount Eccles and the nearby tumuli. For more information, call into the Peshurst Volcanoes Discovery Centre.



STEP INTO AN ANCIENT LANDSCAPE

Mount Rosea

The Grampians Peaks Trail provides an intimate and unforgettable experience of dramatic peaks, panoramic views and an ancient rugged landscape through the majestic Grampians National Park.

When completed, the Grampians Peaks Trail will be a 13 day-12 night walk connecting the massive sandstone outcrops near Mt Zero in the north to Mt Abrupt overlooking the Dunkeld township and surrounding volcanic plains in the south.

Walkers can experience the popular Stage One walk, a 3 day-2 night loop starting at Halls Gap. The 36km walk showcases the spectacular rock features of the Wonderland Range and breathtaking views from Mt Rosea.

For more information
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GRAMPIANS PEAKS TRAIL

Walk Victoria's Icons

TOP 10 WALKS

■ The Pinnacle

The iconic Pinnacle walk and lookout is one of the highlights of the entire Grampians region. Hikers are rewarded with stunning views of Halls Gap and the Grampians' many peaks.

There are three walking options to reach The Pinnacle varying in distance and difficulty.

■ Boronia Peak Trail

Boronia Peak involves a rocky climb up to the summit which rewards you with superb views towards Lake Fyans in the east and over the Fyans Valley. The entire trail is complete with epic views as you wind your way to the peak. From the trail you can take another path that leads you to Brambuk Aboriginal Cultural Centre to experience Australia's native flora and fauna and Aboriginal culture.

■ Venus Baths

An easy stroll starting in the center of Halls Gap follow the 2.3km track and cross over Stony Creek at the small bridge to the Botanic gardens. Take water and snacks and enjoy the peace and quiet. A walking track follows the river up to several deeper rock pools. The track is flat with no obstacles makes for an enjoyable walk and great scenery for all ages.

■ Hollow Mountain

Hollow Mountain walk is suitable for fit and energetic walkers and can involve slippery track surfaces, rock hopping and rock scrambling. From the car park, follow the sign-posted gravel track as it climbs gradually through a wide open gully surrounded by rocky cliffs. Once on rock, the track climbs steeply over rocky ledges and past wind scoured caverns to a rocky summit which offers views over Mt Stapylton Amphitheatre and the Wimmera Plains. Return by the same route.

■ Mount Abrupt

Mount Abrupt is a steep track that winds its way through Grampians bushland and up sandstone rocks to the summit. Once at the summit, take in the wonderful views of the Serra Range to the north and over Dunkeld in

the south. Keep an eye open for wedge-tailed eagles, nankeen kestrels and peregrine falcons. For the best walking experience explore Mount Abrupt in Spring to early Summer.

■ Mt William

At 1,167 metres, Mount William is the highest point in the Grampians National Park and provides great 360-degree views of mountain ranges and open plains. From the Mount William carpark it takes a moderately fit person approximately 45 mins to walk to the summit. Despite the steep walk the great views make it a must see for anyone wanting to see the entire Grampians from one lookout.

■ Mt Sturgeon

The Mount Sturgeon walk is suitable for fit and adventurous walkers, it involves water crossings, slippery track surfaces and rock hopping. The summit offers panoramic views of the surrounding ranges and volcanic plains, and over Dunkeld. Return by the same route.

■ The Balconies

From the same car park as reeds Lookout you can walk the relatively easy two kilometers on to the Balconies for panoramic views of Victoria Valley and the surrounding ranges. The unusual rock formations that stick out of the mountain make this spot particularly unique. The balconies are a great spot for fresh misty mornings and sunset views.

■ The Piccaninny

The view from the summit of the Piccaninny walk provides excellent views of Mt Abrupt and the nearby town of Dunkeld with its impressive and unique landscape. Take the gradually climbing track through open forest that provides stunning wildflower displays during Spring.

■ Tunnel Track from Pomonal

From the Tunnel Road Carpark the track begins its steady climb past rocky outcrops to the top of the range. Descending the other side, you gain magnificent views of the Serra range. This walk finishes at the Western Tunnel entrance. Return by the same route.

Be Safe, Be Prepared

- There are steep cliffs in the Grampians National Park. Keep to the track, mind your footing and supervise children at all times.
- Walking tracks may involve rock steps, uneven and slippery surfaces, water crossings and rock hopping.
- Always wear sturdy footwear with a good tread
- A good quality map should always be carried
- Always bring water and food
- On longer walks, carry protective clothing
- A hat and sunscreen are essential in Summer
- Please follow the directions and advice of signs
- Do not cross barriers or railings. These are in place for your safety
- Plan your timing. Ensure you return from walking well before dusk.
- Please take all your rubbish home with you.
- Dogs, cats and other pets are prohibited in National Parks.



Mackenzie Falls
Photo by Parks Victoria

The Grampians is a region of natural beauty, freedom, intrigue and adventure. There are many reasons why the Grampians is a favourite holiday destination in any season. Here are just a few ...

