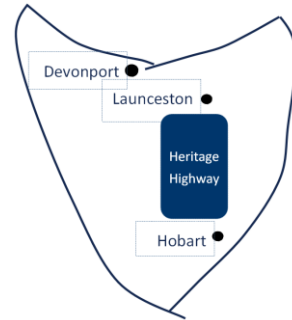




Heritage Highway Tourism Region



A Quick Reference Guide for
Visitor Centres and Tourism Operators
of things to do and see in the
Heritage Highway Region



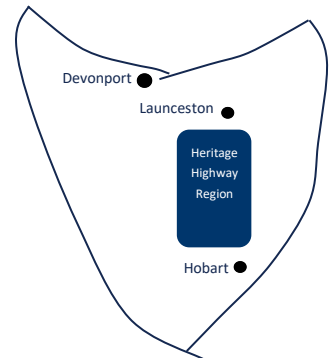
Where is the Heritage Highway?

The Heritage Highway region covers the northern and southern midlands of Tasmania, extending from Pontville in the south, to Perth in the north, Ben Lomond in the east, and Poatina in the west.

Key features of the Heritage Highway region

Historic estates and structures, including UNESCO World Heritage Convict sites, historic windmill, amazing bridges

- Small museums telling stories of convicts, early days of the colony, events, and characters
- Rivers everywhere – opportunities for trout fishing, kayaking, swimming
- Wilderness and nature reserves, gardens, a National Park
- Whisky distilleries and wineries
- Events – fun, unique, eclectic, with everything from music, gardens, fishing, festivals, country shows, art, vintage cars, motor racing, horse racing, bike racing, foot racing, and more
- Delightful treasures to be found in the many specialty shops and country markets
- Excellent dining experiences
- Galleries













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Highlights along the Heritage Highway region

There are highlights in many of our towns and villages along the Heritage Highway region.

Ben Lomond	Ben Lomond National Park	<p>This is the largest single alpine area in Tasmania and Tasmania's second highest peak. Drive the Jacobs Ladder, spectacular place to walk, enjoy wildlife, magnificent views, snow play and downhill ski fields, and wildflowers. Set on a large plateau, magnificent views of mountains, the Esk River Valley and Northern Midlands.</p> <p>www.parks.tas.gov.au/?base=4551 Image: Tim Whybrow</p>	
Nile	Clarendon House. Historic property.	<p>This is history you can touch. Sit on the antique furniture and immerse yourself in the stories of early settlement. A National Trust Property on the banks of the South Esk River, Clarendon was the centre of a large pastoral enterprise developed by James Cox. Complete with servant's wing and many buildings, the house is surrounded by extensive, dog-friendly gardens and parklands which can be explored. The grand colonial house, built in 1838, is beautifully designed with grand hallways and grand Roman columns at the entrance. Closed July & August. 27 km (25 mins) from Launceston, south of Evandale along the C416 road.</p> <p>nationaltrusttas.org.au/properties-clarendon.htm or 6398 6220.</p>	
Brighton	Bonorong Wildlife Sanctuary. Brighton.	<p>Tasmanian Devils, wombats, koalas, quolls, potoroos, wallabies, birds – can all be viewed at Bonorong Wildlife Sanctuary. The sanctuary is a haven for rehabilitating injured and orphaned animals and liberating them back into the wild when safe to do so. And with free ranging kangaroos you can hand feed and who love a scratch under the chin, you can have a very hands-on experience with Australia's wildlife. Enjoy daily guided tours, personal night tours, Feeding Frenzy tours.</p> <p>www.bonorong.com.au or 6268 1184.</p>	
Longford	UNESCO World Heritage Convict Sites. Brickendon & Woolmers historic estates. Longford.	<p>Brickendon & Woolmers Estates, on the Macquarie River in Longford are two of the properties that make up Australia's Convict Sites on the World Heritage List. The neighbouring estates, owned by the Archer brothers are listed for their outstanding cultural heritage values. They are perfectly preserved examples of the convict Assignment system, the aim being to rehabilitate criminals through work and integrate them into the penal colony. They are fine examples of pioneer farms with collections of Georgian farm buildings, antiques, photos, furniture, trees and gardens.</p> <p>www.brickendon.com.au or 6391 1383 and www.woolmers.com.au or 6391 2230.</p>	 

Longford	National Rose Garden with over 5,000 rose blooms.	Over 5,000 blooms! A riot of colour and fragrance can be found in the grounds of Woolmers Estate. One of the finest collections of historic roses in the southern hemisphere as well as displaying all of the recognized rose families. Formal and symmetrical, a walk amongst the roses is a delight. www.woolmers.com.au/national-rose-garden or 6391 2230.	
Ross	Tasmanian Wool Centre & Museum	Visitors enjoy shopping at one of Australia's largest retailer of woollens. The wool and heritage museum tells many stories with permanent and short-term changing exhibitions. Visitors can interact with the fleece of many different sheep, touch and smell it. Information for ancestry buffs. www.taswoolcentre.com.au or 63815466.	
Ross	Historic Convict Built Bridge. Ross Bridge. Ross	The exquisite Ross Bridge, the third oldest in Australia, was completed in 1836 and is one of Australia's finest historical monuments. It has 186 carvings on the arches depicting Celtic symbols, flora, fauna and notable personalities of the day. Stonemasons Daniel Herbert and James Colbeck were given pardons for their exceptional work on the bridge. www.taswoolcentre.com.au/event/ross-bridge/	
Ross	Female Factory – women's convict Prison	The Ross Female Factory site presents graphic wall panels within its rooms, recounting the story of the women, girls and babies who once lived here. It is archaeologically the most significant site in Tasmania and has helped piece together the living conditions of the women incarcerated there. Free admission, open daily. www.taswoolcentre.com.au/event/ross-female-factory-archeological-survey	
Bagdad	Wildlife bush land reserve. Chauncy Vale Wildlife Sanctuary. Bagdad.	40km north of Hobart. 380ha Wildlife Sanctuary in a bush land reserve. A natural environment set in a small valley, tall sandstone cliffs, caves, and a creek. Short and long bushwalking trails, varying from easy, moderate to difficult. The most popular is the one hour cave walk. There is a small museum and picnic areas, BBQ, toilets and day shelter. Closed during extreme fire danger periods, please phone the caretaker 6268 6365 to check weather conditions and for more details. www.chauncyvale.com.au or 6268 6365.	

