Discover the Hawkesbury

River Settlers & Convicts

Morning:

Head along Pitt Town Road for a scenic journey. Visit Cattai National Park (entry fee applies) and take in the views, with an optional stop at Arndell Cottage (built 1821), offering a glimpse into early settlement history. The surrounding grounds are ideal for a picnic or a peaceful riverside walk. Continue through Maroota toward Wisemans Ferry (approx. 30 minutes), enjoying the rural landscape along the way.

Midday:

Arrive at the historic village of Wisemans Ferry, settled by Solomon Wiseman in the 1830s. Stop for lunch at the Wisemans Ferry Hotel (est. 1827) and enjoy a traditional pub meal in a heritage setting. Onsite visit Cobham Hall Museum (free entry) to explore the area's river and settler history.

Afternoon:

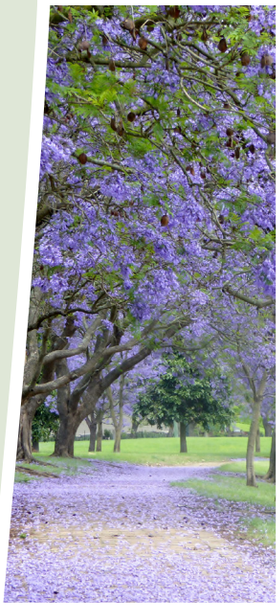
Cross the Hawkesbury on the free vehicular ferry, then stretch your legs on the Great North Road Convict Trail. Look for the Old Great North Road turn-off for a short walk showcasing convict-built stonework and engineering. For a longer option, explore the 1.8km Devines Hill section for deeper historical discovery.

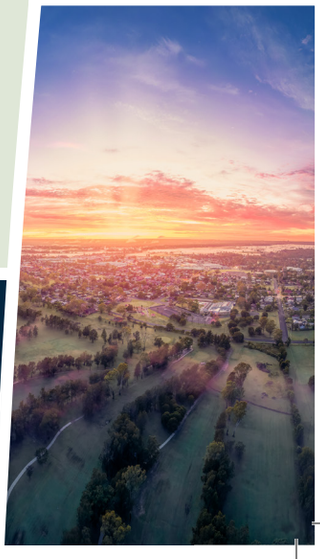
Evening:

Continue to St Albans and visit the Settlers Arms Inn – it's a must-stop for its authentic 1836 heritage charm, welcoming atmosphere, and unique glimpse into Australia's early coaching and river travel history.

Return toward Windsor and enjoy dinner and drinks at the Australian Hotel (McGraths Hill) or The Vineyard (Vineyard).







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