

Explore

THE SOUTHERN TABLELANDS, NSW

The Southern Tablelands is a treasure trove of laid-back country life, steeped in rich history, natural beauty and a taste of the good life. Here you'll find a patchwork of charming towns and villages, rolling farmland, national parks and cool-climate wine country. Just a stone's throw from Canberra and an easy drive from Sydney, it's the perfect place for weekend escapes, scenic road trips, country events and authentic rural experiences.



Discover

OUR BEAUTIFUL REGIONS

Stretching across the heart of south-east NSW, the Southern Tablelands is made up of five distinctive regions:

- 📍 HILLTOPS
- 📍 GOULBURN MULWAREE
- 📍 QUEANBEYAN PALERANG
- 📍 UPPER LACHLAN
- 📍 YASS VALLEY

Each offers its own blend of heritage charm, vibrant produce, warm hospitality and unforgettable landscapes. Together, they form a destination that invites you to slow down, explore, and savour the journey.

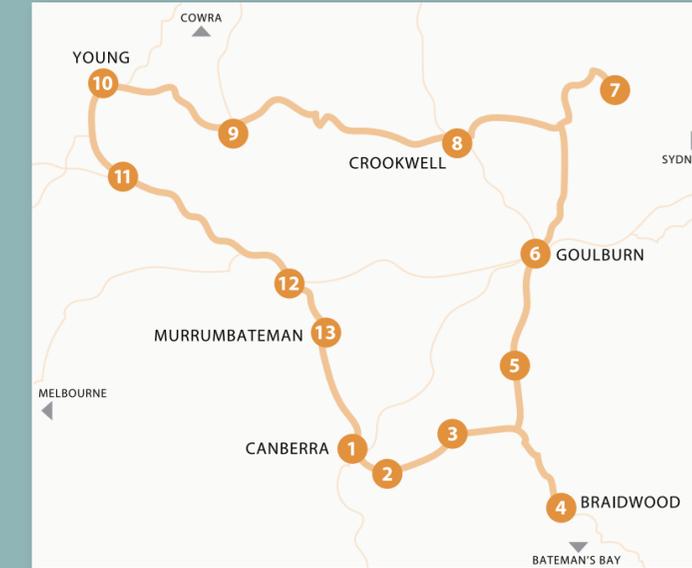
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7 Days of discovery

IN THE SOUTHERN TABLELANDS

In the Southern Tablelands, it's as much about the journey as the destination, winding country roads, charming villages and hidden gems make every mile memorable.



