

52 THINGS IN & AROUND BERRIMA





INTRODUCTION

Located, in the beautiful Southern Highlands of NSW, Berrima is the ultimate convenient getaway to enjoy a patchwork of great experiences. Think rolling green pastures, fresh local produce, antiques, shopping, great wine with fiends and country hospitality.

There is plenty to do in and around Berrima and the Berrima Bakehouse Motel is the ideal base, being situated on the beautiful Wingecarribee River in the centre of Berrima Village and close to all attractions that the Southern Highlands has to offer, The Motel is ideally located amongst an abundance of specialised shops, cafes, walking tracks, sights and more with 19 air conditioned rooms, luscious green gardens, outdoor pool & bbq, golf practice course and most of all warm country hospitality.

Here is a selection of over 52 things to do in and around Berrima. We are sure so many will appeal to you to want to return again and again.

Enjoy.

Warm regards,

The team at the Berrima Bakehouse Motel





52 THINGS

1. Enjoy the journey – arrive refreshed
2. Breathe in the fresh air and enjoy the cool climate
3. Visit the Berrima Courthouse
4. Visit the Berrima District Historical and Family Historical Society
5. Visit the Berrima Museum
6. The Bradman Museum and International Cricket Hall of Fame
7. Harpers Mansion and Maze
8. Trainworks – Thirlmere
9. Joadja Creek Tours
10. Berrima Ghost Tour
11. Historic Berrima Goal
12. Taste Cool Climate Wines
13. Tempt your tastebuds
14. Grab an Ale
15. Go on a Mushroom Tunnel Tour
16. Get married
17. Take a Trike Tour
18. Try a Pie
19. Browse the Markets
20. Antiques- buy a piece of History
21. Buy a piece of art
22. Experience Music in the Vines
23. Visit Berkelouw's Book Barn
24. Get your favourite book restored
25. Alpaca apparel is in!
26. Explore Wombeyan Caves
27. Visit Fitzroy Falls
28. View some amazing look-outs
29. Keep fit with a riverside walk
30. Do some platypus spotting
31. Play golf
32. Take a swim
33. Visit "Glow Worm Glenn"
34. Go to Bong Bong Races
35. Watch Polocrosse
36. Visit Berrima Nursery
37. View a movie oldest country cinema still in operation
38. Walk up in the clouds at the Illawarra Fly
39. Have fun with the kids @ Model Railways
40. Visit Fitzroy Ironworks
41. Do some super laps in a V8 supercar
42. Buy yourself a cow at the saleyards
43. Visit the Robertson Cheese Factory
44. Be chauffeured around
45. See the tulips in Tulip Time
46. Ride a Bike
47. Play Tennis
48. Try Lawn Bowls
49. Go Horse riding
50. Experience Brigadoon
51. Go 10-pin bowling in Mittagong
52. Decorate a pot at Berrima Pottery
53. Explore Morton National Park



1. ENJOY THE JOURNEY—ARRIVE REFRESHED

Berrima is located in the beautiful Southern Highlands of NSW, only 90 minutes from Sydney and Canberra, 75 minutes from Wollongong and minutes off the Hume Highway. Being so accessible – you will save travel time and have more time at your leisure.

Interesting fact: Did you know you can drive from the Sydney Harbour Bridge to Berrima without passing one set of traffic lights?



2. BREATHE IN THE FRESH AIR AND ENJOY THE COOL CLIMATE



Think rolling green pastures think **Berrima Bakehouse Motel**. Stay at the Berrima Bakehouse Motel and you will be in the centre of Berrima Village. Everything will be within easy walking distance including specialty shops, restaurants and the pub. Walking is most definitely the best option to get around town, especially on the weekend when parking is a premium.

Situated on the beautiful Wingecarribee River, with gorgeous river frontage, and close to all the attractions of the Southern Highlands, the Berrima Motel has 19 spacious, air-conditioned rooms (all with en-suites), luscious green gardens, outdoor pool & bbq, golf practise course. The friendly staff at the Berrima Motel look forward to welcoming you with warm country hospitality.

The Berrima region was originally inhabited by the indigenous “Gundungurra” people. European exploration of the area began as early as 1798. The Hume brothers passed through in 1814. John Oxley established a station after droving cattle here in search of new pastures in 1815.

