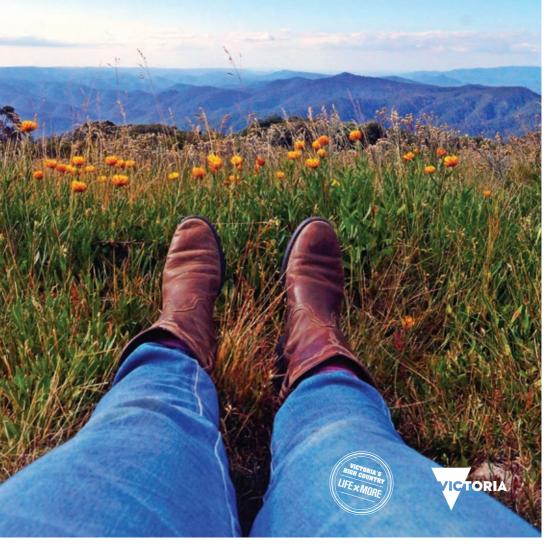
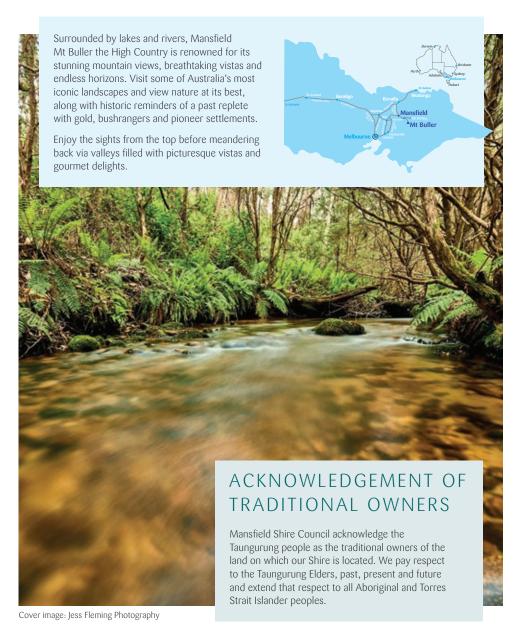


MANSFIELD & MT BULLER THE HIGH COUNTRY

Mansfield • Mt Buller • Lake Eildon • Mt Stirling • Alpine National Park • Jamieson Kevington • Woods Point • Howqua • Tolmie • Merrijig • Goughs Bay • Bonnie Doon



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HIGH COUNTRY AND HUTS

RUGGED TERRAIN

For a real treat, enjoy a bird's eye view over the spectacular Victorian Alps via helicopter or a hot air balloon flight. If you prefer to keep your feet on the ground, a walk to the summit of Mt Buller also delivers spectacular 360 degree views over neighbouring mountain ranges. Return to the mountain in winter for an experience of a different kind. Play in the snow, build a snowman or tackle some of Australia's best terrain on skis, snowboard or toboggan.

FOR ITS STUNNING

HIDDEN THROUGHOUT THE

The High Country is a popular destination for camping so be sure to plan ahead if coming on a long weekend.

HIDDEN TREASURES

Follow the winding dirt roads past Jamieson into gold rush territory. You will discover tiny cottages, chimney ruins, crumbling dry-stone walls and rusted mining artefacts.

A trip to the region is not complete without visiting an iconic mountain hut. These rustic huts played a key role in the High Country's history with many named after local families. Hear their stories first hand from mountain cattlemen. often found at one of the local watering holes. The most famous mountain hut is Craig's Hut, built for the filming of The Man from Snowy River movie.





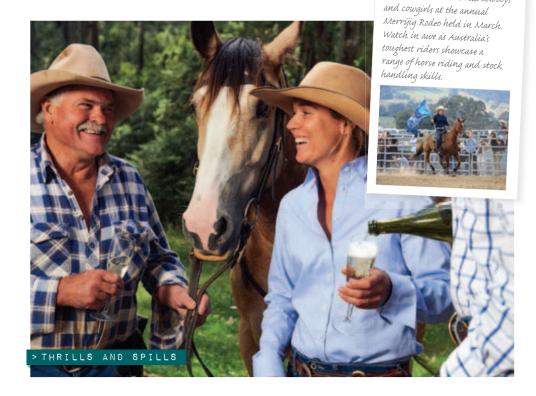


TRAIL BLAZING

Travel on horseback through remote bushland, along open ridgelines and through multiple river crossings. Explore the Howqua Hills and Howqua Valley, making use of the horse yards at Fry's Flat and Tunnel Bend Flat. Local trail rides can also take you to one of the many cattlemen's huts, including Razorback Hut and Craig's Hut.