For the full itinerary, visit:
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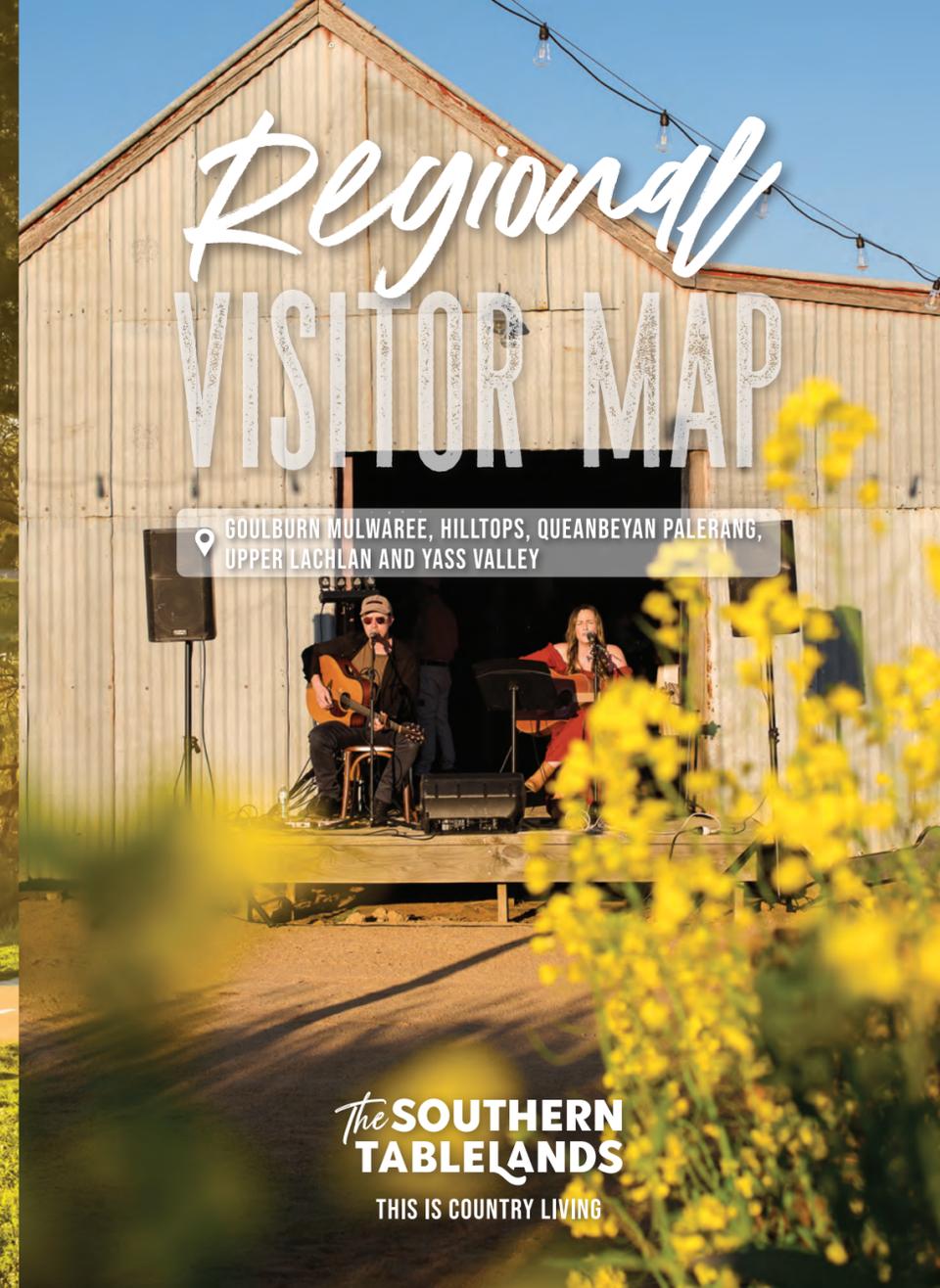
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Regional VISITOR MAP

📍 GOULBURN MULWAREE, HILLTOPS, QUEANBEYAN PALERANG, UPPER LACHLAN AND YASS VALLEY

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Goulburn Mulwaree



Hilltops



Queanbeyan Palerang



Upper Lachlan



Yass Valley

SUMMER

Spend summer mornings exploring shady riverside walks and scenic drives. By afternoon, cool down with a cold brew at Australia's oldest brewery. Evenings bring balmy air, outdoor dining, live music, and stargazing under Goulburn's famously big skies.

AUTUMN

Wander tree lined streets glowing red and gold. Autumn's crisp days are perfect for adventure and exploring Bungonia National Park, heritage trails, and hearty country fare.

WINTER

Experience winter with frosty mornings, cosy cafés, and historic pubs offering fireside charm. Explore galleries, heritage attractions, and boutique shops, or embrace the chill outdoors with country drives and the dramatic landscapes of the Tablelands.

SPRING

Soak up colour in Goulburn's parks and gardens, with roses and blossoms lining the streets. Spring brings a range of events including the Goulburn Lilac City Festival, Tallong Apple Day, Steampunk Victoriana Fair, and our blooming gardens.

SUMMER

Pick your own cherries fresh from the orchard, visit our attractions and cool off in our pools. Enjoy long afternoons tasting locally brewed beer and take in our gorgeous sunsets. Don't miss the iconic National Cherry Festival on the first weekend in December.

AUTUMN

Stroll beautiful tree-lined leafy streets, enjoy our new-season wines and explore the Hilltops Off the Beaten Track Arts and Cultural Trail in March. Wander self-guided heritage walks, meet local makers and camp under clear night skies in crisp country air.

