

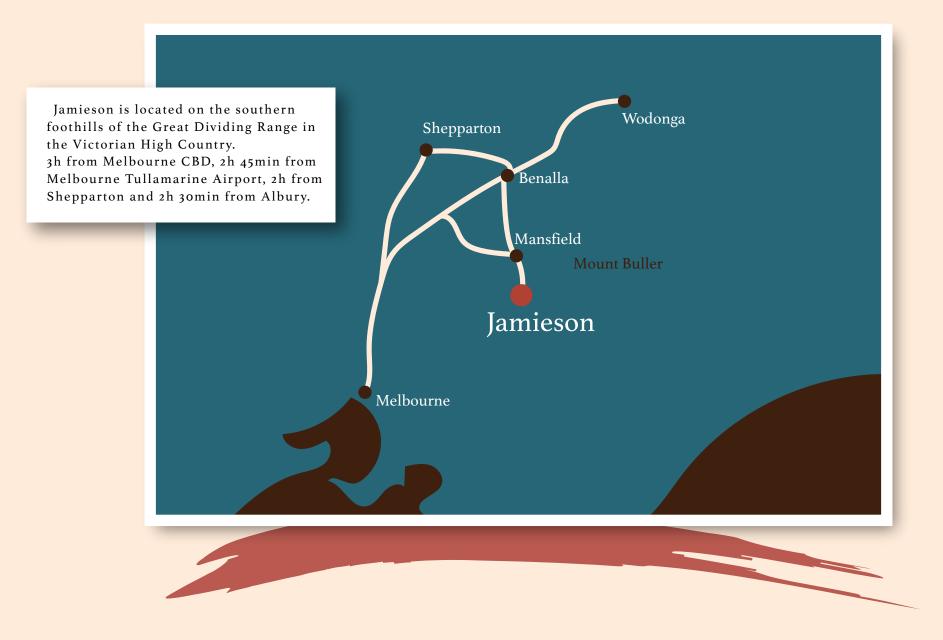
# Feel the beauty

2 day itinerary 2023

### TWO DAYS OF EXPLORING AND RELAXING WITH YOUR FAMILY

Take a road trip to Jamieson. This hidden High Country gem is a must visit for active and adventurous families. Our two-day, family-oriented itinerary sets you up for great outdoor adventures, with plenty of time to relax. Dive into the vivid gold mining history of the region, head out on a kayaking adventure, learn about the local wildlife on the Paw Prints Walk, relax around a campfire and recharge by the Jamieson River. Make memories that will last a lifetime.

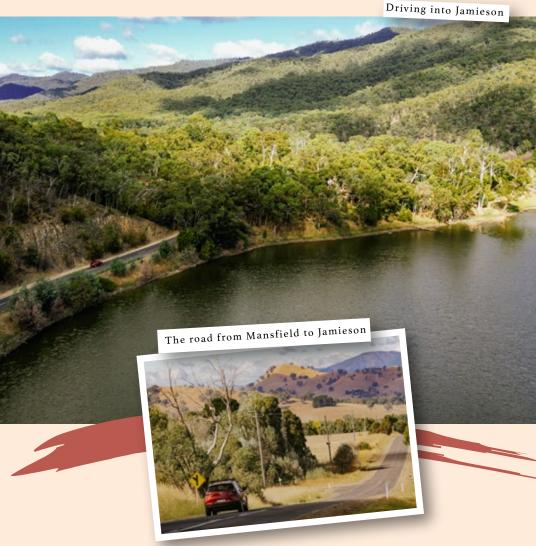
#### **GETTING THERE**



Road trips are extremely exciting, especially when you are going to explore new places. Don't forget to rest well before the adventure. Jamieson is located on the southern foothills of the Great Dividing Range in the Victorian High Country. 3h from Melbourne CBD, 2h 45min from Melbourne Tullamarine Airport, 2h from Shepparton and 2h 30min from Albury. Be sure to pack plenty of snacks and games to make the drive an adventure. Stop along the way, swap drivers and have a break at least every 2 hours.

30km before reaching your destination you will pass through Mansfield. Pop by the **Visitor Information Centre** to pick up some brochures and maps, browse the unique **local shops along High Street** and check out the new High Country themed **Mansfield Botanic Park Adventure Playground**, a hit with the young and the young at heart! Continue the drive to Jamieson on the winding road, through hills, along sheep paddocks and over mountain streams. Take in the views towards Mount Buller and over Lake Eildon. You are far away from the everyday, soak in the High Country scenery.

### DAY 1 Morning The Drive



### DAY 1 LUNCH TIME ARRIVING IN JAMIESON



You made it! On arrival, park your car in Perkins Street, the hub of Jamieson. The wide road is lined with historic buildings, a wooden horse cart is on display next to the post office.

