

Lilydale High School

6 Day Victorian Road Tour (Coach/Coach)

Departure Date: Sunday 20th June 2021

Proposed Itinerary | Departing Lilydale, VIC

Meals: B – Breakfast | L – Lunch | D – Dinner

Morning and afternoon teas are available at additional expense

Day 1	Sunday 20th June	School – Warrnambool
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Meals: D | Breakfast & lunch at groups' own arrangements & expense today

Students assemble at School

Travel

School – Otway Ranges

Otway Fly Treetops visit

Guided Treetop Walk + Zipline

The Otway Fly Zip Line Tour is the perfect adrenalin fuelled activity where you can Zip across the treetops in this unique forest experience, gaining a bird's-eye view of Otway's beautiful forests.

Students also enjoy a nature-based rainforest walk with a difference, it's in the treetops and offers a bird's eye view of the forest. (abseiling available at an additional cost)

Warrnambool Accommodation

2 nights' standard accommodation

Day 2	Monday 21st June	Warrnambool
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Meals: B, M, L, A, D

Flagstaff Hill Maritime Museum visit

Day time visit + educational session

A period village with original & recreated buildings, operating lighthouses, 1887 fortifications and a collection of historic vessels including Australia's most famous shipwreck relic the Loch Ard

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Peacock. The museum overlooks Warrnambool's Lady Bay which adds to the village's atmosphere of an early Australian coastal port.

Travel

Warrnambool – Great Ocean Road

Via the awesome spectacle of the Great Ocean Road with stops at "Loch Ard" Gorge, London Bridge, Twelve Apostles and the Blow Hole

Logan's Beach Whale watching platform

Almost every year between June and September, female Southern Right whales return to the waters of Warrnambool's Logans Beach to calve. The whales often swim within a hundred metres of the shore. They can be viewed from a specially constructed platform in the sand dunes or from the beach.

Day 3	Tuesday 22nd June	Warrnambool - Bendigo
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Meals: B, M, L, A, D

Tower Hill State Game Reserve visit

Nature walk

Tower Hill is an enormous volcanic crater rimmed by beds of volcanic ash. The swampy floor of the crater is punctuated by conical hills which, after good rains, virtually become islands surrounded by a shallow lake. The inside of the crater, and the island-hills are now a wildlife reserve and there are substantial populations of native birds and wildlife. It's easy to see koalas, kangaroos, emus and much more. (educational programs available at an additional cost)

Port Fairy Historic Town guided visit

Guided visit (60 min)

The historic seaside village of Port Fairy is a unique example of a perfectly preserved 19th century shipping port. The little township has retained its old-world character and there is an extraordinarily rich variety of architecture.

Griffith Island Lighthouse walk

This tiny island is only accessible by foot through a short causeway to the mainland and it's an amazing little sanctuary; great for spotting native birds and wallabies. You can follow the walking track to loop the island which takes roughly one hour which also includes some beach walking. 1.2km to the lighthouse or 3.1km for the full loop.

Travel

Warrnambool – Bendigo

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Bendigo Accommodation

1-night standard accommodation

Day 4	Wednesday 23rd June	Bendigo - Echuca
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Meals: B, M, L, A, D

Bendigo coach tour

The day starts with a drive around the sites of Bendigo on the coach.

Central Deborah Gold Mine visit

Mine Experience (145 min)

Descend underground into a real gold mine that operated during the 1900s. Explore Bendigo's golden heritage, its unique geology formations, the mining methods practiced, and experience what life was like as a gold miner. Afterwards, explore the surface of the mine and try our hand at gold panning.

Bendigo Tramways visit

Vintage Talking Tram tour (60 min)

The tram tells you about the golden past of the city founded on one of the world's richest goldfields

Golden Dragon Museum guided visit

Guided visit (60 min)

Artefacts at this museum date as far back as the Shang Dynasty 1500BC including the Yi Yuan Gardens, Kuan Yin temple and the Dai Gum San forecourt.

Travel

Bendigo – Echuca

Echuca Accommodation

2 nights' standard accommodation

Day 5	Thursday 24th June	Echuca
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Meals: B, M, L, A, D

Port of Echuca Discovery Centre guided visit

Discovery Centre guided visit (60 min)

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Several audio visuals, models and displays interpret the story of Australia's inland river system, the history of Paddle steamers, and how they connected a fledging colony to its growing cities and outside world.

Echuca Historical Wharf visit

Magnificent red gum walkways weave you along the riverbank to the meticulously restored Wharf. The Nationally heritage listed Echuca Wharf is the heart of the facility and gives visitors the opportunity to discover a true Australian icon. Explore above and below the Wharf and experience the best views along the Murray River.

Murray River Paddle Steamer visit

Cruise (60 min)

Cruise along the mighty Murray River on board the PS Alexander Arbuthnot.

The PS Alexander Arbuthnot is an authentic steam driven paddle steamer departing from the Echuca Wharf. See the steam engines in operation, chat with the friendly skipper and crew, or simply enjoy the beauty of the river.

Day 6	Friday 25th June	Mt Macedon - School
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Meals: B, M, L | Afternoon Tea and Dinner at own arrangements and expense

Travel

Echuca – Macedon

Hanging Rock, Regional Park Macedon visit

Hanging rock walk (approx. 90-120 min)

Hanging Rock is a rare example of a volcanic feature known as a mamelon and was formed six million years ago when a particularly stiff type of lava formed a rounded pile of layers on the surface as it was squeezed through a narrow vent in the earth. It is also the location in the film 'Picnic at Hanging Rock' where several schoolgirls disappeared.

This walk starts at the walking track located behind the building complex housing the cafe and Discovery Centre. There is a circuit walk around the base of the rocks and another track that takes you to the top of the formations.

Mt Macedon Regional Park visit

Mt Macedon Memorial Cross

Visit the Memorial Cross which was dedicated in 1935 as a memorial to the Australian service people killed during the first World War.

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Mt Macedon – Lilydale High School

Arrive at school approximately 3.30/4.00pm