For a horseback adventure closer to town, travel along the old railway, now converted into the Great Victorian Rail Trail.





WALKS, HERITAGE AND 4WD



EXPLORING ON FOOT

There are plenty of walks to experience, ranging in length and difficulty.

- > The Mansfield Mullum Wetlands walk is an easy 1.5km stroll through a living wetlands ecosystem. Raised walkways, a lookout and bird hide provide easy access to local flora and fauna.
- > The Paps is a more challenging, steep hike, however well worth the effort to enjoy a bird's eye view of the High Country and Lake Eildon.

- > The **Mt Buller Summit**Nature Walk will reward
 your efforts with stunning
 views of the Victorian Alps,
 then take an easy stroll along
 the Village Family Trail.
- > Listen to the sounds of nature as you descend Mt Buller along the **Delatite River Trail**. Travel through pristine alpine bushland, across bridged river crossings to the picturesque Mirimbah Park. This trail is enjoyed by walkers, mountain bikes and horses.
- > Enjoy the refreshing spray of **Bindaree Falls** past

Mansfield Railway station, home to the Mansfield Historical Society, houses a wealth of information about the history of Mansfield and surrounds including historical files, microfiche, memorabilia, maps and a changing display of photographs.

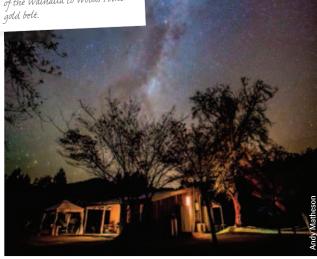
Mt Stirling, an easy 10 minute walk through the Australian bush.

> The Howqua Hills puts visitors in the heart of old gold mining country, a beautiful spot for fishing, swimming and bushwalking.

> GOLD RUSH



The Aberfeldy Track from Jamieson to Walhalla via Woods Point is a backroad 4WD tour to discover the history and heritage of the Walhalla to Woods Point add belt.



- > Explore the township and riverbank of **Jamieson** on a number of short walks.
- > For the more adventurous we recommend the **Mt Timbertop Summit Walk** (5.6km) or multi day, **Bluff Trail** (27km).

COLOURFUL CHARACTERS

Locations across the Victorian High Country have been the stage for many events, in particular for the infamous Ned Kelly. Within the Mansfield township, you can't miss the police memorial in the centre of the High Street roundabout and grave sites at the Mansfield cemetery. The Police Memorial at Stringybark Creek Reserve and Powers Lookout are popular landmarks off the Mansfield-Whitfield Road on the way to the King Valley.

The rustic mountain huts are a true reflection of the High Country's heritage and provide a stunning insight into our early pioneers and their way of life. The neighbouring townships and villages are also worth a visit. The Jamieson Heritage Walk guides you through town with stories of historic sites, buildings and early settlers of Jamieson's past.

AN UPHILL BATTLE

Keen to tackle something harder? We recommend the following moderate to difficult drives:

- > Speculation Road
- > Mitchell's Track
- > Howqua Hills Track



The Womansfield Felt Mural on display at the Visitor Information

OUTBACK ADVENTURES

A 4WD adventure in the High Country is unlike any other, with river crossings, steep mountain climbs and remote bushland. Wind through the high alpine ridges to Bluff Hut (moderate), a stunning route offering mountain vistas and on a clear day, views across to Mt Stirling, Cobbler, Mt Buller and across toward Gippsland. Continue through sub-alpine country and descend onto wooded flats along the Jamieson River.

FISHING AND BOATING



THROW A LINE IN

There is nothing quite like fishing in the iconic mountain rivers. Bring your own rod or learn the art of fly-fishing from an expert on a guided tour. The Delatite, Jamieson, Howqua, Big and Upper Goulburn all offer picturesque riverbanks and a place to practice your craft.

Alternatively Lake Eildon and Lake Nillahcootie beckon from the shore or out on the open water. Drop your line over the side of a tinnie or hire a kayak at Jamieson Caravan Park.