MUST VISIT TOP TIPS

WATERFALLS

- 1 Mackenzie Falls
- 2 Silverband Falls
- 3 Wannon Falls
- 4 Nigretta Falls
- 5 Beehive Falls

LOOKOUTS

- 6 Reeds Lookout
- 7 Boroka Lookout
- 8 Mt Rouse
- 9 Big Hill Lookout
- 10 One Tree Hill
- 11 The Bluff

LAKES

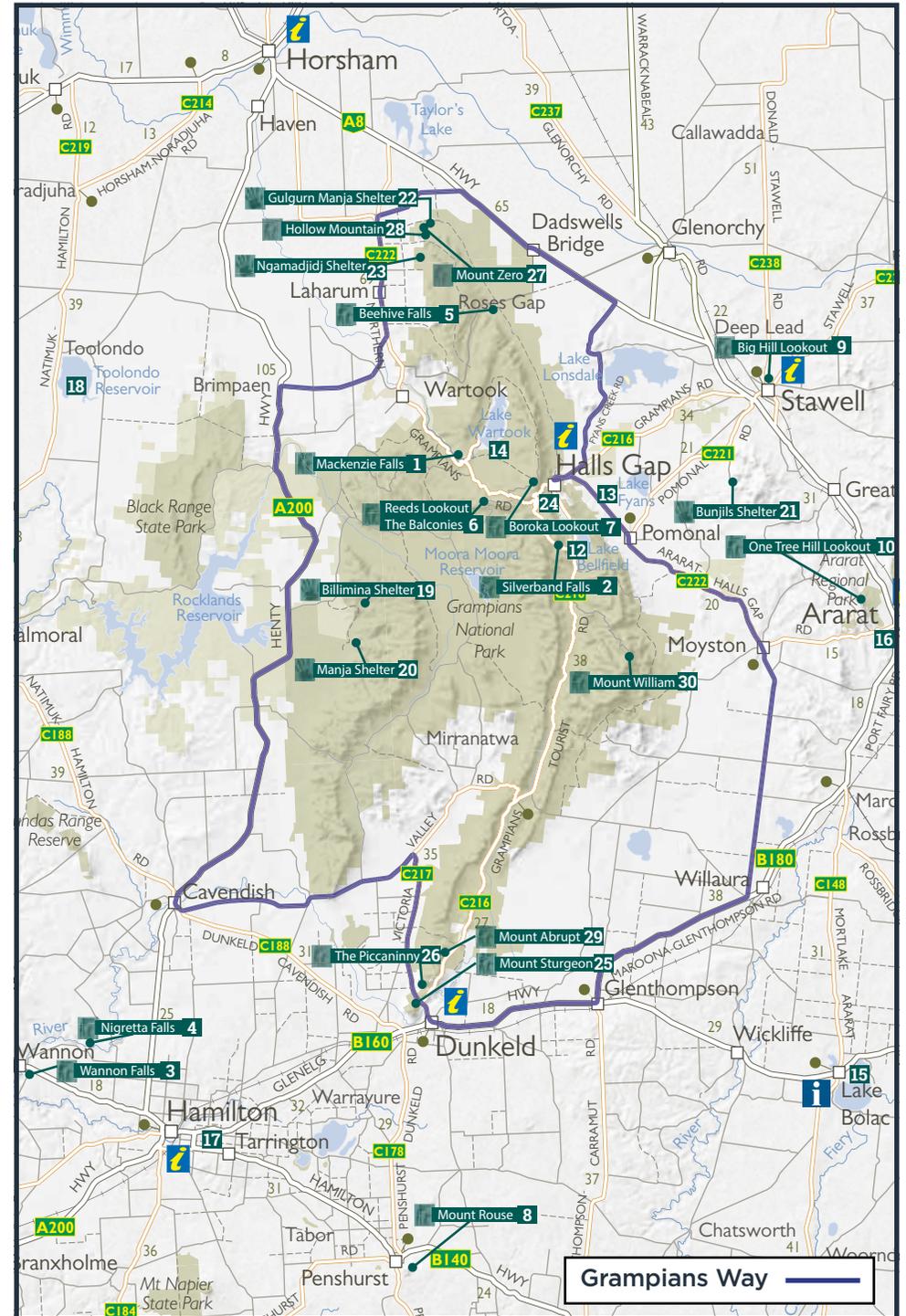
- 12 Lake Bellfield
- 13 Lake Fyans
- 14 Lake Wartook
- 15 Lake Bolac
- 16 Green Hill Lake
- 17 Lake Hamilton
- 18 Lake Toolondo

ROCK ART SITES

- 19 Billimina
- 20 Manja
- 21 Bunjil Shelter
- 22 Gulgurn Manja
- 23 Ngamadjidj

WALKS & HIKES

- 24 The Pinnacle Walk
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- 27 Mt Zero Walk
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- 29 Mount Abrupt
- 30 Mount William



Grampians Way

Your **EASTERN GRAMPIANS** holiday



**ARARAT
LAKE BOLAC
POMONAL
MOYSTON**

The eastern side of the Grampians has something to satisfy everyone, from adventure seekers to history buffs, and those who like to kick back and relax. Revisit the gold rush from a different perspective in Ararat, distinctive for being the only town in Australia to be founded by Chinese miners. All within easy reach of the Grampians National Park and Halls Gap.