Oatlands	Historic windmill. Callington Mill. Oatlands.	Callington Mill, built in 1837, offers a fascinating insight into the enterprising colonial past, producing flour ground from locally grown grain, just as it did over 170 years ago. The only remaining example of a Lincolnshire Mill in the Southern Hemisphere, this is a unique experience in Australia, that of a working 19th century tower mill in an authentic heritage environment. Visitors can wander around the mill precinct, view interpretation, and heritage vegetable garden. Callington Mill Things to Do Discover Tasmania	
Oatlands	Bird sanctuary & walking track. Lake Dulverton. Oatlands	233ha lake is a designated Conservation Area, and is a sanctuary for birds. A 7 km walking track follows the south eastern side of the lake. Much of the track aligns with the old railway line route, passing over historic restored railway culverts and past former sandstone quarries.	
Campbell Town	Historic Convict Built Bridge. Red Bridge at Campbell Town	The Red Bridge at Campbell Town is the oldest bridge on the National Highway. Built by convicts, and completed in 1838, it has over 1.5 million bricks, every single one of them hand made by convicts in the town. Although built for the days of horses and carriages, this bridge now carries over 2 million vehicles a year and yet it has undergone very little repair work. Enjoy the bridge and the beautiful river walk.	







Visitor Centres in the Heritage Highway Region

Oatlands	Middle Tasmania 65 High St		Staffed Mon-Fri, 8am – 4pm Saturday 8am – 1pm Closed Sundays
Ross	Ross Visitor Information Centre At the Tasmanian Wool Centre 48 Church St 6381 5466		Staffed 7 days
Campbell Town	Campbell Town Museum & Information Centre At the Town Hall, 75-77 High St		Staffed part-time by volunteers
Longford	Northern Midlands Visitor Centre Inside JJ's Bakery 52 Wellington St		Not staffed, however brochure corner is accessible 7 days
Evandale	Evandale Tourism & History Centre 18 High St 6391 8128		Staffed by volunteers 7 days 10am – 3pm
Avoca	Avoca Museum & Information Centre 16 Blenheim St 6385 2002		Staffed part-time by volunteers

Experiences to explore the Heritage Highway region

These experiences will help you to explore our region

A great way to enhance your exploration of the villages and towns of the Heritage Highway region. They help tell the stories of the people and events.

Heritage Stories Collection	<p>The Heritage Stories Collection includes self-guided walking maps, art and audio to make it easier for visitors to engage with places that lie across the landscape – not necessarily indoors and attended by staff. Available for purchase by the Northern Midlands Council, some businesses and the website. Covering Oatlands & Longford, the series includes: Land & Landscape Tasmania: Artists of Tasmania's Midlands; Oatlands Tasmania: Stories from the Sandstone; Longford Tasmania: Voices from the Graves; Audio Companion CD of Longford Tasmania: Voices from the Graves. \$5 each. https://hobartandbeyond.com.au/places/heritage-highway/the-heritage-stories-collection/</p>	
The Essential Doggy Guide. The dog-friendly travel guide to the Heritage Highway region!	<p>The Heritage Highway region is the perfect place for a doggy holiday! It's a touring region which means a ride in the car! There are heaps of activities to keep your humans intrigued yet they will still have plenty of time to rub your tummy. Written from a canine perspective, this fun book provides first-paw advice on the places to stay, woof down food, play and pawty. It's an excellent resource, makes a great gift, fits perfectly in the glovebox and is a must for all dog lovers! \$19.95 each. https://hobartandbeyond.com.au/places/heritage-highway/heritage-highway-essential-doggy-guide/</p>	
REASSIGN. True tales from the grassy woodlands	<p>Telling the stories of the Grassy Woodlands, people, places, events, using a range of digital techniques to deliver surprising stories and outcomes. Enjoy podcasts, videos, written text and images. Hear from bushrangers, convicts, troublemakers, lovers, colonial settlers. Discover love, art, murder, rivalry, engineering marvels, skulduggery, tragedies, https://reassign.net.au/about</p>	
Oatlands Key	<p>The Oatlands Key gives you access to the three wonderful heritage buildings in Oatlands: 1829 Supreme Courthouse, 1836 Gaoler's Residence, and 1827 Commissariat. Collect the fob key from participating businesses and take yourself on a walking tour of Oatlands, unlocking each building and viewing the archaeological and heritage collections on display, as well as interpretation of the stories and history. https://www.southernmidlands.tas.gov.au/visitor-oatlands-key/</p>	
Topiary Trail	<p>Oatlands is home to a collection of topiaries throughout the streets and along the Heritage Highway. More information https://www.southernmidlands.tas.gov.au/topiary-trail/</p>	
Shadows of the Past Silhouette Trail	<p>As you travel between Tunbridge and Kempton, keep an eye out as glimpses of the past come into your view. Some are quite close to the road; some are high on the hilltops. What stories can they tell us about the history of this intriguing region? Spot the chain gang? The soldiers? Catch a glimpse of the Tassie Tigers and Tasmanian Emus – but aren't they extinct? A hold-up by a bushranger, the surveyors, a gentleman in a gig, the mail rider, a hangman looking for a lift, a shepherd and his flock, a fast and furious stagecoach, the local policeman and the drunk.... See if you can spot them and more! Visit the website for a map to help you find them, and download the brochure for their stories along with silhouette outlines to print out for the kids to colour in. https://www.southernmidlands.tas.gov.au/shadows-of-the-past/</p>	

Galleries in the Heritage Highway region

Tasmania's midlands inspires artists from everywhere, and there are many Artist in Residence programs in the region. We have permanent galleries and temporary exhibitions. Art lovers can lose themselves in wonderful galleries of Tasmania's midlands.