WINTER

Cosy up by the fire with bold red wines and delicious fresh food. Enjoy slow mornings with great coffee, luxe escapes and paddock-to-plate flavours. Discover hidden gems like Koorawatha Falls and soak up the Hilltops quiet winter charm.

SPRING

Expect bright canola fields and cherry blossoms to burst. Enjoy country shows, picnic races, Boorowa Irish Woolfest and Harden Kite Festival. Visit the Chinese Tribute Gardens and experience the Hilltops Region bursting with colour and celebration.

SUMMER

When the warm weather hits, switch gears to 'laid back'. In the Araluen Valley, the microclimate works its magic, with stone fruit available straight from the trees. To cool off, find a quiet swimming spot on the Shoalhaven River or in the Deua National Park.

AUTUMN

When the leaves turn, we put on a show. Braidwood glows in true 'golden light', transforming Ryrie Park and Wallace Street into a photographer's dream. The annual Bungendore Harvest Festival isn't just a market; it's a celebration of farm-fresh produce and the personalities who grow it.

WINTER

Don't hide from the cold, embrace it with a glass of red and a roaring fire. Queanbeyan-Palerang is the truffle capital of the Southern Tablelands. Join a truffle hunt, explore the Bungendore Wine Trail and find a cosy farmstay to make yourself feel right at home.

SPRING

Spring here is about the creative energy that pulses through our towns. The QPRC Arts Trail is your backstage pass to the sheds and studios of our makers. In Braidwood, catch the Airing of the Quilts, or the nearby Majors Creek Festival for an authentic folk music experience.

SUMMER

Bask in warm country sunshine as you explore the creeks and hills of the Upper Lachlan. Cool off at the beautiful waterways of Grabine Lakeside, try your luck fossicking, then savour delicious meals in the shire's boutique cafés, food spots, and relaxed country pubs.

AUTUMN

The countryside glows with gold and amber tones, perfect for scenic drives and unhurried discoveries. Wander through Crookwell's artisan stores, enjoy Gunning's vibrant art scene, and explore the region's rich heritage and hidden corners.

WINTER

Rug up for a cosy country escape. Explore Taralga's rich history, wander quiet streets, and unwind beside crackling fireplaces in charming cafés or boutique inns. Crisp mornings and clear skies make winter a peaceful, welcoming time to discover heritage and scenery.

SPRING

Wildflowers bloom, creeks sparkle, and country gardens burst to life. It's the ideal season for fossicking in Tuena, visiting local markets, and exploring the art, food, and heritage trails that make the Upper Lachlan so special.

SUMMER

Summer is the time to take advantage of the region's natural water parks, spend the day on Burrinjuck Dam where you can enjoy a variety of water sports, bushwalking, birdwatching and picnicking in 75 hectares of natural beauty.

AUTUMN

Autumn transforms the region into a vibrant kaleidoscope of yellow, orange and red as the gently falling leaves create a colourful carpet along the roads leading into our charming towns and villages.

WINTER

Winter offers crisp mornings best enjoyed with a stroll along the banks of one of our many waterways, then pop into one of our local cafés for a warming brew.

SPRING

Spring is when the region blooms to life! Celebrate the season with events throughout the area including flower festivals, music festivals, food and wine festivals and agricultural field days.



