

TIMBOON



Camperdown Timboon Rail Trail

2 days in a world away

A family taste of Timboon

Timboon has all the ingredients for a fresh family adventure just 17km north of Victoria's Great Ocean Road. How you put your holiday recipe together is up to you. We suggest plenty of tasting, a pinch of salt and if it suits your taste reach for the extra ingredients.

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Drop by and tune in before you arrive

Follow our social accounts for regional tempters and build up the excitement in your household. We invite you to join in our live video crosses; ask a question and tell us what you want to see next. Need some extra detail? Be sure to give our Visitor Information Centre a call on 1300 137 255 for more tips, tricks and hacks to make the most of your visit.

Our itinerary is a feast for the eyes and the tastebuds. Need to elevate the social and selfie game before you arrive? **Check out our regional photographic tips here!**

🎵 You know all the best adventures begin with a soundtrack. Tune into our **Songs in the key of Timboon playlist**, slow drifting big flavoured spine tinglers and earthy artisan rockers to prepare you for your world away.



Berry World



Berry Good Thai

Stop and play on the way

Timboon is located 217 km and 2 hours 40 mins from Melbourne via the Princes Hwy and 291 km and 4 hours 20 mins from Melbourne via the Great Ocean Road. It is also connected via a daily train and bus link (or train and rail trail link) from Southern Cross Station via **Camperdown**.

Will you meander along the **Great Ocean Road** or make a bee line along the Princes Highway for a stopover on Victoria's **Volcanic Lakes and Plains**? No need to choose, you can always arrive one way and leave the other. Now where will you stop for breakfast?

DAY 1: MORNING



Timboon Trestle Bridge

While many roads lead to Timboon it is a trail that has become the heart of the town. Your family taste of Timboon begins with a ride (run or stroll) under the tall timber and emerald canopy of the **Camperdown-Timboon Rail Trail**. Stretch the legs, clear the head, and unwind together on a journey that traverses fern shrouded historic trestle bridges along the course of the Curdies river.

The distance is up to you. Bring your own bikes or hire bikes, e bikes and even a picnic hamper from **Ride with Us** or Timboon e bike hire.

DAY 1: LUNCH



Timboon Railway Shed Distillery



Timboon Ice Creamery

Now you've worked up an appetite park your bike and step out onto the deck at **Timboon Railway Shed Distillery**. Book ahead for sittings at 11 am, 12, 1 and 2 pm. The menu encourages sharing and showcases local produce, if in doubt you can always trust the **Chef's plate**.

Stay for a sweet treat or forage for dessert choices around town. After all, **Timboon Ice Creamery** is just across the creek, **Berry World** a short drive up the Snake Track and we suspect the kids have already eyed off **A Little bit O Sweet** across the road.

DAY 1: WELCOME TO TOWN



The Corner Store Timboon



Milk and Honey

The first thing you will notice about Timboon is that smiles are genuine and frequent. Locals love the increasing interest in their little town and can't wait to share it with you. The main commercial precinct is small and full of surprises with some businesses taking advantage of the village green that runs behind the shops. Sample the wares of **Milk and Honey** and enjoy the scents, crystals, artwork and sushi of **Carramar Sage**.

Cross the road to **Corner Store** and continue around the block past the entrance to Power Creek Reserve, **Wylde Home Timboon**, A'becketts Creek Cooperage and the Railway View Hotel.

DAY 1: AFTERNOON



Bay of Islands Coastal Park



This afternoon you are heading south to towards Port Campbell via **Schulz Organic Creamery and Café**. Don't miss the elegant touch of patisserie chef Hila Perry (Vue de Monde, Dinner by Heston, Fat Duck and Bibelot) turning premium Schulz Organic Dairy and local ingredients into tasty works of art.

The coastline of Port Campbell is spectacular and demands a closer look. Drop into **Port Campbell Visitor Information Centre** to pick up binoculars and perhaps a telescope to discover the wonders of the night sky from the comfort of the deck of your accommodation tonight. Windy day? Better grab an anemometer too. You can check details of our **12 Apostles Visitor Inspiration Program** here.

Cross the suspension bridge and climb the steps to cliff level for a 4km return walk to remember on the **Port Campbell Discovery Walk**.

Continue west along the Great Ocean Road to explore the **Arch, London Bridge** and the **Grotto**. Don't be surprised as you approach Peterborough to observe fast dropping specks in the sky transform into colorful parachutes as some lucky visitors experience the moment of a lifetime with Skydive 12 Apostles

Stop if you dare or continue across the bridge to the beautiful estuary township of Peterborough. Check out the golf course, grab a hot drink and continue further west to the **Bay of Martyrs, Bay of Islands** and the imposing **Boat Bay**.

Return east through Peterborough and turn left at the airfield to make your way back to Timboon and your accommodation.

DAY 1: EVENING



The Corner Store Timboon



Berry Good Thai

Pick up a ready to heat gourmet treat from the Corner Store Timboon, some **Berry Good Thai** ready to go from **Berry World** (dine in Thurs – Sun) stroll across to the **Railway View Hotel** or indulge your inner chef and cook up a storm with locally sourced ingredients.

Time to unwind and stage a celestial intervention.....If the skies are clear rug up switch out the lights and get ready to explore the wonders of our southern skies.

