

# DISCOVER DINDI

*MARYSVILLE, KINGLAKE RANGES,  
EILDON, YEA, ALEXANDRA*

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*OFFICIAL VISITOR GUIDE*

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## TRAVEL TIMES & DISTANCES

Melbourne to Marysville	100km / 90 mins
Melbourne to Kinglake	55km / 50 mins
Melbourne to Eildon	140km / 120 mins
Melbourne to Yea	110km / 90 mins
Melbourne to Alexandra	130km / 115 mins

# DISCOVER US



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# WELCOME TO DINDI

DISCOVER THE NATURAL BEAUTY OF THE MURRINDINDI REGION



*Looking for a place to escape and unwind? A place to slow down and connect with nature? Just a short drive to the northeast of Melbourne you'll discover the Murrindindi region, the gateway to Victoria's High Country and an area of stunning natural beauty - from the Goulburn River flats to the rugged peaks and cool temperate rainforests of the Great Dividing Range.*

*If you enjoy fern walks and majestic waterfalls, water sports and fishing, winter snow play, local history, fine food and wine, cosy getaways or a relaxing camping holiday, the spectacular Murrindindi region has it all.*

*This is Melbourne's closest natural playground and marks*

*the beginning of Victoria's High Country, rich with national parks, state forests, Lake Eildon, Lake Mountain and the magnificent Goulburn River. So many incredible, awe-inspiring locations right on the city's doorstep.*

*Scattered throughout these spectacular hills and valleys are the charming towns and villages of Marysville, Eildon,*

*Yea, Alexandra, Kinglake and surrounding districts.*

*But don't just take our word for it, come and discover 'Dindi' (as the locals call it) for yourself. Our natural wonders, welcoming towns, legendary country hospitality, delicious food and wine, and vibrant events – you can choose to do more, or less... naturally, in Murrindindi.*

## ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY WUMINDJIKA

*We are proud to acknowledge the Taungurung and Wurundjeri as the traditional custodians of the land. We pay our respects to First Nations leaders and Elders, past, present and emerging, who are the keepers of history, traditions, knowledge and the culture of this land.*



*"We ask that you treat the land with respect and the land in turn will look after you."  
— Taungurung Clans*

### DID YOU KNOW?

*Many of our township and place names derive from traditional language.*

- \* The Taungurung word for Murrindindi is 'Marramdurandi' meaning 'mountainous, misty place'*
- \* The name Taggerty is thought to be the aboriginal word for 'Blue Clay'*
- \* Yarck was the name of a cattle station, thought to be derived from the aboriginal word 'yaruk'*
- \* Narbethong comes from the Taungurung word 'Naabedhong' meaning cheery and lively*
- \* Ghin Ghin means meeting of the waters and is a significant indigenous meeting place*

# MARYSVILLE & SURROUNDS

*A MILLION MILES AWAY, ONLY NINETY MINUTES FROM HOME*



Keppel Lookout

*Marysville is nestled in a picturesque valley just below Melbourne's closest snow field and all seasons resort at Lake Mountain. It's surrounded by waterfalls, mountain streams and lush green forests and an easily accessible network of spectacular walks and trails.*

Marysville Village offers a fabulous selection of cafés, art galleries, gift shops, day spas and accommodation options, and is a great base from which to explore the surrounding region.

A short drive away are the villages of Narbethong and Buxton with many scenic fishing spots, horse riding trails and bush walks. At Buxton, see the 'Meeting of the Waters' where three mountain rivers come together. Further north you'll find Taggerty and Acheron, whose skylines are dominated by the distinctive Cathedral Ranges.

So many breathtaking views, uncrowded places, peace and quiet. And did we mention all this is only 90 minutes from Melbourne?

## NATURAL WONDERS

Marysville and surrounds is the ideal location for lovers of nature, adventure and outdoor activities - from adrenaline charged mountain biking and snow sports to more leisurely hiking and bushwalking pursuits.

Venture into one of the many state and national parks and discover waterfalls, scenic lookouts, historic bridges, fern gullies and magnificent mountain ash and eucalypt forests.

*Far, far away...is closer than you think.*

## DID YOU KNOW?

*Marysville was established in 1864 as a stopping point for diggers travelling along the Yarra Track on their way to the riches of the goldfields.*

Visitors passing through were attracted to the natural beauty of the region and soon small guesthouses began to appear and by the 1920s Marysville had become a popular holiday and honeymoon destination.

Timber cutters realised the potential in the great forests and, until recent years, timber milling was a key industry in the region. Our giant trees were known as the 'Tallest Trees in the British Empire'.



Gallipoli Park

@the\_bambyleafbrood



Murchison Street

## MUST DO

- \* Take a night time walk to the floodlit Steavenson Falls
- \* Enjoy the thrill of catching a trout in pristine mountain waters
- \* Indulge in some spa therapy with a hot stone massage or mineral soak
- \* Take the kids to the Kin Playspace at Gallipoli Park, Marysville
- \* Stock up on local goodies at one of our monthly markets
- \* Visit Lake Mountain Alpine Resort in spring for the annual Wildflower Festival



Steavenson Falls

# KINGLAKE RANGES

*BUSHLAND, WATERFALLS, WALKS AND TRAILS*



Kinglake National Park

*Discover the Kinglake Ranges. Delicious local produce, fine wines, stunning walks and waterfalls - and all only 50 minutes from Melbourne!*

The Kinglake Ranges are situated a little more than 50kms north-east of Melbourne and include the villages and hamlets of Kinglake, Kinglake Central, Kinglake West, Pheasant Creek, Glenburn and Toolangi. The area is surrounded by some 22,000 hectares of national

parkland. Kinglake National Park is the largest, and closest national park to Melbourne, making it an ideal spot for a day trip or a weekend getaway.

