



Day 1 Friday – Local Arts Evolution

- Visitor Centre
- Kaiela Arts
- Shepparton Art Museum (SAM)
- Lunch - The Last Straw
- Bangerang Cultural Centre
- Explore Local indigenous street art + legacy pieces from Shepparton Arts festival
- Shepparton Brewery
- Dinner - Little Lipari

Day 2 Saturday – Day Trip to Dookie

- Breakfast - Tinto
- Drive to Dookie
- Dookie township Emporium, Dookie Artists Tree
- Guided tasting and lunch at Tallis
- Rock Correa Walk
- Bunbartha Beef (shop for Sunday dinner)
- Arrive back in Shepparton, stretch your legs at Victoria Park Lake
- Dinner - Teller

Day 3 Sunday - Indigenous Immersion

- Breakfast – The Milkbar
- Cultural drive around town – Albania Mosque, Sikh Temple
- The Flats Walk
- Grazing box for lunch, picnic at the confluence
- Burnanga Indigenous Fishing Club half day fishing experience
- Cook your own adventure (Bunbartha Beef)

Day 4 Monday – Get Moving

- Breakfast – Stanley's
- Morning Walk at botanic garden
- Museum of Vehicle Evolution (MOVE)
- Lunch - Milestone
- The Furphy Museum
- Loel Thomson Collection
- Depart

Itinerary 'Local cultural immersion' – 4 days, 3 nights 2-4 adults

A musical feast – Enjoy your visit to Shepparton with all of your senses, tune into the local Spotify playlist 'Tunes From 3630' curated by local musician, music appreciator and local arts lover **Jamie-Lea**. The playlist features a variety of Shepparton centric artists, as well as a few we'd like to claim as our own. Music covers a wide spread of genres, with something to satisfy all tastes - from the soulful strums of **Grim Fawkner**, silky vocals of **Aluka**, or the honest and open lyrics of Yorta Yorta artist **Drmgnow**.

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The Visitor Centre

Be welcomed by the locals – A friendly face for visitors, and experts on everything Shepparton, start your visit at the **Greater Shepparton Visitor Centre** and get acquainted with the region through the local expertise of staff and volunteers. Gather all of the resources and top tips for the itinerary ahead, including maps and brochures and help yourself to a fresh piece of local fruit for your morning snack.

Kaiela Arts

Art on Country – Referencing the linear art style, traditional to Kaiela Dungala (Goulburn Murray), Yorta Yorta Country. **Kaiela Arts** strengthens the local indigenous community by awaking culture, learning from our past and empowering future generations. Collaborating with and displaying art from over 44 local indigenous creators, works from Kaiela Arts make an exceptional keepsake of your Shepparton experience.

Please note – Kaiela Arts do host public workshops and Cultural Art Information Sessions throughout the year – email info@kaielaarts.org.au for further information or bookings.

Shepparton Art Museum

Say hello to SAM – it's hard to miss the striking new **Shepparton Art Museum** building that takes pride of place at the South Eastern side of **Victoria Park Lake**. Architecturally designed by Denton Corker Marshall and opened to the public in 2021, the building occupies five stories and provides striking views at every level, including a publicly accessible outdoor terrace at level 4. The gallery encapsulates a number of striking exhibitions, including the site-responsive atrium installation of **Anne-Marie May: Everything Joyful is Mobile**, **James Geurts' Trajectories: Orbiting Bodies Meet** a site-specific neon installation displayed on the 4th Floor Terrace and **Flow: Stories of River, Earth and Sky in the SAM Collection** including works from the **Carrillo and Ziyin Gantner Collection of Australian Indigenous Art**.

The Last Straw

Eat like a local - take the back roads to Keppel Street, an innocuous looking industrial area, where two passively designed straw bale buildings sit shoulder to shoulder with automotive and trade businesses. **The Last Straw** owned by the O'Donoghue family – dad John the creative mind behind the building's construction and design and mum Yao whose heritage is poured into the ever changing Thai menu. Diners spill into the garden eager to feast, and hand written menus announce the dishes of the day. If time permits dine 'long chim' style, perfect to pair with and fresh and fruit driven **Zingari Garganega (Murchison Wines)**. Finish with a rich an aromatic brew roasted by daughter Jia under the **Bean Around** label, and make sure to grab some of **Ba Yao's Produce** for your next Thai dinner at home.

(Book ahead if possible to guarantee a seat – yes it is THAT popular!)

Bangarang Cultural Centre

A place to reflect – Australia's first Aboriginal 'keeping place/museum' developed and managed by the Aboriginal people **Bangarang Cultural Centre** houses an important collection of artefacts from Indigenous communities across Australia. Take a step back in time and view a snapshot of traditional Indigenous culture and lifestyle, including **George Browning** dioramas constructed in the early 1980's. This was and always will be Yorta Yorta land.

