

# RELAX, RIDE, DISCOVER

EMBARK ON A TOP-NOTCH CYCLING EXPERIENCE! JOIN US ON A UNIQUE JOURNEY THROUGH EAST GIPPSLAND, WHERE YOU WILL EXPLORE THE EAST GIPPSLAND RAIL TRAIL AND GIPPSLAND LAKES DISCOVERY TRAIL AND SO MUCH MORE!



Hi 

I'm Michelle, I will be your support throughout this trip!



Thank you for choosing Snowy River Cycling!  
This carefully crafted tour combines my local expertise with the best trail riding and regional experiences to ensure an unforgettable adventure.

Below, you'll find key information to help you prepare for your ride—but don't worry, everything is taken care of for you.

This is a truly hassle-free experience, so you can simply ride, relax, and enjoy the journey!

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# RELAX, RIDE, DISCOVER TOUR

*East Gippsland, Victoria*

## Day 1 - Arrival day

12pm Arrive in Orbost - 17 Browning Street. Parking for duration.

12:30pm Transfer to Paynesville

2pm Check into Accommodation

3.15 - 5pm Koala walk or ride

5:00pm Time to refresh

6:30pm Dinner



## Day 2 -

7:30am Breakfast

9am Transfer to Bairnsdale

9.30am Start East Gippsland Rail Trail

11am Arrive at Nicholson River Winery 13.5km

12pm Ride to Bruthen 22.7km

2pm Lunch and honey tasting at Tambo Valley Honey

3:30pm Transfer to back to Bairnsdale

4pm Check into accommodation - Riversleigh

4.30pm Time to refresh

6:30pm Dinner at Cinnamon



## Day 3 -

7:30am Breakfast at Riversleigh

8:30am Transfer to Bruthen

9:30am Ride Bruthen to Log Crossing 21.6km

10am Morning Tea at Bruce Rd Crossing

10.30am Ride to Wyanga Park Winery 9.6km

12pm Lunch at Wyanga Park Winery

2pm Boat Cruise to Lakes Entrance

3:15pm Arrive in Lakes Entrance

3:30pm Check into Bellevue

Time to refresh/relax

6:30pm Dinner at Soda Fish



## Day 4 -

- 7.30am Breakfast at Albert & Co
- 8.30am Optional Morning Walk to Entrance (5km return) or free time
- 11am Depart for Metung
- 12pm Lunch at Metung Bakery
- 1:30pm Bathing at Metung Hot Springs
- 3:30pm Visit Griffiths Sea Shell Museum and Marine Display
- 5:00p, Down time
- 6:30pm Dinner at Kalimna Hotel



## Day 5 -

- 7.30am Breakfast at Albert & Co
- 9am Ride Lakes Entrance to Nowa Nowa 38.5km  
(option to be transferred 8km or 16km back to trail)
- 12pm Lunch at Nowa Nowa
- 1pm Ride Nowa Nowa to Tostaree
- 2pm Activity
- 3pm Check into Accommodation
- 6pm Dinner



## Day 6 -

- 7.30am Breakfast
- 8.30am Ride Tostaree to Orbost (morning tea along way)
- 12:30pm Lunch in Orbost  
Transfer to Marlo.
- 2pm Freshen Up
- 3pm Tour of Cape Conran
- 6pm Dinner at Marlo Hotel



## Day 7 -Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March

- 8am Breakfast at Local Marlo
- Tour concluded



## What to Bring

Luggage: Luggage is limited to 1 bag per person, weighing no more than 15 kg. Additional grocery size bag for shoes etc is fine.

### Your Bike:

- A mountain, hybrid, gravel grinder or cyclocross bike - any bike that will suit gravel tracks. We recommend a minimum tyre width of at least 32 mm and at least some depth / chunkiness for cushioning and grip.
- Approved cycle helmet
- Water bottle – minimum 1
- Spare tube (correct size, not old and perished) – even if you don't know how to replace it
- Small day pack, pannier or other bike bag to carry jumper/ snack / camera as you ride. (hired bikes come with rack and pannier to put stuff in)
- A few plastic bags to put wet things in to stop damp spreading from wet towels or clothing.
- E-bike charger if applicable
- If your wearing cleats make sure you pack walking shoes as well.

### What to wear:

- Comfortable cycling clothes for both cool and warm weather.
- A thermal top and legs in case weather gets cold.
- Warm jumper
- Water proof jacket (waterproof pants also recommended if the forecast looks damp)
- Casual clothes for après and semi formal clothes for dinner
- Bathers

### Keeping comfortable

- Sunglasses are recommended to protect your eyes from grit and glare
- Sunscreen
- Insect repellent. (At some times of year the mosquitoes in the forest are very persistent!)
- Toiletries and personal effects

### Keeping well:

- Basic medications such as soothing ointments, painkillers., bandaids

### Your Medications:

Carry a sufficient supply of all medications even if they are ones you use only occasionally.

Any question please don't hesitate to get in touch



## East Gippsland Rail Trail: A Scenic Journey Through History

The East Gippsland Rail Trail is a picturesque and historically rich cycling and walking path that stretches approximately 100 kilometers through the heart of Victoria, Australia. Following the route of the former railway line between Bairnsdale and Orbost, the trail offers a unique blend of natural beauty and historical significance.

### History

The rail trail traces the route of the Bairnsdale to Orbost railway, which began operations in 1916, connecting the towns and facilitating the transport of goods and passengers across East Gippsland. This railway played a crucial role in the region's development, linking remote communities and supporting local industries. With the decline of rail transport in the late 20th century, the line was decommissioned, and the track was repurposed into the scenic rail trail we enjoy today.

### Highlights

**Scenic Beauty:** The trail meanders through a diverse range of landscapes, from lush forests and serene wetlands to open farmlands and charming rural vistas. Riders and walkers are treated to spectacular views of the region's natural beauty, including the the majestic Snowy River.

**Historical Landmarks:** Along the trail, you'll encounter remnants of the old railway infrastructure and trestle bridges. These landmarks offer a glimpse into the area's rich railway heritage.

**Wildlife and Flora:** The East Gippsland Rail Trail is a haven for nature enthusiasts. The diverse ecosystems along the trail are home to various bird species, wallabies, and other native wildlife. The changing seasons bring vibrant displays of wildflowers and lush greenery.

*The East Gippsland Rail Trail is more than just a path; it's a journey through history and nature that connects you with the rich heritage and stunning landscapes of Victoria's East Gippsland region.*

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