

# TREAT YOUR TASTEBUDS

Travel at your own pace and work up an appetite discovering all the flavours of Sydney's edible edge. You'll call in to local craft breweries, chocolate factories and working farms, not to mention world-class bakeries, distilleries and cafes, as well as enjoying stops to take in the abundant natural beauty of the Blue Mountains, Hawkesbury and Penrith regions.

# TRAVEL TIPS

- Some experiences listed are seasonal and only available at certain times of year. To avoid disappointment, check opening hours before you travel and make bookings where necessary.
- Country roads can be in variable condition with windy or steep sections. Please slow down and drive to the conditions. Look out for wildlife on the roads at dawn and dusk.
- Using a GPS? Make sure you get the right directions by entering the name of the town not the area you want to visit (ie Katoomba NOT Blue Mountains).
- If you are planning to bushwalk, always put safety first. Download the National Parks and Wildlife Services app to check for updates on walking track conditions and bushfire danger levels.

This information is current at the time of publication (July 2019).

All distances and drive times are approximate.

# FIND OUT MORE

bmcc.nsw.gov.au/visitor-information

discoverthehawkesbury.com.au

visitpenrith.com.au

visitnsw.com

nationalparks.nsw.gov.au

Or drop into a Visitor Information Centre for more ideas on what to do and other drive itineraries.

**ECHO POINT** Echo Point Road, Katoomba

**GLENBROOK** Great Western Highway, Glenbrook

**HAWKESBURY** Hawkesbury Valley Way, Richmond

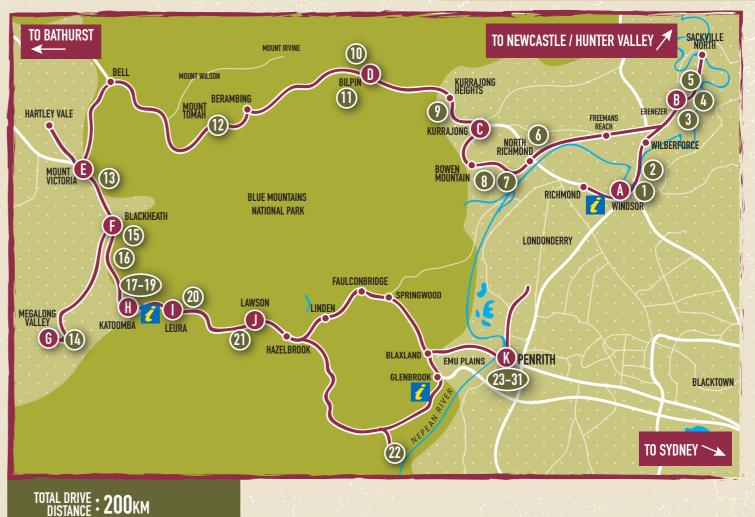
Please check with local operators for up-to-date information and operating hours.





**PENRITH CITY COUNCIL** 





# SUGGESTED ITINERARY

- 1. Cloud 9 Balloon Flights
- 2. Cassiopeia Coffee Roasters
- 3. Ebenezer Church
- 4. Tizzana Winery

APPROX. TOTAL : 4HRS

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- 5. Jubilee Vineyard 6. Ironbark Distillery
- 7. Vale of Avoca Lookout
- 8. Farm Gate Trails
- 9. Lochiel House Restaurant
- 10. Hillbilly Cider
- 11. Bilpin Cider

- 12. The Potager at Blue Mountains Botanic Gardens
- 13. Mount York Lookout
- 14. Dry Ridge Estate
- 15. Logan Brae Orchards
- 16. Fumo Restaurant
- 17. Katoomba Street Art Walk
- 18. Miss Lilian Tea House
- 19. Echo Point/Three Sisters
- 21. Black Cockatoo Bakery 22. Nepean Lookout

20. Josophans Chocolates

- 23. Zokoko Chocolate & Morgans Coffee
- 24. The Great River Walk
- 25. Cafe at Lewers
- 26. Montecatini Smallgoods
- 27. Henri Marc Cafe
- 28. Percy Plunkett Cafe
- 29. Rusty Penny Brewery
- 30. Sun Masamune Sake Brewery
- 31. Llandilo Farm Fresh Eggs

## DAY 1 Windsor to Kurrajong

#### TOTAL DISTANCE: 40km

MINDSOR - Settled in 1794. Windsor is rich with colonial architecture and serves as the gateway to your flavour-filled adventure.

#### CLOUD 9 BALLOON FLIGHTS

cloud9balloons.com.au • Ph: 1300 555 711

Watch the sunrise over the glorious Hawkesbury Valley in a hot air balloon and enjoy a full buffet breakfast when you land.

#### 2 CASSIOPEIA COFFEE ROASTERS

3/200 George St, Windsor • cassiopeia.com.au Drop in for a beverage made with locally-roasted coffee blends.