Explore the best of the east with sweeping landscapes and natural beauty from the scenic Mount Cole, Mount Langi Ghiran State Park, Ararat Hills Regional Park and the world renowned Grampians National Park, which is right on our doorstep. With great lakes and waterways to explore, fishing fans will be right at home.

For those who are fascinated with dark history, take a step back in time at the iconic J-Ward Gaol or Aradale Asylum or delve into a richer era and discover Ararat's place in the Victorian gold rush at Gum San Chinese Heritage Museum. If food and wine is more your style then there is no shortage of fine restaurants and award winning wineries to indulge in. Enjoy a relaxing afternoon at a local cellar door or cafe and tantalise the tastebuds on wines, beers and ciders made right here in the Grampians. Accommodation including motel and camping options are aplenty in Ararat, from luxury glamping and modern motels to established caravan parks in the heart of town to the picturesque Greenhill Lake. If you prefer sites off the beaten track, the Eastern side of the Grampians have plenty to offer including Lake Bolac and Pomonal.

Enjoy exploring the nearby rural towns of Buangor, Willaura, Streatham and Moyston – the birthplace of Australian Rules Football. With so much to see and do, why not make Ararat your next holiday destination?



Jailhouse Rock Festival, Ararat



Lake Bolac Eel Festival



Red Rock Olives

BUCKET LIST

- Alexandra Gardens
- One Tree Hill Lookout
- Ararat Gallery TAMA
- Visit Lake Bolac
- Pomonal Estate Winery
- Red Rock Olives
- Aradale & J Ward
- Green Hill Lake
- Ararat Skate Park
- Clayfield Wines
- Mountainside Wines
- A.T. Richardson Wines
- Mt Langi Ghiran Winery
- Gum San Chinese Heritage Centre
- Montara Wines

ARARAT

Located at the foothills of the Grampians and surrounded by picturesque grazing country, **Ararat** is the centrepiece in a region of tranquil and inspiring natural attractions, including the Grampians National Park, Mount Langi Ghiran, Mount Cole, Mount Buangor and Ararat Hills Regional Park. Nearby is the **Grampians Wine Region**, an historic and expanding wine district renowned for high quality wines and scenic vineyards. Experience the abundance of diverse cultural and historical attractions, including the chilling **J-Ward Gaol** and **Aradale Asylum**, unique institutions that will captivate all who walk through their ghostly steel doors.

POMONAL

Stop to smell the wildflowers at **Pomonal**, a picturesque village set against the dramatic backdrop of the **Grampians National Park** and only a short 10 minute drive from **Halls Gap**. Famous for its native flowers and orchids, the area's rolling green hills make a gorgeous backdrop to nature walks, vineyards visits and farm gate expeditions.

LAKE BOLAC

Lake Bolac is located on the Glenelg Highway/ Ararat–Mortlake Road, 50 kilometres south of Ararat and is within easy driving distance to the Grampians National Park and The Great Ocean Road. An important service centre for the surrounding farms, the township is also an attraction in its own right. The freshwater lake is 27 kilometres around the foreshore and covers 1,460 hectares. When full, Lake Bolac is about 6 to 7 feet deep and is a popular boating, fishing and sailing area.



Lake Bolac

MOYSTON

Moyston is a beautiful stopping point on the main tourist road to the Grampians between Ararat and Halls Gap. The discovery of gold in 1857 started a small gold rush and the establishment of a township. Wine lovers know the name for the red wine produced at surrounding vineyards, but Moyston is also the birthplace of Australian Rules Football. The Moyston General Store and Café provides a unique culinary experience and a lovely welcoming atmosphere.



Moyston General Store

Accommodation

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Full of beauty and charm, this area is central to the region and possesses some of the world's most spectacular natural scenery and a rich heritage, with the picture-perfect township of Halls Gap at its centre. Exploring the north, you will find the stunning Grampians National Park, beautiful nature reserves, quaint towns and villages and sublime food and wine experiences.

The Grampians northern region is a great place for outdoor adventure and offers some of the most iconic natural attractions from The Pinnacle, to Boroka Lookout, to Mackenzie Falls and the famous Reeds Lookout and the Balconies. Some of the prettiest towns and villages sit in the northern Grampians, each with their own unique attractions and atmosphere. Nestled in the heart of the Grampians National Park, Halls Gap is a delightful small village and the area is renowned for spectacular hiking, stunning views and inquisitive wildlife. Halls Gap is also home to Halls Gap Zoo the largest regional zoo in Victoria.

St Arnaud, settled in 1855 is a former gold mining town with a rich heritage and a feeling of nostalgic whimsy.

The township of Stawell is a mere 20 minutes drive from Halls Gap and plays host to the annual Stawell Gift, Australia's richest foot race and first run in 1878.

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The Pinnacle



BUCKET LIST

- Halls Gap Zoo
- Mackenzie Falls
- The Pinnacle
- Fallen Giants Vineyard
- St Arnaud Range National Park
- Picnic at Stawell's Cato Park
- Brambuk Cultural Centre
- Big Hill Lookout
- Best's Wines
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- Grampians Estate Winery
- Bunjil's Shelter
- Grampians Adventure Golf
- Lake Fyans
- Grampians Helicopter Flight
- Visit Great Western

HALLS GAP

Nestled in the heart of the Grampians National Park, **Halls Gap** is a delightful small village with varied accommodation on offer and activities at your doorstep. The area is renowned for spectacular hiking, stunning views and inquisitive wildlife including kangaroos, emus, wallabies and birds. If you prefer to canoe, fish or birdwatch, **Lakes Bellfield, Lonsdale, Fyans and Wartook** are all within a short drive of town. For the more adventurous, opportunities abound with rock-climbing, abseiling, canoeing and 4 x 4 driving adventures close by.