Quest Shepparton

Self-contained comfort - Get checked into your home away from home **Quest Apartment** by **Michael DeMaria** and his friendly team. Your centrally located 3-bedroom apartment will provide you with all the facilities for an enjoyable stay. Including kitchen facilities, a private balcony and plenty of space to spread out and store the goodies you gather as you explore. Quest offer a useful pantry service which you may choose to utilise to compliment for your self-catered meal on Sunday night.

Street Art

The Legacy of Elders Past, new leaders emerging – connect with the history of local indigenous leaders, who's striking images stand sentry on a number of Shepparton's public buildings. Follow the **indigenous art trail** down Welsford & Fryers Streets and connect with legacy art projects from **Shepparton Arts Festival** using this map – (<https://sheppartonfestival.org.au/find-street-art/>) wind your way through our central business district, and venture out into our suburban multicultural hubs, with murals located on **St Georges Rd** and **Mooroopna**.

Shepparton Brewery

Drink like a local – Tucked down Edward Street with a facade emblazoned with street art lies the **Shepparton Brewery**. Enter the roller doors into an expansive industrial space, with brewery equipment making a striking impression against the red brick backdrop and watch the brewer work his frothy magic. **Matt Milsome & Daina Winch**, long-time local hospitality veterans, brew their beers right here, for the consumption of locals '*and also friends, family & nice people everywhere*'. With locally inspired names such as – the 'Canola Rolla Lager,' 'Sheppxico' and

'Fruit Sorter Porter', beer cans are creatively covered by works from local artist **Tank**. Grab a pot and soak up the post work vibes.

*(An elevated pub style menu and wood fired pizza round out the full brewery if you wish to return. Keep an eye on updates as the breweries **Gin Distillery** begins production)*

Little Lipari

A taste of Aeolia in the heart of Shepparton – A stone's throw from the brewery at the west end of Edward Street lies the innocuous Sicilian eatery **Little Lipari**, where **Joe and Claire Di Stephano** host diners for a lively and authentic Italian dining experience. With menus shaped by Joe's Aeolic heritage and local Italian style wines on the menu, you will be deliciously transported by the flavour.

Open for breakfast & lunch Monday to Friday, and Dinner on Friday nights only, bookings are essential.

Day 2 – Daytrip to Dookie

Tinto Kitchen

Buttery pastries in the heart of dairy country – Kick off your day at one of Shepparton's newest (and smallest) gourmet locations. **Josh & Beth Taylor** & team whip up the flakiest most delectable pastries in a seasonally evolving array of flavours. Certain to satisfy any sweet or savoury craving with flavours ranging from a mushroom, black garlic & tallegio Danish, to lemon curd doughnuts, and almond croissants. Grab yourself the local's favourite 'morning bun' – croissant pastry lovingly layered with aromatic spiced sugar and orange zest. The perfect partner to your morning latte, Tinto locally source from **Scott Parker's Clockwork Coffee** you will be supercharged for the busy day ahead.

*(Grab a takeaway loaf of Tinto's sourdough bread, made with small batch, single variety flours – it's best eaten warm, slathered with lashings of **Tatura Butter**).*

Dookie

Downtown Dookie – An authentically original small town experience, take a stroll down the main street of Dookie, taking in the sights of the **Dookie Flowering Gum** art installation, and the interestingly upcycled art on wheels the **Dookie Nomadic Silo's**. This small community punches above its weight in the creative space. Explore the **Dookie Artists Tree**, gallery and nursery, where **Andrew Sands & Liz Evans** display a range of local works. Get lost in the **Dookie Emporium**, which boasts an eclectic mix of antiques, furniture, collectibles & militaria and provides a peaceful perch for morning refreshments.

Tallis Wines

Red earth red wine – nestled on the side of the Dookie Ranges, **Tallis Wines** Cellar door boasts the most impressive views of the region, **The Tallis Family** have worked these lands for generations, with **Richard** and **Alice** evolving the wine production into to the current exceptional cellar-door experience. Be guided by the radiant Mel through the full range of Tallis wines, from the aromatic and light sparkling viognier, to the rich and bold James Halliday rated ‘Silent Showman’ reds that reflects the deep red earth on which the vines are planted. Pick your favourite drop and enjoy a glass alongside a regional produce platter whilst overlooking the expansive easterly views.

(Grab a few bottles to take away or join the Talisam club to continue enjoying the spoils of Tallis wines once you return from your stay).

