

Autumn

A close-up photograph of a bouquet of autumn flowers. The bouquet includes several pink poppies with yellow centers, orange poppies, yellow ranunculus, and white ranunculus. Some flowers are in full bloom, while others are still buds. The flowers are arranged in a clear glass vase. The background is dark and out of focus.

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Berrima

Welcome to the Autumn edition of our Berrima Bakehouse Motel in-house magazine.

As the vibrant blooms of spring and summer gently fade, the landscape transforms into a breathtaking tapestry of gold, amber, burnt orange and deep maroon. Bold and glorious, autumn invites visitors to pause and marvel at the natural beauty of our village at its most captivating.

This season marks harvest time in the Highlands, and with it, a celebration of local markets and exceptional regional produce. From outdoor adventures that take you off the beaten track or taking in the beautiful history of our town, there are journeys that lead you far and wide, on foot or wheels, you'll get to explore some of our towns beautifully preserved heritage and some of the finest wineries and restaurants the Highlands has to offer — many of them right on our doorstep.

Come join us!



Historic Berrima

Berrima's rich history dates back to 1831 and stands as one of Australia's best-preserved examples of Georgian Colonial architecture. Its heritage-listed buildings, crafted from locally quarried sandstone, whisper stories of a bygone era. Time seems to pause along its tree-lined streets, where each structure retains the elegant symmetry and understated charm of its colonial origins. These enduring facades not only reflect architectural grace but also embody the spirit and resilience of a village deeply rooted in history.

Discover the charm and stories of Berrima through its rich historical offering.

Berrima District Museum

A treasure trove for curious minds, showcasing the town's layered past.

1a Market Place & Bryan Street, Berrima.

Ph: 02 4877 1130 or 0407 271 041

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Berrima River Walk

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Berrima Nature Reserve & Camping ground, Oxley Street, Berrima

Berrima Walking Tours

For deeper insight, join local historian Lynn Watson on a captivating walking tour through Berrima's heritage precinct.

Berrima Walking Tours

Ph: Lynn 0417 433 383

Historic Churches

St Francis Xavier's, Berrima, is of state significance as the only intact and essentially unaltered Pugin-designed building in New South Wales, indeed in the whole of Australia. The building is associated with John Bede Polding who supplied the plans that he had acquired from Pugin in 1842. As such it clearly demonstrates Polding's evolving taste in church architecture.

3401 Old Hume Highway Berrima NSW 2577

Holy Trinity Anglican Church, Berrima

The Holy Trinity Church is the first church individually designed by the state's leading Gothic Revival architect, Edmund Blacket, who would then go on to design over 100 churches, including five cathedrals, throughout Australia.

Argyle Street, Berrima



Berrima Court House

The court house has a rich history and many a tale to tell of the criminal classics that walked through its doors.

Enjoy an audio and video presentation providing an historical view into the Courthouse, Berrima and the surrounding region. The video is approximately 18 minutes in length and is a fascinating look into the life and times of the area.

Goal

Berrima Gaol is a heritage-listed former prison in Berrima. Established in 1839, it was used for a variety of prison and internment purposes until its final closure in 2020, at which point it was the oldest Australian correctional facility in operation.

Harpers Mansion 1834

Beautiful mansion built in 1834 with charming gardens and one of the largest hedge mazes in Australia, all overlooking historic Berrima.

9 Wilkinson Street, Berrima NSW 2577

Open Saturday and Sunday 11am - 3pm

Ph: 02 4877 2071

Email: harpersmansion@nationaltrust.com.au

The Surveyor General Inn 1834

Australia's oldest continuously licensed pub, where memorabilia is thoughtfully displayed throughout the building—each corner tells a tale.

26 Old Hume Highway Berrima NSW 2577

(02) 4877 1226 or 0447 511 650

Citizen Kanebridge

Built by William Taylor, this two-storey Georgian building housed a cellar, bakery and kitchen in the lowers floor of the hotel.

11 Old Hume Highway, Berrima
www.citizenkanebridge.com.au

It's Show Time

Heading towards Easter, March brings showtime to the Highlands, with two authentic rural shows taking place across consecutive weekends and locations.