Interesting fact: Did you know the Southern Highlands climate and rainfall is some of the most varied in Australia for such a small region. For example: on average Robertson gets 5993 mm rainfall per annum. Only 40 kilometres away in Joadja the average rainfall is 083mm– a difference of 1010mm!

Address	15 Wingecarribee Street, cnr Old Hume Highway, Berrima	Phone	02 4877 1381
Website	www.berrimamotel.com.au	Email	info@berrimamotel.com.au

3. VISIT THE BERRIMA COURTHOUSE

Berrima Courthouse tours offer visitors a poignant and dramatic reminder of Australia's colonial history. The museum's new multi-projector wide screen audio visual presentation depicts the discovery of the district by explorers and the reasons for the settlement of this region.

The latest addition to the museum's compelling tour is a world view of the law entitled: "Heroes, humour, villains and victims". This provocative and ambitious chronicle is accented by the use of tabloid headlines.



Address	Cnr. Argyle & Wiltshire St, Berrima	Website	www.berrimacourthouse.org.au
Open	Daily 10am - 4pm	Phone	02 4877 1505
Prices	Adults-\$9, seniors-\$8, Children-\$6 Family (2 adults + children) - \$20	Email	info@berrimacourthouse.org.au

4. BERRIMA DISTRICT HISTORICAL & FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY



The **Berrima Historical Society** was founded in 1960 to encourage the study of Australian, local and family history, to establish a museum and a permanent archive for the preservation of the documentary and material heritage of the Southern Highlands of New South Wales. Their Collections cover the major towns of Bowral, Mittagong, Moss Vale, Robertson and Berrima and the many villages.

The Society has an extensive collection of photographs and pictures relating to the Southern Highlands and beyond, dating from the 1870's. They have catalogued and digitised more than 8,000 images and these have been gradually added to the online Image Library. To search for photos of people, houses, buildings, streetscapes and more, visit Berrima District Historical Society photo search page. Membership is open to all with an interest in history, genealogy, museums and heritage conservation.

Address	Cnr. Bowral Rd & Old Hume Hwy, Mittagong	Website:	berrimadistricthistoricalsociety.org.au
Open	Research online archives	Phone:	02 4872 2169
Price	Single: \$20 Family: \$33 Student: \$5 Joining Fee (All categories): \$10	Email:	bdhsarchives@gmail.com info@berrimacourthouse.org.au

5. VISIT THE BERRIMA DISTRICT MUSEUM

Berrima District Museum, seeks to collect, preserve, display and interpret the heritage of the Berrima District and the Wingecarribee Shire. The museum is located in Market Place, Berrima, at the southern end of the village near the bridge over the Wingecarribee River. Berrima District Museum is operated by a dedicated band of volunteer members of the society.



December 1976
The museum is complete.



The museum as it is today.

The Berrima Museum is recognised as one of the best small country museums with exhibitions aimed to give visitors a tantalising glimpse of early life in the district .

Address	Market Pl. Cnr Old Hume Hwy Berrima	Website	berrimadistricthistoricalsociety.org.au
Open	W/ends & public/school holidays 10-4pm	Phone	02 4877 1130
Prices	\$5	Email	berrimamuseum@bigpond.com

6. THE BRADMAN MUSEUM AND INTERNATIONAL CRICKET HALL OF FAME

Using Berrima Motel as a starting point why not take a morning trip to Bowral, only 15 mins away, to visit the Bradman Museum and International Cricket Hall of Fame, with cutting edge technology, interactive touch-screens and much more.



The International Cricket Hall of Fame is the definitive world cricket visitor experience. You will see live footage from around the world, fascinating memorabilia and absorbing stories from cricketing greats.

The Bradman Museum is set in the beautiful surrounds of Bradman Oval and parkland and includes a café and gift store.

The adjacent children's playground is cricket themed and has a gas barbecue for picnics.

The International Cricket Hall of Fame is dedicated to promoting the game of cricket not just to the keen followers of the game but to all who wonder, what is cricket and why is it so important to millions of people around the world?

