# **TOP PICNIC SPOTS OF** THE YARRA VALLEY

Picnics are all about enjoying fresh air with friends and family. What's your speed? Kids playground, forest dreaming or maybe the water's edge. There's a place for a picnic with your perfect view here in the Yarra Valley. Plonk in a vineyard, stroll through a township park or sneak away from it all in the bush. Find Your Self outside and loving it!

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RAINFOREST WALK

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Melba Highway

MCKENZIE RESERVE

DIAMOND CREEK REGIONAL PLAY SPACE

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PICNIC AREA



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ELTHAM LOWER PARK Acheron Way

FERNSHAW PICNIC GROUND

HEALESVILLE

MAROONDAH RESERVOIR PARK

YARRA GLEN





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#### Lillydale Lake 🔥 🚻 PG 🕸

Swansea Rd, Lilydale

Lillydale Lake is iconic! Bird watchers, dog walkers, fitness fanatics and families after an amazing playground (suitable for all-abilities) - this is your park. There's an outdoor fitness station, walking tracks, fishing jetties (it is regularly stocked with trout) and even sandy beach areas. There are two designated dog off-lead areas within the park so the doggo will be loving life too.

### Yarra River Warburton

Thomas Ave, Warburton

Sit down by the river and relax in the heart of Warburton town centre. This is where visitors and locals meet on the banks of the Yarra. Grab something from the local cafes and either sit and dip your toes in at the water's edge or find a seat and settle in. Be surrounded by the local birdlife enjoying the river as much as the kids do.

### Upper Yarra Reservoir Park 袝

Upper Yarra Dam Rd, Reefton

Want to ride to Reefton? A must if you're on a motorbike. The Upper Yarra Reservoir Park is the upper most accessible point of the Yarra River. This Park area was originally a small town constructed for the workers who built the dam between 1947 and 1957. Now it's all about picnics, sightseeing, camping or just an excuse for a road trip. This is remote regional Victoria just on your doorstep.

### Maroondah Reservoir Park

Maroondah Main Loop Rd, Healesville

A waterfall, a huge dam and amazing flowers. This park has it all. Native and exotic trees, native animals and birds and winding walking tracks. Its playground, lawns, water views and cool summer shade make it a super popular picnic destination in warmer months.

The magnificent Rose Stairway is at its best in autumn. Enjoy azaleas and rhododendrons in full bloom in spring. During the wetter months experience the awesome force of the water tumbling over the spillway.

#### Badgers Weir 🚻 💷

Badgers Weir Rd, Badgers Creek

A birdwatcher and photographers paradise with the Australian King-Parrot, Crimson Rosella and Superb Lyrebird easily viewed. Badger Weir Picnic Area is the perfect place to enjoy a picnic or barbecue. Fresh mountain air and forest walks passing through ancient fern gullies, across clear mountain streams and meander amongst mighty Mountain Ash.

#### Fernshaw Picnic Area 🚻

Maroondah Highway, Fernshaw

This is a picture perfect country setting! Set amongst the Mountain Ash of the Yarra Ranges National Park the Fernshaw Picnic Area is located along the Black Spur scenic drive from Healesville to Narbethong.

The popular picnic area is the site of the former town Fernshaw, situated on the Watts River. The top picnic ground was actually the site of the main street in the 1860s.

### Wirrawilla Rainforest Walk

Sylvia Creek Rd, Toolangi

Forest time? Tucked away up the road near Mt St Leonard is this stunning, secret (almost!), sheltered picnic area set in the forest. There's a boardwalk circuit, taking in the sounds and scents of the rainforest or pop on your hiking boots and take off on the Tanglefoot Loop. The environment is cool, damp and dreamy.

## McKenzie Reserve

Cnr Anzac Avenue and Bell St, Yarra Glen

Home to one of the best playgrounds in the region! The award-winning Yarra Glen Adventure Playground boasts a huge variety of activities and with inclusion of the skate park - there's something for all ages.

McKenzie Reserve sits in the heart ofYarra Glen with expansive lawns for large and small picnics, an arboretum of established native and exotic trees to perch your blanket beneath. If you time it right you might even find a table or rotunda. Eltham Lower Park 🔥 🚻 😰 570 Main Rd, Eltham

Miniature Railway nearby. Eltham Lower Park features a large playground, with plenty of space between each piece of equipment. The playground features a wheelchairaccessible carousel, a nest swing, regular swings, a variable hill to climb with a tunnel slide down the opposite side, a whirligig and a double flying fox. Picnic tables and barbeques are available throughout the park with plenty of trees to provide shade.

#### Diamond Creek Regional Play Space 🍿 Pg 政

28 Main Hurstbridge Rd, Diamond Creek

The Diamond Creek Regional Playspace is located at Diamond Creek Reserve, near Marngrook Oval, the Diamond Creek Bowls Club and the off-leash dog park. This fantastic nature-themed playspace is designed for all ages and abilities, and works closely with the natural parkland environment. It features dedicated junior and senior play areas, flying foxes, nature play and cubby area. There are picnic shelters, seats, tables, barbecues, and public toilets. The playspace is easily accessible from the Diamond Creek Trail.

#### PICNIC SPOTS IN HEALESVILLE TOWNSHIP

Queens Park 36 Don Road

**Yarra Valley Railway Park** 20 Healesville-Kinglake Road

Coronation Park 105 River Street

Please always check sites before arriving to make sure they are what you are after: If you'd like a dog friendly list scan our QR code with the camera on your phone and you'll find more information there.



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