Don't miss the annual festival where Bundanoon becomes Brigadoon and celebrates the pride of Scottish traditions.

Robertson Show March 6 - 7

Home of the Big Potato and the movie Babe, the Robertson Show showcases some of the finest farming land in the Highlands. With a full program of wholesome family entertainment – from classic egg-and-spoon races to the much-loved spud-carrying competition – it's a chance to step back in time and experience the warmth of a close-knit farming community. At its heart, the show is a celebration of local produce, agriculture and the people who make this region thrive.

0458 826 160 www.robertsonshow.org.au

Robertson Showground, 2 High Street, Robertson, NSW



Moss Vale Show March 13 - 15

The Moss Vale Show has long been synonymous with excitement in the Highlands – a nostalgic highlight of rides, sideshow games and showbags for as long as many of us can remember.

Each year, the program continues to impress, from rural farm animal judging and the ever-popular car derby to a fireworks display that never fails to leave crowds awed. Community spirit takes centre stage with performances from local dance groups,

quirky competitions including mullet judging, and an outstanding pavilion displaying art and gardening entries community members and from local schools

16 Illawarra Highway, Moss Vale, NSW

mossvaleshow2@gmail.com

Brigadoon April 18

Welcome to the Bundanoon Highland Gathering, Australia's premier Scottish festival.

First held on 21 October 1978, 48 years on and still, "Bundanoon is Brigadoon" one of the region's most successful and internationally recognised events.

The Bundanoon Highland Gathering offers a full day of traditional Scottish events and family-friendly entertainment, including stirring massed bagpipes, thrilling caber tossing and other Highland games with vibrant Highland dancing. Visitors can soak up the atmosphere with live music, cultural displays and plenty of activities for all.

www.ticketebo.com.au

Bundanoon Oval, Erith Street, Bundanoon 8.00am to 4.30pm



Weekday Markets

Every Thursday

Railway Street Fresh Food & Produce Market

An authentic farmers market with an accent on primary produce (the freshest fruit and vegetables) grown locally using regenerative farming practices.

3.00pm - 5.30pm, Railway Street, Moss Vale

The Co-op Growers Market

A new weekly market located in Bowral that's built on community, connection and growing together. Held every Thursday from 3pm, it brings fresh, local produce direct from the region's growers

3.00pm - 5:30pm, Kirkham Rd, Bowral

Weekend Markets

1st Saturday - Exeter Village Market

Exeter Village Market has a delightful mix of handmade goods and treats, homewares, fashion and fresh produce with a bit of bric-a-brac

9.00am - 1.30pm, Exeter Park

10 Exeter Road, Exeter

1st & 3rd Sunday - Bundanoon Makers Market

Held at the local primary school, Bundanoon Makers Market celebrates the skills of these talented creative stallholders. From soap to scarves, clothes to cakes, and a special kids market for young entrepreneurs on specific dates, there is something for everyone here.

8.30am - 2.00pm, Bundanoon Public School

14 Church St, Bundanoon

2nd Saturday - The NEW Bowral Market

Under new management and with all new stalls. A curated, boutique-style market with Live music, GROWERS LANE with Fresh Produce, Fresh Seafood, Farm meats, Farm eggs, Honey, Fresh flowers and plants, EAT STREET with lots of food. Market stalls and so much more!

8am-1pm at Bowral Bowling Club

40 Shepherd St, Bowral.

2nd Sunday - Robertson Country Market

Treasure hunters and bargain hunters will be in their element at Robertson Markets. From bric-a-brac through to homemade baked goods, Robertson offers up a quaint market experience in a country environment.

8.30am - 2.00pm, School of Arts Hall,

55 Hoddle Street, Robertson

3rd & 5th Saturday - Mittagong Markets

A favourite with local green thumbs, Mittagong Markets has a huge range of plants, garden art and outdoor sculptures available.

8.00am - 2.00pm, Uniting Church, Mittagong



3rd Saturday - The Handmade in the Highlands Market

Browse a diverse selection of handmade treasures - from bespoke homewares and artisan jewellery to small-batch food, fashion, art, and more. Enjoy live music, boutique retail and delicious eats while soaking in the vineyard views.

