

Get your bearings



The Macedon Ranges is part of the wider Daylesford Macedon Tourism region and so easy to get to from the heart of Melbourne; less than an hour by car, or if you prefer by train.

Traverse historic streets edged with ancient bluestone, quiet country roads snaking through wide open spaces, and picture-worthy oak-lined Avenues of Honour. Along the way you will discover character-filled villages and tiny hamlets.

Buzzing with historic and culinary energy, these country towns will draw you in and leave you wanting more.

Our great outdoors



Moving through the Macedon Ranges is like moving through a series of postcards.

Hike amongst rare volcanic rock formations at Hanging Rock. Mountain bike in the cool of the Wombat Forest. Discover the historic Bourke and Wills Track, bordered by picturesque rolling farmland strewn with awe-inspiring granite boulders. Or immerse yourself in a sensory experience of eucalyptus, pine and wattle, while exploring bushland walking tracks. You may even glimpse little creatures unique to Australia, peeking from the bracken.

Best of all, each experience is remade four times a year by the changing seasons. Discover old favourites with fresh eyes amid an explosion of autumn and spring colours, cool, shady summers, or snow-dusted, snug-by-the-fire winters.



Botanical treasures



The Macedon Ranges is known for its abundance of beautiful public and private gardens. Some of the region's best are open to the public during spring and autumn, giving you a chance to experience stunning garden design in an explosion of colour. Others are open year-round to enjoy, or you can simply stroll quiet village streets to enjoy the local flora firsthand.

The Botanic Gardens in Kyneton and Malmsbury are heritage gardens with many original cuttings from the Royal Botanical Gardens in Melbourne. And for passionate green thumbs, don't miss the annual Garden Lovers Plant Fair held in Macedon every October.

Follow your art



'Art' is a word synonymous with the rich heritage of the Macedon Ranges. Per capita, our region has more professional artists working in the arts than anywhere else in Victoria.

A day in the Macedon Ranges can easily be spent travelling between galleries. Tap into our artistic community and mingle with local artists in their own spaces on the Macedon Ranges Art Trail, or during the Daylesford Macedon Ranges Open Studios program.

The region is also a hub for creative workshops showcasing artisans and tradespeople specialising in lost arts, rare trades and forgotten crafts.



Treat your tastebuds



The rolling hills and valleys of the Macedon Ranges are a treasure trove filled with some of Victoria's best food and wine. As a leading foodie territory, the region is home to many renowned cafes, restaurants, bakeries and pubs.

Output from surrounding farmland is easy to find at local food stops, providers, gourmet larders and roadside stalls.

Plus every weekend you will find a market showcasing the very best local produce. The Macedon Ranges is the coldest wine region on the mainland, renowned for award-winning cool climate wines. There are over 27 cellar doors regularly open for tastings, many of which are small, family owned affairs.



MACEDON RANGES

NATURALLY COOL

Visitor Map

Gisborne • Kyneton • Lancefield •
Macedon • Malmsbury • Mt Macedon •
Riddells Creek • Romsey • Woodend

Welcome to the Macedon Ranges

...naturally cool

The Macedon Ranges is a diverse region right on Melbourne's doorstep, yet feels a world away.

In our dramatic, undulating landscapes and historic villages, you can taste artisan food and farm-fresh produce or savour award-winning cool-climate wines at intimate cellar doors.

Alternatively, escape to cool forests and bushland for a glimpse of Australian wildlife, wander heritage gardens, or immerse yourself in our vibrant art scene.

Whatever your desire, you can easily find your happy space in the Macedon Ranges.



MACEDON RANGES ON TWO WHEELS

The Macedon Ranges is the perfect location for a cycling adventure. Use our Ride Guide to discover a plethora of quiet road rides and cross-country adventures designed for physical challenges or relaxed sightseeing.

With easy access to our region by car or V/Line train, you can escape your everyday world and be pedalling in no time.

If mountain biking gets your adrenaline pumping, this is the place for you! Chuckle and hoot as you ride in the Wombat State Forest, which has more than 100km of trails and terrains, including the popular Wombat Loop.

More information

For the latest visitor information and to see what's in and around the Macedon Ranges, speak to one of our friendly volunteers at the Visitor Information Centres:

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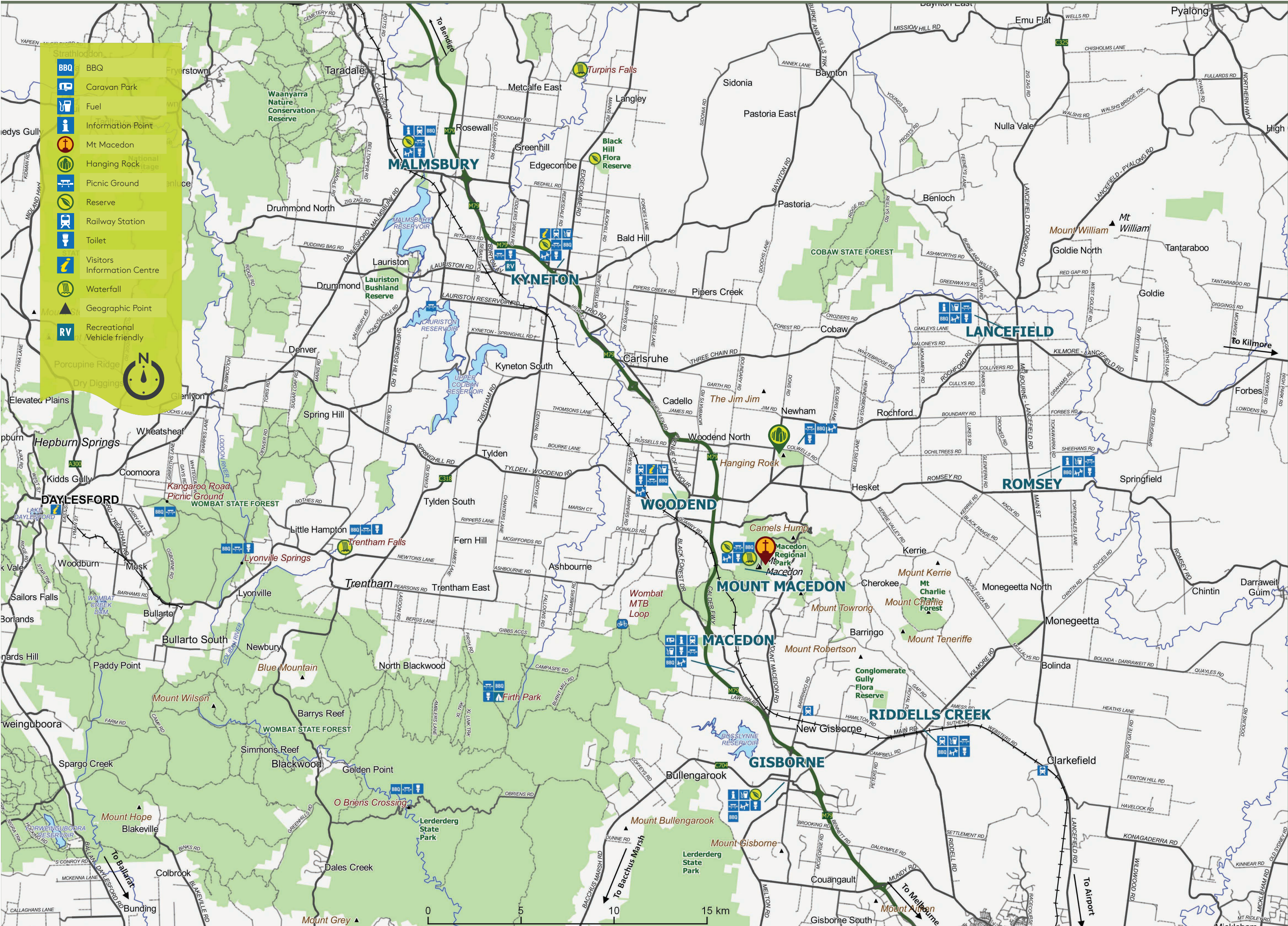
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Getting here

The Macedon Ranges sits right on Melbourne’s doorstep, just 45 minutes north of the CBD and just 30 minutes north of the city’s international airport. Our central location means we are accessible from all points of Victoria. The Calder Freeway, connecting Bendigo and Melbourne, runs through the spine of the Macedon Ranges.



Travelling distance

For traffic info and updates, download the Vic Traffic App, produced by Vic Roads, which provides automatic updates when content is available.

	Gisborne	Kyneton	Lancefield	Malmsbury	Macedon	Mt Macedon	Riddells Creek	Romsey	Woodend
Ballarat	88km	80km	107km	72km	97km	99km	97km	104km	84km
Bendigo	99km	66km	93km	57km	93km	95km	105km	100km	82km
Castlemaine	69km	36km	67km	25km	63km	66km	76km	70km	52km
Daylesford	58km	34km	68km	30km	52km	54km	68km	61km	41km
Gisborne	0km	33km	33km	43km	9km	11km	9km	25km	18km
Kilmore	54km	52km	22km	64km	55km	50km	46km	30km	46km
Kyneton	33km	0km	30km	10km	27km	30km	40km	34km	13km
Lancefield	33km	30km	0km	42km	33km	29km	25km	9km	24km
Malmsbury	43km	10km	42km	0km	36km	39km	50km	44km	26km
Macedon	9km	27km	33km	36km	0km	5km	14km	29km	11km
Melbourne	55km	87km	73km	97km	63km	66km	55km	65km	71km
Mt Macedon	11km	30km	29km	39km	5km	0km	15km	22km	14km
Riddells Creek	9km	40km	25km	50km	14km	15km	0km	16km	24km
Romsey	25km	34km	9km	44km	29km	22km	16km	0km	21km
Woodend	18km	13km	24km	26km	11km	14km	24km	21km	0km



Mt Macedon

Explore Macedon Regional Park and enjoy lush forests, granite lookouts and spectacular scenery.



Hanging Rock

Macedon Ranges’ most famous landmark. Hanging Rock is a rare volcanic formation near the townships of Woodend and Macedon.