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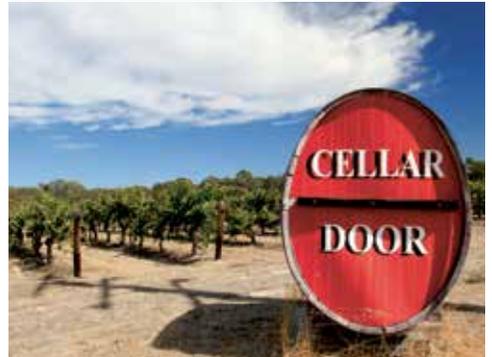
More than just a pitstop destination enroute to Mildura, **St Arnaud** is well worth lingering in for a while. Pull up a stool at one of the lively historic pubs, then work off your pub meal with a wander through town. Take a stroll through the manicured gardens of **Pioneer Park** and the **Queen Mary Gardens**, and admire the town's cast-iron lace work verandas. Spot native wildlife, venture down to the **Teddington Reservoir** to camp out or fish in the nearby lakes and rivers.

STAWELL

Only 20 minutes drive from Halls Gap, the historic gold mining town of **Stawell** is the closest major commercial centre to the Grampians National Park. Stawell is famous for hosting the annual Stawell Gift, first run in 1878. Check out the track at Central Park from the **Stawell Gift Hall of Fame** which also showcases memorabilia of the most prestigious footrace in Australia. The 120 metre handicap race is held annually over the Easter long weekend. Travel to the nearby **Black Range State Park** and take the walk to **Bunjil's Shelter** – a huge rock overhang with ancient rock art depicting Bunjil, an Aboriginal spirit figure.

GREAT WESTERN

Great Western is a quaint and charming township located on the Western Highway between Ararat and Stawell. First settled in the 1840s by sheep graziers, Great Western rapidly developed through the discovery of gold and then the planting of grape vines. Today, Great Western is known internationally as an historic wine region producing award-winning wines.



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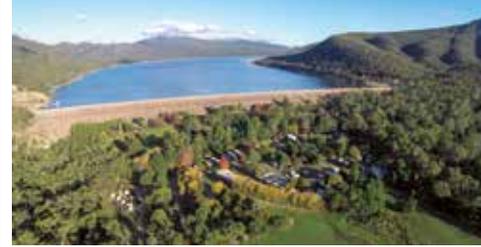


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HAMILTON
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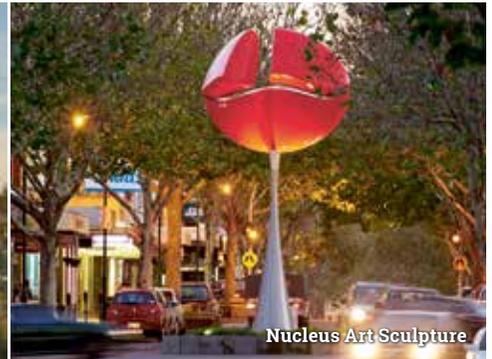
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Mt Sturgeon



Nucleus Art Sculpture



Penshurst Wetlands Garden

BUCKET LIST

- Pierrepoint Winery
- Wannon & Nigretta Falls
- Sir Reginald Ansett Transport Museum
- Lake Hamilton
- Penshurst Wetlands Gardens
- Dunkeld Arboretum
- Dunkeld Heritage Trail
- Volcanoes Discovery Centre
- Hamilton Gallery
- Ros McArthur Studio
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- Hamilton Botanical Gardens
- Mount Rouse

HAMILTON

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Your WESTERN GRAMPIANS holiday



**HORSHAM
NATIMUK
DADSWELL BRIDGE
WARTOOK VALLEY**

In the regions West, you will discover world renowned rock climbing sites, wide open spaces and delectable food and wine offerings. Rising from the Wimmera plains, you will find Horsham, a city with excellent opportunities for shopping, dining and entertainment. Base yourself in here and explore the attractions of the west, all within easy reach of the beautiful Grampians National Park.

The Grampians National Park is located 30km south-west of Horsham and boasts ancient Aboriginal rock art sites and the breathtaking Mt Zero and Hollow Mountain. Wartook Valley offers magnificent sunrises, sunsets and brilliant night skies.

The Laharum area is known for its olive groves, with heritage trees and organic farming, the Mediterranean-like climate produces award-winning olive oils. Horsham is the capital of the region and is your ideal base to explore the entire region.

Mt Arapiles–Tooan State Park is widely regarded as the top rock climbing area in Australia and is world renowned. If rock climbing is not your thing, drive, ride or walk to the summit and take in the scenic views of the surrounding wheat plains. Be sure to stop at the nearby picturesque township of Natimuk, with its historic buildings and a growing community arts and cultural scene.