#### DRIVE: 12km (15mins) - EBENEZER

# **B** EBENEZER

The small township of Ebenezer is home to a church and schoolhouse that are the oldest of their kind in Australia.

#### 3 EBENEZER CHURCH

95 Coromandel Rd, Ebenezer • ebenezerchurch.org.au Take a self-guided tour of the oldest surviving church in the country.

#### 4 TIZZANA WINERY

Tizzana Rd, Ebenezer • winery.tizzana.com.au • Ph: 4579 1150 Don't miss your chance to try 14 varieties of locally made wine from this historic location on the Hawkesbury River.

#### 5 JUBILEE VINEYARD

Tizzana Rd, Ebenezer • jubileevineyard.com.au Discover the richly coloured Chambourcin grape and the award-

winning wine that it produces in this picturesque riverside setting.



#### DRIVE: 20km (25mins) - NORTH RICHMOND

#### 6 IRONBARK DISTILLERY

4/37 William St. North Richmond

ironbarkdistillery.com.au • Ph: 0424 345 102

This artisan distiller is leading Australia in the creation of boutique gins, moonshines and malt whiskies. Drop in for a tasting and learn about the alchemy of distilling.

#### VALE OF AVOCA LOOKOUT

Cabbage Tree Rd, Grose Vale ● nationalparks.nsw.gov.au Watch your step on this unfenced, sandstone outcrop as you take in the breathtaking view out over the rugged Grose River Gorge.

#### 8 FARM GATE TRAILS

Numerous locations • harvesttrailsandmarkets.com.au Whether you want autumn apples, summer stone fruit or winter citrus, you can have a ball picking your own fruit at a local farm.



#### DRIVE: 8km (10mins) - KURRAJONG

# **C** KURRAJONG

Kurraiong is a cosy ridge-top township with views back to the CBD from the eclectic main street.

9 LOCHIEL HOUSE RESTAURANT 1259 Bells Line of Road, Kurraiong Heights lochielhouse.com.au • Ph: 4567 7754

Modern Australian cuisine served in a stylish heritage property.

#### D BII PIN

Bilpin is the 'Land of the Mountain Apple' so look out for apple and fruit orchards where you can pick seasonal fruit and pick up cider at cider house cellar doors.

#### 10 HILLBILLY CIDER

2270 Bells Line of Road, Bilpin • hillbillycider.com.au • Ph. 4567 2662 Taste the only cider made from the Julie apple, a local variety that originated in the orchard overlooked by the rustic Hillbilly Cider shed.

#### BILPIN CIDER

2369 Bells Line of Road, Bilpin • bilpincider.com.au • Ph: 4567 0704 Wander the orchard, soak in the view, picnic on the mountainside and taste a range of pure, fresh apple and pear ciders.



#### OVERNIGHT ACCOMMODATION

KURRAJONG and BILPIN have cosy B&Bs, luxury retreats and mountain cabins for you to relax in on your first night.

# DAY 2 Kurrajong to Katoomba via Megalong Valley

: TOTAL DISTANCE: 107km



# DRIVE: 31km (30mins) - MOUNT TOMAH

THE POTAGER AT BLUE MOUNTAINS BOTANIC GARDENS Bells Line of Road, Mount Tomah potagermounttomah.com.au • Ph: 4567 2575 Enjoy breakfast or lunch with an endless mountain view.



# DRIVE: 30km (26mins) - MOUNT VICTORIA

#### MOUNT VICTORIA

Once the haunt of Victorian-era Sydneysiders looking for healthy mountain air, this village is now home to eccentric art shops like Mt Vic & Me and a range of accommodation options.

#### MOUNT YORK LOOKOUT

Mount York Rd. Mount Victoria

With commanding views of the natural landscape, this lookout is a popular place for adventure sports. Not to mention insta-worthy photos!



#### DRIVE: 7km (10mins) - BLACKHEATH

#### BLACKHEATH

Both serene and cosmopolitan, Blackheath is the garden gateway to Megalong Valley and the starting point for some spectacular hikes.



#### DRIVE: 14km (20mins) – MEGALONG VALLEY G



#### DRY RIDGE ESTATE

226 Aspinall Rd, Megalong Valley • dryridge.com.au • Ph. 0403 118 990 Marvel at the spectacular view from the cellar door.



#### DRIVE: 14km (20mins) - BLACKHEATH

#### 15 LOGAN BRAE ORCHARDS

139 Shipley Rd, Blackheath • loganbrae.com.au

Pick up some of their locally grown apple juice or taste their famous apple pies on weekends during the apple season.

### 16 FUMO RESTAURANT

33 Govetts Leap Rd, Blackheath

fumorestaurant.com.au • Ph: 4787 6899

Exquisitely balanced flavours with both Asian and European influences.



