

DOOKIE DELIGHTS: A GIRLS GETAWAY IN COUNTRY VICTORIA



 Mount Major Summit Views in Spring

A multitude of unique experiences hidden in one tiny town



*Discover colourful local characters as you explore the
unique and vibrant landscape of Dookie.*



DAY 1 DISCOVER DOOKIE

- Arrive in Dookie and stretch your legs in the CWA Gardens
- Nomadic Silo Art
- Unwind at Rye at Tallis, lunch with a view
- On top of the world at Mount Major
- Check-in to your accommodation in the heart of Dookie
- Meet the locals, and dine at the Gladstone Hotel

HOT TIP:

Dookie is spectacular in the spring and summer months, wide stretching canola fields are as picturesque as they are insta-worthy.

DAY 2 EXPLORE & EMBRACE DOOKIE

- Breakfast in the gardens of your Dookie Hideaway
- Delve into the Dookie Emporium
- Explore the Dookie Rail Trail
- Feast on the famous Dookie Burger
- Dookie Flowering Gum
- Stop in at Shepparton on your way home, there's no rush

HINT:

Holiday your way, pick and choose as much or as little to fill your days, or stay an extra night and explore a little more.



YOUR ACCOMMODATION HOME AWAY FROM HOME

- Hidden in the heart of Dookie, with plenty of space to unwind. Once you arrive you won't want to leave.
- In cooler months relax by the fire.
- The walls are adorned with beautiful artwork.
- Polished Murray pine floorboards and sweeping ceilings give a sense of space and calm.
- Centrally located, only minutes from the Dookie Emporium, The Gladstone and the General Store.
- Sleeps 6 (2 queen and 2 single beds)

- A small range of B&B's and farm stays are available in the area, be sure to book early to avoid disappointment.
- If you're after a different type of accommodation, Shepparton is less than 30 minutes drive.

DAY 1

DISCOVER DOOKIE

Wine and dine in the
fresh country air



 Dookie Canola Fields

Dookie truly is a tiny town, most of your attractions are within your line of sight when you pull up in the main street of Dookie, Mary Street (no street numbers needed – you'll understand when you get there). The only experiences you might need to drive to are Rye at Tallis (5 mins, 6 kms from the centre of Dookie) and the Mulana Nin Iyoga walking trail at Mount Major (4 mins, 2.7 kms from the centre of Dookie).

CWA GARDENS

Mary Street, Dookie

The CWA Gardens are home to the Dookie Centenary Clock Tower, a beautiful grassed area, one of the famous Moooving Art cows, a quiet playground and public toilets. On the outside of the gardens fence is a park bench painted by Yorta Yorta artist Tammy-Lee Atkinson. It's the perfect spot to stretch your legs before you discover Dookie.

Free, publicly accessible 24/7.

BACK IN TIME: The Dookie Clock is atop a tower made from original rail line. It was originally located at the Wine Cellar at Chateau Dookie Vineyard, it was gifted back to the Dookie community for its centenary in 1988.



 CWA Gardens and Dookie Centenary Clock Tower

 Dookie Nomadic Silo



NOMADIC SILOS

Mary Street, Dookie

The nomadic silo art was created as part of the Shepparton Festival. It's a silo art trail with a twist, featuring artworks on up-cycled portable grain silos donated by local farmers. Three silos are currently located in Mary Street.

A fourth is available to view during opening hours at Rye at Tallis when it's not being used by Richard during harvest season (September – December).

Free public art, accessible 24/7.

DAY 1 (cont.) DISCOVER DOOKIE

Wine and dine in the fresh country air

RYE AT TALLIS

Major Plains Road, Dookie
(5 minutes drive from the centre of Dookie)

Tess and Hannah welcome you to wine and dine in the fresh country air amongst the Dookie Hills. This reimagined wine bar serves Tallis Wine alongside top-shelf drinks and dishes from across the Goulburn Valley. It's hard to pick a favourite dish when the menu changes with the seasons, although we do love when delicious local peaches are featured amongst the dishes in February.