Established in 1928 to protect native fauna and flora, the park features Masons Falls, Mt Sugarloaf Lookout, Jehosaphat Gully, Wombelano Falls, an abundance of wildlife, secluded camping spots and plenty of walking tracks to explore. It's a slice of nature with a sprinkle of serenity.

There is no lake at Kinglake! The Kinglake township was named after British historian Alexander William Kinglake.

Other popular attractions include the fabulous Bollygum Adventure Playground, Kinglake Ranges Heritage Trail, Dindi Arts Trail, Wirrawilla Rainforest Walk and the Frank Thomson Reserve for stunning city views.

DID YOU KNOW?

*The climate and topography of the Kinglake Ranges produces an amazing range of quality food, including fresh berries, vegetables and cool-climate wines.*

If you fancy a taste of Kinglake produce or want to know more about what is in season, why not bring your basket along to one of the monthly markets or stop in at a farmgate.



Masons Falls

@mishbergs



Toolangi State Forest



Dindi Arts Trail

## MUST DO

- \* Take in the view of Melbourne from the Frank Thomson Reserve at sunrise or sunset
- \* Discover the Kinglake Ranges Heritage Trail
- \* Wander along the amazing Wirrawilla Rainforest Walk
- \* Explore the Dindi Arts Trail
- \* Pick your own berries during summer and autumn
- \* Indulge in a therapeutic massage or Reiki healing

# EILDON & SURROUNDS

WHERE THE MOUNTAINS MEET THE WATERS



Foggs Lookout

*Eildon, Thornton and Rubicon have long been popular destinations for those seeking to take some time to slow down and escape the pace of city life. Pleasure boaters and fishing enthusiasts share holidays alongside those aboard luxury houseboats and families camping by the river. The vibe is relaxed, friendly and fun.*

Surrounded by national parks and state forests and connected by pristine rivers, with the magnificent Lake Eildon as the centerpiece, this is the perfect place for 'family time' or 'me time'.

Lake Eildon National Park and the Rubicon State Forest offer great camping and bushwalking, timber industry relics, loads of wildlife and stunning wild flowers, particularly in spring and early summer.

## HIDDEN GEM

The Mimi Jane is believed to be Australia's oldest purpose built houseboat and is on display at the Eildon Dams Museum. It was built for Mrs Louisa Jones from Rippon Lea and was named after her two poodles!

Mt Torbreck, the highest peak in Murrindindi, is great for an adventurous hike.

## DID YOU KNOW?

The township of Darlingford was flooded to construct the Sugarloaf Reservoir in the late 1920s. The Sugarloaf Reservoir Dam Wall still exists under the waters of Lake Eildon.



Eildon Pondage

@benjmcintyre

## MUST DO

- \* Walk or cycle around the Eildon Pondage Walk
- \* Snap a pic from the Eildon Dam Wall
- \* Hire a houseboat for the ultimate weekend on the water
- \* Throw a line in the Rubicon River near Thornton
- \* Take in the panorama from the Foggs Lookout
- \* Rent a stand up paddleboard or kayak, and head out on the lake
- \* Explore the Rubicon Valley Historic Area



Rubicon Valley Historic Area



Lake Eildon

# YEA & SURROUNDS

NATURE WITH A DASH OF ART, HISTORY, FINE FOOD & WINE



Yea is adjoined by a series of hamlets including Glenburn, Murrindindi, Limestone, Highlands, Caveat, Strath Creek, Kerrisdale and Flowerdale. It boasts historic buildings, a thriving main street and a strong arts culture. It's also a key

town on the Great Victorian Rail Trail. With a range of award-winning wineries, restaurants and accommodation options on offer, Yea is the perfect base to explore the area's surrounding scenic and historic sites.

DID YOU KNOW?

Yea is officially designated as a Cittaslow town (part of the 'Slow Food' movement). Cittaslow towns take the time to slow down, enjoy and appreciate a quality lifestyle.

## HIDDEN GEM

Only a short walk from High Street (the town's main street), you'll find the Yea Wetlands. Very popular with nature lovers, photographers, artists, bird watchers and school groups, it provides a great opportunity to immerse yourself in the peace and tranquillity of the bush.



Yea Shire Hall



Cheviot Tunnel



@flowerdaleestate



Wilhelmina Falls

*Just north of the Great Dividing Range the township of Yea is nestled in a beautiful valley at the meeting of the Yea and Goulburn Rivers. Only a 90 minute drive from Melbourne, Yea offers a relaxed country experience.*

## MUST DO

- \* Explore the Yea Wetlands Discovery Centre and learn about our precious water resources
- \* Take in the view from the Murchison Gap Lookout
- \* Discover the Murrindindi Scenic Reserve
- \* Enjoy a scenic drive through the Highlands
- \* Snap a photo at the historic Cheviot Railway Tunnel

# ALEXANDRA & SURROUNDS

ROLLING HILLS, LUSH FARMLAND, HISTORY & HERITAGE



*Alexandra and the surrounding villages and hamlets of Acheron, Molesworth and Yarck have a proud and rich history of gold and agriculture - still evident today in the many National Trust classified buildings, stately homesteads and grand hotels.*

The Great Victorian Rail Trail winds through much of this area making these townships a great stopping off point for cyclists wishing

to explore the fabulous range of welcoming country pubs, great eateries, local art galleries and quirky stores.

Food, wine, art and music are the heart and soul of this area and the region plays host to a fantastic and eclectic program of cultural events throughout the year.