Oatlands	An Artistic Affair	A gallery of beautiful bespoke pieces in the Southern Midlands heartlands of Tasmania. Curated by a Tasmanian artist on behalf of other Tasmanian artists inspired by our island home.	67 High St 0421 544 328 Open 11am – 3pm. Closed Monday & Tuesday
Oatlands	Still Wild Studio Gallery	Artist Natasha Fogel's studio and home. Art Glass, along with Tasmanian made art and furniture. New art and glass pieces emerging monthly.	Open by appointment All hours viewing through the gallery's large glass frontage. 0404 421 344 stillwildstudiogallery@gmail.com
Oatlands	The Weavers Cottage Studio	Studio and gallery specializing in world class Tasmanian artists' work. Changing exhibitions.	104 High St Open daily 0490 005 257 facebook.com/theweaverscottagesstudiooatlandstas
Campbell Town	Unique Bieniek Fine Arts Gallery	Sonia Bieniek's studio is located in a classic Georgian building. Featuring oil paintings by Sonia, noted portrait and landscape artist, alongside works by other Tasmanian artists. A wide range of work is represented, including woodcraft, glass, textile art and ceramics.	120 High St 6381 1438 Open 7 days
Campbell Town	Gallery 81	Oil landscape painter Luke Harvey's gallery and studio showcases a unique collection of 81 paintings, a journey inspired by the 81 verses of ancient Chinese text, the Tao Te Ching. Another section of the gallery, the Tasman Wall, is devoted to Tasmania, each painting showcasing the diverse aspects associated with the Tasmanian landscape.	81 High St 9am – 3pm Closed Wednesday & Saturday https://gallery81.com.au/
Evandale	Handmark & Clarendon Arms Gallery	Handmark Gallery holds Seasonal Salon Shows at the Clarendon Arms Hotel. Visit the website for upcoming exhibitions.	11 Russell St https://handmark.com.au
Poatina	Poatina Tree Art Gallery	Regular exhibitions featuring visual art of all kinds, supporting emerging and established artists in a quality exhibition venue.	In the heart of Poatina Village, adjacent to the Village Green Open 10am – 4pm Friday to Sunday Pamela.Horsley@poatinaarts.org.au
Longford	Blenheim Gallery & Garden	A unique experience showcasing artist works in the Gallery and wonderful garden setting. Visit the website for exhibitions and opening hours.	733 Cressy Rd Open 10.30 – 4pm Wednesday – Friday, and 3pm Saturday. Closed Sunday, Monday, Tuesday. Note days may change based on exhibitions. 0419 584 667 www.blenheimgalleryandgarden.com.au

Historic Properties in the Heritage Highway region

Along the Heritage Highway region are historic properties that are open to the public.

Oatlands	<p>Callington Mill A Lincolnshire tower mill built in 1837, fully restored and working, the third oldest windmill in Australia</p> <p>Mill Lane, Oatlands</p>		Callington Mill Things to Do Discover Tasmania
Oatlands	<p>Courthouse, Gaolers's Residence, Commissariat 1829 Supreme Courthouse, 1836 Gaoler's Residence, and 1827 Commissariat. Collect the fob key from participating businesses to view inside these buildings.</p>		https://www.southernmidlands.tas.gov.au/visitor-oatlands-key/
Longford	<p>Woolmers Estate A unique and fascinating reflection of colonial life in Tasmania and one of the most historically significant heritage properties in Australia.</p> <p>Brickendon Farm Village 1820s farm village. Immerse yourself in the story of the Archer family, assigned convicts, free workers, and the beginnings of Australia's pastoral and agricultural industry.</p>	 	https://www.woolmers.com.au/ 658 Woolmers Lane https://www.brickendon.com.au/ 236 Wellington St
Nile	<p>Clarendon House Set on 7 hectares of parklands on the banks of the South Esk River, this magnificent three story Georgian house has servants' quarters, a heritage walled garden, several farm buildings and a rare avenue of elms.</p>		www.nationaltrust.org.au/places/clarendon 234 Clarendon Station Rd
Patterdale	<p>Glover Country The home of colonial artist John Glover. Meticulously restored. House and Garden Tours & Self-Guided Walks. Visit the website for times.</p>		Nile https://www.glovercountry.com.au/ 0419 344 883

Distilleries & Wineries in the Heritage Highway region

There's a trail of whisky and wine in the Heritage Highway region that's hard to resist, producing some of the best in the world.

Coal River Valley is a 20 minute drive north from Hobart. Vineyards are acclaimed for the quality of their cool-climate wines. Many open their cellar doors for tastings and sales and there are several excellent restaurants.

Relbia is a 15 minute drive south from Launceston. The region's mild summers and long hours of autumn sunshine, slow ripening period, low annual rainfall contribute to this region developing into one of Tasmania's significant wine producing regions.

Pontville	Distillery	Lark Distillery 76 Shene Road	Whisky tours, tastings, dinners. Set amongst meticulously restored historic buildings at Shene is a working whisky village and the home of Australia's oldest single malt whisky distiller.
Oatlands	Distillery	Callington Distillery 6 Mill Lane https://callingtonmilldistillery.com	Guided and self-guided tours, tastings, lunch bookings for fine dining in restaurant. Tasmanian excellence at every turn, adjacent to historic Callington Mill, within the heritage precinct. 7 Days 10am-4.00pm.
Kempton	Distillery	Belgrove Distillery 3121 Midland Hwy https://belgrovedistillery.com.au/	Bio-diesel powered rye whisky. One of the few in the world that grows all its own grain, malts, ferments, distills, and barrel ages on site. Handcrafted, small batch.
Kempton	Distillery	Old Kempton Distillery 26 Main St https://www.oldkemptondistillery.com.au/	A true artisan distillery. Small batches. Cellar Door at Dysart House, an 1840s colonial inn. Open 7 days, 10am-4pm.
Bagdad	Winery	Winstead Vineyards 71 Winstead Rd http://winsteadvineyard.com.au/	Producing 2 distinct Single Vineyard Pino Noirs. Winstead wines have a formidable history of aging well. Visits by appointment only.
Relbia	Winery	Josef Chromy 370 Relbia Rd https://josefchromy.com.au/	State-of-the-art winery and vineyard. Modern, minimalist. The venue hosts events and experiences. Cellar door wine tastings 7 days (bookings essential). Restaurant open 11.45am – 2.30pm. Check website for seasonal hours.
Relbia	Winery	Jinglers Creek 288 Relbia Rd https://www.com.au/	A small, family operated vineyard producing high quality wines. Cellar door tasting experiences on weekends from 11am – 4pm, October – April.
Relbia	Winery	Bundaleera Vineyard 688 Correa Drive https://www.bundaleerawines.com.au/	Boutique vineyard amongst picturesque hills. Family run vineyard offering cellar door tastings and sales by appointment.
Longford	Vineyard	Bell and Gong 873 Illawarra Rd https://www.bellandgong.com.au/	Small cellar door open by appointment for wine tasting and sales. Family run boutique vineyard.
Perth	Distillery	Adams Distillery Glen Ireh Estate, 5 Eskleigh Rd https://www.adamsdistillery.com.au/	Award winning Tasmanian single Malt Whisky and Boutique Gin. Handcrafted with traditional and innovative distillation and maturation methods.
Western Junction	Distillery	Hangar 17, 287 Evandale Rd https://launcestondistillery.com.au/	Finest quality single malt whisky. Traditional methods and equipment, skillful craftsmanship ensuring every bottle is finished to perfection. Open 10am-4pm Monday to Saturday for tours.