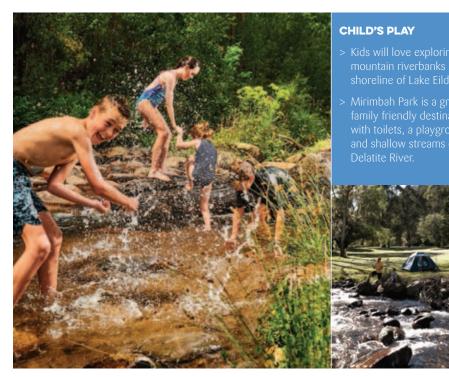


Trout, perch, redfin and murray cod all call our cool waters home.

SMOOTH SAILING

Water-skiing, wake boarding and tubing are popular activities as soon as the weather heats up. Alternatively let the wind guide you as you sail or paddle along the waterways. Explore Lake Eildon's secluded bays, tucked away along the extensive shoreline of over 500km.

Lake Eildon is an easy day trip from Melbourne, however there are also plenty of holiday houses catering to boating enthusiasts and groups. A great day out for groups or families, and plenty of access along the shoreline for boats and water play.



COOL OFF

Park a chair in the refreshing alpine water or float downstream on a lilo or tube. There are also well-known public swimming holes, popular with locals and visitors alike.

The Mansfield pool in the centre of town has the whole family covered with shallow waters for both toddlers and younger children. Open every day during summer, with special events and entertainment on long weekends.



A WINTER PLAYGROUND



Clip into skis or a snowboard to explore 80+kms of groomed runs with everything from mellow beginner trails to thrilling steeps. Kids and adults will love the buzz of mastering some skills in the Ski & Snowboard School.

Not a skier? Not a problem! Take a scenic chairlift ride from the day car park for a treetopskimming ride high onto the northern slopes – hot chocolate and views to the summit await you!



Instructors at the Ski & Snowboard School come from all around the world, and the local area!

A TRUE ALPINE VILLAGE

The Mt Buller village is nestled high in the snowline – pull on some winter boots and your favourite coat to stroll the streets with views at every turn. The village is brimming with cafes, shops, a gallery, a day spa, a trampoline "Air Zone" and of course two toboggan parks for snowplay and fun. Book everything online – make time to spend a night for a true winter snow holiday.

TIP: Mid-week is the best time for a quiet local vibe.



SNOW MUCH MORE

- Spring brims with events,
 après and sunshine and is
 a great time to save
- Bring your appetite for delicious dining and warm alpine hospitality



A MOUNTAIN OF EVENTS

It kicks off with fireworks and festivities on the June long weekend and the mountain buzzes every day of the season, and through September. Check the calendar to find champagne soirees, ski races, pond skim championships, sled dog experiences, retro parties, live music and family fun.

Take time to stay the night – you'll want to catch sunset and sunrise up here if you can!

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lift tickets, lessons, rental, and more in

one go on mtbuller.com.au

MT STIRLING



Mt Stirling is the quiet 'cousin' to bustling Mt Buller and offers a unique alpine experience free of chairlifts and hotels. 'Nightlife' over here is sipping a mug of tea (or something stronger) around a small crackling campfire and snuggling into a cosy sleeping bag.

- > Call in at Telephone Box Junction (TBJ) for a friendly catch up at the Café before a snowshoe walk along the trails.
- > Cross country skiers love the skin track and adventurous backcountry folk skin up to Stanley Bowl for untracked turns on fresh snow days.



> Learn about Taungurung people who have been part of this special land for centuries with displays at the TBJ café and knowledgeable folk happy to share their tips and favourite trail suggestions. > The toboggan hill is perfect for little ones to enjoy a slide after a snowfall.

MANSFIELD ARTS WALK



Meander through the streets of Mansfield and discover the works of art placed in various locations. From the Pole People in the High Street median strip, to the High Country ceramic murals, various street art and the Youth Arts projects in Erril Street, Mansfield will surprise with its eclectic collection of local pieces.

The Aboriginal Art Exhibition Gallery at the Visitor Information Centre is a great place to start and work your way through town to the Botanic Park and the sculptures within to finish.

Pick up a map from the Mansfield Visitor Information Centre located in the "Station Precinct" – an important cultural and historical hub and home to the unique interpretive pole display – an extraordinary exhibition of tree trunks depicting the story of the region from the Taungurung peoples, the flora and fauna to the first ski run on Mt Buller and the legendary story of the infamous Ned Kelly Gang.