A stone's throw from Lake Eildon and the Lake Eildon National Park, Alexandra and surrounds is a great location for outdoor enthusiasts, foodies and history buffs.

DID YOU KNOW?

When gold was discovered in the 1860s, Alexandra was known as Red Gate, after the gate that separated two grazing stations that prospectors travelled through.

In 1867, Red Gate was renamed Alexandra in honour of the Princess of Wales.



Alexandra



Molesworth Church

@onemjr



Eglinton Cutting Lookout



## MUST DO

- \* Ride the Great Victorian Rail Trail from Yarck to Alexandra
- \* Sample some country hospitality at a local café, bakery or pub
- \* Spend an afternoon among the birds and butterflies at McKenzie's Flora Reserve
- \* Explore the great range of local shops and produce stores
- \* Check out the Murrindindi Beanie & Fibre Festival in May



# DISCOVER LAKE EILDON

Lake Eildon is one of Victoria's most popular holiday destinations. The lake is fed by clear mountain rivers and is surrounded by rolling hills, dense forest and open woodland. This makes it a favourite spot for boating and water skiing, fishing and bushwalking. The surrounding countryside is prized for its eucalypt forests, wildlife and fresh mountain air.

## DID YOU KNOW?

Lake Eildon has over 500km of shoreline and at full capacity can store six times as much water as Sydney Harbour.

Lake Eildon is the only reservoir in Victoria where houseboats are permitted. Water released from Lake Eildon is diverted for irrigation purposes and supplies around 60% of the water used in the Goulburn-Murray Irrigation District.



The lake is a mecca for lovers of water sports including skiing, wakeboarding, kayaking and canoeing. Boat hire equipment is available for those keen for a thrill. Try renting a houseboat or 'boatel' for a truly special Lake Eildon

experience. Nothing is more relaxing than spending a few days out on the water, watching the world go by from the comfort of your own private lounge, or from the top deck as you cast a line and watch the kids swim.

# DISCOVER LAKE MOUNTAIN



## — MUST DO —

- \* Cycle the Cascades Trail from the summit of Lake Mountain to Marysville
- \* Take the family snowshoeing – so easy and so much fun!
- \* Check out the amazing wildflowers in spring

@drpete00

Cascades Trail

Summit Trail

## DID YOU KNOW?

During the 'green season' Lake Mountain Alpine Resort's 37km of cross country ski trails transform into walking trails where you can discover beautiful wildflowers, spectacular lookouts and stunning alpine forest.

The 4km Summit Walk is a highlight, offering outstanding views to nearby Mt Torbreck, Marysville and right across to Melbourne.

*Lake Mountain is Melbourne's closest alpine resort. Just 30 minutes from Marysville and only two hours from Melbourne, it's a year round destination for the whole family.*

Over the winter months Lake Mountain Alpine Resort offers a smorgasbord of snow play, with cross country skiing, tobogganing,

kids snowboarding lessons, snowshoeing, winter walks and plenty of snow play areas.

Catering for all ages and abilities, the resort offers a relaxed and family-friendly atmosphere – it's ideal for a first time snow experience.

When the weather warms up, you can enjoy enchanting mountain walks, challenging mountain bike trails, exhilarating flying fox rides and laser skirmish fun.

Cascades Trail

@hunter\_posey

# DISCOVER DINDI'S PARKS & FORESTS

*Outstanding scenic beauty and abundant natural attractions are key features of the Murrindindi region.*

Discover the Kinglake, Lake Eildon and Yarra Ranges National Parks; the State Parks and Forests of Marysville, Toolangi, Rubicon, Tallarook and Cathedral Ranges; the Murrindindi Scenic Reserve, Lake Mountain Alpine Resort, the Yea Wetlands and numerous nature reserves.

Winding through these stunning landscapes is the Goulburn River and its tributaries, and the magnificent Lake Eildon. With hundreds of walking tracks, waterfalls, picnic spots and camp sites, our parks, forests and reserves offer boundless opportunities to connect with nature. Visit [discoverdindi.com.au/parksandforests](https://discoverdindi.com.au/parksandforests)

## MUST DO

Pack a picnic, throw on a backpack and head to the hills to discover your own secret hideaway and magical picnic spot beside a waterfall, deep in a fern gully or on top of a mountain range.

## DID YOU KNOW?

Many of our parks and forests are dog friendly. Just remember to keep your furry friends on a leash!



Cathedral Range State Park

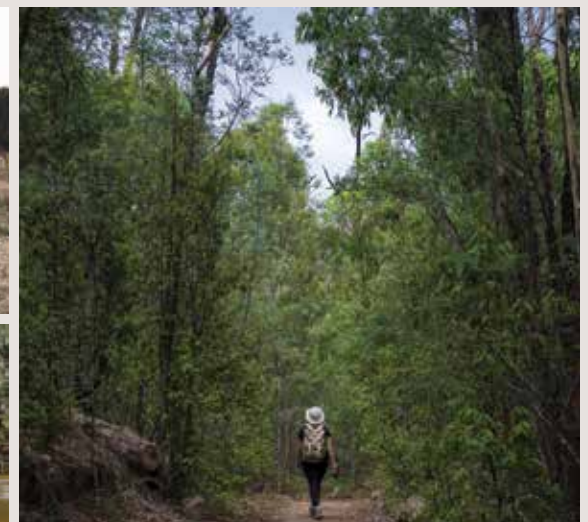
@pauciflora



Lake Eildon National Park



Rubicon State Forest



Murrindindi Scenic Reserve

# WALK DINDI

*I LOVE TO GO A WANDERING*



Cathedral Range State Park

@sneakydiquey

*From a gentle stroll to a challenging overnight hike, there are a myriad of walks and trails to suit all ages and levels of fitness here in Murrindindi.*

Some trails cater to cyclists and horse riders, while others are best experienced on foot. Wander through historic locations and ancient forests,

past gushing waterfalls and out to breathtaking lookouts.