The west is the perfect gateway to explore the Silo Art Trail, one of Australia's largest outdoor galleries. Within Horsham itself is the Horsham Regional Art Gallery home to a nationally significant collection of Australian photography charting its history from inception to today.

From boutique wineries to outdoor adventures and everything in between, the west is ready for you to discover.



BUCKET LIST

- Horsham Town Hall Performing Arts Centre
- Horsham Regional Arts Gallery
- Horsham Public Art & Heritage Trail
- Horsham Golf Club
- Mackenzie River Walk Zumsteins
- Fish Falls
- Grampians Horse Riding
- Hollow Mountain Walk
- Mt Stapylton
- Mt Arapiles
- Grampians Olive Co.
- Norton Estate Winery
- Barangaroo Winery
- Natimuk Farmers Market
- The Stick Shed at Murtoa
- Giant Koala at Dadswell's Bridge

HORSHAM

Horsham, known as the Cosmopolitan Capital of the Wimmera, is a bustling commercial centre located on the banks of the Wimmera River. Take your time and indulge in good food and wine at one of the many cafes in Horsham. Catch a show at the 500 seat auditorium **Horsham Town Hall Performing Arts Centre** which is a modern, accessible, community arts and conference facility. Get out and about with plentiful activities, such as walking trails, **Horsham Aquatic Centre**, mini golf course, ten pin bowling, indoor play centre, open space parks, antiques and collectables.

WARTOOK VALLEY

Wartook Valley is home to spectacular sunsets, brilliant night skies, rugged mountain views, scenic walks and abundant wildlife. Located on 'the sunset side' of the Grampians, you can explore Aboriginal rock art, some of Australia's oldest olive groves, waterfalls and wildflowers.

NATIMUK

Adventure-seekers from across the globe flock to **Natimuk** to experience some of the best rock climbing and abseiling in Australia at **Mt Arapiles-Tooan State Park**.

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DADSWELL'S BRIDGE

Dadswell's Bridge is located on the Western Highway with the majestic Grampians mountain range as a backdrop.

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GONE FISHING

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The Grampians lakes have never been better as a result of significant stocking programs over the last ten years.

Lakes Fyans, Bellfield, Wartook, and Toolondo have developed into nationally renowned trout waters, combined with stocking of native species Golden Perch and Murray Cod into Rocklands Reservoir and Taylors Lake the Grampians region is a freshwater sportfish haven.

Seasonal yabby catches, native blackfish and the ever reliable English Perch (redfin) add to the variety of species available giving anglers of all types and experience the chance of an epic catch from the shore or boats and kayaks.

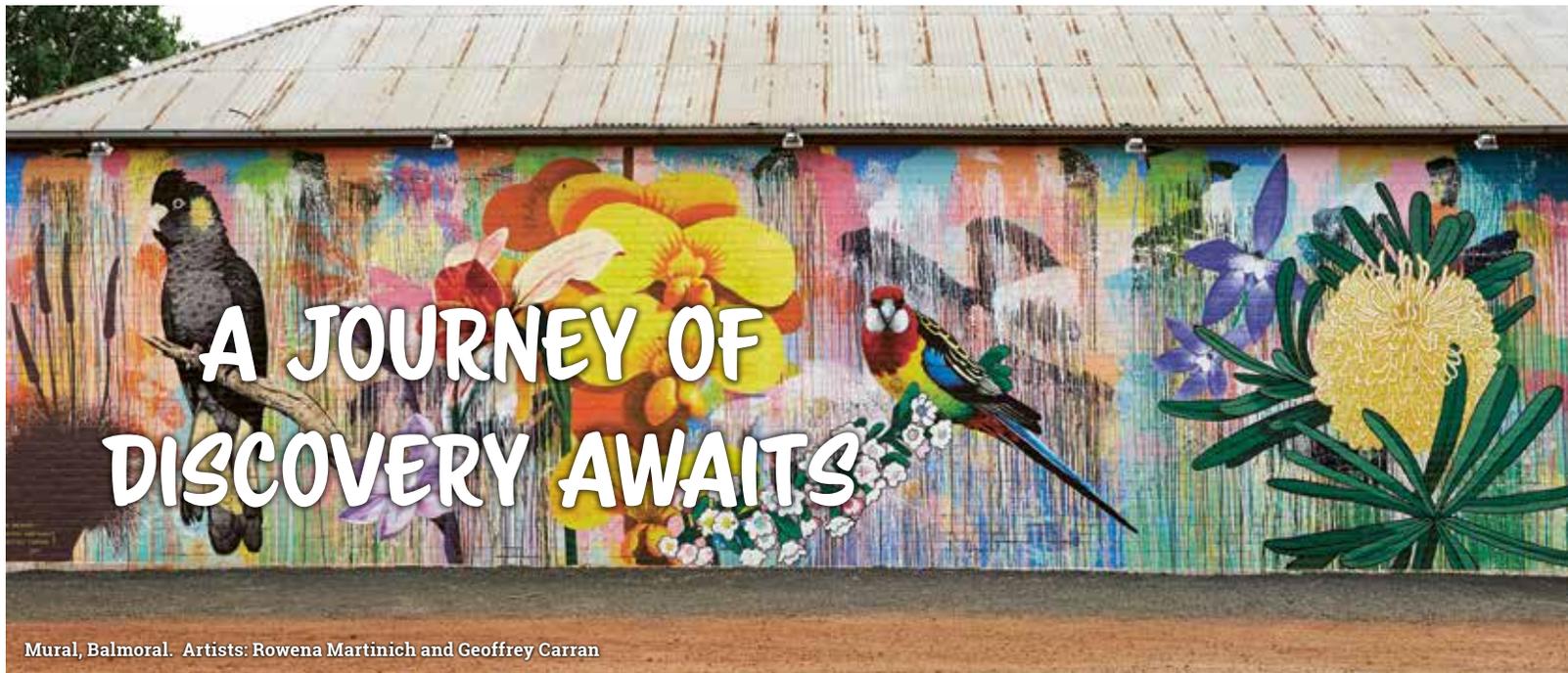
Ideal baits include worms, yabbies, mudeyes and Powerbait, as well as casting soft plastic and hardbody lures. Top tips include trolling winged lures from a kayak or small tinnie among the standing timber and reed beds for that trophy trout in Lake Fyans, with larger deep diving hardbody lures in dark colours the better choice for landing a legendary Murray Cod in Taylors Lake. Spectacular Lake Wartook has been the traditional

