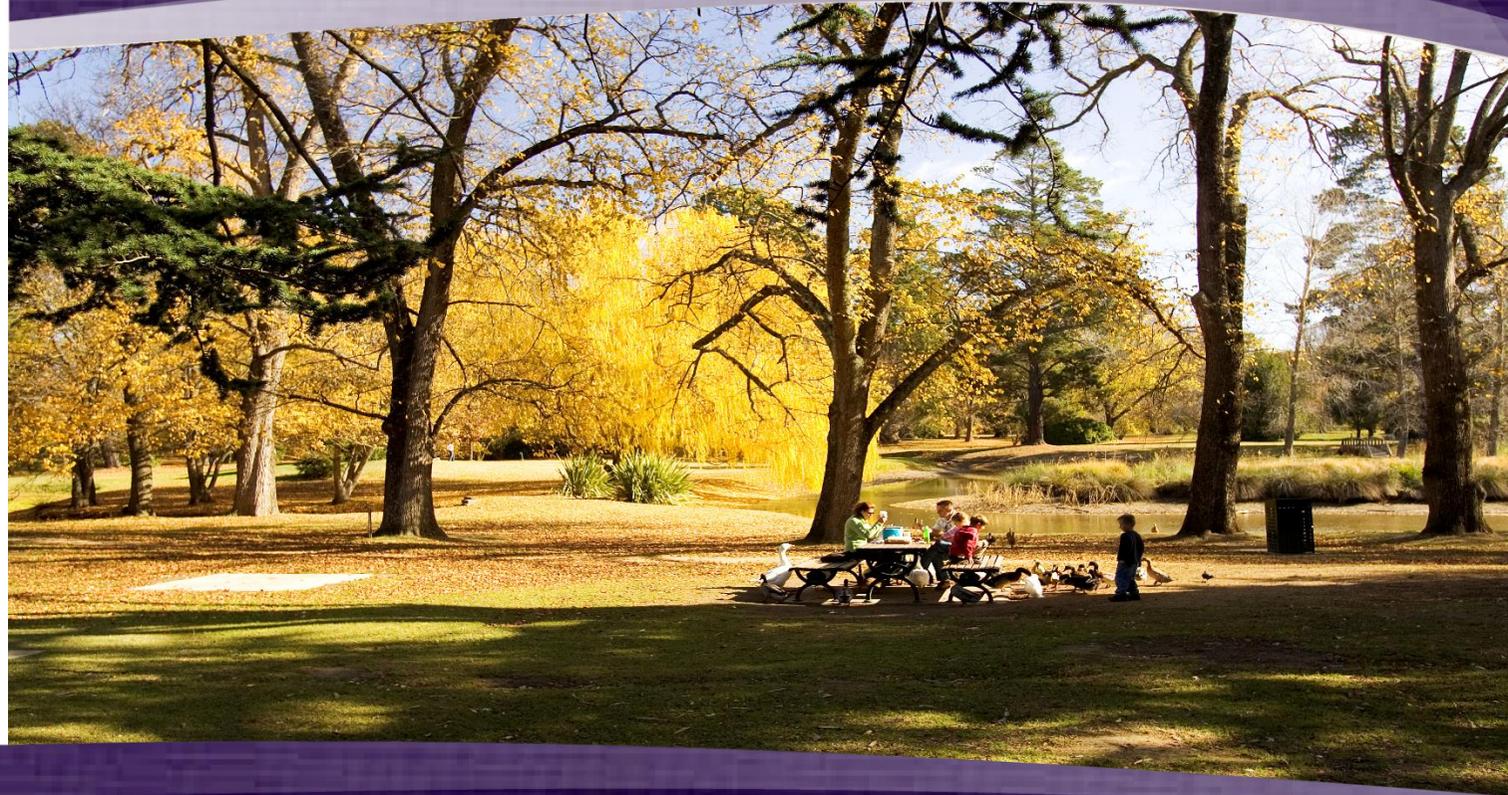


## Carlsruhe

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 Degraives Hill (now all private residences).

