

## 4 Trentham Falls

Plunging more than 32 metres down a basalt cliff, Trentham Falls is one of the most spectacular waterfalls in Central Victoria. Located just a five-minute drive from the heart of the Trentham township, the falls show their true power and presence in the cooler months – thanks to the abundance of rainfall at that time of year.

To reach the Trentham Falls viewing platform, follow the short walking trail from the carpark. Take care as the ground can be slippery due to the spray. There are shaded picnic tables adjacent to the parking area, so pick up some supplies in town before setting off and make the most of your time at this tranquil bushland setting. Dogs are welcome at Trentham Falls, but please keep them on a lead.

**Distance from Visitor Information Centre: 3km**



Trentham Falls. Image: Visit Victoria

## Acknowledgement of country

We acknowledge and pay our respects to the Dja Dja Wurrung as the traditional owners of the land we live and work on. Here, the Djaara have performed age-old ceremonies of celebration, initiation, and renewal. We acknowledge their living culture and the unique role they play in the life of this region.



Image: Little Gallery

## 5 Go to a gallery

It's not hard to appreciate why artists find the Central Highlands such an inspiring place to work, and you can connect with local creatives at Trentham's Little Gallery (32B High Street). This modern airy space exhibits the work of a number of arts practitioners from the surrounding region. There are also several artist studios around town that are open by appointment.

**Distance from Visitor Information Centre: 0.5km**



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## One Day in Trentham



The Cosmopolitan Hotel Trentham. Image: Visit Victoria

A day trip to the quintessential Victorian country town of Trentham will likely leave you yearning for a permanent tree change. Just a 1.5-hour drive from Melbourne, this historic village has a huge amount to offer inquisitive visitors. Here are five memorable activities that can all be covered in a single day.

**Trentham Visitor Information Service**  
The Mechanics, 66 High Street, Trentham  
Phone: (03) 5424 1326  
Open Tue, Wed & Fri 10am to 5pm  
Sat 10am to 1pm

**Daylesford Regional Visitor Information Centre**  
98 Vincent Street, Daylesford  
Phone: 1800 454 891  
Open 7 days 10am to 4pm  
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## 1 Explore High Street

Pick up a Trentham High Street Walk brochure and map from the Visitor Information Centre and enjoy a fascinating step back in time. Trentham's High Street is a reflection of the needs of local industry over the decades: from a wandering dirt track first used by timber cutters and gold miners seeking their fortune, to the current paved thoroughfare lined with retail and hospitality businesses catering to the tourist market.

Heritage highlights along the route include St George's Anglican Church (the foundation stone for which was laid in 1927), the Gweneth Wisewould Memorial Clock (which celebrates the life of Trentham's remarkable town doctor for four decades from 1938), the characterful Cosmopolitan Hotel (sympathetically restored after a devastating fire in 2005), the Town Square, the newly renovated Hotel Trentham, and the imposing National Bank of Australasia building (circa 1883).

It's the small details that make exploring Trentham on foot such a joy. Keep an eye out for the town's two Bills horse troughs. Hundreds of these troughs were built across Australia in the 1930s – the legacy of Annis and George Bills.

**Starting point: Trentham Visitor Information Centre**



High Street, Trentham. Image: Visit Victoria



Old Police Complex. Image: Trentham and District Historical Society

## 2 Old Police Complex and Trentham District Story

Managed by the Trentham and District Historical Society, the Old Police Complex at 3 Camp Street is the ideal place to continue your exploration of Trentham's past. The complex of five portable weatherboard buildings operated from 1866 to 1987 as the town's police station. They now house police memorabilia and local history exhibitions relating to the Trehwella Foundry, Dr Gwen Wisewould, and the region's important potato industry.

Adjacent to the Old Police Complex is The Trentham District Story – an outdoor installation of twelve double-sided interpretive panels, retelling the Indigenous and European histories of the Trentham area.

The Old Police Complex is open most weekends from November through to April. Visitors are welcome at all other times by arrangement with TDHS. The Trentham District Story is accessible at any time throughout the year. The site is an easy, one-block walk south of High Street along Cosmo Road or Market Street.

**Distance from Visitor Information Centre: 0.5km**

## 3 Domino Trail

In 1880, the coming of the railway to Trentham bolstered industry across the Central Highlands. It carried all supplies in, and locally grown produce (particularly potatoes) and raw timber out. The line closed in 1978 and today a section of the route between Trentham and Lyonville has been turned into a public walking track.

Known as the Domino Trail, this wonderful walk will take you deep into Wombat State Forest – home to the endangered powerful owl and many other native wildlife species. The track is relatively flat and suitable for walkers and cyclists.



The Domino Trail starts at the old Trentham railway station, where you'll find lots of interpretive signage about the region's rich rail heritage. From there, you can go as far as you like along the well signed and maintained trail. It covers a total distance of six kilometres each way.

**Distance from Visitor Information Centre: 1km**