Head into the Jamieson General Store to get a delicious takeaway. Make sure to order a latte with your lunch, the coffee is amazing! With your lunch in hand walk the 300m to the East end of Perkins Street, where the grassy riverbanks invite for a picnic.

**BBQ shelters and picnic tables** are provided. Stretch your legs under the tall trees, listen to the burble of the Jamieson River and breathe in the pristine mountain air. This spot by the Jamieson River is great for the children to kick a ball or to go for a swim in Summer.

Picnic along the Jamieson River



After lunch return to your car and drive the 400m from the General Store to the Jamieson Caravan Park. The riverfront caravan park is the perfect base for your family and offers a wide range of accommodation. From shaded grassy sites (starting at \$52 per night for a family of 4) to fully self-contained cabins by the river (starting at \$210 per night for a family of 4).

The caravan park has two sandpits, a swimming pool, DVD rental, outdoor games, basketball court, table tennis, volleyball court, chickens, outdoor fire pits and plenty of grass for the kids to run around. Its central location makes it easy to walk to most places during your stay.

### DAY 1 AFTERNOON CHECK IN

Cabin at Jamieson Caravan Park

The Jamieson River along the Caravan Park

Alternatively, in the Jamieson Valley, 5km from town are two super family friendly properties with cottages in the same price range as the ensuite cabins at the Caravan Park.

At the Jamieson Valley Retreat, where the local Alpacas and sheep welcome you, there is a playground and tennis court. At Emerald Park Holiday Farm you can help the owners collect the eggs from the chickens, feed the cows and brush the ponies. The sunsets in the Jamieson Valley are absolutely amazing. If you are after more secluded, upmarket

accommodation, why not treat yourself to a holiday house! Pick one of these holiday homes for your family.

Jamieson River Run has a skate ramp and trampoline and is located 1.2km from central Jamieson. Riverside Bliss has a cubby house in the back yard and is only a couple hundred meters from the General Store.

Outside of the township you can find the luxurious Goulburn River Retreat with its 5-star cubby house, trampoline and a zip line.

All the houses have outdoor fire pits and as their names suggest river frontage!

When checked in to your accommodation it is time to get active! Jamieson Kayak Rental is located at the Caravan Park. After an entertaining, anecdote-filled introduction by Tom the owner, jump into your kayak and paddle downstream. The two-to-four-hour journey takes you over rapids and along calm river stretches onto Lake Eildon. Here on the water, it is just you, your family, a few visiting insects, some startled ducks and maybe a fish swimming by. Pick up is included in the \$55 fee. Kayaking is available most days from September to May.

### DAY 1 AFTERNOON Kayaking

Kayaking introduction

If you have children younger than 8 years old, spend the afternoon swimming and floating down the Jamieson River. You can float from the Brewery Bridge, past the Caravan Park to Foots Bridge. Bring a boat or tubes for this adventure. If you do not have any, you can purchase inflatables at the Caravan Park and General Store. Platypus are spotted frequently on this 900m river stretch!

During the cooler months when kayaking and swimming isn't an option, grab a picnic in Mansfield instead and stop at the Mansfield Zoo before coming into Jamieson. The Zoo is located 10km from Mansfield on the way to Jamieson. You can hand feed many of the animals including the kangaroos and deer. The zoo features a sheltered BBQ area and picnic tables. The inquisitive Meerkats like to climb on the rocks in their enclosure and take in the Mount Buller views.

Kayaking on the Jamieson River

After a fun filled afternoon, enjoy a delicious meal at the Jamieson Brewery & Grill. Take the courtesy bus or drive the 5 minutes from the Caravan Park. This microbrewery was established half a century ago and is set on the banks of Lake Eildon, with stunning views over the mountains. Sip your pale ale on the deck in summer or in front of the wood fire in winter. You can get a Jamieson Brewery flannelette as well as some on site brewed beers for later. The children will love the playground and jumping pillow, while you enjoy a moment of quiet. A year-round wonderful place for the whole family.

### DAY 1 EVENING DINNER BY THE LAKE



A drink on the deck of The Brewery

### DAY 1 EVENING CAMPFIRE STAR GAZING

Marshmallows by the fire

Head back to your accommodation and wind up the day with a campfire and marshmallows. Share stories from the day, listen to the river in the background and look up at the star filled night sky.

Sleep well under the canopy of stars, far from any city light, and dream of this magical place you are discovering.

> Hot tip: The Jamieson local, critically acclaimed Mount Terrible Pinot and a campfire are a match made in heaven. It is available for purchase at the Jamieson Brewery and Grill.