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## A Touring & Culinary Adventure



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**Driving distance:** 75 kilometres

**Driving time:** 1.5 hours (without stopping)

Take a trip around the Macedon Ranges experiencing historical towns built on the gold rush wealth such as Kyneton and Malmsbury. Detour off the Calder Freeway and you will be able to see some beautiful rural scenery. This route will take you past the Malmsbury reservoir and the Wombat State forest, step back in time on the historical bluestone streets of Kyneton and enjoy good country cooking for lunch at many of the cafes along the route.

## 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 Bourkies 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.

Why not collect a walking map from the Macedon Ranges Visitor Information Centres for the Five Mile Creek Walk; 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.

## Tylden

Only a short drive from Woodend, Tylden is a quaint village on the edge of the Macedon Ranges shire. Visit the renowned Spring Hill Nursery or Chanters Ridge Vineyard (open on weekends only). Chanters Ridge Vineyard was rated 4.5 stars by James Halliday's 2014 Wine Companion and offers award winning Pinot Noir, Sparkling and Rose. Stroll through 2 acres of gardens, relax in the outdoor pavilion and enjoy the tranquil setting with views to Mt Macedon and Kyneton.

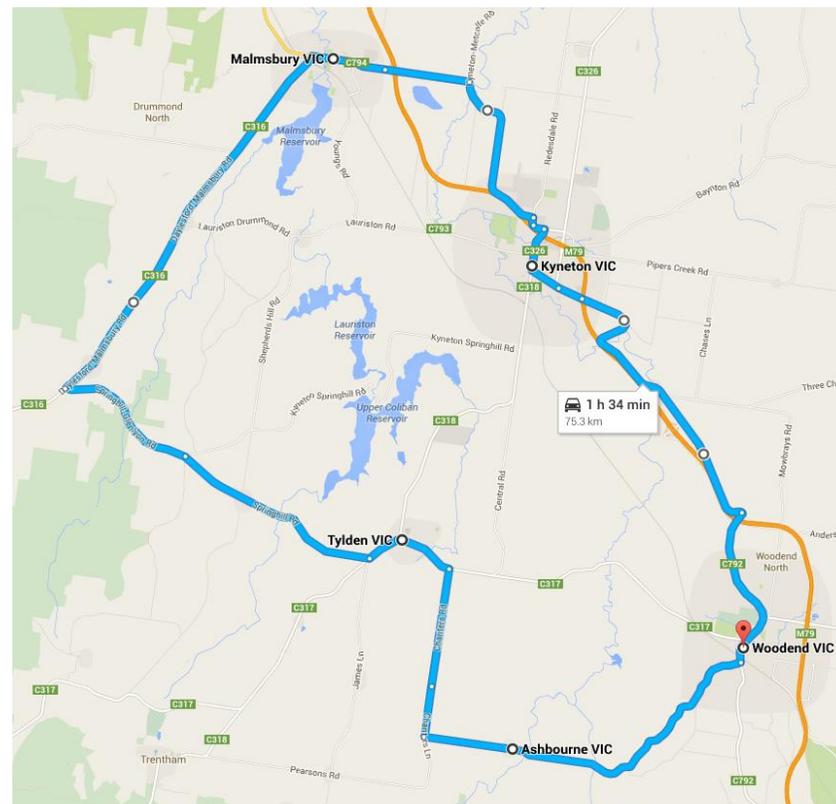
## Spring Hill

If you are lucky enough to be visiting in November and December, you may be able to visit the Spring Hill Peony Farm. The farm sells gorgeous bunches of peonies from the farm gate and has open days and picnics in the Peony Paddock in November.

## Malmsbury

After a beautiful drive through Spring Hill and Drummond, you will reach Malmsbury. With deep bluestone gutters, corrugated sidings and long verandah overhands, Malmsbury is a village with a character all of its own. For food, the Malmsbury Bakery is an institution for those that travel the Old Calder Freeway. On a sunny day, enjoy a glass of local wine and rustic country fare on the deck at Small Holdings, which is located in a renovated old church in the main street.

For those travelers who have collected local goods from the many farm gates along the drive, the Malmsbury Botanic Gardens is a perfect spot for a picnic, with views of the Viaduct.



## 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.