

# Road Trip Suggestions



Great Southern Touring Route

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## 3 nights - 4 days

MELBOURNE - GREAT OCEAN ROAD - GRAMPIANS - BALLARAT

### DAY 1

#### Melbourne to Great Ocean Road

Depart: Melbourne

O/night: Anglesea

Distance: 114 kilometres

**Route summary:** Departing Melbourne take the Princes Freeway via Werribee to Geelong, gateway to the Great Ocean Road. Visit the Geelong waterfront before heading to the Surf Coast town of Torquay, Australia's home of surfing. Visit the iconic Bells Beach before exploring all that Anglesea has to offer. A trip to the Anglesea Golf Club for a round of golf or the opportunity to view the mob of kangaroos that call the course home.

**Highlights:** Werribee Open Range Zoo, Echidna Walkabout, National Wool Museum, Geelong Gallery, Little Creatures Brewery, Narana Aboriginal Cultural Centre, Australian National Surfing Museum, Anglesea Golf Club.

### DAY 2

#### Great Ocean Road to Grampians

Depart: Anglesea

O/night: Halls Gap/Dunkeld

Distance: Approx 398 kilometres

**Route summary:** From Anglesea, drive the magical stretch of road from Anglesea to Apollo Bay that clings to the coastline. Continue on to the Twelve Apostles, take a helicopter ride for a breathtaking view of the dramatic coastline. Travel on to Warrnambool, Port Fairy and then through the Western District farmlands to Halls Gap or Dunkeld.

**Highlights:** Hepburn at Lorne, Cape Otway Lightstation, Otway Fly Treetop Adventures, Twelve Apostles, Loch Ard Gorge, Flagstaff Hill Maritime Village, Logans Beach, Tower Hill, Moyne River, Mt Sturgeon and Mt Abrupt.

### DAY 3

#### Grampians to Ballarat

Depart: Halls Gap/Dunkeld

O/night: Ballarat

Distance: Approx 152 kilometres

**Route summary:** Drive through the stunning scenery of the Grampians National Park to Halls Gap, head through Australian bush country towards Stawell, then Ararat before arriving in Ballarat, the city of gold. After enjoying dinner in one of our culturally diverse and cosmopolitan restaurants, discover the Eureka story at the Blood on the Southern Cross sound and light show, where gold rush history meets modern technology. Following the show check into one of the city's stunning historic hotels for a well deserved rest.

**Highlights:** Hamilton Gallery, Brambuk - The National Park and Cultural Centre, MacKenzie Falls, Winery cellar doors, Museum of Australian Democracy at Eureka and Sovereign Hill.

### DAY 4

#### Ballarat to Melbourne

Depart: Ballarat

O/night: Melbourne

Distance: 113 kilometres

**Route summary:** Before enjoying your free iPod Tour at the Art Gallery of Ballarat take a walk along historic Lydiard Street to admire the Victorian inspired architecture of the gold rush. Then before heading back to Melbourne, take some time out to have your photo taken with a koala or feed a kangaroo at the open range Ballarat Wildlife Park.

**Highlights:** Art Gallery of Ballarat, Sovereign Hill, Ballarat Wildlife Park, Gold & Relics Gold Prospecting Adventures and Creswick Woollen Mills.

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### Hashtag

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#12apostles #grampians #ballarat  
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