

Rutherglen (VIC) 5L contains rich wines, deep soul and character, the powerful Murray, ancient river Redgums, idyllic pastoral scenes and historic villages. It has cutting edge cuisine and diverse quality accommodation, great festivals and genuine characters. James Halliday, Australia's premier wine commentator said: "One of

the truly great wine tourism destinations". The region embraces 19 members of The Winemakers of Rutherglen and 3 boutique wineries, each with its own history and expertise, collectively can provide you with a mixed case that will ensure lasting memories of your visit to this wine wonderland iust off the Murray.

Howlong (NSW) 5L The scenic approaches to the border town of Howlong follow the winding Murray and billabongs festooned with pelicans and waterfowl. This is mixed farming country where tell-tale mullock heaps stand witness to the days when miners wrung gold from the ground. Two of Howlong's Inns built in the 1870s have long since been converted into private homes, but you

can still get a drink at the Court House Hotel, which also dates back to the 19th century. The town's unusual name is almost certainly a corruption of the Hoolong cattle run established by Isaac Rudd in the 1840s.

Albury (NSW) Wodonga (VIC) 5L sits either side of the Murray where the nation's busiest highway (the Hume) crosses. As a meeting point of contrasts and cultures, its significance stretches way back to the first Aboriginal inhabitants who gathered here (before Europeans). Being on the natural border between the two oldest and strongest colonies New South Wales and Victoria,

Albury and Wodonga grew up as both river port and rail head. Magnificent parklands and reserves surround Albury Wodonga. The century old, award winning Botanic Gardens at the top end of Albury's main street are beautifully manicured and cared for and well worth a visit. In summertime, the Murray parklands offer relief from balmy days along with Noreuil Park by the river.

Hume Reservoir (NSW) 5L 2,225 km from the Murray Mouth.

Construction commenced 28 November 1919 and completed 1936. The primary role of the Hume Reservoir and dam is for water conservation, regulation and supply. Secondary, hydroelectric power generation and flood mitigation. The storage also

regulates releases from the Snowy Mountains Scheme to better match downstream demand

Corryong (VIC) 6N is the largest township within Towong Shire. The township offers visitors great variety of shopping, accommodation, eateries, self drive tours and sporting facilities. Situated on the Murray Valley Highway, the setting is incredibly peaceful. There are many lookouts presenting magnificent views of Corryong and its surrounding valleys. Explore the Man from Snowy River Museum,

visit the grave of "The Man from Snowy River" - Jack Riley - and participate in an annual celebration of this Australian legend at the Man from Snowy River Bush Festival.

Dartmouth Dam (VIC) 6M Capacity: 4 million megalitres. Dartmouth Dam impounds the waters of the Mitta Mitta River and feeds into the Hume Reservoir about 24 km from the township of Mitta Mitta in north eastern Victoria. It is the largest capacity dam in Victoria and the highest structure of its kind in Australia.

Kosciuszko National Park

Tallangatta Towong Walwa

Mitta Mitta

## Discover Murray Facts

- The Murray is the third longest navigable river in the world, after the Amazon and Nile
- Total length 2.520 kilometres (MDBA)
- The Murray is continuously navigable for 1986 kilometres from Yarrawonga to Goolwa
- Only river in the world to have its own flag 1853
- Spans three states Victoria, New South Wales & South Australia
- There are 4 major dams, 16 storage weirs and 15 navigable locks
- The Murray Cod has been known to weigh up to 250kg.
- The longest annual canoe race in the world is held between Yarrawonga to Swan Hill - 404 km over 5 days
- The Murray has the world's largest Red Gum forest and Ibis rookery
- Aboriginal occupation dates back over 40,000 years
- The Murray is a mecca for golfers with 37 golf courses in the region
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settlement and exploitation of the river's water supply.

In 1918, a commission was formed to manage water supply and it also coordinated the construction of storages, locks and weirs to reduce the effects of drought and flood. Today, the water flow is still managed by these locks and weirs on the river from Yarrawonga in Victoria to Blanchetown (Lock 1) in South Australia. Millions of people rely on the Murray as a source of water for domestic and industrial use and it plays a significant part in Australia's economy.

A diverse range of species can be found living in the basin. including emus, koala, Western Grev kangaroos, Bearded Dragon lizards, red-rumped parrots, black swans, pelicans. The Murray contains a range of freshwater fish such as the famous Murray Cod. Bream, Perch, Redfin along with the Murray River Yabbie.

The redgum fringed reaches of the Murray River attract more campers than any other part of Australia. Naturally, water sports are one of the main attractions with a wide range on offer including water skiing, swimming and canoeing. The entire Murray River has much to offer. Explore the great outdoors in one of the many forests, marvel at the beauty of the wetlands or simply sit back and enjoy the tranquillity of Australia's greatest river, The Murray. Happy and safe travelling on the Discover Murray River Trail.

To experience the diversity of the Murray is truly amazing. It will touch your soul. Enjoy your Great Murray Experience.

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