

Melbourne to Sydney

Golf, walking trails & natural heritage

A Leg 1: Melbourne to Bendigo 150km, 1 hour 30 minutes

Explore bushland surrounding Bendigo via cycle and hiking tracks that weave through the forests and pass historic mining sites. Go underground at Central Deborah Gold Mine, ride a horse through native bushland or start your day with a hot air balloon ride. The Bendigo district is home to five golf courses. Belvoir Park Golf Club is set within bushland and granite hills. Bendigo Golf Club is a challenging 18 hole course with resident kangaroos. Eaglehawk Golf Club has 18 holes with grass greens and Heathcote Golf Club weaves around native gum trees.

B Leg 2: Bendigo to Yarrawonga-Mulwala 250km, 2 hours 30 minutes

Today you will discover the Murray River region where every town boasts championship rated sand belt golf courses. At Yarrawonga-Mulwala you will find the largest public access

golfing complex in the Southern hemisphere with 45 holes. The natural beauty of the Murray River can be experienced by following hiking trails through the Barmah Forest, Ulupna Island and around the foreshore of Lake Mulwala. Enjoy lake and river cruises or hire a kayak and pilot your own adventure. Take a little time to explore this iconic area. Your trip to your evening destination of Yarrawonga-Mulwala will take you through farmland where many farms are open to the public for fruit picking, wine tasting, cheese tasting... the list goes on.

C Leg 3: Yarrawonga-Mulwala to Albury-Wodonga (125km, 1 hour 15 minutes)

It is a short journey to Albury-Wodonga. Beautifully set amid rolling valleys, these two towns truly capture the life of the Murray River. Fishing can be enjoyed at the Murray and Mitta Mitta rivers and at Lake Hume. There is no shortage of golfing around Albury-Wodonga. Each course offers a unique golf experience, stunning scenery and world class facilities. Commercial Albury Golf Club has a quality 18 hole course and Featherstone Golf Course is an 18 hole course set

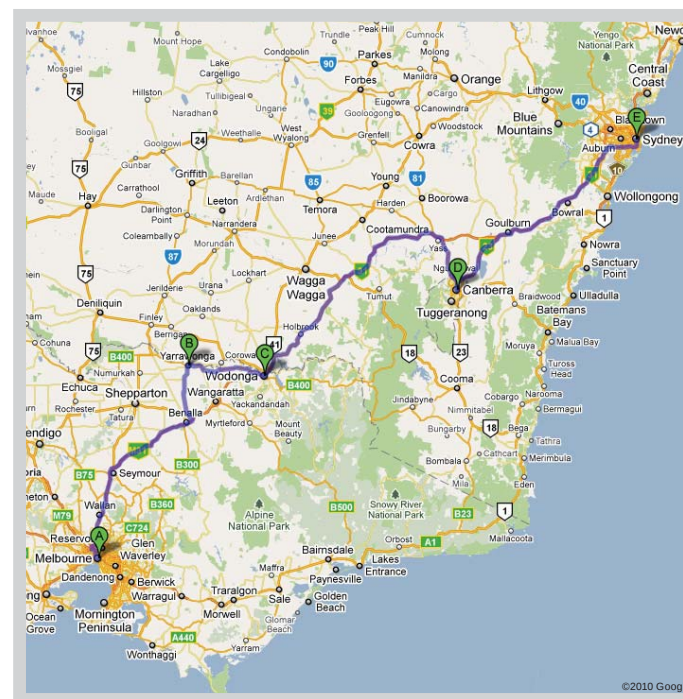
against the backdrop of Nail Can Hill. Thurgoona Country Club Resort is an 18 hole gem and the Wodonga Country Club offers a challenging championship course.

D Leg 4: Albury-Wodonga to Canberra 345km, 4 hours

Take the Hume Highway north to the national capital, Canberra. Admire colourful wildflowers and enjoy surrounding forests that are home to native plant and animal species. Mountain bike riding and horse riding are permitted in areas along the formed fire trails. At Namadgi National Park, Indigenous rock art and Aboriginal shelters are easily accessible. Tee off on one of the quality golf courses, or take off at dawn to float over the city in a hot air balloon. Hire a bike, paddleboat, surf ski, or canoe to explore Lake Burley Griffin and its surrounds, or scale Black Tower for spectacular 360-degree views of Canberra and the region.

E Leg 5: Canberra to Sydney 280km, 3 hours

Before leaving the Canberra region consider visiting the Botanic Gardens, dedicated to Australian



native plants. The drive to Sydney offers numerous opportunities to get off the freeway and explore towns and villages with fascinating history in some very picturesque settings. Close to Sydney, the Southern Highlands are well worth exploring.

Things you need to know

Australians drive on the left. However, it does take only a small amount of time to adjust - just remember, passenger on the kerb side! Observe the law and drive safely.

Driver's licence

You must be licensed and carry your licence with you when you are driving in Australia, or you will incur an on-the-spot fine. If your licence is not in English, you must carry an English translation.

Seat belts

All passengers must use seatbelts at all times. Baby capsules or child restraints must be used for all children.

Speed limits

You must not drive at a speed over the posted limit (check signs along the roads). In most towns the limit is 50 km per hour and on freeways it will vary between 60-110km.

Alcohol & driving

For fully licensed car drivers the legal limit is 0.05 g/100ml. Australian Police are authorised to stop any vehicle and breath test the driver at any time.

Mobile phones

It is illegal to drive or ride a vehicle while using a hand-held mobile phone. It is also illegal to perform these activities when your vehicle is stopped but not parked, such as when you are waiting at traffic lights. The penalty is a significant fine.

Driver fatigue

It is recommended that for every two hours of driving you stop and rest for 15 minutes - distances between towns and cities may be far greater than you are accustomed.

Country driving

Constantly be on the alert for dangerous situations and drive at a speed that suits the conditions. Watch for:

- Potholes and rough surfaces
- Soft or broken road edges
- Single lane bridges
- Road surfaces changing without notice
- Livestock or wildlife crossing the road (particularly near sunrise or near sunset).
- Very large trucks (road trains).

IMPORTANT CONTACT NUMBERS



Ambulance/Fire/Police: 000

Don't forget:

Hat, sunscreen, walking shoes, insect repellent, windproof/waterproof jacket, water bottle and most important a sense of adventure.

Distance /km	Adelaide	Brisbane	Cairns	Canberra	Darwin	Hobart	Melbourne	Perth	Sydney
Adelaide	-	2127	2845	1212	3225	1007	755	2713	1422
Alice Springs	1693	3064	2435	2905	1532	2700	2448	3772	2960
Brisbane	2127	-	1826	1331	3582	1927	1675	4427	1027
Cairns	2845	1826	-	3157	2953	3753	3501	4727	2853
Canberra	1212	1331	3157	-	4233	903	651	3925	304
Darwin	3225	3582	2953	4233	-	4232	3580	4283	4095
Hobart	1007	1927	3753	903	4232	-	252	3720	1145
Melbourne	755	1675	3501	651	3580	252	-	3468	893
Perth	2713	4427	4727	3925	4283	3720	3468	-	4135
Sydney	1422	1027	2853	304	4095	1145	893	4135	-