In summer, the snow trails of Lake Mountain Alpine Resort offer spectacular mountain views. Explore lush fern gullies in the Yarra Ranges National Park and Marysville State Forest. Enjoy sweeping lake views at Lake Eildon National Park and take in

the panorama of Melbourne's skyline from Kinglake National Park. Experience the breathtaking vistas from the summit of the Cathedral Range. And that's just for starters...

**Discover much more at [discoverdindi.com.au/walk](https://discoverdindi.com.au/walk)**



South Jawbone Peak

## 10 OF THE BEST

- \* South Jawbone Peak Track, Cathedral Range State Park
- \* Wirrawilla Rainforest Walk, Toolangi State Forest
- \* Strath Creek Falls Walk, Mt Disappointment State Forest
- \* Estate Spur Track, Lake Eildon National Park
- \* Marysville Forest Trails
- \* Lyrebird Circuit, Kinglake National Park
- \* Yea Wetlands Walk
- \* Rubicon Historic Area Aqueduct Walk, Rubicon Historic Area
- \* Murrindindi River Walk, Murrindindi Scenic Reserve
- \* Lake Mountain Summit Trail



Rubicon Valley Historic Area

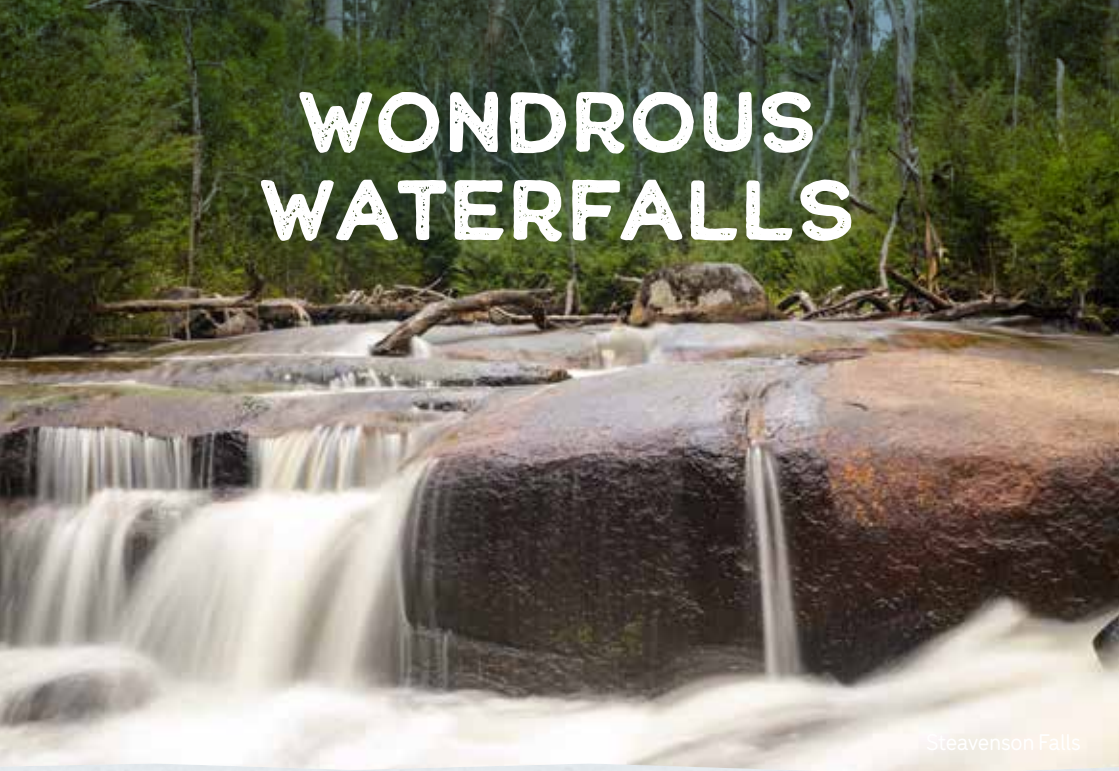


Wirrawilla Rainforest Walk



Estate Spur Track

# WONDROUS WATERFALLS



Steavenson Falls

Dozens of spectacular waterfalls are dotted throughout the Murrindindi region, each with a character and timeless beauty of its own. Some are easily accessible via a short stroll while others call for a little more effort to reap the rewards.



Steavenson Falls

@hunter\_posey

## DID YOU KNOW?

Steavenson Falls in Marysville are floodlit at night. An easy 700 metre walk will take you to an awe-inspiring view of one of Victoria's highest waterfalls. Plummeting 84 metres, the falls have been a favourite since the 1860s.

## 10 OF THE BEST

- \* Steavenson Falls, Marysville
- \* Masons Falls, Kinglake National Park
- \* Snobs Creek Falls, Snobs Creek
- \* Wilhelmina Falls, Murrindindi Scenic Reserve
- \* Cora Lynn Falls, Cambarville
- \* Keppel Falls and Phantom Falls, Marysville
- \* Strath Creek Falls, Mt Disappointment State Forest
- \* Murrindindi Cascades, Murrindindi Scenic Reserve
- \* Wombelano Falls, Kinglake National Park
- \* Rubicon Falls, Rubicon Valley Historic Area



Snobs Creek Falls



Wilhelmina Falls



Rubicon Falls @hunter\_posey

[discoverdindi.com.au/waterfalls](http://discoverdindi.com.au/waterfalls)



Keppel Falls

# SCENIC VIEWS



Head out to one of our awesome lookouts to capture that perfect shot. Or simply take some time to sit in quiet contemplation and savour Murrindindi's spectacular landscapes.