**10.00am - 2.00pm, Centennial Vineyards
252 Centennial Road, Bowral**

4th Saturday - Country Markets at Peppers Manor House,

Lots of local handmade and artisan goodies here. Wander the stalls whilst taking in the lovely atmosphere of Peppers Manor House.

**9.00am - 1.00pm
Peppers Manor House, Kater Rd, Sutton Forest.**

4th Sunday - Berrima Schoolyard Markets

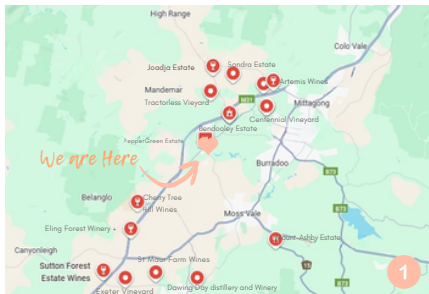
A busy market with a buzzy vibe, Berrima has lots to keep all ages occupied. Kids entertainment, live music and delicious food options provide the perfect backdrop for a large range of stalls, produce, goodies and gifts.

**9.00am - 1.00pm, Berrima Public School,
Oxley Street, Berrima.**



Local Vineyards

Use our motel as your gateway to the region's renowned cool climate vineyards and scenic countryside. Spend the day tasting local wines, enjoying long lunches at winery restaurants, and soaking in the views—all just minutes from your room. Relax, explore, and indulge at your own pace.



Pic 1. Map of the Southern Highlands

Artemis Wines & Distillery

The Artemis cellar door is the perfect environment to enjoy a tasting of our finely crafted wines and spirits. Purpose-built using materials that are readily identifiable in the surrounding bushland landscape, our contemporary recycled River Redgum clad cellar door exudes an ambience of rustic Australian elegance. It is a warm and welcoming haven in the chilly Southern Highlands winter. Taste our wines tucked up in front of the fire. In the summer our lush green lawn in front of the vines comes into its own. Bask under the shade of an umbrella while enjoying a glass or two. The Artemis Distillery was constructed over the last decade and produces a unique range of premium spirits.

46 Sir Charles Moses Lane (Off the Old Hume Highway) Mittagong

0401 199 075 cellardoor@artemiswines.com.au

Bendooley Estate

Sample their delicious cool climate wines in the breathtaking cellar door that overlooks the Bendooley vineyard. Wine tastings are available from 10am daily, with the last tastings starting at 3pm. All bookings are for a 1-hour seating. Please allow a full hour for your wine tasting if you are also having lunch in our restaurant

**Wine Tastings from 10.00am. Berkelouw Bookbarn
from 9.00am Restaurant & Cellar Door 02 4868
8788**

3020 Old Hume Highway Berrima NSW 2577.

Centennial Vineyards - Centennial Vineyards is all about cool climate grape growing and winemaking. The vines ripen with lower temperatures than most Australian wine regions. Because the climate is colder, vines ripen the fruit much more slowly and evenly than in warm regions, producing balanced, aromatic fruit. There's lots to enjoy here, from guided tastings in our Barrel Room, to a glass of wine on the lovely Terrace.

Cellar Door is open 10 am – 5 pm, 7 days a week, with our last wine tasting starting at

4pm.

'Woodside' 252 Centennial Road, Bowral.

02 4861 8701



Pic 2. Artemis Wine & Distillery



Pic 3. Bendooley Estate, Stables

Local Vineyards Continued....

Cherry Tree Hill

The Cherry Tree Hill vineyard is located in the Southern Highlands of New South Wales, one of Australia's newest cool climate wine regions, producing award winning premium wines. The Lorentz family have owned and run the property for over 30 years now and have been producing grapes since 2003. 10am to 5pm 7 days a week

**Cherry Tree Hill Wines 12324 Hume Highway
Sutton Forest NSW 2577**

0499 174 180 E cellardoor@cherrytreehill.com.au



Eling forest Winery

Discover the essence of the Southern Highlands at Eling Forest Winery, where each sip tells a story of our unique climate. Our dedicated winemaking team blends tradition with innovation to craft wines that embody elegance and balance.

