



COASTAL VICTORIA

ROAD TRIPS

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HOW TO USE THIS BOOK

Reviews

In the Destinations section:

All reviews are ordered in our authors' preference, starting with their most preferred option. Additionally:

Sights are arranged in the geographic order that we suggest you visit them and, within this order, by author preference.

Eating and Sleeping reviews are ordered by price range (budget, midrange, top end) and, within these ranges, by author preference.

Map Legend

Routes

- Trip Route
- Trip Detour
- Linked Trip
- Walk Route
- Tollway
- Freeway
- Primary
- Secondary
- Tertiary
- Lane
- Unsealed Road
- Plaza/Mall
- Steps
- Tunnel
- Pedestrian Overpass
- Walk Track/Path

Boundaries

- International
- State
- Cliff
- Wall

Population

- Capital (National)
- Capital (State)
- City/Large Town
- Town/Village

Transport

- Airport
- Cable Car/Funicular
- Parking
- Train/Railway
- Tram
- Underground Train Station

Trips

- Trip Numbers
- Trip Stop
- Walking tour
- Trip Detour

Route Markers

- National Highway
- State Route

Hydrography

- River/Creek
- Intermittent River
- Swamp/Mangrove
- Canal
- Water
- Dry/Salt/Intermittent Lake
- Glacier

Areas

- Beach
- Cemetery (Christian)
- Cemetery (Other)
- Park
- Forest
- Urban Area
- Sportsground

Note: Not all symbols shown here appear on the maps in this book

Symbols In This Book

- Top Tips
- Link Your Trips
- Tips from Locals
- Trip Detour
- History & Culture
- Family
- Food & Drink
- Outdoors
- Essential Photo
- Walking Tour
- Eating
- Sleeping

- Sights
- Beaches
- Activities
- Courses
- Tours
- Festivals & Events
- Sleeping
- Eating
- Drinking
- Entertainment
- Shopping
- Information & Transport

These symbols and abbreviations give vital information for each listing:

- Telephone number
- Opening hours
- Parking
- Nonsmoking
- Air-conditioning
- Internet access
- Wi-fi access
- Swimming pool
- Vegetarian selection
- English-language menu
- Family-friendly
- Pet-friendly
- Bus
- Ferry
- Tram
- Train
- apt apartments
- d double rooms
- dm dorm beds
- q quad rooms
- r rooms
- s single rooms
- ste suites
- tr triple rooms
- tw twin rooms

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Road Trips

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Great Ocean Road, 5–7 Days

There's no finer coastal road trip than Victoria's iconic southwestern coastline. (p17)

2

Gippsland & Wilsons Promontory, 6–7 Days

Wild and empty coastal landscapes, hidden towns and wildlife galore. (p27)

3

Mornington Peninsula, 3–4 Days

Melbournians' watery backyard contains sleepy villages, superb cuisine and world-class wines. (p35)

4

Goldfields & Macedon, 4–5 Days

The geographical and historical heartland of the state. (p43)





Destinations

Melbourne (p52)

Stylish, arty Melbourne is a city that's both dynamic and cosmopolitan, and proud of its place as Australia's cultural capital.

Great Ocean Road (p79)

The most iconic of Australian road trips takes in world-class surf breaks, ancient rainforests and koala-filled tree canopies.

Gippsland (p90)

Here you will find some of the state's most absorbing, unspoilt and beautiful wilderness areas and beaches.

Mornington Peninsula (p99)

Melbourne's summer playground since the 1870s, the peninsula has fine beaches and some of the state's best food and wine.

Goldfields (p106)

History, nature and culture combine spectacularly in Victoria's regional heart.

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