Address	St Jude Street Bowral	Website:	internationalcrickethall.com
Open	Daily 10am-5pm	Phone:	02 4862 1247
Price	Adults \$20, Child \$10, Family \$50	Email:	info@bradman.com.au

Interesting Fact: Donald Bradman is one of the most famous 'sons' of the Southern Highlands- being one of the best batsmen ever to play the game. One of the best bowlers ever to play the game also grew up in the Southern Highlands. Bill 'Tiger' O'Reilly

7. HARPERS MANSION & MAZE



On a hill overlooking the historic village of Berrima, Harper's Mansion was built in 1834. This fine Georgian homestead was built by James Harper, assistant to the Surveyor General Thomas Mitchell. The house is set on two acres of strolling gardens and features one of the largest hedge mazes in Australia. The **maze** was planted in 2000 and now is over 3 metres tall. The total length of the path is 350 metres.

Harper's Mansion is listed on the NSW Government Heritage Roster as a property of State heritage significance and is furnished in period style and on display to the public

on weekends and public holidays. You can take in this magnificent mansion on the Berrima Heritage Walk.

Interesting Fact: The Roman Catholic Church bought the house in 1853 using it as a presbytery until 1898.

Address	Wilkinson St Cnr Old Hume Hwy Berrima	Website	www.harpersmansion.com.au
Open	W/ends & public holidays 10.30-4pm	Phone	02 4877 1508
Prices	Adults \$7 Children \$3	Email	info@harpersmansion.com.au

8. TRAINWORKS - THIRLMERE

Just 38 minutes from the Berrima Motel is the historic town of Thirlmere, which has since 1975 been home to a significant rail heritage collection, including over 100 rolling stock items, associate with the history of the railways in NSW. Take a ride back into history aboard an historic steam train! A 45 minute experience from Thirlmere Station to Buxton Station, and return. Pair



your Steam Train Ride with a ticket into Trainworks and get a full day of rail heritage, interactive and audio-visual exhibits at the nation's **newest and largest Train Museum**.

Thirlmere was once a booming town of tents for the many railway workers who create the Great Southern Railway from 1863 to 1867. The Heritage Precinct has witnessed the full gamut of Southern Highland colonial history.

Address	10 Barbour Rd Thirlmere	Website:	www.trainworks.com.au
Open	Mon-Fri 10am-4pm	Phone:	02 4683 6800
	Saturday and Sunday 9am-5pm	Email:	info@trainworks.com.au
Price	Starting from \$12		

9. JOADJA CREEK TOURS

Explore the historic valley of **Joadja**, a pocket of national heritage nestled away in the Southern Highlands. Only 25kms west of Mittagong, Joadja town was founded on a shale seam and the Scottish workers brought out to mine it. The mine closed early in the 20th century, and the town was abandoned. The buildings were left to the elements, and nature has slowly regained its hold on much of the valley. The ruins that remain, tell the story of those that lived, worked and perished here.



The mining technology that made the valley so prosperous in its time stands as the last of its kind in the world. Joadja truly is a gem of world heritage significance and an intriguing part of Australia's industrial history. With fully guided and self-guided tours on offer, Joadja is a great day out for the whole family.

Address	End of Joadja Rd - 25Km from Mittagong	Website	www.joadjatown.com.au
Open	See website	Phone	02 4878 5129
Prices	\$15per person for entry and tour	Email	bookings@joadjatown.com.au

10. BERRIMA GHOST TOUR



Join a night time walking tour to remember with **Mrs Mulligan's Ghostly Whispers of Old Berrima**. You will be entertained by stories of the Berrima of by-gone days where bushrangers roamed and wreaked havoc, stocks stood in the market place and floggings and hangings took place.

Visit places where history was made and soak up the atmosphere with tales of murder, misadventure and mystery. If you do not believe in ghosts when you start, you may by the time you finish! On the tour, you will hear the many tales about past and recent sightings (and incidents!) of the ghostly kind, visiting the locations where these events occurred. And you will discover who Mrs Mulligan was, as well as her gruesome fate. Be prepared for the unexpected...

Address	Location confirm with booking	Website:	www.ghosttoursofberrima.com.au
Open	As per individual/group booking	Phone:	0401 065 077
Price	Advised at time of booking	Email:	info@ghosttoursofberrima.com.au



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