Hanging Rock Picnic Shelters

Looking for a venue for your next family gathering, party or barbeque?

Hanging Rock Reserve has a range of picnic shelters available for hire.

Depending on the size of your group, take your pick from five picnic shelters located in various sections throughout the Reserve. All are wheelchair (DDA) accessible and also have DDA accessible toilets nearby.

Each shelter boasts a range of facilities and features from barbeques and picnic tables to toilets and unobstructed views of Hanging Rock and Mount Macedon.

To help you choose the most suitable picnic shelter for your group, in this welcome pack you will find:

- Information on each of the shelters including facility details
- Hire fees
- Site map showing locations
- Picnic shelter booking information

When you’re ready, contact us on 03 5422 0387 or hangingrock@mrsc.vic.gov.au, so we can check availability and process your booking.
Petanque Shelter

Facilities
- Two plate electric barbeque
- One picnic table with seating for eight and access for two wheelchairs
- Bench seating for 36 guests

Location
- Located in the main reserve
- Adjacent to the cafe oval
- Car parking, toilets and two picnic tables with seating for eight at each table are nearby

Price
$143.00 incl GST (plus entry fees)

South East Shelter

Facilities
- Two plate gas barbeque
- Two picnic tables with seating for eight and access for two wheelchairs at each table

Location
- Located in the main reserve
- Surrounded by bushland
- Car parking, toilets and six picnic tables with seating for eight at each table are nearby

Price
$92.00 incl GST (plus entry fees)
South West Shelter

Facilities
- Two plate gas barbeque
- Two picnic tables with seating for eight and access for two wheelchairs at each table

Location
- Located in the main reserve
- Surrounded by bushland
- Toilets and three picnic tables with seating for eight at each table are nearby

Price
$92.00 incl GST (plus entry fees)

East Paddock Shelter A (suitable for larger groups)

Facilities
- One king size plate electric barbeque
- Three picnic tables with seating for eight at each table
- One picnic table with seating for eight and access for two wheelchairs at each table
- Toilets
- Electricity

Location
- Located in the East Paddock (adjacent to the main reserve)
- Adjacent car parking and open space
- Unobstructed views of Hanging Rock and Mount Macedon

Price
$354.00 incl GST (includes entry for 15 cars – see below)
East Paddock Shelter B (suitable for larger groups)

Facilities
- One king size plate electric barbeque
- Two picnic tables with seating for eight at each table
- 1 picnic table with seating for eight and access for two wheelchairs
- Toilets
- Electricity

Location
- Located in the East Paddock (adjacent to the main reserve)
- Adjacent car parking and open space
- Unobstructed views of Hanging Rock and Mount Macedon

Price
$272.00 incl GST (includes entry for 15 cars – see below)

IMPORTANT NOTE REGARDING EAST PADDOCK SHELTER HIRE:
The East Paddock is located adjacent to the main reserve. When hiring a picnic shelter in the East Paddock, entry tickets must be pre-purchased at the time of booking and therefore 15 car entry tickets have been included in the hire fee. If entry for more than 15 cars is required, these can be pre-purchased at the time of booking.

Only pedestrian access is permitted between the East Paddock and the main reserve. There is no vehicular access however this can be pre-arranged. Please contact our team.
Picnic Shelters - Booking information & Conditions of Use

Hanging Rock Reserve is proudly managed by Macedon Ranges Shire Council.

Inclusions
Picnic shelter hire includes use of the:

- Allocated picnic shelter
- Barbeque, picnic tables and benches within the shelter
- Adjacent toilet facilities (applies to East Paddock shelter hire only)

Hire period
The hire period is for the duration of the Reserve’s opening hours on your hire day - hours are 9:00am to 5:00pm. All patrons must have exited the Reserve by 5:00pm.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Hirer’s must ensure they are at their reserved picnic shelter no later than 11:00am (10:30am on long weekends).

Use of the reserved picnic shelter cannot be guaranteed if a representative from the group is not onsite by this time. Refunds do not apply.