An abundant landscape - Continue your Tallis experience with a refreshing ramble on the **Rock Correa Walk**, leaving from the north of Tallis cellar door. Interpretive signage at eleven points will highlight the grassy woodland landscape and showcase the important fauna and flora of the region. Extraordinary and scenery at the pinnacle reflects the significance of the abundant resources the land provides. The **Rock Correa Walk** was constructed in collaboration between the Tallis Family, Yorta Yorta Nation Aboriginal Cooperation and Goulburn Broken CMA

(Water, hat, long pants and sunscreen are recommended – please ensure you check into the Cellar door First as the track closes one hour prior to cellar door closing, when main gates will be locked)

Bunbartha Beef

Hunt and Gather – Explore the gourmet delight of **Bunbartha Beef & Fine Produce** where **Kelly Mcpherson** and her team display a bountiful selection of local and regional gourmet products. Choose your own selection from Kelly’s flagship business **Bunbartha Beef**, grass fed, free range beef raised less than 20km from Shepparton. Compliment your selection with the array of seasonal fresh organic produce, and be guided by knowledgeable staff in creating your own delicious dinner for Sunday evening’s meal. Have a beef with beef? Vegetarian, vegan and gluten free offerings are also abundant.

Partner your own delicious creation with a local beer, wine or cider picked up on your travels – enjoy the view from your balcony and soak up a stunning Shepparton sunset.

Victoria Park Lake

Stretch your legs – Glistening in the heart of Shepparton, **Victoria Park Lake**, is the local’s favourite place to connect with the great outdoors. Only 100m from your accommodation, acquaint yourself with the lake throughout your stay. From quietly contemplative sunrise strolls to glorious sunsets in a riot of colours, the 1.8 connects with accessible river paths that head North, South and West from the CBD. For a longer stroll, pick up a copy of the ‘*Yanha Gurtji shared path network*’ map from the Greater **Shepparton Visitor Information Centre** and extend your exploration further.

Teller Restaurant

The Goulburn Valley on a plate – Enjoy local and seasonal dining at **Teller** restaurant, where menus adapt to the seasons fresh and best. From superbly crafted charcuterie to hand rolled pasta, house smoked duck or dry aged steaks, staff will expertly guide your selection of a regional Victorian wine to perfectly match. Make sure you save room for dessert with Chef **Lachy Andrew's** well known for his delectable sweet treats.

(**Fryers Street Food Store** next door stocks an impressive range of local and regional produce as well as takeaway wine, beer & cider perfect for stocking up before you head home)

Day 3 – Indigenous Immersion

The Milkbar

Raising the bar – With an expansive exterior wall brandishing replicas of local retro milk bar advertising, and milkshakes that bring everyone to the yard **The Milkbar** is a firm favourite along the **Fryers Street** dining strip. Father & daughter duo **Mat & Chloe Innes-Irons** along with Chole's partner **Sam McKenna** seamlessly blend good time vibes with a flavour packed menu. A mouth-watering mix of modern Asian café favourites tempt your taste buds with Mat's home grown veg often featuring in the day's specials. Nab a street-side table in the sun and soak in the sunshine.

Cultural Drive around Town

A melting pot of cultures – Take a cultural drive around town, and reflect on the diversity and history of the community that makes up Shepparton today. **Shepparton's Albanian Mosque**, built in the 1950's is the first and oldest of its type in Victoria, servicing our thriving Albanian community that first called Shepparton home in the 1920's. Join Shepparton's Punjab Sikh community for their Sunday Diwan. The **Gurdwara Sahib** located on the Eastern edge of town is a striking building, where all people are welcome to join their regular prayer services and share a meal.

Please note: you will be asked to remove your shoes and don a head covering on entering the Gurdwara, (a basket of head coverings is provided). You will be asked to take a seat on the floor, please avoid wearing a short skirt.

The Flats Walk

Walk the path of First Nations History – Follow the footsteps of past Yorta Yorta Elders by visiting '**The Flats**' located on the floodplain between Shepparton & Mooroopna. This significant cultural area became home to many local indigenous families, following the historic first ever mass strike of Aboriginal people and Walk Off from Cummeragunja at Barma on February 4 1939. Learn of local indigenous leaders **Jack Patten & William Cooper** and of the way of life for the local indigenous community during this time.

Grazing box for Lunch

Gourmet grazing on the Goulburn – Find your spot of sunshine along the river red gums and enjoy a gourmet picnic. Delivered directly to you by the lovely **Lauren Doxey** from **Gourmet Grazing Co.** Tuck into a sumptuous box filled with fresh fruits, cheese, crackers & deli meats, your picnic can be custom made to your request, including dietary requirements.

(Orders will need to be placed ahead of time, including confirmation of your delivery location, deliveries are happily accommodated for public spaces across Shepparton)

Connect at the Confluence – Connect with the natural river environment with a short stroll to the confluence of the **Goulburn & Broken Rivers**, these two streams converge in Shepparton on their path to join with the Murray. Keep an eye out for wildlife – kangaroos, Wood and Pacific Black Ducks, native river rats and the elusive platypus are known to frequent these waters.