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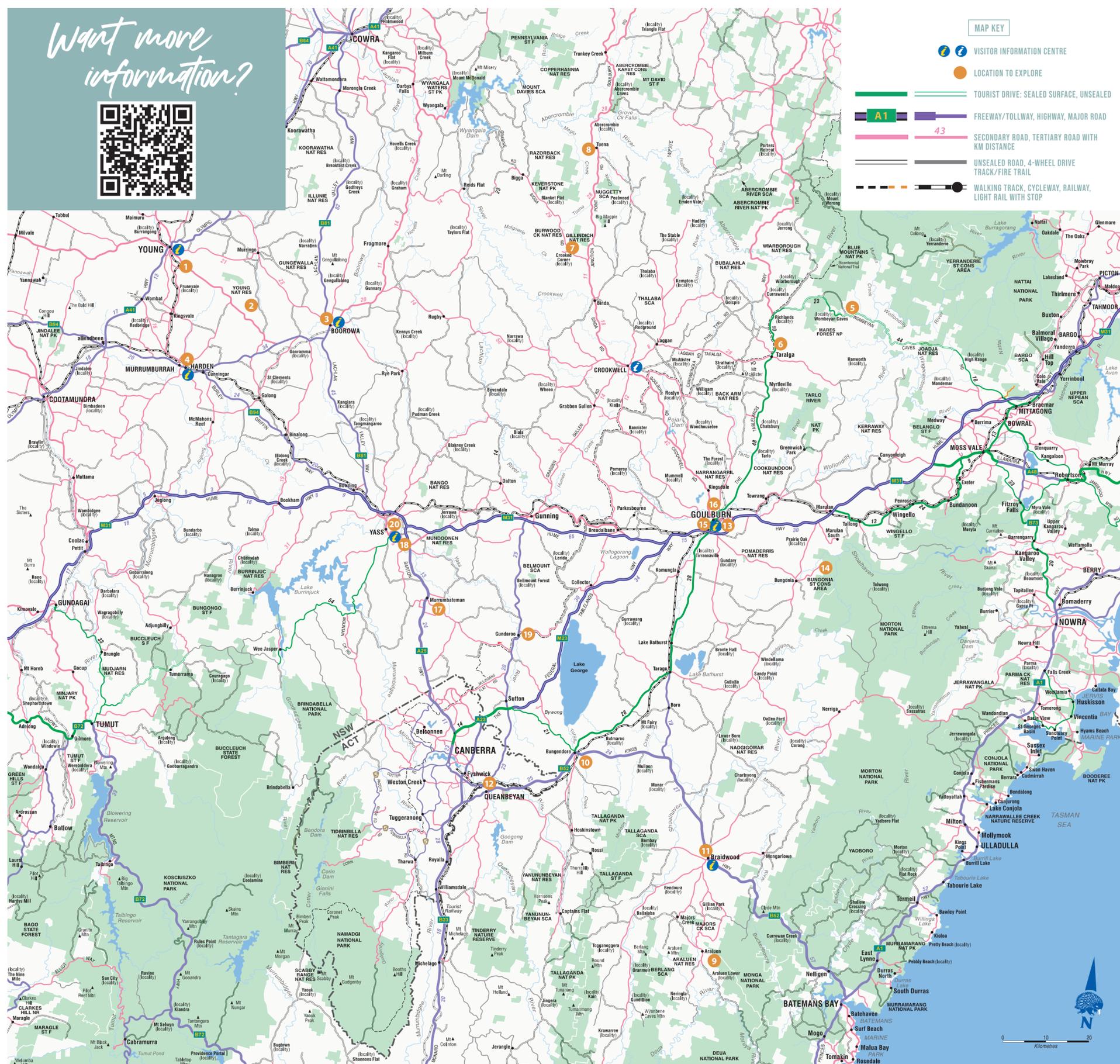


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The Southern Tablelands

TOP 20 PLACES TO EXPLORE



1 YOUNG'S CHINESE TRIBUTE GARDENS
A tranquil garden at Chinaman's Dam, just 4km from Young. Cross the bridge past marble lion sculptures to panoramic views, picnic/shaded spots and rich insight into Chinese-Australian gold-rush heritage.
Pitstone Road, Young



2 HILLTOPS WINE TRAIL
Set amidst rolling cool-climate slopes around Young, Harden and Boorowa, this region offers diverse boutique and large-scale vineyards, award-winning wines, rustic cellar-doors and warm country hospitality.
Throughout the Hilltops Region



3 BOOROWA RIVER WALK
A tranquil, wildlife-rich riverside stroll featuring public poetry-installed art and the chance to encounter platypus and the Superb Parrot.
Boorowa River from Pudman to Brial Street