home of the fly fishing for decades and can produce the brown trout of a lifetime. A simple bladed spinner cast and retrieved around the reeds or off the Lake Fyans wall is a sure fire method to land a redfin or two and great for kids to try their luck.

A Recreational Fishing Licence (RFL) is required for anglers between the ages of 18 and 70 and covers all forms of recreational fishing in all of Victoria's marine, estuarine and inland waters.

TOP 5 FISHING SPOTS

- Lake Fyans
- Lake Wartook
- Rocklands Reservoir
- Taylors Lake
- Lake Bellfield



Mural, Balmoral. Artists: Rowena Martinich and Geoffrey Carran

Indulge in the Grampians arts, history and culture. A region with a rich tapestry. Delve into the myriad of local stories, many inspired by the local landscape, and be taken back in time.

The Grampians has a long and interesting history that can be explored at museums, galleries and institutions across the region.

Visit Ararat's lunatic asylums for history tours, ghost tours and paranormal investigations of Ararat's two most popular tourist attractions: **J Ward Lunatic Asylum** and **Aradale**. Walk through the eerie wards and halls of the institution that treated and housed the mentally ill of Victoria for over 140 years.

Discover the eclectic mix of mediums and subjects at **Ros McArthur's studio** in the picturesque Mirranatwa and in Halls Gap, acclaimed environmental artist Steve Morvell showcases work dedicated to raising human awareness of the beauty and fragility of wildlife and the habitats in which we co-exist.

The **Horsham Regional Art Gallery**, **Hamilton Gallery** and the **Ararat Regional Art Gallery** each offer unique permanent

collections, visiting exhibitions along with workshops and classes. As you journey through the region, you will discover the many towns and villages that offer an array of community arts to explore.

If you want to enjoy the rare opportunity of seeing glassblowing in action visit **James McMurtrie** in his Pomonal studio. James' artworks are inspired by the Grampians mountains that surround his studio. With 25 years of experience using traditional techniques and tools, James skilfully creates high quality, functional and sculptural glass.

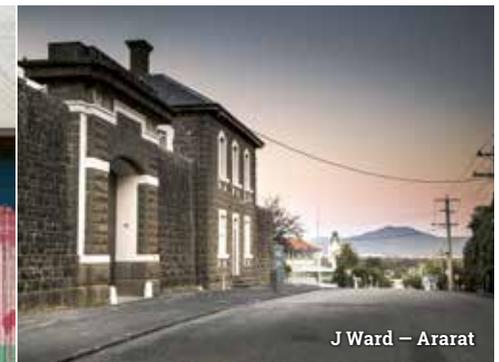
The Grampians is home to a rich tapestry of history and culture. Take time to visit **Gum San Chinese Heritage Centre** in Ararat and marvel the collection of Chinese textiles, embroideries and relics that tell the story of miners during the Victorian goldrush era.

Visit the **Volcanoes Discovery Centre** in Peshurst at the foot of the dormant

Mt Rouse volcano, and be transported back thousands of years to when volcanoes were erupting right across the Western District and into South Australia. At the Centre you will see how the surrounding volcanoes formed and shaped the landscape. See where the bluestone used in the building of the Victorian Houses of Parliament came from.

Make time to visit some of the museums in the area including the **Sir Reginald Ansett Transport Museum**. The museum is dedicated to transport and tourism pioneer Reg Ansett, who commenced his transport business in Hamilton in 1931. Based on the Ansett company's original aircraft hanger, which has been relocated to Hamilton, the museum displays a collection of over 1,000 objects from throughout the history of Ansett Airlines.

Continue your journey to Murtoa to visit **The Stick Shed**. The Stick Shed is a grain storage facility known as Murtoa No. 1 Grain Store. It was built over four months during World War II and is the only remaining shed of this type in Australia.



