

## Highlights of Mount Buffalo National Park

### **Beautiful Bright, Mount Buffalo and boutique wineries**

A fabulous weekend of food, wine and walking in Victoria's High Country based in the charming town of Bright, which is an easy drive from Albury airport and around three and a half hours from Melbourne. Two fantastic days of hiking on trails in the stunning Mount Buffalo National Park and a gentle stroll through the vineyards of the Ovens Valley, with delicious dinners matched with excellent wines. Choose where to stay from an amazing selection of local accommodation and savour an unforgettable **sunset dinner on the top of Mount Buffalo**.

This long weekend could form part of an extended visit exploring the highlights of beautiful Victoria.



### **Day 1 - Friday**



Arrive at your leisure into Bright and check into your chosen accommodation. We will meet you for a very special evening in the centre of Bright at 7pm, which is a private cooking demonstration with famous local chef Patrizia Simone. Patrizia hails from Umbria and is well-known for celebrating the produce and flavours of Italy. The evening will showcase fabulous local wines, as this part of north-east Victoria is home to many excellent Italian varietals.

**Day 2 – Saturday** We will meet you at 9.00 am on Saturday morning at the Alpine Visitor Information Centre in the centre of Bright and drive up to Mount Buffalo. Our hike today takes us to beautiful Lake Catani, with a climb up Mount Dunn, before one of Hedonistic Hiking's signature picnic lunches on the shores of the lake. In the afternoon we continue on foot to the famous Mount Buffalo Chalet, once one of the greatest tourist attractions of the area and the jewel in the crown of the National Park. At the end of the walk we return you to Bright by road. Dinner is in the wonderful new Elm Dining restaurant in Bright. (11 km/6.9 miles)



### Day 3 – Sunday

Enjoy a relaxed start and maybe take a stroll around Bright, discovering its many shops and cafes. Lunch (or brunch) at your leisure. We meet you at 1.30pm and head up to a different part of Mount Buffalo. Guided hike to a lookout over the Buffalo Valley before continuing to some of the rocky outcrops which are a feature of Mount Buffalo's many attractions. Later in the afternoon we head to The Horn, the highest point on the mountain and, after hiking up to enjoy the panoramic views, we enjoy an unmissable sunset dinner overlooking the many peaks of the High Country. (12km+2.5km/7.5miles+1.6miles)



### Day 4 - Monday



We collect you in the centre of Bright at 9.30am. We start the day with a private visit to Mayfords vineyards in Porepunkah. From here a leisurely stroll, accompanied by one of the winemakers of Ringer Reef winery, takes us through the vineyards with wonderful views to Mount Buffalo, Mount Feathertop and the Razorback Ridge. We emerge at Ringer Reef winery to enjoy a private tasting before a delicious picnic overlooking the vines. We return you to Bright or to Porepunkah at approximately 3pm. (3km/1.8 miles)

### Extra Information

Unlike the European Hedonistic Hiking tours this weekend you have the choice of where to stay and you can book and pay for rooms directly with the accommodation. [Click here](#) to see more details of all the places we are recommending in the area. You could of course book other hotels further afield but we would not be able to offer free transfers and you would need your own transport to get to and from Bright.

Why not take a full week and spend some time exploring our beautiful part of north east Victoria. [See more](#) ideas on what to see and do in our beautiful and historic part of Australia, and its capital city [Melbourne](#).

## Dates

22-25 February 2019

**Cost:** \$945 per person inclusive of GST

## Price includes the following:

- Two professional guides to look after your every need
- All walks fully-guided
- Free transfers to and from your accommodation in Bright
- Dinner on each of the 3 evenings with excellent wines
- Picnic lunches on Saturday and Monday
- Wine tasting at Ringer Reef winery
- Comprehensive pre-trip information



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