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ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW

The Murray River flows 2,530 kilometres and forms the border between Victoria and New South Wales. Along its banks are sandy river beaches, towering redgum forests and river-side historic towns Echuca, Swan Hill and Mildura. Popular on-water activities include cruising downriver on a paddle steamer, relaxing to the rhythm of your own canoe or picking up the pace on water skis or wakeboard. The Murray is the ideal place to learn about Victoria's fascinating history, reconnect with nature and experience the best of the outdoor lifestyle amid the sunny climes. The vibrant Murray River region is also a veritable food bowl, with artisan producers, wineries and destination restaurants located throughout.

TOP ATTRACTIONS

Paddlesteamers at Echuca

Echuca Moama is home to the largest operating fleet of Paddlesteamers in the world. Echuca Paddlesteamers operates two authentic, fully operational paddlesteamers which depart daily from the Echuca Wharf. Although transporting people now, instead of wool, the paddlesteamers operate much the same as they did during the 1800s.

Houseboats at Mildura

One of the best ways to experience the Murray's stunning landscapes is on a fully self-contained houseboat, departing from the river-side town of Mildura at the north-western end of the Murray. From the water, it is easy to see an abundance of wildlife, character-rich towns, stunning riverscapes, beautiful redgum forests, and ancient fossilised limestone cliffs.

Lake Mulwala

Water sports enthusiasts will love Lake Mulwala - a 6000 hectare lake with a constant supply of water through flood or drought. Water-skiing, wakeboarding and biscuiting are popular activities here, and there are plenty of operators on the lake where visitors can hire equipment.

Pioneer Settlement

Situated on the picturesque banks of the Murrumbidgee River, the Pioneer Settlement in Swan Hill recreates life in the Murray-Mallee area as it was from 1830-1930. The museum features over fifty historic buildings and other major exhibits to evoke a sense of stepping back in time.

Murray Downs Golf Course

The sand belt of the Murray River and its sunny climate, makes it an ideal destination for golf and the area is home to several world-class golf courses including the award winning Murray Downs Golf Course in Swan Hill. Set on one of the most scenic segments of the river, the course is home to abundant wildlife populations and golfers often find themselves sharing the fairways with kangaroos and birds.

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KEY EVENTS

Echuca Moama Winter Blues Festival

July

The historic Port of Echuca will be filled with the sound of blues and roots music when the Winter Blues Festival hits town. With more than 40 performers set to take to the stage at 30 venues across town, over 15,000 visitors are expected to attend.

Deni Ute Muster

October

The award-winning Deni Ute Muster attracts almost 25,000 people to the town to celebrate the iconic Australian Ute. In 2015, headlining acts including Birds of Tokyo, The Sunny Cowgirls and The Wolfe Brothers performed, alongside a range of activities for all ages.

Southern 80 Ski Race

February

The Southern 80 is the world's largest water ski race, attracting around 600 competitors from Australia and overseas. In excess of 80,000 spectators are expected to attend, as the waterskiers tackle 126 hair-raising bends of the mighty Murray River, from Torrumbarry to Echuca Moama, behind boats that travel at speeds in excess of 200 kilometres per hour.



PRODUCT HIGHLIGHTS

Atura Albury

Located in the heart of Albury, the Atura Albury opened its doors in December 2014 to offer visitors urban, industrial and art-inspired styling in open plan spaces. Previously Rydges, the refurbished site features free wifi and coffee pod machines in every room.

The Circa 1936 Spa Hotel

Housed within the historic art deco environs of the former Rural Bank, Circa 1936 opened its doors in June 2015. This boutique hotel in the heart of Corowa offers three art deco inspired suites, a lounge bar and café as well as a luxury day spa.

Wetlander Cruises

After being docked for 14 years, The Wetlander has been restored to its former glory and is once again operating cruises on Gunbower Creek. Launched in October 2014, the Wetlander is a cruise boat, restaurant and conference facility offering morning, lunch and dinner cruises from Friday to Sunday.

Heartbeat of the Murray Laser Show

Set on the banks of the Murray River at the Swan Hill Pioneer Settlement, this new 360 degree experience uses water, light, sound and special effects to tell the 30million year history of the Murray region up to present day.

For more information on the Murray, visit www.visitthemurray.com.au