EILDON & SURROUNDS

WHERE THE MOUNTAINS MEET THE WATERS





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. A nature lovers paradise, the vibe out here is relaxed, friendly and fun.

Pleasure boaters and fishing enthusiasts share the waterways with those aboard houseboats and families camping by the rivers. Surrounded by national park and state forest and connected by pristine rivers, the magnificent Lake Eildon is the centerpiece of this much-loved holiday destination.

- HIGHLIGHTS —

For those who enjoy outdoor activities, water-sports and fishing, Eildon and surrounds offers great camping, bushwalking and angling experiences. Top spots to explore include Lake Eildon National Park and the Rubicon State Forest for loads of wildlife, and stunning wildflowers in spring and summer.

MUST DO

* Eildon Dam Wall – M30
* Snobs Creek Falls – MM31
* Eildon Pondage Walk – K18
* Rubicon Valley Historic Area – NN29



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Lake Eildon National Park Bushwalking and camping by the lake.

- HISTORY & HERITAGE -

100 KNO4 In the 1860s gold was discovered in the region and the small town of Darlingford was established in a beautiful valley watered by the Goulburn and Delatite Rivers. The township of Darlingford was flooded to construct the Sugarloaf Reservoir in the late 1920s, and the Sugarloaf Reservoir dam wall still exists under the waters of Lake Eildon today.

FUN FACTS

Lake Eildon has:

- * 515 kms of shoreline
- * 13,840 hectares of waterways
- * 3,334,158 mega litres capacity
- * 6 times more capacity than Sydney Harbour

- CAMPING -

There are a range of campsites available in the Lake Eildon National Park and Rubicon State Forest.

Find out more at <u>parks.vic.gov.au</u> or download the 'More to Explore' app. The region also has a great selection of caravan parks.



- DRIVES -

The towns and villages of Eildon and surrounds are easily accessible via the Maroondah and Goulburn Valley Highways.

DON'T MISS

* Eildon to Alexandra via Skyline Road – E16 * Alexandra-Thornton-Eildon – II26 * Black Spur to Eildon – YY21







In the 1950s the Big Eildon Project

storage capacity and Lake Eildon

commenced to increase the

was officially opened in 1956.

purposes and for domestic

water supply. It also provides

Water is released from the lake

for irrigation and environmental

hydroelectric power generation.

WATERFALLS & LOOKOUTS -----

Discover the many breathtaking views to be found across the lake and from high atop the surrounding ridgelines. Picture perfect photo opportunities await at every turn.

DISCOVER

* Foggs Lookout at Mt Pinniger – Q32 * Eildon Dam Wall – M30 * Mount Torbreck Summit – 0032



---- WALKS -----

Rubicon Valley

Historic Area

Lake Eildon National Park has a variety of walks to suit all abilities. The Perfect Cure Creek Nature Walk or the Wallaby Bay Track will appeal to families while the Grade 3 Blowhard Spur Circuit offers greater challenges to more experienced hikers.





Eildon Pondage Walk

A gentle walk for Aqueducts Walk A beginners or those scenic 7 km return with little ones or furry friends in tow. It's also a popular Power Station cycle loop.



Mount Torbreck Summit Walk The track is 4.2 km return to the summit of Mount walk to the Rubicon Torbreck rising to an Dam from the Royston altitude of 1516 metres.

RIDES —

Eildon and surrounds offers a great range of cycling opportunities to suit all ages and skill levels. From scenic road cycling to adrenaline charged mountain bike trails - we've got you covered!



Gravel

With hundreds of kilometres of unsealed roads, you're sure to find your gravel paradise. Check out the Rubicon Valley Historic area loop via Rubicon River Road and Royston Road - home to the Gravel Camp event.



FISHING

Cool, clear waters. Crisp fresh air. Spectacular natural surrounds. Eildon and surrounds is one of Victoria's premier destinations for recreational fishing.

TOP SPOTS

* Rubicon River –LL29



Road

You'll love our country roads which offer many great rides and scenic loops. Rides to try:

* Skyline Road

* Big River Road

Mountain

Eildon Mountain Bike Park features a mix of challenging, 'old school' single tracks and newly designed easier loops for beginner riders to enjoy some thrills and spills.







FAMILY —



Eildon and surrounds is a great place for families to enjoy the outdoors, relax and have some good old-fashioned fun. From a first-time camping or fishing experience to a luxury weekend away on a houseboat.



All sorts of water-sports beckon - try your hand at kayaking. canoeing, wakeboarding, stand up paddle boarding and water skiing, or cool off with a relaxing swim. Equipment and boat hire is available.

EVENTS & MARKETS —

DON'T MISS

* Eildon Twilight Market * Opera at the Eildon Pondage * Goulburn Fishing Festival

For more information on the great events and markets on offer in Eildon and surrounds, visit discoverdindi.com.au







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We are proud to acknowledge the Taungurung 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 culture of this land.