The centre is also home to the 14 metre Felt Mural which was created in 1985 as part of Victoria's 150 years' celebration. Funded by Arts Victoria, it was



one of the highlights of our "Womansfield" was funded by Arts Victoria and celebrated the history of women in Mansfield. Jean Atkins, the artist in residence, worked with 100+ members of the community.

FOOD, WINE AND LOCAL DELIGHTS

ENJOY THE UNFORGETTABLE FLAVOURS OF OUR FRESH LOCAL PRODUCE ON A CULINARY ADVENTURE YOU WILL NEVER FORGET. BE THEY A CHEF, BREWER, RESTAURATEUR OR VIGNERON, OUR PEOPLE PRIDE THEMSELVES ON BRINGING LOCALLY GROWN AND PRODUCED FOOD AND BEVERAGES TO YOUR TABLE.

LOCAL CAFES, RESTAURANTS AND PUBS

You will be spoilt for choice when it comes to dining at the region's cafes, restaurants or pubs. They serve up a variety of cuisine and cater for all experiences from relaxed bistros to fine dining.

There is a strong coffee culture in Mansfield and plenty of hearty breakfast options to help you start your day.

For an authentic High Country experience visit a country pub in Mansfield, Merrijig, Jamieson, Tolmie, Kevington and Bonnie Doon.



Back in the 1860s thousands of gold diggers flocked to the Jamieson - Woods Point region. In Woods Point alone there were 36 pubs! Nearby Jamieson became a supply base for the miners; today you will find traces of traditional beer houses, pubs and inns.



PASSIONATE PRODUCERS

Locally produced wine, beer, cider and spirits feature on the menus of many establishments, however you can also visit a micro-brewery, vineyard cellar door or distillery. Learn from the masters as they share their knowledge and passion, whilst you sample a variety of products prepared on site.

> FILL YOUR BASKET

Local farmers' markets are held

Other markets throughout the

regularly in Mansfield (monthly).

year include Mansfield Producers

Take some home or make up a picnic to enjoy at sunset on the summit of Mt Buller or on a ride along the Great Victorian Rail Trail.

Preserves, jams, puddings,

grown and prepared treats and

collectables are all available at

breads and other locally

Mansfield's cafes.

Food and wine are the heroes at a number of annual festivals held throughout the year, there are also smaller events and markets worth exploring. For details check out events on mansfieldmtbuller.com.au









FREEDOM ON TWO WHEELS



MOUNTAIN BIKING

Mt Buller is one of Australia's premier mountain bike destinations, featuring a network of 120+km of trails with shuttles, rental and guided rides in summer.

- > Australian Alpine Epic: a 45km 'epic' challenge through snowgum woodlands, across mountain summits and through alpine streams (4-7 hours hours experienced riders only).
- > **Stonefly:** a 10km loop regarded as the country's best (part of the Epic trail).
- > **Copperhead:** Australia's first 'flow' trail.

> Delatite River Trail:

Freshly refurbished this legendary trail is better than ever. River crossings, ferny glades – it's magic.

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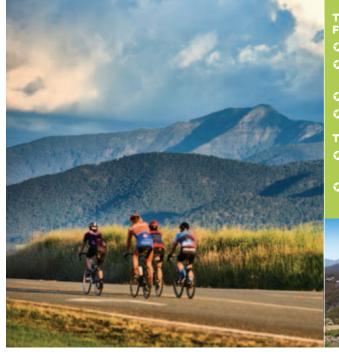
ROAD RIDING

Road riding attracts people from near and far to test their legs on a mountain climb. Mt Buller presents a great challenge of strength and endurance. The Mt Buller Tourist Road stretches 16km uphill from the base of the mountain to the village, a vertical gain of 921m and an average grade of 6% (max of 13%).

- * Test your mountain bike skills at Rifle Butts Reserve
- * Meet the local flora and fauna along the trails at the Mullum Wetlands
- * Weave through the Mansfield Botanic Park, a great spot for a picnic or play
- * Town ride exploring the streets and sights of Mansfield

Check details at Mansfield Information Centre.

For a real leg-burner, try the 6km of Old Tolmie Road from Barwite up to Tolmie. It's not as long as Mt Buller but it's much steeper!



