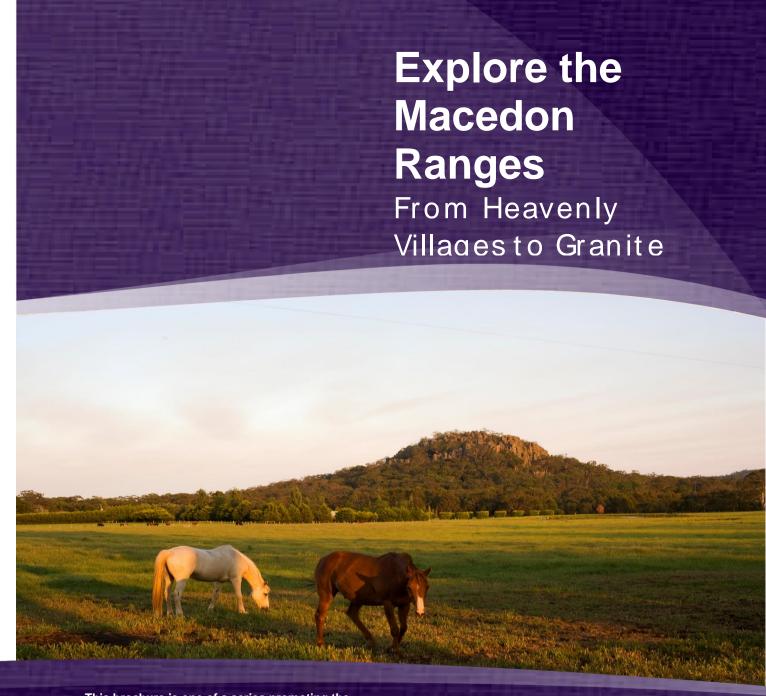
Carlsruhe

Leave Kyneton via Trio Road to Carlsruhe. In 1837, Charles Hobson Ebden established a sheep run at Carlsruhe which became the first pastoral settlement north of the Great Divide in Victoria. Carlsruhe was named after the German University city of Karlsruhe where Ebden was educated. Carlsruhe has many historic buildings that visitors can observe from the road including the old Carlsruhe Railway Station, Skelsmergh Hall and Degraves Hill (now all private residences).

Woodend

Begin your drive in Woodend; a quintessential rural village with cosmopolitan cafes, bookstores and an eclectic mix of old and new wares for all tastes. Woodend offers a plethora of local, gourmet produce. Try the award winning vanilla slices at Bourkie's Bakehouse or organic produce and quality coffee from the village deli's and cafes. For those who enjoy their beer, stop in at Holgate Brewhouse which is housed in a 19th century hotel in the middle of Woodend.

If you feel like a walk, why not collect a walking map from the Macedon Ranges Visitor Information Centres for the Five Mile Creek Track; a short walk in the centre of Woodend. Along this route you will find the Woodend Children's Park, a nature based playground that inspires creativity and adventure for children of all ages.



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From Heavenly Villages to Granite Boulders

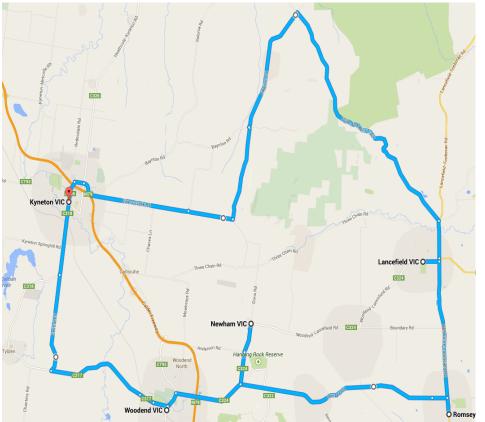
Approximate driving distance: 105 kilometres

Approximate driving time: 2 hours, 20 minutes

This route visits some of the smaller villages in the Macedon Ranges. This route will take you past lush bush land and skirt past the Cobaw State Forest. Many cellar doors can be found along country lanes and roads. You will also see some of the larger farming areas of the region around Lancefield and Romsey, reminiscent of the green rolling hills of England.

Kyneton

Ten minutes from Malmsbury lies the town of Kyneton. With a collection of some of the finest bluestone buildings outside of Bendigo and Ballarat, Kyneton has a unique character forged on the wealth of the gold rush. Today, Kyneton is a rural hub with a creative and gastronomic focus. Piper Street is a wonderfully restored example of past times. It is possible to imagine a dirt track running down the road with horses tied up to the posts. Now, it is a bustling strip of turn of the century terraces that line the wide boulevard, where you are likely to meet browsers fossicking through luxurious boutiques up and down the street or hungry guests popping into the awarded restaurants and cafes.



Romsey

From the battered corrugated iron of the local garage to gothic bluestone churches, the impressive red brick façade of the Mechanics Institute and turn of the century terraces; the main street of Romsey is lined with classic examples of Australian architecture. Romsey has all that you need to stock a picnic hamper for a journey into the Macedon Ranges; organic fruit and vegetables, breads and pastries and choices for coffee and cake can be found along the wide main street.

Newham

Newham is a small village on the northern side of Hanging Rock. The town is home to farmland, wineries, state forests, extinct volcanoes, cycling routes and historic sites. Stop by the Newham General Store for a cup of coffee and delicious local produce or visit the cellar door at Hanging Rock Winery.

Lancefield

Only 70 kilometres north of Melbourne and a short drive from the Calder Freeway or Hume Freeway, Lancefield has the classic air of a pastoral working town with arts, antiques and culinary edge that is bound to surprise. Home to the monthly Lancefield Farmers Market with plenty of fresh produce.