Keep an eye on their socials for special events such as Prosecco and Pilates or their Golden Hour sessions where you can toast to spectacular views and fabulous company.

Keep an eye on the Rye at Tallis menu, the chef's philosophy is centered around seasonal produce and highlighting local ingredients, so it's always changing.

Open Friday, Saturday and Sunday 11am - 5pm.
Bookings are recommended for dining, phone 0437 825 547 or submit a booking request.

As a guide diners typically spend \$40-\$60 here. Allow plenty of time to relax and take in the views over a delicious meal.



Rye at Tallis



Mulana Nin Iyoga Walking Trail



The Gladstone Hotel Beer Garden

THE GLADSTONE HOTEL

Mary Street, Dookie

The Gladstone Dookie is located in the heart of Dookie, it offers an authentic country pub experience, and has been since 1887. Owned and operated by Theresa, you and your girlfriends will eat like queens and meet the locals. Friday nights they run a meat raffle and joker poker. Spend the afternoon in the beer garden overlooking Mount Saddleback. If you time it right you might even catch some local musicians belting out a tune.

Wayne's choice porterhouse is our top pick at \$36. It's the talk of the town.

Kitchen open for lunch Wednesday to Sunday from midday. Open for dinner Wednesday and Thursday from 4pm and for lunch and dinner from 11am Friday to Sunday. Book a table and we'll meet you at The Gladstone.

MULANA NIN IYOGA WALKING TRAIL MOUNT MAJOR

Corner Ryans Road & Cashel Road, Mount Major
(4 minute drive down Cashel road from Rye at Tallis and a 4 minutes drive down Ryans road back to the centre of Dookie)

The Mulana nin iyoga walking trail is a 4.6km return walk offering stunning views to the north and west as you move up the slopes to the peak of Mount Major. Interpretive signs along the trail provide an insight into the area's rich cultural history. Learn about the indigenous links to the land, the landscape, wildlife, local history and unique geology of the area.

The walk to the summit is well worth the effort for the stunning views of Dookie the Agricultural College and the ranges to the south and east.

Free public trail, accessible 24/7.



The Gladstone Hotel

DAY 2 EXPLORE & EMBRACE DOOKIE

Relax and explore
Dookie and surrounds at
your own pace

 Dookie Rail Trail
(Mount Saddleback views)



HIDEAWAY FOR BREAKFAST

Mary Street, Dookie

Keep it simple with breakfast at your accommodation, a bowl of cereal or slice of toast whilst listening to the sounds of the local birds. Or indulge in a truly local spread, with pastries from Higgins Family Bakery, or Fiore's, lashings of Tatura Butter and Eco Store's delicious jams. Accompany it with a glass of Ducat's juice, or locally roasted coffee and tea and a side of fresh seasonal fruit straight from the local orchards.

Take a stroll and explore your surrounds and ease yourself into the day. There's no rush, take your time. [Book your next stay online.](#)



 Dookie Hideaway

DOOKIE EMPORIUM CAFÉ & ANTIQUES

Mary Street, Dookie

You never know what you might dig up at the [Dookie Emporium](#). It's full of surprises! Set in the large, historic Mt Major Co-Op store, the Dookie Emporium is a virtual treasure trove. You'll be amazed by the variety of things for sale, from antiques to vintage, funky sixties and seventies clothing, furniture, militaria, art and more.

It's also home to a café where you can sit and enjoy a coffee and one of Sol's fabulous jelly cakes with a view of the Dookie Flowering Gum across the road, or grab takeaway to enjoy it in the CWA Gardens across the road.

Open Friday, Saturday and Sunday 9am to 5pm,
and on public holidays.



 Dookie Emporium

DAY 2 (cont.)