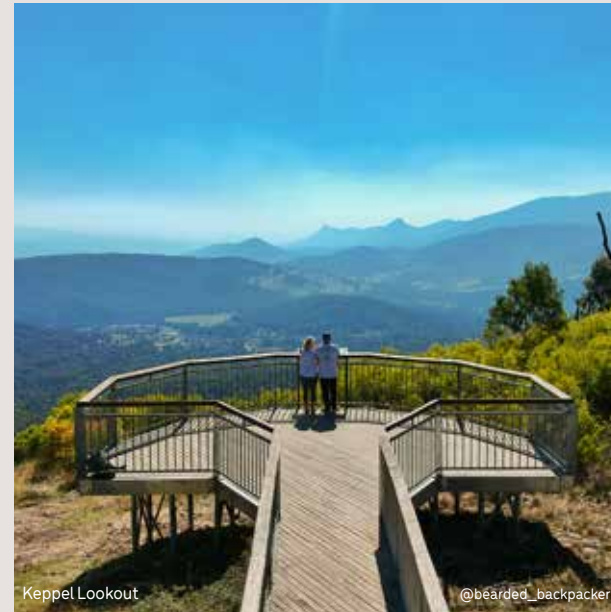
## DID YOU KNOW?

Murchison Gap is named after John Murchison the original squatter of Kerrisdale Station, one of the three original squatting runs in the district. The lookout at Murchison Gap commands breathtaking views of the 'Valley of a Thousand Hills' and the King Parrot Creek catchment.



Murchison Gap Lookout

@penphoto88



Keppel Lookout

@bearded\_backpacker



Acheron Cutting Lookout



Skyline Road Lookout



Mt. Torbreck

@danmorganfoto

## 5 OF THE BEST

- \* Murchison Gap Lookout, Strath Creek
- \* Frank Thomson Reserve, Kinglake
- \* Keppel Lookout, Marysville
- \* Foggs Lookout, Eildon
- \* Acheron Cutting Lookout, Alexandra

# RIDE DINDI

From a Great Victorian Rail Trail adventure with the family, to going it alone on a multi-day bush track escape - whatever style of cycling you're into Murrindindi has you covered.



Cascades Trail

## ROAD CYCLING

You'll love our country roads which offer many great rides and scenic loops. Murrindindi Cycle Club suggests:

- Alexandra loop via Skyline Road and Eildon Dam Wall
- Marysville Triangle Loop
- Eildon-Jamieson Road out and back



Lake Mountain 7 Peaks Climb

## MOUNTAIN BIKING

Murrindindi has some of the most varied terrain in close proximity to Melbourne and an ever-expanding range of tracks and trails to challenge riders. Check out:

- Buxton Mountain Bike Park – for flowing bush trails
- Lake Mountain Cascades Trail into Marysville
- Eildon – for a mix of trails for all ages and abilities



Buxton Mountain Bike Park

## GRAVEL RIDING

With more than 1,000 kms of unsealed roads, you're sure to find your piece of gravel paradise in Murrindindi.

- Alexandra loop via Maintongoon, Skyline and Sonnberg Road
- Yea circuit up into the Highlands via Molesworth, returning through Yarck on the rail trail
- Toolangi out and back to Murrindindi Scenic Reserve for an overnight camp



Acheron Cutting

# ·GREAT VICTORIAN· RAIL TRAIL

## GREAT VICTORIAN RAIL TRAIL

Whatever your ability, at 134kms the trail has options for everyone - from a short walk or ride to an old railway cutting, to a multi-day ride along the entire trail. Stop off along the trail to take in spectacular views and a series of art installations. Take a break or overnight stay in the townships of Yea, Molesworth, Yarck or Alexandra.



Cheviot Tunnel



Yea Station

[discoverdindi.com.au/ride](http://discoverdindi.com.au/ride)



We Scar Many Trees by Mick Harding

## DID YOU KNOW?

The Cheviot Tunnel, just outside of Yea, is Victoria's longest rail trail tunnel. It was constructed from an estimated 675,000 handmade bricks using local clay sourced from Quinlan's Pit, a quarry in a paddock just west of the tunnel. It's the perfect spot for that Instagram or Facebook photo.



Soul Train by Louise Paramor



Memory Palace 1 & 2 by Tai Snaith

# DINDI ADVENTURE



Black Spur

@tobias.clifford

*From mild to wild. Whether you are looking to unwind or push the limits, we've got all bases covered.*

For those who like to get their pulse racing there's climbing and abseiling in the Cathedral Ranges, jet skiing and kayaking on Lake Eildon, or trail bike riding and four-wheel driving at one of our state parks.

There are also plenty of options for those who prefer to turn it down a notch and quietly enjoy the surrounds. Play a round or two of golf or saddle up and head into the bush on a day or overnight horse ride.

Escape by car or bike to tour around Murrindindi. Take a scenic drive up and over the Great Divide, wind through lush rainforests, stop off at charming towns and villages and admire the stunning views from a lookout.