Accessing the picnic shelter
Entry to Hanging Rock Reserve varies depending on whether your picnic shelter is located within the main reserve area or the East Paddock. Gates will be open from 9am on the day of hire. Please enter and exit from the following locations:

- Petanque Shelter: Main gate / Gate 1 (South Rock Rd)
- South East Shelter: Main gate / Gate 1 (South Rock Rd)
- South West Shelter: Main gate / Gate 1 (South Rock Rd)
- East Paddock Shelter A: Gate 10 (Colwells Rd)
- East Paddock Shelter B: Gate 5 (Straws Lane)

Entry fees
Entry fees apply in addition to the hire fees for the Petanque, South East and South West picnic shelters. Prior to exiting, tickets need to be purchased from the ticket machines located at the ‘Meeting Point’ adjacent to main car park and Hanging Rock Café in the main reserve.

Entry fees (incl GST) are:
- Car: $10.00
- Pedestrian: $5.00
- Motorbike: $5.00
- Mini-bus: $20.00
- Coach: $50.00
Assistance

On the day of your booking, the Park Ranger on duty will make every effort to drop by and introduce themselves. If you require assistance throughout the day, please feel free to contact the Park Ranger on 0418 373 032.

Cleaning

It is the hirer’s responsibility to ensure that the shelter (including the barbeque and area around the shelter if you have used it) is left clean and tidy at the conclusion of the hire. General waste, FOGO, glass and recycling bins are provided at each picnic shelter.

The hirer may be charged appropriate cleaning fees for shelters that are not left in a satisfactory state.

Sound

Music and other amplified sound, including recordings or the like, played on the premises, shall be low level and controlled. Any sound generated should not cause any distraction or disturbance and shall only be audible within the shelter and its immediate surrounds.

Fire

The lighting of fires (including solid fuel BBQs), candles or sparklers and discharging of fireworks is prohibited.

Decorations and signage

The attachment of decorations, balloons, signage, banners or other items is permitted within the shelter, however must only be attached with string and removed at the conclusion of your hire. Cleaning fees will apply if decorations are not removed. The attachment of decorations etc to trees, buildings or other fixed structures is not permitted.

The use of confetti, water balloons or similar is strictly prohibited.

Water

Please note that the water supply at Hanging Rock Reserve is not suitable for drinking. You should therefore make arrangements to provide your own drinking water.

Flora and fauna

Hanging Rock Reserve is an important wildlife refuge. Please do not harass or feed wildlife, pick flowers, take cuttings of plants or otherwise damage animal or plant life. Fines apply for these actions.
Please note that there are a large number of resident kangaroos within the reserve so extra care must be taken at all times. Please ensure that your guests are aware of these requirements.

Dogs are permitted in the reserve however must be on a lead at all times. Please note however that dogs are not permitted on the Summit Walk.

Access within Hanging Rock Reserve

Vehicles must only be driven on the road network and at walking pace. Vehicles must not be driven on the lawn areas unless you are directed otherwise by a Park Ranger.

On Extreme or Severe Fire Danger Rating days and days where high winds are forecast, the Summit Walk will be closed.

Shelter hire during the fire danger period

It is important to note that Hanging Rock Reserve will be closed on Code Red Fire Danger Rating days in the Macedon Ranges.

If your booking is cancelled due to a Code Red day, the hirer will be entitled to transfer to an alternative date or be refunded the respective hire fees in full. Macedon Ranges Shire Council is not liable for any additional expenses incurred by the hirer (ie fees charged by contractors, suppliers etc).

Postponement, cancellation or modified start/finish times should be considered on Extreme or Severe Fire Danger Rating days. The hirer will not incur any fees for changing dates, however Macedon Ranges Shire Council is not liable for any additional expenses incurred by the hirer (ie fees charged by contractors, suppliers etc).

Booking payment

Your booking is not confirmed until full payment is received.

Important information

You should be aware that Hanging Rock Reserve is a public venue and that other activities may be occurring in other sections of the Reserve at the time of your booking.

Macedon Ranges Shire Council reserves the right to cancel or reschedule bookings in advance of the booking date. Payments will be refunded in full upon cancellation. No further compensation will be payable.

The information contained within this document relates to private and social gatherings. Organisers of large and/or commercial events and weddings must contact our team on 03 5422 0387 to further discuss.
Cancellation

If you wish to cancel your booking, it must be made in writing to: hangingrock@mrsc.vic.gov.au.

In the event of cancellation, the following applies:

- Cancellations received more than 72 hours of the booking date will receive a full refund.
- Cancellations received within 72 hours of the booking are not refundable. This includes bookings that are cancelled due to inclement weather.