



# MELBOURNE AUSTRALIA

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# About Melbourne

Melbourne is one of Australia's largest cities and the capital of Victoria. The city sprawls across the lower reaches of the Yarra River beside Port Phillip Bay on Australia's east coast.

Melbourne is famous for its cafés, its street art, its cultural diversity and its thriving music & art scene.

Flinders Street station and Federation Square are the best known landmarks in Melbourne.

And the city is sports mad! So check out some world class cricket or tennis, discover Aussie AFL football or join the punters at the Melbourne Cup, the horse race that stops the nation in November every year.

Melbourne rates as one of the most liveable cities in the world and is one of Australia's most popular destinations.

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# Travel Basics

**When to Visit:** Anytime

Ideal seasons: Autumn (March – May) & Spring (September – November)

**Stay** 3+ Days

**Currency:** AUD\$ Australian Dollars

**Budget:** AUD\$100 - \$250+ per day

**Fly** to Tullamarine International Airport or Avalon Airport.

Travel by Taxi or Uber or shuttle bus from the airport to the CBD

**Travel locally** by tram, train, bus, car, plane

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# Top Things to Do

- Discover Melbourne's world famous **Street Art** in the lane ways and back streets
- Catch a **free tram** down Swanston Street to **Flinders St. Station**
- Enjoy **great coffee** & Melbourne's vibrant Café culture
- Enjoy legendary **live music** venues in St Kilda at The Palais Theatre & the Esplanade Hotel or head to Swan St Richmond to the Corner Hotel's buzzing rooftop bar for pub food with live music 7 days a week featuring local & International artists.
- Indulge in some fine art & music at the **Victorian Art Centre** & the **National Art Gallery**
- Watch world class **Cricket** & **Tennis** or discover Aussie **AFL** football with a beer & a meat pie
- Shop till you drop at the iconic **Queen Victoria Market**, the quirky, designer **Rose St Market**, Fitzroy or the **St Kilda** weekend art & craft market
- Shop in upmarket **Collins St & Bourke St** in the CBD
- Catch a tram to Bridge Road Richmond for **factory outlet shopping**
- Watch the sunset at **St Kilda Pier**
- Lookout for little **Penguins** & swim with **wild dolphins** in Port Phillip Bay

# Top Places to Visit

- Flinders St Station
- Federation Square
- National Art Gallery of Victoria
- Victorian Arts Centre
- Melbourne Museum
- State Library of Victoria
- Royal Botanical Gardens
- Yarra River Precinct
- Queen Victoria Markets
- Collins Street & Bourke St.  
shopping
- Docklands
- St Kilda esplanade & Port Phillip  
Bay
- Brunswick St. Fitzroy
- Como House, South Yarra

# Best Areas to Stay

- **CBD** & city centre
- **Richmond** for live music and outlet shopping just a tram ride from the CBD
- **St Kilda** is a favourite with backpackers. Kick back in the bayside beach suburb, stroll along the esplanade, comb the backstreets for street art, great food & live music
- **North Melbourne** is a central location near the Queen Victoria markets
- **Brunswick St Fitzroy** for quirky & colourful cafes, fashion shops with a bohemian edge, live music , street art & the Melbourne Fringe Festival

# Where to Eat & Drink

Choose between the hip cafes, restaurants & bars on Fitzroy, Acland or Carlisle Streets **St Kilda**

- **Glick's Bagels**, St Kilda
- **Wall Two 80**, St Kilda
- **The Local Taphouse**, St Kilda, \$25 Sunday roast special

Enjoy the quirky bohemian vibe in **Brunswick St** Fitzroy:

- **Archies All Day**, Fitzroy
- **Stagger Lees**, Fitzroy
- **Rays Café** Fitzroy for the best coffee you'll ever have
- **Bon Ap'Pettit Bistro**, Fitzroy

Head to **Lygon Street Carlton** for Italian coffee, pasta & gelato:

- **Tiamo**, Carlton
- **Domini's**, Carlton
- **Brunetti Classico**, Carlton for great coffee

Or catch a tram to **Richmond** for delicious fresh Vietnamese food:

- **Hochi Mama**, Richmond
- **Straight Outta Saigon**, Richmond
- **Loi Loi**, Richmond



# Melbourne Travel Tips

- **Use public transport.** It will save you \$
- **Tram travel is FREE in Melbourne's CBD** from Queen Victoria Market to Docklands, Spring St, Flinders St Station and Federation Square (Zone 1)
- Buy a **Myki Card** to travel beyond Zone 1 on public transport . Swipe on & off when you travel. Top up your card at 7-Eleven & other shops or at selected railway stations
- **Taxis** are expensive & **Uber** is often a cheaper option
- Shop at the supermarket & **cook for yourself.** It will save you \$
- Expect to pay \$20 - \$30 for a sit down meal
- **Tap water is safe to drink** so refill your water bottle
- Melbourne is one of the **safest** cities in the world & ideal for **solo travellers**
- **Free wi-fi** is easy to find
- Buy a **SIM Card** for the most reliable internet access
- Take a **FREE walking tour** with "I'm Free Walking Tours" to learn about Melbourne's sights & history
- **Electricity:** 3 pin plug type I
- **Wear strong sunscreen** to avoid sunburn when outdoors



# My Recommendations

Make the most of Melbourne's hip & happening art and music scene. Plan a night out to hear live music, visit the National Art Gallery and the Yarra River Precinct, the hub of Melbourne's artistic & cultural scene & take a stroll through Melbourne's lush Botanical Gardens.

Duck down a few laneways or take a tour to discover Melbourne's colourful street art & stop off for a coffee along the way. Making great coffee is an art for the local baristas so you'll enjoy an excellent brew.

Head out to Brunswick Street, Fitzroy to enjoy Melbourne's quirky side & shop for souvenirs at Melbourne's great outdoor art & craft markets.

Enjoy a beach sunset at St Kilda. If you're lucky you'll spot some little Penguins at the end of St Kilda Pier.

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