Museums in the Heritage Highway region

With a string of historic villages representing a lasting legacy of cunning convicts, tiling graziers, determined pioneers... we do have some stories to tell! One of the best places to discover our stories is by visiting our museums. There are several local museums in our Heritage Highway region.

Oatlands	Oatlands District Historical Society	107 High St	Memorabilia covers the period from early convict days to the present. Huge collection of photographs, files of families from the district, cemetery information. Open 7 days, 10.30am – 4pm.
Oatlands	Callington Park Machinery	Callington Mill Precinct	A collection of heritage machinery and a glimpse into the agricultural history of the Midlands.
Colebrook	Colebrook History Room	Main Rd 6259 7161	Normally open weekends 10am – 5pm or by request. Wheelchair access. \$2 entry. Free electric BBQ available.
Bagdad	Day Dawn Cottage: Nan Chauncy's Home, at Chauncy Vale	chauncyvale.com.au/	Step back in time and explore a living museum, the Chauncy family home. Discover the simple and sustainable way of life lived by Nan and Anton Chauncy. Open 8am – sunset daily (check website for exceptions). Entry is \$2 per adult. Bookings required
Woodsdale	Woodsdale Levendale Museum	2278 Woodsdale Rd thewoodsdalemuseum.com/	Open Sundays 11am-3pm or by appointment. Wheelchair access. Facilities include free tea/coffee. Souvenir shop. Entry \$5 per adult.
Ross	Tasmanian Wool Centre Museum	48 Church St taswoolcentre.com.au/museum/	Stories told in the Wool and Heritage galleries, with many artifacts, pictures, and documents on display. Snapshots of significant milestones in Ross' development. Convict and burial registers.
Avoca	Avoca Museum and Information Centre	Boucher Park 0419 134 382 facebook.com/people/Avoca-Museum-and-Information-Centre/100064800395907/	Housed in a restored 106 year old heritage listed building that was once the Avoca State School. history, local artists and activities.
Campbell Town	Campbell Town Museum	75 High St facebook.com/profile.php?id=100090242601275	Located in the Town Hall, the museum shares the history of Campbell Town with changing displays of local people, places, events.
Evandale	Evandale Visitor Centre History Rooms	18 High St evandaletasmania.com/	Located inside the Visitor Centre, find displays of Evandale's early days. Including a model of the early water scheme. Open 10am-3pm 7 days.

Swimming Pools in the Heritage Highway region

There are four public swimming pools along the Heritage Highway region.

Oatlands	Open all year. Oatlands Aquatic Centre. 6 lane 25 mt headed indoor swimming pool, kids aquatic play area, gym, change rooms, toilet, kiosk.	70 High St
Ross	Open seasonally. 20 mt pool, toddlers pool, change rooms, toilet, kiosk.	6-8 Bridge St
Campbell Town	Open seasonally. 25 mt pool, toddlers pool, shade area, change rooms, toilets, kiosk.	57 High St
Cressy	Open seasonally. 25 mt pool, toddlers pool, free electric BBQ, shade area, change rooms, toilets, kiosk.	39a Main St

Playgrounds in the Heritage Highway region

Travelling with kids? What's better than a playground to stretch their legs and burn up some energy!

Bagdad	Bagdad Community Club, Midlands Hwy
Broadmarsh	Elderslie Hall, 1218 Elderslie Rd
Campania	Campania Flour Mill Park, Reeve St Justitia Park, 13 Justitia Court Alexander Circle Park, Alexander Circle
Colebrook	Colebrook Park, 14 Richmond St
Kempton	Kempton Recreation Ground, 130 Main St Station Park, 90 Main St
Mangalore	Mangalore Recreation Ground, 22 Blackbrush Rd
Oatlands	Callington Park, Esplanade Oatlands Recreation Ground, High St
Parattah	Parattah Recreation Ground, Tunnack Rd
Tunbridge	Tunbridge Park, Main Rd
Tunnack	Tunnack Recreation Ground, Tunnack Rd
Woodsdale	Woodsdale Community Hall Playground, 2310 Main Rd
Ross	Ross River Reserve, Bridge St Ross Recreation Ground, Park St Ross Village Green, Church St
Campbell Town	Valentines Park, High St Lions Park, The Esplanade Blackburn Park, High St War Memorial Oval, High St
Cressy	Bartholemew Park, Cnr Main Rd & Church St
Longford	Village Green, Marlborough St Summerfield Park, Cnr Lewis & Marlborough St
Bishopsbourne	Bishopsbourne Recreation Ground, 1111 Bishopsbourne Rd
Perth	Train Park, Corner Main & Mulgrave Sts
Evandale	Pioneer Park, Russell St Hartnoll Place Saddlers Court
Nile	Nile park, Cox St
Avoca	Boucher Park, Falmouth St
Rossarden	Rossarden Park

Dog friendly spaces in the Heritage Highway region

Travelling with your dog? Here are some dog friendly parks where they can stretch their legs.

Kempton	Main St, next to Recreation Ground. Within fenced areas only.
Oatlands	Lake Dulverton Foreshore. Off lead dog exercise area within sign posts along walking trail.
Ross	Community Sports Ground. Park St. Not secure area.
Campbell Town	Open area north of Blackburn Park. Not secure area.
Cressy	Old Stock Route. Not secure area.
Longford	Coronation Park, Cnr Cressy Rd & Catherine Sts. Secure fenced area. Union St. Secure fenced area.
Perth	Arthur & Mulgrave St. Not secure area.
Evandale	Honeysuckle Banks. Not secure area. Saddlers Reserve. Secure fenced area.
Avoca	Storys Creek Road Picnic Area. Not secure area.