## 5 DRIVES TO TRY

- \* The famous Black Spur on the Maroondah Highway
- \* Wind down the Murchison Gap through Strath Creek and Flowerdale
- \* Alexandra to Eildon via Skyline Road
- \* A loop via the Highlands from Yea to Yarck
- \* Up and across the Kinglake Ranges



Toolangi State Forest

@sandy\_fiske



Gould Memorial Drive, Marysville



Goulburn River



Marysville Golf Club



# FISH DINDI



For seasonal information and local fishing tips:  
[www.vfa.vic.gov.au](http://www.vfa.vic.gov.au)  
[www.vrfish.com.au](http://www.vrfish.com.au)

Goulburn River, Thornton

## DID YOU KNOW?

The Victorian Fisheries Authority hatchery at Snobs Creek has produced and grown fish for recreational fisheries and conservation stockings for more than 70 years. The Snobs Creek Hatchery produces trout, salmon and native fish and is responsible for their release into Victorian waterways. To get a sneak peek behind the scenes, check out the Goulburn Fishing Festival.



Goulburn River, Alexandra

@gvflyfishing



@phamben



Eildon Pondage

@vanessaleewood

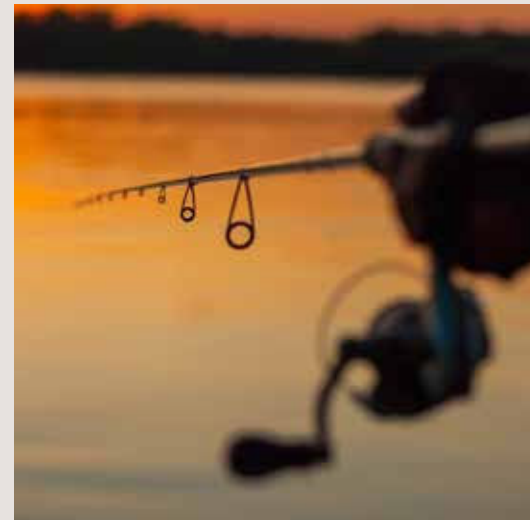
*Cool, clear waters. Crisp fresh air. Spectacular natural surrounds. It's no wonder Murrindindi is celebrated as a mecca for recreational fishing.*

Drop a line off the back of a boat at Lake Eildon or nab a spot at Eildon Pondage. For river fishing, it doesn't get much better than the Goulburn River - one of Victoria's premier fishing locations.

For those looking for a different challenge, there's also excellent fishing to be had in many of the local streams, including the Murrindindi River near Yea, the Rubicon River near Thornton and the Steavenson River at Marysville or Buxton.

Be sure to drop in to a local tackle store for the best advice, bait and a licence. BYO bragging rights and camera!

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## — TOP SPOTS —

- \* Eildon Pondage - open all year round and regularly restocked
- \* Goulburn River between Eildon and Thornton
- \* Acheron, Rubicon, Murrindindi and Steavenson Rivers
- \* King Parrot Creek - near Strath Creek, Kerrisdale or Flowerdale
- \* Lake Eildon
- \* Buxton Trout & Salmon Farm - guaranteed a fish!

# INSPIRATIONAL ART



Kin Playspace, Marysville

*Murrindindi has long been a magnet for artists seeking inspiration from the spectacular landscapes and natural environments of the mountains, rivers and forests.*

Painters, potters, sculptors and textile artists work from studios and workshops scattered throughout the villages and hamlets of the region. From internationally-lauded artists to local

artisans, the region offers a rich experience for the visitor seeking a unique art encounter.

Galleries and exhibitions can be found in many cafes, restaurants and stores which support and value the contribution local artists make to the community. What better way to admire these artworks than over a glass of local wine and a plate of regional produce – not to mention great coffee!

## — MUST DO —

- \* Visit MiRa at Marysville to check out the latest exhibition
- \* Browse the exhibitions at the annual art shows around the region
- \* Discover the fabulous sculptures and street art in our townships
- \* Explore the Dindi Arts Trail in Kinglake Ranges



Mirrongo by Christabel Wigley

## ART ON THE GREAT VICTORIAN RAIL TRAIL

Explore a journey of artistic discovery through beautiful Taungurung Country with a series of art installations situated along the length of the 134km Great Victorian Rail Trail.



MiRa



Dindi Arts Trail

# TASTE DINDI



*Pristine mountain water and rich, fertile soil are the lifeblood of Murrindindi and support a diverse range of boutique and specialist food and wine producers.*

## DID YOU KNOW?

More than 80% of Australia's trout is produced in the Murrindindi region

Within our valleys and high up on the ranges are passionate people farming rare breed pigs, goats, prime lamb and Angus beef. Along the rivers and estuaries are families producing some of Australia's finest trout, salmon and caviar.

Marry this produce with sensational cool-climate wines, pure honey, fresh berries and the finest olive oil and the table is set for a truly magnificent meal.

Our towns and villages have thriving food and wine scenes, with a great selection of produce stores, pubs, cafes and restaurants where you can sample the fabulous local produce on offer.

## MUST DO

- \* Pick your own raspberries, strawberries or cherries at one of our berry farms or orchards
- \* Celebrate end of vintage with our winemakers each May at the Murrindindi Wine Weekend
- \* Enjoy a decadent high tea at a heritage homestead or guest house

[discoverdindi.com.au/taste](https://discoverdindi.com.au/taste)



## COOL IS COOL

Murrindindi's cool climate produces elegant, food-friendly wines. Vines were first planted in the region in the 1970s and many of our family-owned and run wineries offer boutique cellar door experiences in some seriously cool surroundings.