TOP PICKS FOR ROADIES

- 🕏 The Barwite loop (22km)
- Tolmie and the Barwite loop (62km)
- ಿ Howes Creek Road (२०km
- 🕏 Mt Buller and back (94km

TOP GRAVEL PICKS

- Mt Battery, Coombesberg& Long Lane Loop (33km
- Riflebutts, Buttercup 8 Buller Roads (76km)



GREAT VICTORIAN RAIL TRAIL

Riding the 22km from Mansfield to Bonnie Doon along the Great Victorian Rail Trail provides a perfect day's entertainment. The trail is one of Australia's longest continuous rail trails (134km), and travels alongside heritage classified rivers, through beautiful farming land and across multiple waterways. You may even have a close encounter with Australia's unique wildlife, including echidnas, wallabies, kangaroos and native birds.

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TIME-OUT

WHETHER YOU HAVE A DAY, WEEKEND OR A WEEK, THERE ARE PLENTY OF THINGS TO ENTERTAIN THE YOUNG AND THE YOUNG AT HEART. MANSFIELD'S THRIVING TOWNSHIP AND SURROUNDING VILLAGES HAVE ATTRACTIONS AND ACTIVITIES HIDDEN AROUND EVERY CORNER.

RETAIL

Allow plenty of time to wander the shops in Mansfield. With a good balance of homewares, boutique clothing, books, camping and sporting gear, you are bound to find something to treasure. You will also find all of the essentials such as supermarkets, pharmacies and banks.

Take home your own piece of the High Country; souvenirs, artwork and craft are available from dedicated stores and some cafes. Horses, cowboys and cowgirls are also catered for with unique gift shops and country outfitters.

You will also find treasures hidden in the neighbouring townships, such as Jamieson's Arts and Gardens outlet or Post Office Art Gallery.



The Mansfield Bushmarket is a must do if visiting over a public holiday weekend. Held on the Saturday of the Australia Day, Easter, Queen's Birthday and Melbourne Cup weekends, the market is one of the largest of its kind.







SPACE TO RUN AROUND

There are plenty of parks and playgrounds scattered across the region. Popular choices within the Mansfield Township include the Mansfield Botanic Park, Mullum Wetlands, and Mansfield Recreation Reserve. All have public restrooms and parking.

If headed out of town, enjoy a picnic, play and swim at Mirimbah Park at the base of Mt Buller, Picnic Point at Goughs Bay, or the green lawns alongside the Jamieson River.



FUN FOR FAMILIES

- > See the lions being fed at the zoo
- > Fniov a movie at the cinema
- > Find your way through high country maze
- > Play a round of mini golf
- Adventure Playground a Mansfield Botanic Park





HIGH COUNTRY EVENTS



MANSFIELD HIGH COUNTRY FESTIVAL

A true celebration of the High Country, this five-day festival sets the stage for a diverse range of events. Commencing with a Fireworks extravaganza and Torchlight Parade, highlights also include a Grand Parade. Rock Out and Sideshow Carnival and Mansfield Cup race day. Village fairs, food and wine events, arts and exhibitions, all make for a fun filled weekend across the ages.

MOST is an annual program of creative studios opening to the public on the Saturday and Sunday of the Melbourne Cup weekend in the Mansfield Shire. These creative spaces form the Mansfield Open Studio Trail (MOST). It is an opportunity for the public to gain an insight into the inner workings of a studio, see practical demonstrations, view, and purchase artworks directly from the studio door and maker.

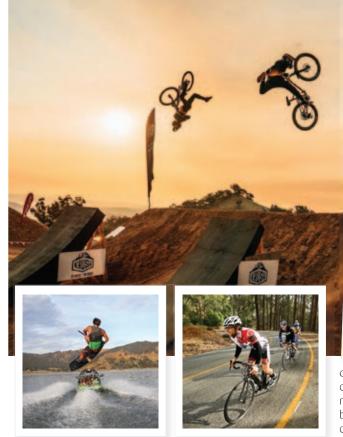
TARGA HIGH COUNTRY

High performance, muscle and

classic cars speed into town for this multi-stage, high-octane tarmac rally. Held across three days, participants compete at various locations surrounding Mansfield and Mt Buller, including Jamieson, Eildon, Strathbogie and the King Valley. Get up close to the classics; Mustangs, Porsches and Lamborghinis at Targa Fest.

LAKE EILDON FESTIVAL

Boats, demos, gear, prizes, fireworks ... This two-day event set on mighty Lake Eildon in Bonnie Doon and Goughs Bay



has it all. Kids will love the fun and excitement, while the big kids check out the latest tovs being put through their paces by wakeboard and waterski pros.