Wilderness and nature reserves in the Heritage Highway region

If you like to go outside and play, then we have plenty of options for you, including a National Park, caves, wilderness, rivers, reserves. Our sites have important conservation values

Colebrook	Coal River Gorge	www.southernmidlands.tas.gov.au/assets/reserves_sanctuaries_Coal_River_Gorge_Nature_Reserve.pdf	Spectacular centerpiece of a highly significant nature reserve. Access via 15 min bushwalk from the end of Young's Rd, Rhyndaston, 10 mins north east of Colebrook
Bagdad	Chauncy Vale Wildlife Sanctuary	http://www.chauncyvale.com.au/	One of the oldest private conservation areas in Tasmania. IT was inspiration and home to Nan Chauncy, a multi-award winning author of children's adventure novels. Step back in time and explore a living museum, the Chauncy family home.
Oatlands	Lake Dulverton	For brochure: https://www.southernmidlands.tas.gov.au/visitor-information/	The scenic foreshore of lake Dulverton, land of the Lairmairrener people of Big River nation, a sanctuary for birds since 1929. Walk or cycle the foreshore, see birdlife, picnic, BBQ. Non-motorised boating and fishing.
Ben Lomond	Ben Lomond National Park	https://parks.tas.gov.au/explore-our-parks/ben-lomond-national-park	A park for all seasons. Winter is the time for all kinds of snow spots, ski village atmosphere. When the snow melts, a spectacular alpine landscape is revealed, walks and rock climbing opportunities, abundance of wildlife. National Parks Pass required for entry.
Poatina	Walking trails	https://www.poatinacommunity.com.au/trails-bushwalks	Majestic views of the mountains and valleys, scenic bush walks and mountain bike tracks. An ideal stopover on The Tasmanian Trail.

Markets in the Heritage Highway region

A snapshot of the variety of markets to explore in the Heritage Highway region. To be enjoyed in any weather as there are both indoor and outdoor markets. There are treasures to find, food to tempt... visit one of our lovely villages or towns, relax, unwind and take your time.

Brighton Pontville	1 st Sunday each month 10am-2pm	Pontville Community Hall, Midland Hwy	Stallholders selling all sorts of items, including second-hand bargains and bric-a-brac, plants, jewellery, local arts and crafts, craft supplies, locally grown produce. Devonshire Teas.
Campania	2 nd Sunday each month (in Summer)	Campania Hall Reeve St	Coal River Valley Farmers Market, at arts, crafts, quality local fruit, veggies, wines, cheeses, jams, pickles, plants, meats and homemade treats.
Colebrook	Last Sunday each month 10am-2pm	Colebrook Memorial Hall 45 Richmond St	Featuring arts, crafts, fresh produce, trash & treasure, jewellery, clothes. Refreshments available.
Parattah	2 nd Saturday each month 10am-2on	Parattah Jubilee Hall 651 Tunnack Rd	Featuring cards, jewellery, home baked goods, knitwear, metal art, clothes, soaps, dvds/books/odds & ends. Refreshments available.
Oatlands	1 st Sunday each month 10am – 2pm	Rechabite Hall Gay St	Local mini Farmers Mini Market. Outdoors, find a quality selection of fresh local veggies, meats, cakes, breads, plants, arts and crafts.
Ross	3 rd Sunday each month	Town Hall 12 Bridge St	Ross Village market is a country market in an historic village. Find local handicrafts, produce and other delicious treats. Undercover.
Campbell Town	Last Sunday each month	Town Hall 75 High St	Bargains galore. Second hand, bric-a-brac.
Campbell Town	2nd Saturday each month	Bowling Club, 156 Bridge St	Mini Market of local stall holders. Open 8am – 2pm in winter, and 3pm in summer.
Evandale	Every Sunday 8am – 2pm.	Falls Park, Logan Rd	Popular favourite country market. Indoor and outdoor areas. Every Sunday 100 stalls, including a wide range of wares from high quality to bric-a-brac, crafts, China, clothing, plants, food, jewelry and children's amusements.
Liffey	2 nd Saturday each month (Sept – April, excluding January) 9am-1pm.	Old Liffey School 1443 Liffey Rd	Browse stalls in lovely surroundings. Upcycled and pre-loved treasures, bric-a-brac, homemade baked goodies, plants, vegies, handcrafts, collectables and more.
Longford	Last Saturday each month 9am – 1pm.	78 Wellington St	RSL Longford RSL Market. A mix of Farmers market, produce, gifts, crafts and car boot sale for trash & treasure.

Events in the Heritage Highway region

As well as these regular events, many other fun events are held in the Heritage Highway region. For an up-to-date summary of what's on, visit <https://hobartandbeyond.com.au/blog/whats-on-along-the-heritage-highway/>

Pontville	November	Brighton Agricultural Show	www.brightonshow.com.au
	Various dates	Epsom House holds regular classical musical concerts in their Ballroom	www.epsomhouse.com
Kempton	February	Kempton Festival & Sheep Racing Championships	https://www.greenpondsprogress.com/kempton-festival
Oatlands	August	Heritage & Bullock Festival	https://www.facebook.com/p/Heritage-Bullock-Festival-Oatlands-100069819105562/
Ross	May	Picnic at Ross	https://www.facebook.com/picnicatross/
	September	Ross Running Festival	www.rossmarathons.org.au
Campbell Town	June	Campbell Town Agricultural Show	www.campbelltownshow.com.au
Poatina	September	Hard Enduro	https://www.hardendurotas.com/
Cressy	October	Tasmanian Trout Expo National Gone Fishing Day	https://www.facebook.com/TasmanianTroutExpo
Longford	January	New Year's Day Picnic Races Jim Osborne Cup	tasmanianturfclub.com/acp/upload/longfordcup.pdf
	March	Motorama	https://www.facebook.com/longfordmotorama
	September	Longford Jazz Festival	https://www.facebook.com/longfordjazzclub
	October	Longford Show	www.longfordshow.com.au
	October	Woolmers Art Exhibition	www.woolmers.com.au
	November	Longford Blooms	https://www.facebook.com/LongfordOpenGardens
	November	Longford Garden Club's Flower Show	https://www.facebook.com/LongfordGardenClub
	November	Festival of Roses	www.woolmers.com.au
Evandale	February	National Penny Farthing Championships & Village Fair	www.evandalevillagefair.com
	March	Glover Prize Tasmania	www.ihonglover.com.au
	November	Verandah Music Festival	https://verandahmusicfestival.com/

Self Contained Vehicle Overnight rest areas in the Heritage Highway region

There are a number of locations providing free overnight camping for Self Contained vehicles. Must have an onboard toilet, washing, cooking, and sleeping must be contained within your vehicle. No grey or black water, or other liquid is to be let out onto the ground or in the river.

