

# DOOKIE RAIL TRAIL

Walk or Ride

## Location

The start of the Dookie Rail Trail is directly opposite the Gladstone Hotel in Mary Street.

**Dookie is a short drive from four large regional city centres:**

Shepparton	30 kms (25 mins)
Benalla	40 kms (30 mins)
Yarrawonga	70 kms (40 mins)
Wangaratta	65 kms (50 mins)

## Dookie Attractions

When you get to Dookie you will find a range of unexpected treasures.

## Dookie CWA Gardens / Park

The gardens provide lots of shade, a lawned area, a free Lions BBQ with undercover seating and tables, toilets (inc. disabled) and an extensive playground for children along with a lovely walking/kids gravel bike path. Don't forget to check out the MooovingArt Cow.

## Dookie Emporium & Café

A large collection of antiques and collectables to excite you along with a boutique cafe selling local produce. Enjoy lunch or a cup of tea or coffee and be tempted by scrumptious desserts! (open Fri-Sun).

## Dookie General Store

This original store has it all, ice-creams, sweet treats, drinks and so much more!

## Dookie Gladstone Hotel

Enjoy a cool ale or taste a local wine and stay on for dinner, you'll love the ambience of this local Dookie landmark. Open Tues to Sun. Dinner Wed to Sat. Lunch on Sun. Ph. 03 5828 6237.

## Tallis Wine Cellar Door

Discover Tallis Wine Cellar Door offering boutique wines, seasonal platters and magnificent views of the Dookie district, located 7km south-east of Dookie. Open Tue to Thurs 10am - 3pm. Fri to Sun 11am - 5pm. Ph. 0437 825 547.

## University of Melbourne - Dookie Campus

Also worth a visit is the historical Agricultural College and grounds (est. 1886) 9km south-east of Dookie.

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## Friends of the Dookie Rail Trail

**Enquiries & friends are always welcome**

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For more Rail Trails information visit

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[www.lifestyledookie.com.au](http://www.lifestyledookie.com.au)

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Something for everyone!



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33 Nixon Street, Shepparton

Open 9.00am - 5.00pm every day except Christmas Day  
Phone: 03 5832 9330 or toll free 1800 808 839

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Total Distance: 4.7kms (one way) or 9.3kms (return)

Timing: Brisk Walk (return) Approx. 2hrs

Casual Ride (return) Approx. 1.5hrs

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## About the Dookie Rail Trail

The Dookie Rail Trail is a picturesque trail, although a relatively short bitumen trail at only 4.7kms (9.4kms return).

This scenic trail is set at the base of Mt Saddleback and traverses some of the Goulburn Valley's most fertile farm land. After a gentle climb you can turn back to see the majestic view of Mt Major to the south and Gentle Annie hill to the South East. As you cross over the range you will gently meander onto the Yabba flats with their olive and orange groves, vineyards, cropping lands and the memorable Dookie Red loams.

## The Future

Friends of the Dookie Rail Trail are currently working with the Greater Shepparton City Council, Federal and State Governments to bring you Stage 2 of the Dookie Rail Trail which will extend from Dookie to Cosgrove, approx. 6kms South West of Dookie.

## Look out for the Wildlife!

Keep your eyes peeled! If you're lucky you might just happen upon 'Willy the Wombat', at the third intersection (Hooper's Road). Willy has made a den in the under-road drain. There have been sightings of echidnas, blue tongue lizards, kangaroos and even wedge-tailed eagles as well as everyone's favourite the koala. You may also see possums and incredible bird life that inhabit the trees along the trail and the odd rabbit or two. Although they are not so wild, there are always sheep, and often lambs, in the paddocks nearby. See if you can spot the camels!

Discover all Dookie and the Greater Shepparton region has to offer and we encourage you to explore our region's rich history and heritage, arts and culture and our family friendly activities and attractions, including the Murchison Rail trail and Shepparton's shared path network.

We look forward to welcoming you to our wonderful region and all it has to offer – Enjoy!



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This trail is suitable for all ages with gentle hill climbs and great views of the Dookie and Yabba districts.

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An undulating, scenic walk or ride for the entire family

**9.4 kms  
RETURN**

## Alternative 'Off The Trail Routes'

Shown are some alternate on-road routes which will take you off the Rail Trail onto some quiet, scenic roads.

These routes vary in length and offer alternative routes back to Dookie. Some are a little more challenging than others, each have their own scenic highlights.



The Dookie Rail Trail is ideal for families with young children and those looking for a short, scenic walk or ride!

