



MELBOURNE (VICTORIA), AUSTRALIA

The Victorian capital is a contender for best city in Australia. With major arts destinations, sports events, food and literary festivals, there's something for everyone in this city on the banks of the Yarra River

KEY INFO

Currency: Australian Dollar (1 USD = 1.5 AUD)	Languages: English
Population: 5.08 million (6.68 million VIC)	Drive on the: Left
Emergency #: 000	Pharmacy: Port Bay Pharmacy, 51 Bay St, VIC 3207 📍
Drinking water: Tap water is drinkable	Protection: Bug Spray & SPF 30+
Time Zone: GMT+11	Wi-Fi: 'VicFree WiFi' across CBD
ID Requirements: Photo ID	Post Office: 440 Collins St, Melbourne VIC 3000 📍

PORT LOCATION

Ships dock at Station Pier at the Port of Melbourne, which is a 24-minute tram ride from the CBD (#109)

Getting Around: The easiest way to explore Melbourne is by walking and taking the tram for longer journeys around the CBD. In the CBD area, trams are free. To use the public transport system, buy a *myki* card (\$6) from the tram stop/newsagent in the port area. Android phone users can install the [Mobile myki](#) app instead of purchasing a physical card. A daily fare caps at \$10.60

📱 Download the PTV app for a journey planner (also available [online](#)) | [Android](#) | [iOS](#)

📱 [Network Maps](#) (including metropolitan tram network and CBD Free Tram Zone)

For taxis, dial 13 31 00 (📱 [Silver Service Taxis](#)), or 13 22 27 (📱 [13cabs](#))

📱 [Tourist Information Map](#)

📱 [Cruise Passenger Fact Sheet](#) from Public Transport Victoria (PTV)

Tourist Bus: There is no Hop On Hop Off bus currently running in Melbourne

Port Facilities: Taxis, Tourist Information, ATM (outside), Tram (opposite), Coffee Vending Machine

Port Address: Port of Melbourne, Station Pier, Waterfront Place, VIC 3207 📍

BEST OF MELBOURNE

National Gallery of Victoria: Founded in 1861, this is Australia's oldest and most visited museum, split across two sites: the international art site on St Kilda Road and the Ian Potter Centre, close to Federation Square, specialises in Australian art.

10a-5p | Free

📱 www.ngv.vic.gov.au

Immigration Museum: A trip to the Immigration Museum in the Old Customs House is an interesting foray into the story of immigration and life in Australia as an immigrant.

10a-5p | \$15

📱 www.museumsvictoria.com.au

Old Melbourne Gaol: Built in 1839, this notorious gaol was Ned Kelly's execution place, as well as the incarceration location for a three-year-old convicted for the crime of 'idleness'.

10a-5p | \$35

📱 www.oldmelbournegaol.com.au

For more: www.visitmelbourne.com, www.whatson.melbourne.vic.gov.au, www.travelvictoria.com.au

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Cooks' Cottage: Talking of immigration... this is an immigrating house! Built in 1755 in Yorkshire, UK, this house – lived in by Captain Cook's parents – was relocated to Melbourne in the 1930s.

10a-4p | \$ unknown

whatson.melbourne.vic.gov.au

Coop's Tower: Once one of the tallest buildings in the city, at the heart of the city's arms trade. Now incorporated into the site of Melbourne Central shopping centre.

10a-7p (9p Thu, Fri) | Free

www.melbournecentral.com.au

Yarra River Discovery Walk: Take a self-guided walk along Melbourne's buzzing waterfront. With 15 points of interest, covering public art, gardens, museums and food.

24 hours | Free

whatson.melbourne.vic.gov.au

Melbourne Skydeck: The highest observation deck in the Southern Hemisphere offers incredible views over Melbourne. Enjoy a drink at Bar 88 (on the 88th floor) or a fancy fine dining meal at Eureka 89, one level above. 12p-10p | \$34 (\$28 advance online)

www.melbourneskydeck.com.au

Hosier Lane: The street art heart of the city. Always changing, this is an Instagram hotspot, just off Flinders Street. 24 hours | Free

www.visitmelbourne.com

FLORA & FAUNA

Melbourne Zoo: Housing over 320 species, this large zoo, 4km north of the CBD, is a popular site to meet Australia's native species (as well as some more exotic residents).

9a-5p | \$46

www.zoo.org.au

Royal Botanic Gardens Victoria: Founded in 1846, Melbourne is one half of Victoria's botanic gardens (the other site in Cranbourne)

7:30a-7:30p | Free

www.rbg.vic.gov.au/melbourne-gardens/

SPORTS IN MELBOURNE

Melbourne Park: Home of the Australian Open Grand Slam tennis tournament, hosted each January. Tours are available to visit the Rod Laver Arena.

www.mopt.com.au

Albert Park Lake: Location of the Albert Park Circuit, a street circuit as part of the F1 Australian Grand Prix in March.

www.grandprix.com.au

Melbourne Cricket Ground: Known locally as The 'G, there are daily tours of the home of Australian cricket.

www.mcg.org.au

Australian Sports Museum: Located at Gate Three of the MCG, with loads of memorabilia and displays as well as interactive exhibits. Good fun and an interesting collection. 10a-5p | \$33

www.australiansportsmuseum.org.au

OUT OF TOWN

St Kilda: This fun-loving beach neighborhood is 5km from the port, along the beachfront. Over here you'll find street markets, hip cafes and an antique theme park (Luna Park), which opened in 1912 and still runs its original wooden rollercoaster.

www.stkildamelbourne.com.au

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