Spice rack

Take a leap to remember together with **Skydive 12 Apostles**.

Spice it up with **Berry Good Thai**.

Download a stargazing app and start getting excited about what you might find in our southern night skies try **Starwalk 2**, **Skyview** or **Stellarium**.

More salt

Take a lazy stroll on the **Peterborough – Bay of Martyrs trail** and prepare to explore secluded beaches only accessible from the trail. Check tide and ocean conditions with **Port Campbell Visitor Information Centre** and get ready to explore rock pools, secluded coves and idyllic beaches.

Fish and Chips on the beach or in a car overlooking the beach in Port Campbell.

Stay for sunset you won't regret it!

Healthiest options

Pack the runners take all the steps and get the heart racing together on one of our favourite trail runs check out our **Peterborough Bay of Martyrs return video**.

Alternate lunch option at **Carramar Sage** for Sushi for chia bowls, dumplings or a yummy smoothie

If you're here on a Saturday morning join with locals for a bit of puff and a chat along the rail trail as part of **Timboon parkrun**.

Mindful moments

Sweet smell of eucalyptus, dappled light shifting across ghostly smooth trunks of Mountain ash. So many shades of green and textures, feel the drop in temperature and tune in to bird song and water bubbling along the course of **Power Creek**.



DAY 2: MORNING



With your eyes and Instagram accounts abuzz from last night's golden hour, sunset and lunar crater shots you could be forgiven for thinking yesterday would be impossible to top.

Today you can look forward to more tasty treats, iconic clifftop trails and the opportunity to walk together on two of the most spectacular beaches on the planet.

Throw open the windows and listen! The birdsong of every destination is unique. Timboon's is a sweet reminder of the tall forest and rural valley surrounds amplified by the lack of traffic and background noise. Listen for Magpie, Kookaburra, Rosella, Currawong, Grey shrike thrush and Corella.

We are going to get the blood flowing early this morning and suggest a walk or run before breakfast? Our pick is the **Timboon Tall timber trail run video** that begins at the Timboon pool.

DAY 2: LUNCH



No matter what you choose for lunch no visit to Timboon is complete without taking a look at Berry World Timboon pick fresh sweet strawberries from November till April and treat yourself to delicious Thai Meals all year round from Tuesday till Sunday.

Other options include Fat Cow Food co, Timboon Provedore, Railway View Hotel, Carramar Sage or keep it simple and quick with Timboon Take Away or a bite at the Bakery in the main street or you could skip straight north to **Keayang Maar vineyard** for Pizza Wed - Sun with a view over vines and volcanic hills.

DAY 2: AFTERNOON



Mount Noorat



Milk and Honey

With lunch in the belly it is time to browse and finalise a purchase to remember your adventure with. Something for the house? To wear, to taste, to smell or even something to listen to?

Don't despair as you wave goodbye to Timboon we saved a couple of volcanic blasts for last. Enjoy the drive north towards Terang for a real taste of terroir at the perfectly perched Keayang Maar winery.

Continue north across the Princes Hwy at **Terang** en route to a Volcanic ramble to atop **Mount Noorat**. Look from the crater rim down into one of Australia's best preserved dry craters and enjoy expansive views across our Volcanic Lakes and Plains past nearby peaks to the distant bulk of the Grampians and Mt Buninyong near Ballarat. Check out our **Mount Noorat morning trail run video**.



Loch Ard Gorge



Wylde Home Timboon

Happy trails!

We wish you well on your journey home and hope you will visit again soon. Tag us in your photos and let us know what you thought. Need a reason to visit again? Check out some of our suggested extra ingredients and follow updates and announcements to make sure your family are among the first to experience the **12 Apostles Trail** when completed.

Spice rack

See the coast from the air with **12 Apostles Helicopters** and gain an aerial perspective of one of the world's most spectacular coastlines.

Enjoy an amazing close encounter with the Australian Dingo at the **Great Ocean Road Wildlife Park and Dingo Awareness Centre**.

Leave your car at the 12 Apostles and organize a transfer to the **Gables lookout** with **Ride With Us** for an epic 19km walk to remember on the Great Ocean Walk.

More salt

Don't miss the opportunity to take a morning stroll you will never forget (tide and ocean swell permitting) on the mighty **Gibson Steps beach** and stand beneath the hulking limestone giants **Gog and Magog**.

Healthiest options

Pack the runners for an unforgettable run or walk on the edge of wild nature **Loch Ard Gorge morning trails video**.

Brought the bikes? jump on your roadies and cut a couple of laps of the picturesque **Timboon shorty circuit**.

Didn't bring the bikes this time and want to check out our favourite **Wild Rides?**

Indulge

Loved our playlist? Considering an audio upgrade? Treat your ears and eyes to the acoustic and aesthetic bliss of Australia's finest handcrafted micro speaker manufacturer **Alderwood Speakers** proudly made in nearby **Cobden**. Drop in on your way north to the Princes Highway

Mindful moments

Head in the clouds, wind in your hair, salt on your tongue. Embrace a moment together at the sculptural interface of a seascape carved from ancient limestone. Feel the sand between your toes and tune in to the soothing rumble of sea on sand and stone.