# DINDI KIDS



Lake Mountain Alpine Resort



Steavenson River

@the\_bambyleafbrood

*There's plenty of fun to be had for the whole family in Murrindindi – including the four legged members of your tribe. A first bush camping experience, fishing from a river bridge, cycling the Rail Trail, snow play in the mountains, Murrindindi offers endless opportunities for kids to connect with nature.*



Kin Playspace

@gone\_on\_a\_journey



## — MUST DO —

- \* Go tobogganing at Lake Mountain Alpine Resort
- \* Visit the Alexandra Timber & Tramway Museum
- \* Camp amongst the gums by the river – don't forget the marshmallows
- \* Explore the interpretive centre at the Yea Wetlands Discovery Centre in Yea
- \* Catch your own fish at a trout farm or from a boat at Lake Eildon
- \* Cool off over summer in one of our local country swimming pools

Take the family for a day of play at Kinglake's Bollygum Adventure Playground or at the interactive, all-abilities Kin Playspace at Gallipoli Park in Marysville.

Lake Mountain Alpine Resort and the Yea Wetlands Discovery Centre have year-round family activities on offer and there's always heaps of fun to be had by the water at Lake Eildon.



Bollygum Adventure Playground

@ameliahudsonandco

# STAY DINDI



Cathedral Range State Park

Parks Victoria

*Pitch a tent beside a river and enjoy the serenity and gentle sounds of running waters and birdlife. Or rent a cottage for the weekend and curl up in front of an open fire with a board game, book and a glass or two of local red.*

You'll find a range of accommodation available throughout Murrindindi - from hotels and motels, self-contained cottages and cosy B&Bs, to scenic

camping, caravanning and farmstays.

For those who love to camp, you're spoilt for choice in Murrindindi with a great range of caravan parks and camping areas in state and national parks throughout the region.

Fraser and Jerusalem Creek camping areas at Lake Eildon National Park are great for access to the lake and surrounds. Cathedral

For more info on accommodation options contact one of our Visitor Information Centres

Range State Park, Marysville State Forest or The Gums in Kinglake National Park are the ideal place for bushwalking and nature enthusiasts. Try camping by the riverside at Murrindindi Scenic Reserve or in the Rubicon Valley Historic Area.



@holmesglen\_eildon



## HIDDEN GEM

The Murrindindi Scenic Reserve has six great camping areas spread out along the river. The kids will love exploring the Murrindindi River Walk and the magical Murrindindi Cascades.



@woodlandsrainforestretreat



@cheekyfoxretreat

# EVENTS & MARKETS



*From music festivals in the hills, art shows and open gardens, to picnic races and high action sport – discover the many events, markets and activities on offer in Murrindindi.*

## ANNUAL EVENTS

### JANUARY

- Alexandra Pro Rodeo
- Yea Rotary Art Show

### MARCH/APRIL

- Alexandra Rotary Easter Art Show
- Alexandra Easter Fair
- Eildon Easter Carnival
- Cycle Dindi



Eildon Twilight Market



Alexandra Pro Rodeo



Yea Picnic Races

To get up to date info about what's on where and when in Murrindindi visit [discoverdindi.com.au/whatson](http://discoverdindi.com.au/whatson)



Alexandra & District Open Garden Weekend

## ANNUAL EVENTS

### MAY/JUNE/JULY

- Murrindindi Beanie & Fibre Festival
- Alexandra Truck, Ute & Rod Show
- NAIDOC Week Celebrations

### SEPTEMBER

- Goulburn Fishing Festival
- Yea Garden Expo



Alexandra Truck Ute & Rod Show

## ANNUAL EVENTS

### OCTOBER

- Alexandra & District Open Garden Weekend

### NOVEMBER/DECEMBER

- Marysville Art Show
- Marysville Music Weekend
- Alexandra Spring Fair
- Alexandra Community Christmas Tree Festival

**Yea & Alexandra Picnic Races held throughout the year**



Marysville Music Weekend

@sean.clohesy

## MARKETS

- \* Alexandra Market
- \* Eildon Twilight Market
- \* Flowerdale Community Market
- \* Grant Street Market, Alexandra
- \* Kinglake Market
- \* Marysville Community Market
- \* Taggerty 4 Seasons Market
- \* Yarck Country Market
- \* Yea Railway Market