EMBRACE & EXPLORE DOOKIE

DOOKIE RAIL TRAIL

Mary Street, Dookie

This [Dookie Rail Trail](#) is a picturesque trail, perfect for a gentle ride or stroll traversing some of the Goulburn Valley's most fertile farm land nestled between Mt Saddleback and Mt Major. The trail stretches out in two directions from the centre of Dookie Township. Stage 1 takes you eastward for 4.7kms as you gently meander towards the Yabba flats with their olive and orange groves, vineyards, cropping lands and the ever memorable Dookie Red loams. Stage 2 trail heads westward for 3kms from the former Dookie Railway station platform, offering open views, with low foliage and less undulation.



Dookie Flowering Gum

DOOKIE GENERAL STORE

Mary Street, Dookie

[Dookie General Store](#) is open 6 days a week, it is home to the infamous Dookie burger made from locally sourced ingredients. If a burger isn't your style, they offer a full range of fish and chip options for lunch and dinner, as well as local information and souvenirs. They're also the local post office, so you can send a postcard to your loved ones to let them know you're planning to stay a little longer to discover more of the Goulburn Valley.

Open Monday – Saturday.
For around \$15 you can get a burger and drink.

Loel Thomson Costume Collection at MOVE



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Dookie Rail Trail

The rail runs straight through Dookie, the trail sign and map is located across the road from the Gladstone.

You can spend an hour or two taking in all the sights along the rail trail.

Free, accessible 24/7

DOOKIE FLOWERING

Mary Street, Dookie

Symbolising regeneration, optimism and inspiration, the [Dookie Flowering Gum](#) is an iconic landmark in this tiny town. The community brought new life to the sugar gum in the main street, where it blossoms with 150 large handmade aluminum flowers.