> HIGHLINE MTB FESTIVAL

MANSFIELD TOUR

The Mansfield Tour is a threestage road cycling event taking in the sights of Mansfield and Mt Buller. Round two of the Victorian

Road Series, it consists of an Individual Time Trial on Saturday morning, a Road Race finishing on the 'Coombesberg' on Saturday afternoon and the climb up Mt Buller on Sunday morning

HIGHLINE MTB FESTIVAL

Fabulous spectator event showcasing Australia's slopestyle talent in the hills right at the

> EVENTS CALENDAR

January

- * Merton Picnic Races
- * Australia Day Celebrations February
- * Targa High Country March
- * Tolmie Sports Day
- * Merrijia Rodeo
- * Alpenflow
- * Highline MTB Festival
- * Mansfield Tour
- * Readers & Writers Festival
- * Mansfield Pottery Festival
- * Tour De Trail
- * Stock Dog Spectacular
- * Mansfield Cup
- * Jamieson Autumn Festival
- * Vintage Celebrations -A Day On High

- * Official Opening of Snow Season * Mansfield Lantern Festival July
- * NAIDOC Week

September

- * Spring carnival on Mt Buller * Jamieson Hot Rod Muster
- * Mountain Bay Classic November
- * Mansfield High Country Festival
- * Mansfield Agricultural show * Lake Eildon Festival

December

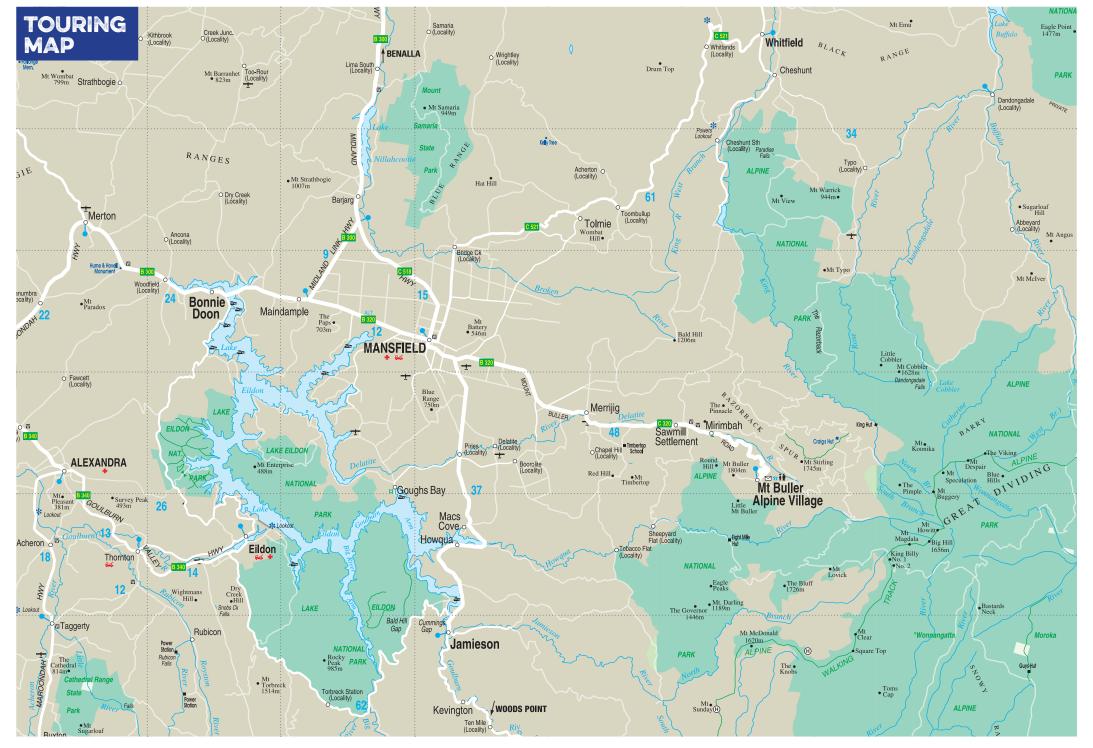
* Christmas In Mansfield

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doorstep of Mansfield. A world class 4 day festival hosting multiple mountain bike disciplines bringing freeride and gravity culture, post ride entertainment with live music, fabulous food and beverages and a great festival vibe.

ALPENFLOW EPIC. MT BULLER

Cross-country and enduro-style mountain bike action with loads of send, massive gnar, spectacular climbs, fast and flowy descents, all in the majestic Alpine surrounds of Mt Buller and Mt Stirling.



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