#### DRIVE: 11km (13mins) - KATOOMBA

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With plenty of boutique guesthouses, funky street art and dining options, this is the perfect base for exploring neighbouring villages as well as the Blue Mountains National Park.

#### KATOOMBA STREET ART WALK AND GALLERIES

30 Parke St & Beverly Pl. Katoomba • mtnsmade.com.au • Ph: 4780 5410 This community project showcases international, national and local artists of all street art disciplines.

### 13 MISS LILIAN TEA HOUSE

5/19 Lilianfels Ave. Katoomba • misslilian.com.au • Ph: 4780 1200 Fill up on all of Asia's favourite comfort foods at this whimsical diner.

#### **19** ECHO POINT/THREE SISTERS

Echo Point Rd. Katoomba

Arrive late in the afternoon to avoid the crowds and finish the day with one of the short walks that showcase the incredible mountain landscape.



#### OVERNIGHT ACCOMMODATION

Relax overnight at MEDLOW BATH, BLACKHEATH or KATOOMBA in one of the cosy cottages, comfortable cabins or mountain resorts.

### DAY 3 Katoomba to Penrith

## TOTAL DISTANCE: 53km



# DRIVE: 2km (5mins) - LEURA

# LEURA

Packed full of charm, style and fabulous dining options, this village is one of the prettiest in the mountains and is classified in its entirety by the National Trust

### 20 JOSOPHANS CHOCOLATES

132 Leura Mall, Leura • josophans.com.au • Ph: 4784 2031 Sample some award-winning artisan chocolates or watch as these creations are made. Classes and workshops are held on site.



#### DRIVE: 12km (15mins) - LAWSON

# LAWSON

Named after one of the first colonial explorers to cross the Great Dividing Range, Lawson has great food options and an abundance of bushwalks surrounding the town.

# BLACK COCKATOO BAKERY

Shop 1/1 Staples Cres. Lawson

blackcockatoobakery.com.au • Ph: 4759 3745

Sydneysiders have been known to make the pilgrimage to Lawson just to visit this bakery for its outstanding sourdough, croissants and fruit loaves.



#### DRIVE: 27km (27mins) - GLENBROOK

#### 22 NEPEAN LOOKOUT

Glenbrook • nationalparks.nsw.gov.au

Stretch your legs on a short walk to this unfenced lookout within the National Park.

#### DRIVE: 12km (18mins) - PENRITH

# R PENRITH

Penrith will surprise you with its emerging food scene, boutique breweries and range of outdoor activities.

#### ZOKOKO CHOCOLATE & MORGANS COFFEE

3/84-90 Old Bathurst Rd, Emu Heights • zokoko.com • Ph: 1300 965 656 Indulge in a hand-crafted single origin chocolate bar and speciality -roasted coffee or peek through the viewing window at the chocolate factory magic.

#### 24 THE GREAT RIVER WALK

Start at Penrith Regional Gallery

penrithcity.nsw.gov.au/facilities-recreation/outdoor-recreation/great-

Enjoy arresting views of the Blue Mountains National Park and the Nepean River at your own pace on this 6.4km walk.

# 25 CAFE AT LEWERS

86 River Rd. Emu Plains

penrithregionalgallery.com.au • Ph: 4735 4265

The menu at this cafe in the heritage grounds of the Penrith Regional Gallery includes great coffee and classy cocktails.

# MONTECATINI SMALLGOODS

1/6 Robertson Pl. Jamisontown • montecatini.com.au • Ph. 4721 2550 Be one of the visitors from all over Sydney that flock to this small, family -run deli who produce their salami using traditional Italian techniques.

### 27 HENRI MARC CAFE

438 High St, Penrith • henrimarc.com.au

The vintage-meets-industrial-meets-greenhouse vibe of this cool cafe is complemented by a relaxed atmosphere and great coffee.

#### 28 PERCY PLUNKETT CAFE

146 Station St, Penrith • percyplunkett.com • Ph: 4721 8947 This recently refurbished heritage property puts a unique spin on all the traditional cafe favourites.

# 29 RIISTY PENNY BREWERY

5/4 Dean Pl, Penrith • rustypennybrewing.com.au • Ph: 4706 9061 Taste and enjoy every one of the 12 different beers that this nano-brewery has on tap in its small but funky industrial setting.

# 30 SUN MASAMUNE SAKE BREWERY

29 Cassola Pl, Penrith • sun-masamune.com.au • Ph: 4732 2833 Australia's only sake brewery creates a world-class product that is exported to Japan! Taste some at the cellar door or tour the factory floor.

# 1 LLANDILO FARM FRESH EGGS

360 Ninth Ave, Llandilo • llandiloeggs.com.au • Ph: 4777 4059 Visit this friendly farm to pick up some farm fresh eggs.

End your epicurean adventure here and return to Sydney or continue to the Southern Highlands or South Coast to discover more foodie delights.