Burnanga Indigenous Fishing Club

Cultural immersion on the Kaiela (Goulburn River) - Slip, Slop Slap in preparation for a total body cultural experience with the **Burnanga Indigenous Fishing Club**. Join local Yorta Yorta local **Corey Walker** for a half day cultural fishing adventure. Experience a traditional welcome to country and discover the beautiful landscape that is Yorta Yorta country, from Kaiela, the Goulburn River. Immerse yourself in First Nation's culture and be educated on local Yorta Yorta customary fishing practices. **Pack your bag** – recommended to bring a camera, brimmed hat, sun protection, appropriate clothing for weather conditions & enclosed footwear.

(Half-day, full-day and 1 night/two day experiences are available for booking, with some seasonal restrictions on availability)

Day 4 – Get Moving

Stanley's Café

The Flavours of History & heritage – Take a stroll from your accommodation to the nearby **Stanley's Café**, where hosts **Karen 'Chuz' Resul's** Albanian roots take pride and place on the Mediterranean inspired menu, with and rolled baklava, petulla (Albanian donuts), burek, lakror to more tempt your tastebuds and floral arrangements from **Blooming Buckets** brightening up the indoor and outdoor spaces.

With records spinning a merry tune you might be surprised by some spontaneous Albanian dancing!

Australian Botanic Gardens

Botanical Beauty – Take a morning stroll to the top of the Australian Botanic Gardens Shepparton and look out. Catch the golden morning sun, and weave your way through a botanical representation of Shepparton's History and heritage, with the Food, Refugee and

Weaving gardens telling the stories of industry, migration and culture. Traverse the boardwalk to the Children's Garden where upcycled iron sculptures make a striking display.

Keep an eye out for wildflowers during the spring and summer, with fragrant vanilla lilies, paper daisies and billy buttons visible in the forest setting.

Museum of Vehicle Evolution (MOVE)

Roll into MOVE – Powerful engines, polished chrome and all manner of vehicles from yesteryear take pride and place at the **Museum of Vehicle Evolution (MOVE)**. 9,000 square meters of indoor and outdoor exhibitions will take you on an exploration of vehicular advancement through the ages. From Harley Davidsons to Kenworths, penny farthings to horse carts, marvel at the gleaming machines and be 'transported' to days gone by.

Milestone

Take a pit stop - Enjoy modern Australian fare at this aptly motoring named café just next door to MOVE. Take a seat in a comfortable booth or enjoy the trellised outdoor space, the **Kristofer Bech Howley** and his partner **Chia-Hua Lee** have created a modern Australian menu covering all your favourite bases plus a sprinkle of S.E. Asian fusion. Make sure you check daily special to – the Chicken congee and Lu Rou Fan (braised pork rice) are a treat.

*Works from local artist **Amanda Hocking** are a striking and bold addition to the cafes walls.*

The Furphy Museum

Tall tales with local roots – Learn the history of iconic local family the Furphy's in **The Furphy Museum** and marvel at the transformation from the iconic water carts & camp ovens to modern day engineering and manufacturing. The character, hard work and ingenuity (and a larrikin attitude for stretching the truth...)

(See also the sculpture of **Joseph Furphy** located at 138 Welsford Street, who authored the iconic tale 'Such is Life' under the pseudonym Tom Collins)

Loel Thomson

The fabric of life past - Explore 200 years of Australian fashion through the **Loel Thomson Costume Collection**, with the display of over 7,500 of objects lovingly collected by **Loel Thomson OAM**. A collection that intimately reveals the social history of everyday, with pieces reflecting not just the fashion, but the life and times of the people that wore them.

Take a call form the past – Witness technological transformation with the **Clayton Gramophones, Telephones and Radio exhibit**. A visual reminder of how quickly the telecommunications technology has changed.

As you depart think about all the amazing unique experiences that you've had, the stories that you now have to share with friends. Start planning your next visit to Victoria's abundant dynamic cultural capital. See you next time.



Greater Shepparton Visitor Centre

The Visitor Centre, located at 530 Wyndham Street, Shepparton, (Ground floor, SAM building) is your first stop for information on things to see and do and where to stay while in Greater Shepparton. Providing quality information and brochures on accommodation, attractions, events and activities, the friendly staff and volunteers have the expert knowledge to make your stay in the region a memorable one.

Open: 9.00am to 5.00pm everyday except Christmas Day.

Telephone Enquiries: 1800 808 839 (Toll-free within Australia) or +61-3-5832 9330 (outside Australia)

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