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- Islamic
- Jain
- Jewish
- Monument
- Museum/Gallery/Historic Building
- Shinto Sikh
- C Taoist
- Winery/Vineyard
- Zoo/Wildlife Sanctuary
- Other Sight

#### Activities, Courses & Tours

- Bodysurfing
- Diving Canoeing/Kayaking
- Course/Tour
- Sento Hot Baths/Onsen
- Skiing Snorkelling
- Surfing
- Swimming/Pool Walking **(a)**
- Windsurfing
- Other Activity

# Sleeping

- Sleeping
- Camping

# **Eating**

Eating

# **Drinking & Nightlife**

- Drinking & Nightlife
  - Cafe

#### **Entertainment**

Entertainment

# Shopping

Shopping

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- Bank
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- Hospital/Medical
- @ Internet
- Police Post Office
- Telephone
- (II) Toilet
- Tourist Information
- Other Information

## Geographic

- Beach Gate
- Hut/Shelter
- Lighthouse Lookout
- ▲ Mountain/Volcano
- Oasis
- Park
- ) ( Pass
- Picnic Area
- Waterfall

#### **Population**

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

### Transport

- Airport
- Border crossing
- Bus
- ++⊕++ Cable car/Funicular
- -- 650 − Cycling
- Perry
- Metro station
- Parking Petrol station
- Subway station
- Taxi
- +-- Train station/Railway
- --- Tram
- Underground station
- Other Transport

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# Routes

Tollway Freeway Primary

Secondary Tertiary

Unsealed road

Road under construction

Plaza/Mall

Steps ) = Tunnel

Pedestrian overpass Walking Tour

 Walking Tour detour Path/Walking Trail

## Boundaries

--- International --- State/Province

- Disputed

- Regional/Suburb Marine Park Cliff

- Wall

# Hydrography

River, Creek Intermittent River

Canal Water

Dry/Salt/Intermittent Lake

Reef

#### Areas

Airport/Runway Beach/Desert

Cemetery (Christian)

Cemetery (Other)

Glacier

Mudflat

Park/Forest

Sight (Building)

Sportsground

Swamp/Mangrove

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A beat-up old car, a few dollars in the pocket and a sense of adventure. In 1972 that's all Tony and Maureen Wheeler needed for the trip of a lifetime – across Europe and Asia overland to Australia. It took several months, and at the end – broke but inspired – they sat at their kitchen table writing and stapling together their first travel guide, *Across Asia on the Cheap*. Within a week they'd sold 1500 copies. Lonely Planet was born. Today, Lonely Planet has offices in Dublin, Franklin, London,

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