Kempton	Off the Main Street near Station Park at the southern end of Kempton	Maximum stay: 48 hours	Facilities: picnic table, fresh water, some powered sites, shower and toilet available, enquiry at the Council office https://www.southernmidlands.tas.gov.au/for-visitors-public-amenities-facilities/
Campania	Campania Flour Mill In the town behind the tennis courts / rest area		Basic free campground suitable for big rigs, caravans and camper trailers. No booking required. Pets with conditions. Flushing toilets. Picnic tables.
Oatlands	The Esplanade, off High Street, on the foreshore of Lake Dulverton	Maximum stay: 72 hours	Facilities: picnic table, shade, fresh water, fire pot, shower and toilet https://www.southernmidlands.tas.gov.au/for-visitors-public-amenities-facilities/
Bagdad	Chauncy Vale Reserve 350 Chauncy Vale Rd	Maximum stay: 48 hours	Covered picnic areas, BBQs, toilets, fresh water. Walking trails. 4 campervan sites. No power or showers. No dogs in the reserve. Not suitable for caravans due to restricted turning areas. \$10 per night donation.
Campbell Town	Blackburn Park Reserve, south eastern side of the Red Bridge, adjacent to the Elizabeth River	Maximum stay: 48 hours	Permit required, available online: https://northernmidlands.tas.gov.au/community/facilities/rv-friendly-towns
Cressy	Cressy Recreation Ground, Macquarie St	Maximum stay: 48 hours	Permit required, available online: https://northernmidlands.tas.gov.au/community/facilities/rv-friendly-towns
Bishopsbourne	Bishopsbourne Recreation Ground	Maximum stay: 48 hours	Permit required, available online: https://northernmidlands.tas.gov.au/community/facilities/rv-friendly-towns
Evandale	Honeysuckle Banks Reserve, Leighlands Road	Maximum stay: 48 hours	Only permitted from November to April due to floods the rest of the year. Permit required, available online: https://northernmidlands.tas.gov.au/community/facilities/rv-friendly-towns
Evandale	Falls Park Reserve, Logan Road (site of the Evandale Market)	Maximum stay: 48 hours	Only available from Monday to Friday. All vehicles must leave before 10am Saturday. Entry for overnight parking Sundays is only after 6pm. In wet conditions please park on the road and not the grassed area. Permit required, available online: https://northernmidlands.tas.gov.au/community/facilities/rv-friendly-towns

Dump Points along the Heritage Highway region

Dump points can be found at the following locations.

Kempton	Old Hunting Ground Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> At rear of Victoria hall, suitable for cassette only. Difficult for large motorhomes to back into. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Water available. Open 24 hours. Free.
Oatlands	Williams St/Wellington St junction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ok for greater than 20 meters. Water available. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open 24 hours. Free.
Campbell Town	King Street	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accessible for big rigs. Drinking water. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open 24 hours. Free.

Electric Vehicle Charging Stations in the Heritage Highway region

Charge up your electric vehicle at these EV charging stations along the Heritage Highway region.

Brighton	146 Brighton Rd & Andrews St	At Coles Express
Kempton	3001 Midland Hwy	At Mood Food Service Station
Oatlands	70 High St	At the Oatlands Aquatic Centre
Campbell Town	3 Commonwealth Lane	In the public carpark

Medical Centres in the Heritage Highway region

Need a GP? These are the medical centres along the Heritage Highway region.

Oatlands	Oatlands Surgery	GP Clinic	13 Church St 6135 0540
	Midlands Multi-Purpose Health Centre	Provides 24 hour Accident & Emergency	southernmidlands.tas.gov.au/health-mmphc/
Campbell Town	Campbell Town Health & Community Service	GP Clinic	70 High St
Evandale	Evandale General Practice	GP Clinic	8a High St 6710 3000 evandalegeneralpractice.com.au/
Longford	Norfolk Plains Medical Centre	GP Clinic	28 George St 6391 1170 longfordmedical.com.au/
Perth	Norfolk Plains Medical Centre	GP Clinic	180 Fairtlough St 6398 2295

Emergency Departments available 24 hours:

Oatlands Multipurpose. 13 church St. 6135 0540
 Royal Hobart Hospital. 48 Liverpool St, Hobart. 6166 8308
 Launceston General Hospital. 274 Charles St, Launceston. 6777 6777
 Mersey Community Hospital. Torquay Rd, Latrobe. 6478 5500
 North West Regional Hospital. 23 Brickport Rd, Burnie. 6193 6000

Villages & Towns in the Heritage Highway Region

The scenic route through Tasmania's midlands reveals colonial towns where history comes to life. Go exploring and uncover stories, characters, tours, gastronomical delights, and adventures.

From South to North, here's a summary of our villages and towns to help travelers plan their journeys.

