

# GRAMPIANS

PRIME LAMB ANCIENT MOUNTAINS SPARKLING WINES ANGUS BEEF WILD FLOWERS SHIRAZ

## MELBOURNE FOOD AND WINE FESTIVAL REGIONAL WEEKEND

### Your guide to the Grampians

For *17 delicious* days during an exciting festival period, we celebrate the best of our regional food and wine at our picturesque regions, from Victoria's pristine beaches to our vast surrounds. Get to know real Victorians who dedicate their lives to making great food and wine – delight in the best of the season and the boundless imagination of our farmers, chefs and winemakers.

#### ABOUT THE REGION

Sheep and cattle grow fat, apples and berries quietly ripen and olive grove branches stoop low with fruit. Sparkling whites age in cellars underground, while classic reds are made from 150-year-old vines.

#### SEE AND DO

##### Royal Mail Hotel

No foodie visiting the Grampians would miss out on dining at the award-winning restaurant. Take a tour of the cellar or kitchen garden, too. Be sure to book early!  
[royalmail.com.au](http://royalmail.com.au)

##### Pyrenees Region

When travelling to and from the Grampians, take a slight detour through the beautiful region which is home to over 30 boutique cellar door.  
[pyrenees.org.au](http://pyrenees.org.au)

##### Toscana Olives

With a Mediterranean like climate, it's no wonder that the northern Grampians is Australia's largest olive producing area. The farm gate at Toscana Olives is the only place you can try their full range. So visit, sample and stock up.  
[toscanaolives.com.au](http://toscanaolives.com.au)

#### TRAVEL TIPS

**Time from Melbourne:** from 2 hours 30 mins

**Handy travel tips:** Discover attractions, dining hot spots and accommodation deals: [visitvictoria.com/Regions/Grampians](http://visitvictoria.com/Regions/Grampians)

**To map your journey by car,** [visitvictoria.com/Information/Route-planner](http://visitvictoria.com/Information/Route-planner)

**Public transport:** V/Line services run from Melbourne to Ararat and connecting coach services operate to Dunkeld, Horsham and Avoca. [visitvline.com.au](http://visitvline.com.au)

## SATURDAY 16 MARCH

### DISCOVER THE PYRENEES: A WINE JOURNEY

Learn how the earth shapes and inspires our region at a casual day of tastings, farm-to-table foods and art in the Grampians, with 19 wineries and the esteemed Avoca Hotel.

**Venue:** Avoca Riverfront, Avoca  
**Time:** 10:00am – 4:00pm  
**Cost:** \$25 includes wine tastings, food available for purchase  
**Bookings:** 1800 206 622  
**Website:** pyrenees.org.au

### BREAKFAST IN THE PANTRY

Indulge in a decadent breakfast spread and a journey through the Grampians. The best of all that is grown, picked, harvested, plucked and laid will be transformed into a sumptuous feast.

**Venue:** Three Troupers Pantry  
44 Neil St, Beaufort  
**Time:** 8:30am – 11:00am  
**Cost:** \$50  
**Bookings:** 0419 497 379  
**Website:** facebook.com/threetrouperspantry

## RESTAURANT EXPRESS

Venture into regional Victoria and enjoy a signature lunch special from a range of Restaurants selected from The Age Good Food Guide 2013. \$40 for two courses, a glass of Victorian wine and coffee or tea.

RESTAURANT	LOCATION	BOOKINGS
Darwill Farm	Hamilton	03 5571 2088

## SUNDAY 17 MARCH

### FEAST BENEATH THE SEPPELT VINES

Immerse yourself in Australian wine heritage in all its richness. Go between the vines and hand harvest the grapes before feasting deep in Seppelt's underground Labyrinth, The Drives.

**Venue:** Seppelt Great Western Vineyard and Cellar Door Great Western  
**Time:** 11:00am – 4:30pm  
**Cost:** \$250  
**Bookings:** 03 5361 2239  
**Website:** seppelt.com.au