**Opening Hours: 10:30 am to 4 pm Daily
(02) 7253 8608 info@elingforest.com.au**

Joadja Distillery

Joadja Distillery is in the Southern Highlands of NSW, located in an 1870's abandoned kerosene shale mining village.

The Scottish heritage in the valley and the history of "sly grog" inspired the Jimenez family to establish Joadja Distillery in 2014 at the historic Joadja Town.

The Distillery is one of a few single malt distilleries in the world to grow their own barley and have access to natural pristine spring water on-site. Our intention is to sustainably create and share quality spirits that are true to the character, nature and heritage of Joadja Valley. Saturdays & Sundays 10.00am - 5.00pm Distillery tours and tastings are free and no booking is required.

**1760 Joadja, Road, Joadja, NSW 2575
AUSTRALIA**

02 4878 5129 E hello@joadjadistillery.com.au

Peppergreen Estate - The Cellar Door in Berrima is home to our Tasting Room in an iconic building that once was established by the late Carina Cox as a flourishing retail shop that sold antiques and old wares. While keeping the heart and soul of the original building intact, PepperGreen Estate has created a unique venue where our wines can be sampled with a wine-centric menu to tantalise your senses.

**Open every day except Tuesday 10.00am - 5.00pm. www.peppergreenestate.com.au
Peppergreen Estate 13 Market Place,
Berrima**



Off the Beaten Track

The Southern Highlands is framed by rugged bushland and boasts a rich network of walking and cycling trails, offering beauty and adventure in every season. Whether you prefer a leisurely wander or a fast-paced ride, this stunning region invites you to create your own adventure and explore at your own pace.

Berrima River Walk

A peaceful self-guided stroll along the Wingecarribee River, tracing the footsteps of German internees held here from 1915-1919 during WWI.

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Bundanoon

Perched on the edge of Morton National Park, Bundanoon's bushwalks are not for the faint-hearted. For those willing to embrace a challenge, the rewarding descent to Fairy Bower Falls is well worth the effort. Walks such as Erith Falls via the historic coal mine and the Mount Carnarvon track offer a range of difficulties, allowing visitors to venture deep into the bush or remain above the canopy, taking in sweeping views from the many lookouts that often accompany gentler, flatter strolls. Glow Worm Glen should also be on your list—though, as the name suggests, it is best experienced after dark.

Burradoo Cecil Hoskins Nature Reserve

Newly developed, the reserve offers an inviting setting for walking and cycling along the banks of the Wingecarribee River. Framed by surrounding farmland, the landscape feels open and expansive, while sturdy ground and well-formed footpaths make it ideal for both leisurely walks and relaxed rides through the area.

Fitzroy Falls

Quite possibly one of the best known bushwalking areas of the southern highlands.

Walk along the escarpment and take in the fresh air and the dramatic landscape as it unfolds in front of you. With flat easy walks that loop around on themselves, this is a beautiful way to spend a few hours.

Mittagong

Mount Alexandra offers a rich network of walking trails, all seamlessly looping into one another. A favourite with locals, the Forty Foot Walk via the Red Trail and the scenic Sixty Foot Falls are among the standout routes. For a gentler stroll, easy access trails begin behind Lake Alexandra and follow wide fire paths. Those willing to tackle a steady incline are rewarded with sweeping views at Katoomba Lookout—a must-visit highlight of the area.

Welby

A quick 10 min drive out of Berrima and you will find the Box Vale Tramway walking track and Welby cycling tracks.

Box Vale Tramway walking track is 11.5km and has a vista that looks over the Jamison Valley. Walk through the casuarina cutting and the tram tunnel while enjoying the native flora and fauna.

On the other side of the highway at Welby, the local cycling community work with council to keep this track clear for a great ride. No matter what your level of skill, there is a track here for you.

