

DISCOVER MURRAY

# River Country



Barham



## 3 DAY FOODIES AND CULTURE LOVERS

The twin towns of Barham (NSW) and Koondrook (Victoria), located on the mighty Murray River ooze charm and character, and offer many choices for a day trip, weekend or extended holiday.

Beyond the expected country hospitality and charm, the towns feature national parks, state forests, picturesque recreation areas and a scene of natural activities, and boutique food, wine and culture experiences. Barham Koondrook is the perfect destination for people who love the outdoors.

# Day 1

## STOP AND STAY A WHILE



Start your trip early, Barham is an easy 3.5hr drive from Melbourne.

Once arriving in town kick start your morning with a caffeine fix at Royal Canvas, located in the iconic Royal Hotel. Once you've gabbled your caffeine hit you are all ready for a day's exploring!

Start by stretching your legs with a gentle walk along the community build boardwalk at Barham Riverside Park. Riverside Park is also a start of the Koondrook Barham Redgum Statue Walk where the history of the twin towns is depicted via 17 chainsaw carved redgum statues and information boards along the banks of the river and across the border town of Koondrook. On your walk look out for historic sites such as the Koondrook Wharf, Arbuthnot's Saw Mills and Old Koondrook Tramway. Stop for a delicious bite to eat at the Long Paddock Food Store, serving fresh local produce and homemade meals.

In the afternoon, why not take in some retail therapy. Barham hosts a collection of individual country retail and niche shopping experiences. If you are looking for some chic homewares or trendy fashion pieces Barham has plenty on offer.

If you are after a unique glamping experience look no further than Koondrook Retreat, nestled on the beautiful Gunbower Creek this picturesque accommodation is perfect for couples or up to four guests who are looking to connect with nature and enjoy a perfect relaxing getaway in one of the six fully-serviced safari style tents. Or stay in the heart of Barham, Arch on Mellool Holiday Apartments are set in a 1934 two-storey building with decorative high ceilings and stunning balcony views of the mighty Murray River.



# Day 2

## GRAZING OUT OF BARHAM



Start your day of grazing and the good life with a lovely bit of community history. The Border Flywheeler's Club collects and restores old farming equipment, including tractors, machinery and engines, as well as vintage kitchen, laundry and hospital equipment. Morning tea us also available.

Jump in the car and discover local artisan produce and boutique eateries. Just a minute or two separates Bundarra Berkshires Little Pork Deli (free-range pork, small goods and charcuterie) and Red Gum Grove (local olives, avocados, pumpkins, garlic and salts). Suddenly, you're all set for a day of discovery.

9kms East of Barham, tucked in on the edge of the Koondrook State Forest you'll find Bundara Barkshires free-range pig farm and farmstead. You can visit the farm to feed the pigs with Lachy and the kids by appointment every afternoon to fill your curiosity with a unique Agri-connect experience such as farm tours or Charcuterie Masterclasses.

Head out of Barham for 30 mins through the town of Caldwell to Restdown Wines, a unique organic winery that also features a beef farm and wetlands area, complete with walking trails featuring Indigenous heritage sites. Tastings (with nibbles) and tours of the wetlands are available for a small fee.

On your way back to town break open some of the supplies you've picked up along the way (go easy on the wine!) and enjoy an impromptu afternoon picnic by the river.

Spend an afternoon snuggled in perfectly amongst vines and the river redgums at Barham Vines funky shipping container come cellar door. Specialising in rich red wines, Barham Vines small-batch vineyard is the perfect spot to enjoy good food (Wood Fired Pizza's) and a great glass of red.



# Day 3

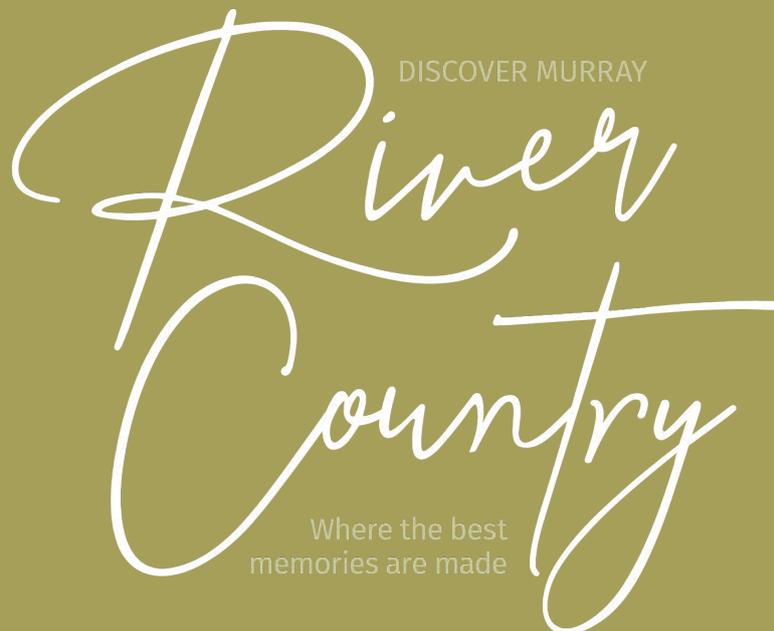
## BREAKFAST WITH THE BIRDS



On your last day, take a relaxing morning cruise on the Gunbower Creek. Wetlander Cruisers provide a unique cruising experience that combines the natural beauty and wildlife of the tranquil Gunbower Creek with an enchanting dining experience. From the moment you step on board you are in for a relaxed and enjoyable cruise, where the beauty of the surrounding bush land offers a changing backdrop and habitat for many native birds and mammals that call the Gunbower State Forest home. The cuisine complements the tasteful surrounds and offers three cruising times including breakfast with the birds.

Finish your day with a moment of serenity at the Barham Federation Botanical Reserve. Just located 1.6km from Barham town centre this 10 hectare reserve is the perfect location to appreciate Barham Koondrook's natural environment. The reserve's diversity provides suitable habitat to over 125 species of plants that are endemic to the local region as well as a range of mammals, reptiles, amphibians and birds. Interpretive signage about plants, wildlife and local Indigenous culture can be found throughout the site.

As you finish your trip to Barham we hope you have discovered a more relaxing rhythm of life and we invite you to touch, taste and explore your way around through the rest of our magical river wonderland.



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