Free public art, accessible 24/7



Dookie General Store Burger

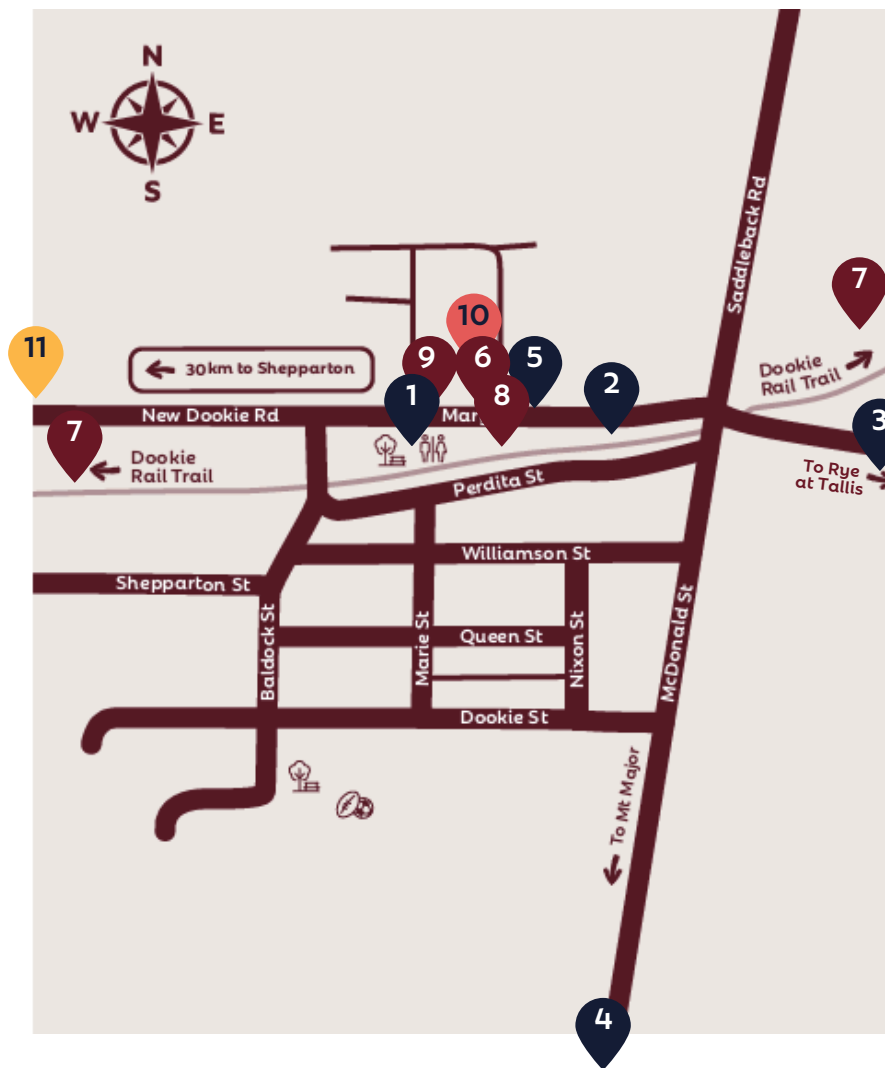
TICKETS AND BOOKINGS

Aside from your lunches, dinners and concert tickets, you don't need to book ahead of time, which leaves you in full control of your stay. Choose to fit in as much or as little as you like.

EXPLORE MORE...

Stay an extra night and explore more of the surrounding region of Shepparton and Goulburn Valley. Shepparton is an easy 30 minutes drive, you can explore exhibitions at [Shepparton Art Museum](#) or 200 years of fashion from the [Loel Thomson Costume Collection](#) at the [Museum of Vehicle Evolution](#).

DOOKIE TOWN MAP



- 1. CWA Gardens
- 2. Nomadic Silos
- 3. Rye at Tallis
- 4. Mount Major
- 5. The Gladstone Dookie
- 6. Dookie Emporium
- 7. Dookie Rail Trail
- 8. Flowering Gum
- 9. Dookie General Store
- 10. Dookie Hideaway
- 11. to Shepparton (29kms)



Grounded Live at Dookie Quarry

DISCOVER DOOKIE'S EVENT CALENDAR

Be sure to check out the calendar of events, annual events include:

- Dookie and Devenish Good Friday Appeal
- Dookie Military Vehicle Rally
- Grounded Live at Dookie Quarry

For one weekend only in December each year the Dookie Quarry comes to life with Grounded, live at the Dookie Quarry on Yorta Yorta Country, where the quarry transforms for a live music event like no other. With a breathtaking setting, the rock walls come alive, and the red dirt stirs for this once a year event.

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A musical feast – Make the most of your visit to Dookie with all of your senses, tune into the local Spotify playlist 'Shepparton and Goulburn Valley' curated to showcase local musicians, along with those who grew up in Shepparton and Goulburn Valley. Many of the artists featured have had the honour of playing concerts at the Dookie Quarry.



GETTING TO DOOKIE FROM MELBOURNE

From Melbourne head north on the Hume Freeway for approximately 88kms. Turn onto the Goulburn Valley Freeway towards Murchison, Nagambie and Shepparton for 69kms. At Kialla, turn right onto the Shepparton Alternate Route (River Road becomes Doyles Road), take the alternate route for approximately 12kms until you reach the third roundabout. Turn right at the Doyles Road / New Dookie Road roundabout and head towards Dookie. Travel 25 kms into the main street of Dookie.