J Ward – Ararat



Ararat Regional Art Gallery



Horsham Town Hall



Sir Reginald Ansett Transport Museum – Hamilton

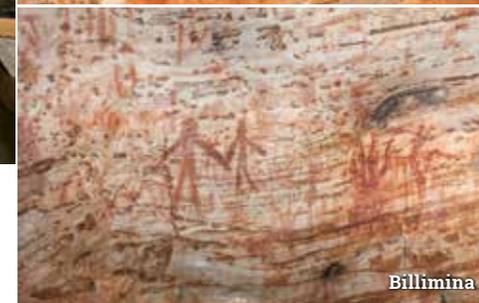
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Bunjil's Shelter



Gulgurn Manja



Billimina

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Aboriginal Culture

The Grampians National Park was proclaimed in 1984 to protect the significant Aboriginal cultural heritage and environmental values. Gariwerd is the traditional Aboriginal name for the Grampians Ranges and is central to the heritage of many Aboriginal communities in south-western Victoria.

The region has the largest number of rock art sites in southern Australia and over 86% of Victoria's rock art sites, dating back more than 20,000 years. Discoveries of Indigenous Australian artefacts in the region include ancient oven mounds,

scatterings of stone remain from tool making and ancient rock art sites.

Within the Grampians National Park there are four rock art sites which are open for public viewing: Gulgurn Manja, Ngamadjudj, Billimina and Manja. The well known **Bunjil Shelter** is nestled in the Black Range Reserve near Stawell.

You can learn about our region's unique Aboriginal culture and history at **Brambuk – The National Park & Cultural Centre** in Halls Gap. The centre's building is extraordinary, with an undulating roof resembling the sweeping wings of a cockatoo. Surrounded by stunning mountain views, the centre also features a bush food cafe, retail outlet and the Grampians National Park Information

Centre. Take time to enjoy an interpreted walk through the native garden, the Gariwerd Dreaming Theatre and Rock Art Tours.

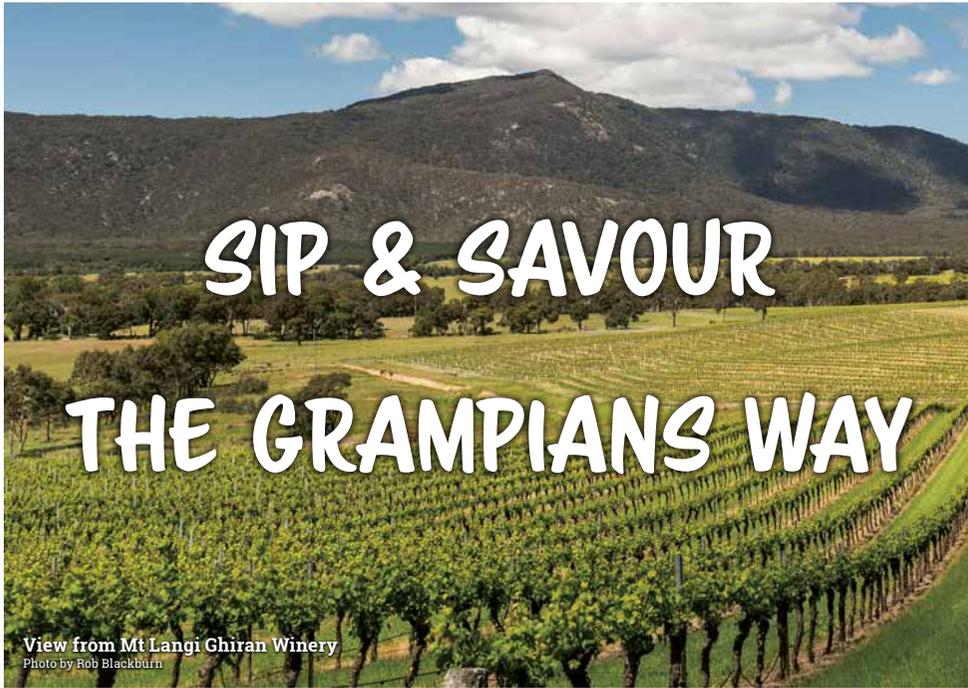
GARIWERD'S SIX SEASONS

According to the traditional owners of the Grampians, there are six distinct weather periods recognised in the Gariwerd seasonal cycle. These

seasons relate to climactic features and also reference environmental events such as plant flowering, fruiting and animal behavioural patterns.

For thousands of years, the lives of the *Jardwadjali* and *Djab Wurrung* have been intimately linked to this seasonal cycle.

<small>KOORYANG Season of Eels</small> 	<small>GWANGAL MORONN Season of Honey Bees</small> 	<small>CHINNUP Season of Cockatoos</small> 	<small>LARNEUK Season of Nesting Birds</small> 	<small>PETYAN Season of Wildflowers</small> 	<small>BALLAMBAR Season of Butterflies</small> 
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SIP & SAVOUR THE GRAMPIANS WAY

View from Mt Langi Ghiran Winery
Photo by Rob Blackburn

There are dozens of historic and boutique wineries scattered across the undulating Grampians and Henty wine regions. Visit a cellar door and meet passionate winemakers, hear their stories and let serious reds and crisp whites tantalise your tastebuds.

HENTY WINE REGION

The Henty wine region, one of the coolest of Australia's mainland wine growing regions, stretches from Western Victoria to Southern South Australia. The region is known for its aromatic white wines, luscious sweet dessert wines and intense, finely structured reds. The wine grape varieties which have been most widely planted in the Henty region are Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Sauvignon Blanc, Riesling, Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot. Also to be found are Semillon, Shiraz, Pinot Meunier and Pinot Gris.

