

# BALLARAT

## City Built on Gold

IMAGE: SOVEREIGN HILL.

Follow in the footsteps of the thousands of adventurers who rushed to Ballarat after gold was first discovered there in 1851.

### DAY 1

Travel by car to **Sovereign Hill**, about 90 minutes from Melbourne, and settle into your onsite accommodation. Step back in time to experience gold fever - from the hustle and bustle of Main Street to the excitement of the Red Hill Gully Diggings where visitors can pan for real gold that's theirs to keep. Watch a spectacular \$160,000 gold pour or catch a horse-drawn coach and tour the town.



IMAGE: SOVEREIGN HILL MAIN STREET.



IMAGE: SOVEREIGN HILL, GOLD BAR.



IMAGE: SOVEREIGN HILL.



IMAGE: LYDIARD STREET, BALLARAT.

Book your *24 Hours at Sovereign Hill* experience well ahead to ensure you make the most of your time at the museum. From the incredible range of tours to meeting some of **Sovereign Hill's** most intriguing characters. Guests are advised to head into Ballarat to dine at one of the restaurants, hotels and cafés.

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### DAY 2

After breakfast and for those who are not quite ready to leave the 1850s behind, you can spend some more time exploring **Sovereign Hill**, others can explore modern-day Ballarat with its impressive nineteenth-century architecture, evidence of the wealth that was generated by the discovery of gold in the 1850s.



IMAGE: SOVEREIGN HILL.

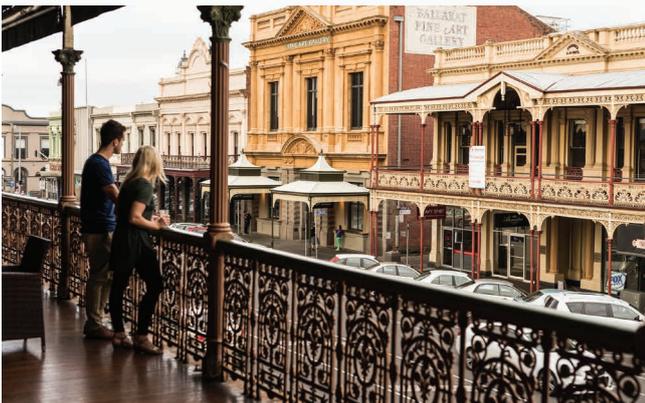


IMAGE: LYDIARD STREET, BALLARAT.



IMAGE: BALLARAT MINING EXCHANGE.

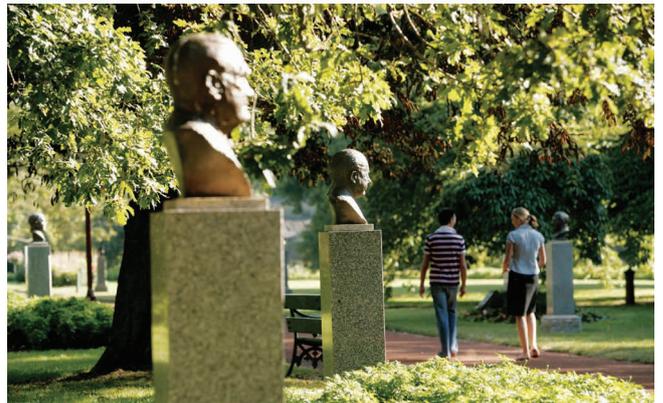


IMAGE: BALLARAT BOTANIC GARDENS.

Ballarat is home to Australia's oldest and largest regional art gallery; the **Art Gallery of Ballarat**, which should not be missed. The gallery café is a great place for coffee or a light lunch. Then experience the natural beauty of **Lake Wendouree** and the **Ballarat Botanic Gardens** (including its notable collection of statues and sculptures). Both have well-marked walking paths.

#### BOOKINGS AND MORE INFORMATION

#### EXPERIENCES IN THIS ITINERARY

1. [24 Hours At Sovereign Hill](#)
2. [Taste of Gold](#)

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