The night sky over Jamieson

A new day and great adventures await! Check out of your accommodation and have a relaxing start to the day with breakfast at **The Café, Jamieson**. The Café is a 1 min drive up the road from the Jamieson Caravan Park in the town's main street. On a sunny day eat al fresco in the tree shaded courtyard. A cheeky King Parrot might come for a visit! During the colder months, the Café's wood fire invites you into the cosy warmth. Kate the owner serves a great range of delicious cakes, croissants, focaccias, milkshakes, coffees and babycinos.

### DAY 2 Morning Cafe Breakfast

Breakfast at The Café in Jamieson

It is time to have a closer look at the colourful Jamieson & Surroundings Map and plan your walk around town. Start with a short 200-meter stroll to the Jamieson Heavenly Arts & Gardens in the historic, sandstone Anglican Church. In this quirky volunteer run gallery and nursery you can find anything from succulents to Japanese maples and earrings to artworks. The perfect place to purchase a souvenir!

The streets of Jamieson are quiet and lined with European and Asian trees. The first of these trees were planted in the 1860s. If you would like to learn more about the trees, their origin and the varieties, take the Significant Trees Self-guided Walk.

Traces of the gold rush era can be spotted all around town. The buildings in Jamieson date back to the 19th century. The self-guided Jamieson Heritage Walk introduces you to the fascinating history of the town. Spot the informative signs on the way.

Info: Brochures and maps are available at the Mansfield Visitor Information Centre, Jamieson Caravan Park, Jamieson Post Office, The Café Jamieson and the Jamieson General Store. All mentioned walks and maps are available for free.

### DAY 2 Morning Explore the town

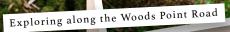


Hot tip: Visit Jamieson in April and May to find the town bursting in all shades of yellow, orange, red and golden. All trees in the Jamieson township are deciduous and shine in full beauty in Autumn. Why only read about history when you can experience it! It's time to get active with your adventurous youngsters. Step back in time and follow the Mansfield Woods Point Road along the Upper Goulburn River. The winding road will take you deep into gold rush territory with relics from a bygone era. Can you imagine the men digging away in the bush to find their fortune? Follow the road to Kevington, only a ten minute drive from Jamieson. Stop along the way to explore. Refer to the Jamieson & Surroundings map

for the best spots.

Pause for a selfie in front of the historic Kevington Hotel, an original beer house first established in 1862 during the gold rush.

### DAY 2 Morning Gold Rush Era



The Kevington Hotel

### DAY 2 LUNCH TIME HEARTY MEAL AT THE LOCAL

Exploring makes one hungry! Head back into town and enjoy good old country hospitality at the Courthouse Hotel conveniently located in the centre of Jamieson on Perkins Street. Choose from a great range of pub classics or try Mum's Curry, a local favourite.



With a full belly, drive down to the riverside picnic area and playground at the end of Grey Street. You can choose between a snooze by the river, or to walk off the meal on the family orientated Jamieson Paw Prints Walk. Let the kids lead on this educational track. learn about local wildlife along the way and answer the questions on your Paw Prints Walk map. A moderate level of fitness is required to do the 2.8km long loop walk. The paw prints take you up into the bush and back along the river. Glimpse views over Jamieson through the gumtrees and spot the Caravan Park, the river, the Church, and the Courthouse Hotel. Back at your car decide if you have time for a swim in the river or a play at the playground.

After all these fun adventures it is time to go back home. Two days are just not enough to explore this hidden gem in the magnificent Victorian High Country. Be sure to come back soon! Until then, dream of sitting by the Jamieson River, adventuring in the bush, breathing in the fresh mountain air, exploring old mines and gazing at that amazing night sky.

Book your next getaway now and escape to the magic of the High Country. www.mansfieldmtbuller.com.au/jamieson/

### DAY 2 AFTERNOON BUSHWALK AND RELAXING



#### **TOP 5 FAMILY ACTIVITIES IN JAMIESON**

• Jamieson Kayak Rental – experience pristine nature, far away from civilisation on a kayaking trip down the Jamieson River onto Lake Eildon. September to May.

• Jamieson Paw Prints Walk – follow the paw prints on this educational family walk, a great way to learn about the local wildlife and spend quality time together.

• History and Heritage - There are endless fascinating places

to explore in this gold rush area of early mining settlements and relics of a bygone era.

• Jamieson BBQ area and Playground – a fantastic spot to have a BBQ, picnic, go for a swim in the river or have fun on the playground.

• Walk the quiet streets – The roads through town are safe and great for a family walk. Read about historic buildings on signs around town and spot beautiful deciduous trees.



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