

# Experience the Hawkesbury

## Fun for the Family

Step back in time at the Australian Pioneer Village, grab your binoculars and go birdwatching at a local reserve, book a wilderness weekend at Upper Colo Reserve.

## Stay

When you stay in the Hawkesbury you'll always be warmly welcomed. From luxury accommodation, comfortable motels, houseboats, caravan parks, character filled B&Bs or tent sites – we have it all.

## Farm Gates, Fresh Produce & Cellar Doors

Taste and sip your way through orchards, roadside stalls, local markets and cellar doors. Pick fresh seasonal fruit straight from the farm and savour the region's authentic flavours.

## Markets & Shopping

Browse markets and unique local stores filled with handcrafted pieces and hidden treasures. It's the perfect way to experience the creativity and character of the Hawkesbury.

## Nature & Walks

Explore hiking trails and scenic lookouts in our National Parks, Picnic at Yarramundi and Navua Reserve. Kick the ball and let the family play at one of our many leafy parks and playgrounds.

## Arts & Culture

Bring the region's rich history to life. Visit the Hawkesbury Regional Gallery and the Hawkesbury Regional Museum or take a self guided walking tour of our heritage towns – Windsor and Richmond

## River Adventures

Plan a relaxing break on the river with Able Hawkesbury River Houseboats in Wisemans Ferry. Take a scenic road trip across the Hawkesbury River on one of four free vehicular ferries and continue on to historic St Albans. When in Windsor enjoy a relaxing riverside stroll.

## Eat & Drink

Discover cosy cafés, country pubs, wineries, cellar doors and restaurants showcasing local flavours. Treat your tastebuds to an unforgettable experience at Cricca or Restaurant Amara – our hatted restaurants.

Adventure, relaxation, and local charm await ...  
discover it all in the  
Hawkesbury.

Before you arrive, we recommend booking tours and popular experiences in advance.

If you need assistance, drop into our Visitor Information Centre – 328 Hawkesbury Valley Way, Richmond.

Start planning your Hawkesbury adventure. Explore itineraries, tours, experiences, and events at

**discoverthehawkesbury.com.au**

*We respectfully acknowledge the Dharug and Darkinjung people and pay our respects to Elders past and present.*



# Discover the Hawkesbury

# Stay. Eat. Explore.

## Hawkesbury Visitor Information Centre

Open 7 days | 9am – 4pm

328 Hawkesbury Valley Way,  
Richmond NSW 2753

Phone (02) 4560 4620

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# Welcome to the Hawkesbury

The Hawkesbury region is one of the most rewarding escape destinations just beyond Sydney, a place where winding rivers, historic towns, and lush countryside come together for a relaxed, nature-filled getaway.

Step back in time across the region where historic streetscapes, colonial architecture, heritage pubs and quiet streets tell the story of early Australia. Our towns offer charm, with cosy cafés, boutique shops and a relaxed country atmosphere perfect for a wander.

For outdoor lovers, the Hawkesbury is a gateway to wilderness. Explore the rugged beauty of our national parks, where bushwalking trails lead to lookouts, ancient landscapes, and hidden valleys.

The region is known as Sydney's "food bowl," stop by orchards, especially around Bilpin to pick up fresh apples, cider, and homemade treats.

What makes the Hawkesbury special is its easy pace. Spend the morning exploring, the afternoon by the river, and the evening at a country pub or under the stars. It's ideal for a day trip, a romantic weekend, or a quiet reset away from busy city life.



## Location

### ROAD DISTANCES TO WINDSOR

Richmond 7km  
Wilberforce 7km  
Kurrajong 20km  
Bilpin 40km  
Wisemans Ferry 43km  
St Albans 64km  
Sydney CBD 55km  
Mascot Airport 70km  
Western Sydney Airport 45km



## Plan your visit

### Getting Here

#### BY CAR

**57kms North West of Sydney**  
via the M2 Motorway, Old Windsor Rd and Windsor Rd.

**22kms North of Penrith**  
via Castlereagh or Londonderry Roads.

**89kms from Lithgow**  
via Bells Line of Road.

#### BY BUS

A public bus service operates from Windsor and Richmond rail stations.

#### BY TRAIN

Catch Sydney Train's **Western Line** to Richmond 1.5 hrs from Central Station.

#### USING THE RIVER FERRIES

The Hawkesbury River has 4 free vehicular ferries that carry bikes, cars, trucks, and large vehicles, operating daily year-round except during maintenance.



## START PLANNING

Head to our website for more information:

[discoverthehawkesbury.com.au](https://discoverthehawkesbury.com.au)

Tap into local knowledge at the Hawkesbury Visitor Information Centre. Get personal recommendations, insider tips, and maps to make the most of your visit.

328 Hawkesbury Valley Way, Richmond.

## When to Visit

### SPRING (September – November)

Spring markets invite you to support local while you stroll and shop. Discover streets and parks flush with majestic purple jacarandas and pretty gardens where you can snap your next Instagram-worthy shot.

### SUMMER (December – February)

The perfect time to book a houseboat stay on the Hawkesbury River and pick sweet stone fruit from Bilpin orchards. Sun-filled days make river adventures irresistible.

### AUTUMN (March – May)

Parklands are ablaze with autumn colours. Enjoy apple picking in Bilpin, heritage town walks, and scenic drives for outdoor adventures and hikes.

### WINTER (June – August)

Crisp, clear days are ideal for bushwalking in national parks, visiting cosy cafés, local wineries, and cider cellar doors. Beautiful winter light makes every scene perfect for photography.