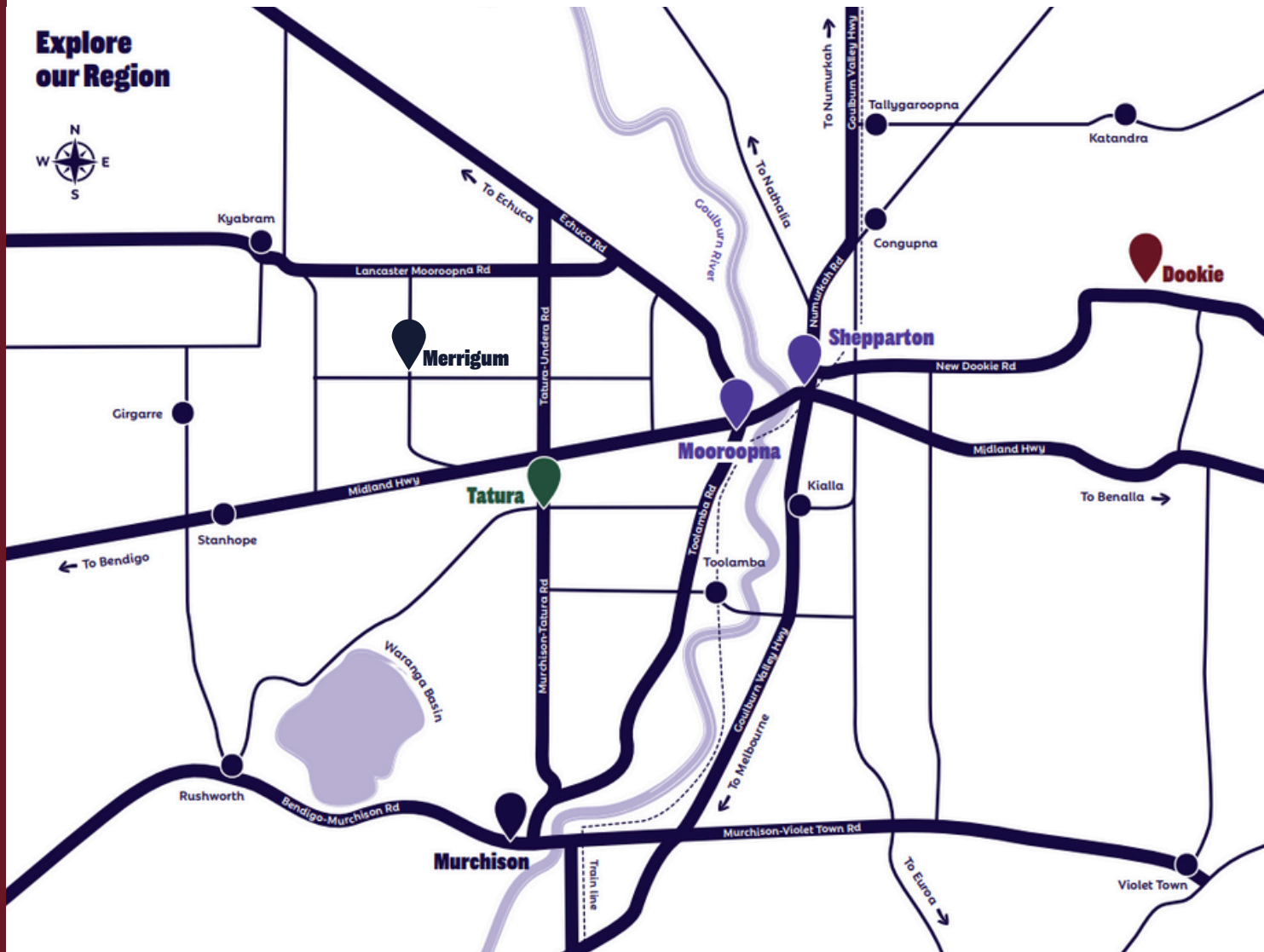


TRAVEL DISTANCES

221 kms (2 hours 40 minutes) from Melbourne GPO
 29 kms (30 minutes) from Shepparton Post Office
 42 kms (30 minutes) from Benalla Post Office
 60 kms (47 minutes) from Yarrowonga Post Office
 52 kms (40 minutes) from Cobram Post Office

LOCAL DISTANCES & TRAVEL TIMES

Shepparton - 29 kms (30 mins)
 Katandra West - 24 kms (19 mins)
 Congupna - 26 kms (21 mins)
 Tallygaroopna - 33 kms (25 mins)



For further information to plan your visit check out www.sheppandgv.com.au

ROAD SAFETY Pause Stop TAC

The TAC Pause Stop initiative aims to reduce driver fatigue on long journeys by encouraging road users to plan ahead, pull over, and recharge. Drive to the road conditions and take a break. A pause from the road might save your life. Plan your journey ahead of time.

Familiarise yourself with the Driver Reviver - Pause Stop locations
<https://www.tac.vic.gov.au/road-safety/pausestop>