# DISCOVER DINDI



MELBOURNE TO MARYSVILLE

100km / 90 mins

MELBOURNE TO KINGLAKE

55km / 50 mins

MELBOURNE TO EILDON

140km / 120 mins

MELBOURNE TO YEА

110km / 90 mins

MELBOURNE TO ALEXANDRA

130km / 115 mins

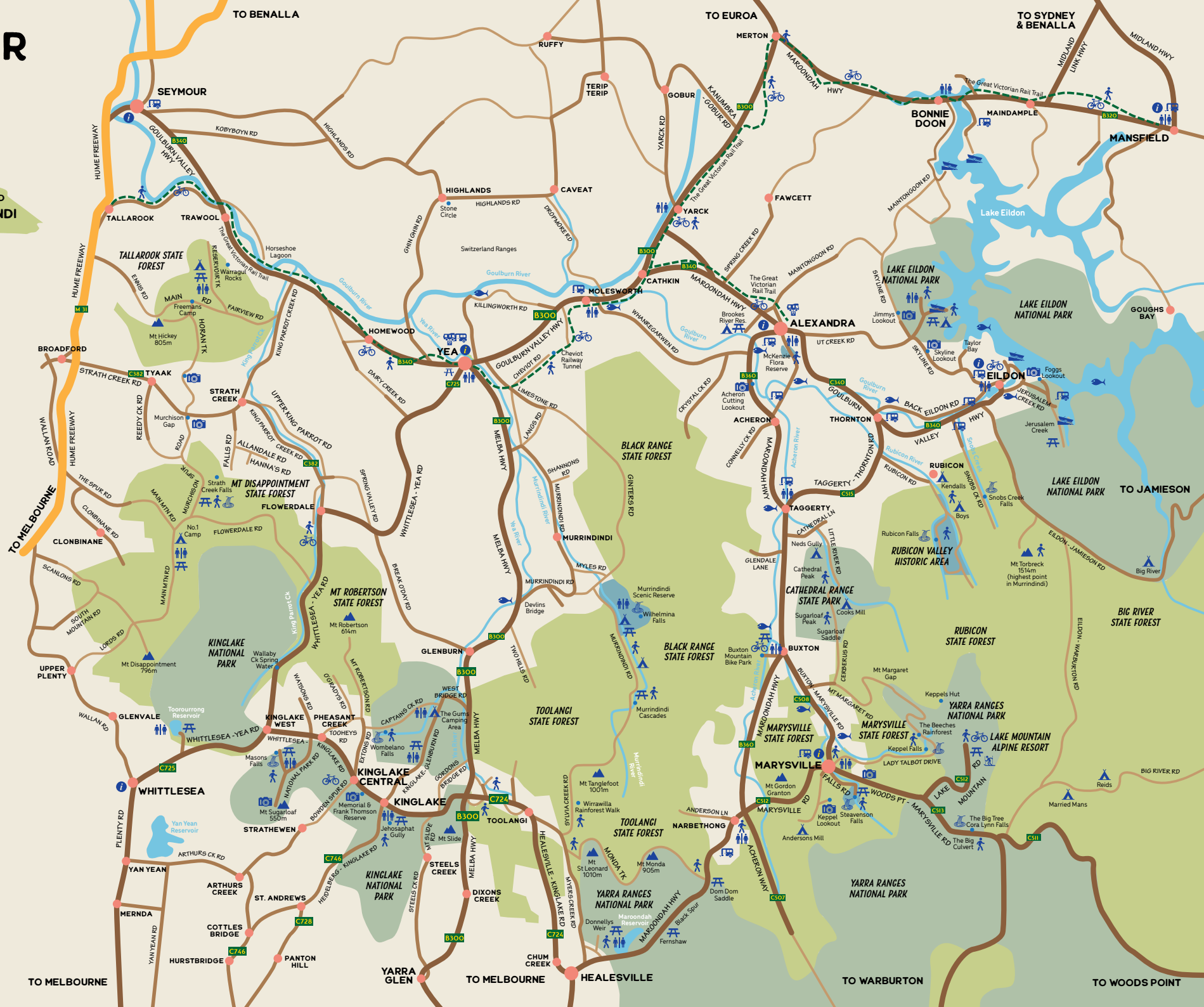
## LEGEND

- Caravan Park
- Dump Point
- Walking Trail
- Visitor Information
- Public Toilet
- Picnic Area
- Waterfall
- Fishing
- Camping
- Scenic View
- Mountain
- Boat Launching
- Cycling
- Winter Activities
- Major Road
- Sealed Road
- Unsealed Road
- Rail Trail
- State Forest
- National Park
- Other Parks
- Lake or river
- Places of Interest
- Towns



SCALE (KM)

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# VISITOR INFORMATION



## MiRa

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 W [www.miramarysville.com.au](http://www.miramarysville.com.au)  
 Open 10am – 4pm daily  
 (closed Christmas Day).

MiRa (Marysville Information + Regional Artspace) offers friendly tourist information, an exciting gallery and locally made artisan wares and produce. You'll be welcomed by volunteers with local tourism knowledge. Enjoy inspiring exhibitions, performances and creative workshops, all surrounded by Marysville's stunning natural beauty. 'Mira' means 'look'; the perfect connection between Tourism and Arts.

For up to date information on opening times and locations for all of our Visitor Centres head to [discoverdindi.com.au/visit](http://discoverdindi.com.au/visit)

## YEA WETLANDS DISCOVERY CENTRE

2 Hood Street, Yea  
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 E [info@yeawetlands.com.au](mailto:info@yeawetlands.com.au)  
 W [www.yeawetlands.com.au](http://www.yeawetlands.com.au)  
 Open 10am – 4pm daily  
 (closed Christmas Day & Good Friday)

The Yea Wetlands Discovery Centre incorporates a fully accredited Visitor Information Centre and interactive environmental interpretive displays to inform visitors about the importance of water resources and wetland ecology. Our friendly Visitor Services Team provide information on a wide range of activities, accommodation, dining options and travel directions. The Centre's gift shop stocks a great selection of quality wares and local produce.

*Start your Murrindindi journey by talking to a local volunteer at one of our Visitor Information Centres.*



## TRAVEL SAFE

If you are travelling or holidaying in Murrindindi over summer, make sure you're FireReady. Stay informed, be prepared. We suggest you:

- Download the VicEmergency app
- Bookmark [www.emergency.vic.gov.au](http://www.emergency.vic.gov.au)
- Save the VicEmergency Hotline 1800 226 226 – into your mobile phone
- Make sure your mobile phone has a fully charged battery
- Check the Fire Danger Rating for your destination
- Total Fire Ban & Campfire Info - Can I or Can't I? [www.cfa.vic.gov.au](http://www.cfa.vic.gov.au)
- Listen to ABC or Murrindindi Emergency Radio UGFM 88.9 - 106.9
- For bushfire safety tips for hikers and campers, and park and forest closure information, visit Parks Victoria [www.parkweb.vic.gov.au](http://www.parkweb.vic.gov.au)
- In an emergency always call 000

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