4 HARDEN MURRUMBURRAH SILO ART
A tranquil, wildlife-rich riverside stroll featuring public poetry-installed art and the chance to encounter platypus and the Superb Parrot.
Albury Street, Harden



5 WOMBEYAN CAVES
Stay and enjoy Wombeyan Karst Conservation Reserve. With guided cave tours, accessible walks and cosy cabins, it's the perfect destination for a weekend getaway.
Wombeyan Caves Road via Taralga



6 TARALGA WILDLIFE PARK
A charming country wildlife park where visitors can meet native and exotic animals up close in a relaxed family-friendly setting.
257 Bannaby Road, Taralga



7 MARKDALE STATION
Experience the magic of Markdale Station, a historic working farm with Edna Walling gardens and charming cottages. Embrace farm life or unwind in nature's quiet luxury on this peaceful rural escape.
462 Mugowrie Road, Crooked Corner



8 FOSSICKING IN TUENA
Unearth a bit of gold rush history in Tuena! Try your hand at fossicking along the creek, then relax at the local campsite under the stars.
Bathurst St, Tuena



9 ARALUEN HISTORY TRAIL
Discover captivating stories on the Araluen History Trail. Meandering through the valley past farms and bushland, this trail offers a fascinating glimpse into the rich heritage of the scenic region.
Major Creek Mountain Road, Araluen



10 BUNGENDORE WINE TRAIL
Take a scenic journey through award-winning cool-climate wineries and indulge in the region's famous local produce, just a short drive from Canberra.
Kings Highway, Bungendore



11 BRAIDWOOD
Historic streets brimming with antiques, galleries, cafés and pubs perfect for those who love wandering enchanting country towns. Extend your stay and explore nearby charming country villages.
Wallace Street, Braidwood



12 THE Q - QUEANBEYAN PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE
Experience captivating theatre, music, and comedy at The Q - Queanbeyan's home for spectacular local and touring performances. Book an unforgettable night out in the heart of the city.
253 Crawford Street, Queanbeyan



13 ROCKY HILL WAR MEMORIAL AND MUSEUM
Situated on a prominent rocky outcrop, the Memorial Tower commemorates the people of Goulburn who served during World War 1. Featuring an architecturally built museum with poignant exhibitions.
Memorial Road, Goulburn



14 BUNGONIA NATIONAL PARK
Bungonia National Park is an adventurer's paradise. Offering caving, canyoning, rock climbing, abseiling and hiking, as well as easily accessible lookouts for impressive views over the Bungonia Gorge.
Bungonia Lookdown Road, Bungonia



15 THE BIG MERINO
One of Australia's most famous 'big things', standing at 15.2 metres and weighing 97 tons. The landmark celebrates Goulburn's wool heritage with a wool exhibition inside and a quality gift shop.
Cnr Hume & Sowerby Streets, Goulburn



16 GOULBURN SELF GUIDED HERITAGE TOUR
Step back in time and explore Goulburn's fascinating past. This tour takes in some of the city's famous landmarks and opulent heritage architecture. Highlights include the Courthouse, Post Office and cathedrals.
201 Sloane Street, Goulburn



17 MURRUMBATMAN WINERY TRAIL
Wine, dine and ride your way through The Southern Tablelands. Hire an E-bike and explore the winery trail, taking you on a scenic countryside journey past eight of the region's best award winning wineries.
Murrumbatman Road, Murrumbatman



18 HUME & HOVELL TRACK
Become an adventurer and follow in the footsteps of explorers Hume & Hovell along the famous 426km walking track. Start at Cooma Cottage, the historic home of explorer Hamilton Hume.
756 Yass Valley Way, Yass



19 GRAZING GUNDAROO
A refined country dining experience delivering seasonal food, matched with wines from the local region, awaits you at the award winning restaurant Grazing. Situated in the original Royal Hotel, 1865.
Cork and Harp Street, Gundaroo



20 YASS TOWN WALK
Stroll through the town centre and discover points of interest along the way, including Cobblestone Cottage (c1836) - Yass's oldest remaining building and the picturesque Yass Court House.
259 Comur Street, Yass