Out n About



Unleash Your Creativity

Join acclaimed local artist Thomas Bucich for fully personalized private Sculpture Workshops in his inspiring studio overlooking the hills a few minutes beyond Berrima Village. The full day immersive sessions are designed for individuals or small groups seeking a hands-on creative experience in Direct Plaster or Lost Wax Bronze Sculpting. We also offer Equine workshops where you'll engage with horses through sketching and sculpting – a real Highlands unique art experience. For full details on the workshops – head to www.thomasbucich.com for more information and booking.

Village Dining & Takeaway



The Berrima Village Store
Open: 7 days
8.30am – 5.00pm
1/9 Old Hume Highway



Bistro 1834
Open: 7 days
Lunch: 12.00pm – 2.00pm
Dinner: 5.30pm – 8.00pm
26 Old Hume Highway



Gumnut Patisserie
Open: Mon, Wed, Thur & Fri:
8.30am – 2.30pm
Sat & Sun: 8.30am – 3.30pm
Closed Tuesday.
1 Old Hume Highway



Berrima General Store
Open: 7 days
7.30am – 4.00pm Mon-Fri,
7.30am – 5.00pm Sat-Sun
1/13 Old Hume Hwy



Baked in Berrima
Open: Fri-Sun
7.30am – 3.00pm
5/15 Mrs Oldbucks Cnr,
Wingecarribee St, Berrima



Spinners Pizza
Delivered to our Motel
Open: Wed – Sun
5.00 pm – 8.30 pm
(02) 4869 1313

Cheers



Surveyor General Inn
Open: 7 days
Front Bar – Bottleshop
26 Old Hume Highway



Bottlemart Express
Open: 7 days
6.00am – 10.00pm
104-106 Taylor Ave, New Berrima



Peppergreen Estate Cellar Door
Open: 6 days, closed Tuesday
10am – 5pm, wine tastings 11am –
4pm. 13 Market Place

Village Restaurants

From one end of town to the other, you'll be spoilt for choice with many restaurants and cafes to choose from.

Whether it's a simple toasty or gate to plate experience, there is something to suit every palate and budget.

Bendooley Estate - Open 7 days for Lunch from 12noon, Thurs-Sat, Dinner. Wine Tastings from 10.00am. Berkelouw Bookbarn from 9.00am. 02 4868 8788

Citizen Kanebridge - Check Instagram for details.
02 4877 1592

Eschalot Restaurant - Open Dinner Thurs 6.00pm-11.00pm Lunch & Dinner Fri-Sat 12noon-11.00pm, Sun 12noon-10.00pm 02 4877 1977

Josh's Cafe - Open 12noon-2.00pm Lunch Wed-Sat, 12noon-3.00pm for Lunch on Sun, Dinner 6.00pm-9.00pm, Thurs-Sat. 02 4877 2200

Surveyor General Inn - Open 7 days, 11.00am-Late.
02 4877 1226

Peppergreen Estate - Every day 10.00am - 5.00pm.
Except Tuesday
www.peppergreenestate.com.au 02 4877 1070



Pic 1 - Peppergreen Estate



Pic 2 - Berrima General Store & Cafe



Pic 3 - Bistro 1834, Surveyor General Inn



Pic 4 - Eschalot Restaurant



Berrima Cafes

Staying over means finding somewhere delicious for breakfast.

Baked in Berrima - Open Thurs - Sun, 7.00am-2.00pm.
0449 728 179

Berrima General Store Cafe - Open Mon-Fri 8.00am-4.00pm and Sat-Sun 7.30am-4.30pm. 02 4877 1225

Berrima Village Stores - Open 8.30am-5.00pm 7 Days for Breakfast, Lunch. 0416766936

Cottage Cafe & Restaurant - Open 9.00am-4.00pm
Thur- 5.30pm-9pm 02 772 729
Storybookholdingsegmail.com

Gumnut Patisserie - Open weekdays 8.30am-2.30pm and
Sat-Sun 8.30am-3.30pm Sat-Sun. Closed Tuesday.
02 4872 2172

The Cupcake Co. - Open 10.00am-4.00pm. 7 days.
0423 079 300 - Orders 0422 616 706 - Reservations



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