Village / Town	About	Services	Features
Pontville & Brighton Distance: Hobart CBD – 27km Hobart airport – 42km Launceston Airport – 156km Launceston CBD – 171km Devonport – 251 km	Small village with barracks, churches, gracious homes and cottages offering a fine sample of colonial life. St Mark's (1841) designed by Convict Architect James Blackburn, built with convict labour. The cemetery houses graves of many prominent Tasmanians.	Public toilets Dump point (Brighton) Fuel Accommodation Eateries	Bonorong Wildlife Sanctuary www.bonorong.com.au Brighton History Association. Epsom House ballroom concerts: www.epsomhouse.com/ Lark Distillery: https://larkdistillery.com/ Jordan River Trail: www.greaterhobarttrails.com.au/tracks/jordan-river-trail St Mark's Church: www.discovertasmania.com.au/things-to-do/heritage-and-history/stmarkscurchpontville/ Monthly Market, first Sunday each month.
Kempton Distance: Hobart CBD – 49km Hobart Airport – 62km Launceston Airport – 136km Launceston CBD – 150km Devonport – 230km	On the land of the Big River people. Well preserved and quaint colonial village with some beautiful examples of early domestic architecture.	Public toilets Dump point Fuel Accommodation Eateries Post Office Golf Club	Belgrove Distillery: https://belgrovedistillery.com.au/ Heritage buildings. Kempton Festival every February: https://www.facebook.com/people/Kempton-Festival-and-Sheep-Racing-Championships/100040628186235/ Old Kempton distillery at Dysart House: https://www.oldkemptondistillery.com.au/ The Blue Place – exhibitions, historic displays.
Campania & Colebrook Distance: Campania: Hobart CBD – 35km Hobart airport – 28km Launceston Airport – 150km Launceston CBD – 163km Devonport – 244km Colebrook: Hobart CBD – 54km Hobart airport – 46km Launceston Airport – 131km Launceston CBD – 145km, Devonport – 244km	One of Tasmania's most productive and diverse agricultural regions blessed with an array of cultural heritage and contains many fine examples of grand Georgian country homesteads	Public toilets Accommodation Eateries General store Golf Club	Campania Flour Mill Bronze Sculptures. Coal River Gorge: www.southernmidlands.tas.gov.au/assets/reserves_sanctuaries_Coal_River_Gorge_Nature_Reserve.pdf Colebrook History Room open weekends and by request. Ph 6259 7161. Jerusalem Probation Station, Colebrook. St Patrick's Church Colebrook, a must see for anyone interested in 19 th century architecture. https://www.churchsoftasmania.com/2019/09/no-548-colebrook-st-patricks-catholic.html

<p>Oatlands</p> <p>Distance: Hobart CBD – 82kmh Hobart airport – 76km Launceston Airport – 101km Launceston CBD – 116km Devonport – 196km</p>	<p>The largest collection of colonial Georgian buildings in Australia, mostly convict built, ranging from original settlers' cottages to government and military buildings to grand entrepreneurial pursuits.</p>	<p>Public toilets Dump point Fuel Accommodation Eateries Shopping Supermarket Laundromat Post office Hairdresser Banking & Service Tasmania</p>	<p>Aquatic Centre – new state of the art facility: www.southernmidlands.tas.gov.au/oatlands-aquatic-centre/</p> <p>Callington Mill. Fully restored and working 19th century Lincolnshire tower windmill set within an historic precinct.</p> <p>Callington Mill Precinct with Distillery: https://callingtonmilldistillery.com/</p> <p>Oatlands Key – self guided tour with access to three significant heritage buildings including the Supreme Courthouse, Gaoler's Residence, and Commissariat: https://www.southernmidlands.tas.gov.au/visitor-oatlands-key/</p> <p>The Military Precinct: unique insight into the settlement of Van Diemen's Land: https://www.southernmidlands.tas.gov.au/oatlands-military-precinct/</p> <p>Callington Park Heritage Machinery display: www.southernmidlands.tas.gov.au/assets/Visitor Information Machinery Booklet Edition 4 updated August 2018.pdf</p> <p>Museum & History Room: https://oatlandscommunity.org.au/index.php/group-members/oatlands-district-historical-society</p> <p>Adventure Playground.</p> <p>Galleries.</p> <p>Specialty shops, community of crafts, food, weaving, pottery, etc.</p> <p>Fabulous dining experiences.</p> <p>Heritage & Bullock Festival: https://www.facebook.com/people/Heritage-Bullock-Festival-Oatlands/100069819105562/?locale=ms_MY&paipv=0&eav=AfY3jRWSr3Q6KBR7OzqXelil82StWnUyL_qHSlw33YyIE1acrBsJlbn9Mp544I422V0&_rd_</p> <p>Visitor Information Centre – Middle Tasmania: https://middletasmania.com.au/</p> <p>Mini Farmers Market third Sunday each month.</p>
<p>Ross</p> <p>Distance: Hobart CBD – 119 Hobart airport – 112km Launceston Airport – 64km Launceston CBD – 78km Devonport – 160km</p>	<p>Established in 1821, Ross is one of Tasmania's finest heritage villages, registered on the National Estate. Fine collection of well-preserved Georgian buildings and architecture. Ross enjoys a peaceful atmosphere in a picturesque streetscape with an avenue of English Elms providing shade in the summer and a colourful display of falling leaves in the autumn.</p> <p>www.visitross.com.au</p>	<p>Public toilets Fuel Accommodation Eateries Post office</p>	<p>Tasmanian Wool Centre, Museum & Visitor Information Centre: www.taswoolcentre.com.au</p> <p>Historic Ross Bridge – third oldest, and most unique convict built sandstone bridge in Australia, featuring 186 carved icons: https://www.taswoolcentre.com.au/event/ross-bridge/</p> <p>Female Factory – women's convict prison. Cottage Museum on-site open daily, free admission: https://www.taswoolcentre.com.au/event/ross-female-factory-archeological-survey/</p> <p>Swimming pool.</p>