GRAMPIANS WINE REGION

The Grampians wine region is home to some of the world's oldest vines. Known for dense, purple and peppery Shiraz and sparkling wines, the Grampians has been a quality wine-producing region for more than 150 years. As you explore the undulating hills from Buangor to Halls Gap, there is plenty to discover with an abundance of wine-related experiences. According to wine critic Max Allen, the Grampians wine region in western Victoria produces some of the best Shiraz in Australia.

GRAMPIANS WINE EVENTS

Seriously Shiraz 2020
4-6 September

Grampians Grape Escape 2020
2-3 May





GRAMPIANS EVENTS

JANUARY

- Great Western Races – Great Western
- Hamilton Harness Racing Cup Day – Hamilton
- Western Speedway Events – Hamilton
- Summer Brushes – Horsham

FEBRUARY

- Grampians Music Festival – Halls Gap
- Farm to Pub Charity Race – Ararat
- Horsham Gliding Fly-in – Horsham
- Triathlon Horsham – Horsham
- Babylon Festival – Carapooee West

MARCH

- Balmoral Show – Balmoral
- Horsham Fishing Competition – Horsham
- Jailhouse Rock – Ararat
- Grampians Textures – Halls Gap
- Pitch Festival – Moyston
- Lake Bolac Eel Festival – Lake Bolac
- Wimmera Machinery Field Days – Horsham
- Shakespeare Under the Stars – Hamilton

- Branhholme and Dunkeld Rodeos
- Dunkeld Polo Cup – Dunkeld

APRIL

- Stawell Gift – Stawell
- Horsham Market & Swap Meet – Horsham

MAY

- Dunkeld & Peaks Pilgrim Walk – Dunkeld
- Grampians Grape Escape – Halls Gap
- Run the Gap – Halls Gap

JUNE

- Serra Terror – Dunkeld
- City of Hamilton Eisteddfod – Hamilton
- AlpacaFest – Hamilton

JULY

- Woolly West Fest – Hamilton

AUGUST

- Sheepvention – Hamilton
- Wonderland Run – Halls Gap
- Peaks & Trails Run – Dunkeld

SEPTEMBER

- St Arnaud Agricultural Show – St Arnaud
- Grampians Brushes – Halls Gap
- Grampians Challenge – Wartook Valley
- Seriously Shiraz – various locations
- Handbury Karting Titles – Hamilton
- Coleraine Cup – Coleraine
- Horsham Agricultural Show – Horsham

OCTOBER

- 3 Peaks Festival – Dunkeld
- VIVA Multicultural Festival – Ararat
- Pomonal Native Flower Show – Pomonal
- Stawell Agricultural Show – Stawell
- St Arnaud Country Music Festival – St Arnaud
- Western Open Horsham Golf Pro Am – Horsham
- The Australian Pedal Car Grand Prix – Coleraine
- NHK Junior Obstacle Race – Hamilton
- Hamilton Motorsport Park Car Bike and Truck Show – Hamilton
- Hamilton Cup – Hamilton

NOVEMBER

- Horsham Kannamaroo Festival – Horsham
- Dunkeld Races – Dunkeld
- One Tree Hill Climb – Ararat
- St Arnaud Festival – St Arnaud
- Dragon Boats Victoria Horsham Regatta – Horsham
- South West Games – Throughout region
- Hamilton Food and Wine Fiesta – Hamilton
- Laternenfest – Tarrington

DECEMBER

- Penshurst Boxing Day Races – Penshurst
- St Mary's Christmas Expo & Street Parade – Hamilton

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THESE AND OTHER EVENTS:

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Ditch the tech, load the kids in the car and head to The Grampians for family adventure.

Halls Gap Zoo is Victoria's largest regional zoo, featuring over 160 species of native and exotic mammals, reptiles and birds. A visit to Halls Gap Zoo is bound to delight kids of all ages. You can even have a close encounter with one of the zoo's main attractions! From curious red pandas, cheeky meerkats and slippery snakes to a cuddly wombat, graceful giraffe or even a rumbling rhino! This is an experience you and your family will never forget.

If a relaxed family stroll in the great outdoors is more your style you won't be disappointed. The Grampians National Park has a myriad of walks that will suit any age-group. Why not try the Lakeview loop, Venus Baths or The Balconies Lookout? Each one is graded easy and will take around 30 minutes. There is more than just mountains to explore in the Grampians. The region is home to some of the largest waterways in Victoria with fishing, swimming, canoeing, sailing or water skiing all proving popular with locals

and visitors alike. Make sure you bring your bathers and a towel to enjoy a refreshing dip in one of the areas family friendly lakes. Whatever you choose to do a visit to the Grampians is sure to delight and entertain every member of the family.

TOP FAMILY ACTIVITIES

- Halls Gap Zoo
- Ansett Museum
- Walking/Hiking
- Mackenzie Falls
- Brambuk Cultural Centre
- Gum San Chinese Heritage Centre
- Grampians Adventure Golf
- Seppelt Underground Drives Tour



HALLS GAP

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