			<p>Dial-a-local – hear stories from locals in the old vintage phone box.</p> <p>Historic Quarry.</p> <p>Picnic at Ross: event held in May each year: https://www.facebook.com/picnicatross</p> <p>Ross Running Festival. Marathons run in September each year: https://rossrunning.org.au/</p> <p>Stunning Streetscape.</p> <p>Specialty shopping and 2 award winning bakeries.</p> <p>Self-guided town walk.</p>
<p>Campbell Town</p> <p>Distance: Hobart CBD – 134km Hobart airport – 124km Launceston Airport – 53km Launceston CBD – 68km Devonport – 147km</p>	<p>PANTUKINA ‘Where the Waters Meet’.</p> <p>One of five “Macquarie Towns”, and a major stop between Hobart and Launceston. An impressive collection of colonial architecture.</p> <p>https://northernmidlands.tas.gov.au/campbell-town</p>	<p>Public toilets Dump point Fuel Playground RV Friendly Town Outdoor gym Skate park Library Accommodation Eateries RV Charging station</p>	<p>Museum and Visitor Information Centre: https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100090242601275</p> <p>Red Bridge, convict built in 1838, best built from purpose built walkway.</p> <p>Wooden chainsaw sculptures.</p> <p>Harold Gatty Memorial.</p> <p>Swimming pool.</p> <p>Campbell Town Agricultural Show held every year in June. A genuine country show and one of the oldest of its kind in Australia: www.campbelltownshow.com.au</p> <p>Self-guided town walk.</p> <p>Markets: Town Hall, last Sunday each month, and Bowling club, first Saturday each month.</p>
<p>Avoca</p> <p>Distance: Hobart CBD – 169km Hobart airport – 160km Campbell Town – 36km Launceston Airport – 67km Launceston CBD – 82km Devonport – 162km East Coast – 64km</p>	<p>At the junction of the St Paul’s and South Esk Rivers, Avoca is said to mean the “Meeting of the Waters”.</p> <p>https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100064800395907</p>	<p>Public toilets Fuel Accommodation (at nearby Craggy Peaks) Playground Post office</p>	<p>Avoca Museum & Information Centre.</p> <p>Interpretation plaques around the town. World War Memorial Plinths in Boucher Park.</p> <p>Water Tower Mural.</p> <p>Close to bushwalking, hiking, mountain bike riding, rock climbing, wildflowers, wildlife.</p>
<p>Poatina</p> <p>Distance: Hobart CBD – 161km Hobart airport – 176km Launceston Airport – 55km Launceston CBD – 60km Devonport – 129km</p>	<p>On the fringe of the Great Western Tiers, Poatina Village is surrounded by rugged and beautiful landscapes. Former Hydro township.</p> <p>https://www.poatinacommunity.com.au/</p>	<p>Public toilets Fuel Accommodation Eateries Playground BBQs & picnic tables Specialty shops</p>	<p>Bushwalking with marked tracks.</p> <p>Labyrinth and reflective walks.</p> <p>Nearby trout fishing and waterfalls.</p> <p>Golf course – 9 hole/18 tees with spectacular views all round.</p> <p>Conference centre.</p> <p>Poatina Tree Art Gallery</p>

			<p>Poatina Hot Glass Studio (booking necessary).</p> <p>Hard Enduro every September https://www.hardendurotas.com</p>
<p>Cressy</p> <p>Distance: Hobart CBD – 186km Hobart airport – 180km Launceston Airport – 24km Launceston CBD – 36km Devonport – 105km</p>	<p>Small rural town below the Great Western Tiers, known as ‘Gateway to Trout Fishing Paradise’. Tasmania’s only “Troutified” town. www.cressytasmania.com</p>	<p>Public toilets Fuel Accommodation Eateries BBQ & Picnic table General store Lawn bowls</p>	<p>Trout fishing at nearby Brumbys Creek and Macquarie River.</p> <p>Tasmanian Trout Expo every year in September.</p> <p>Giant Trout Sculpture and local history in Bartholemew Park.</p>
<p>Longford</p> <p>Distance: Hobart CBD – 185km Hobart airport – 179km Launceston Airport – 13km, Launceston CBD – 27km, Devonport – 95km</p>	<p>At the junction of the South Esk and Macquarie Rivers, features many well preserved colonial buildings and home to UNESCO World Heritage Convict site https://northernmidlands.tas.gov.au/longford</p>	<p>Public toilets Fuel Accommodation Eateries Skate park Velodrome Playgrounds Shopping Library</p>	<p>World Heritage Convict sites Brickendon and Woolmers Estates. www.brickendon.com.au www.woolmers.com.au</p> <p>National Rose Garden with over 5000 roses displays all of the recognised rose families and represents one of the finest collections of historic roses in the southern hemisphere.</p> <p>Trout fishing on the South Esk & Macquarie Rivers.</p> <p>Christ Church and grounds. Has a recognised arboretum, stunning stained glass window, historic graveyard, including those of some first settlers.</p> <p>Australian Grand Prix memorabilia collection: relive the days of the 50s & 60s motor racing at the Country Club Hotel and Woolmers Estate.</p> <p>Water activities: fishing, canoeing, swimming.</p> <p>New Year’s Day Picnic Races – Longford Cup, every January.</p> <p>Motorama – celebrating the halcyon motor racing days of the 50s & 60s every year in March.</p> <p>Longford Show every year in October.</p> <p>Festival of Roses every year in November.</p> <p>Longford Blooms every year on the third weekend of November.</p> <p>Longford Garden Club Flower Show every year on the third weekend of November.</p> <p>Self-guided town walk.</p> <p>Electronic playground.</p>

Perth Distance: Hobart CBD – 179km Hobart airport – 173km Launceston Airport – 7km, Launceston CBD – 19km, Devonport – 99km	A rural town settled in 1821 with numerous buildings of historical and architectural significance. https://northernmidlands.tas.gov.au/perth	Public toilets Fuel Eateries	Chainsaw sculptures in the local park. Quirky interpretation of the town's punt heritage Beautiful riverbank walk along The Esplanade River Walk trail from Punt Road to the Train Park. Self-guided town walk.
Evandale Distance: Hobart CBD – 181km Hobart airport – 174km Launceston Airport – 4km Launceston CBD – 19km Devonport – 111km	Historic village on the South Esk river, charm and ambiance from the early days of the colony. Much admired for its historic streetscape. https://www.evandaletasmania.com/	Public toilets Accommodation Eateries Specialty shops Post office Playgrounds	Visitor Information Centre with small history museum, open 7 days, 10am-3pm. Street sculptures and statues. Evandale Light Rail. Morven Park. Sunday 10am – 2pm. Self-guided town walk. National Penny Farthing Championships & Evandale Village Fair, third Sunday in February every year. www.evandalevillagefair.com The Glover Prize Tasmania, prestigious art competition and exhibition, every year in March. www.johnglover.com.au Verandah Music Festival, experience the fun and funky beats and scenic verandah vibes: https://verandahmusicfestival.com/ Launceston Horticultural Society Flower Show, held seasonally throughout the year. www.facebook.com/LauncestonHorticulturalSociety Evandale Market is a popular country market held every Sunday. Makers Markets held at various times throughout the year. Nearby at Nile, National Trust's Clarendon House: www.nationaltrusttas.org.au/properties-clarendon.htm

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