









OTWAYS PICNIC GUIDE

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LOCATION	MAP REF			BBQ			NOTES
BAY AREA							
Apollo Bay Foreshore	D8	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Sheltered gas BBQ's on lawn area with playground and skate park adjacent to the beach & shops.
Paradise – Barham River Rd, Apollo Bay	O18	✓		Free	✓	✓	Approx 7km from town next to river - a delightful area under fern & tree canopy.
Mounts Bay - Marengo	P18	✓			✓	✓	2km west of Apollo Bay. Beach access & toilets nearby.
Skenes Creek	Q17	✓				✓	5km east of Apollo Bay. Picnic tables look out over beach – adjacent to creek.
Shelly Beach	O19	✓	✓		✓		Located at the end of Elliot River Road approx. 8km from Apollo Bay. Set amongst eucalypt forest with a short bush walk to the beach.
OTWAYS EAST COAST							
Kennett River	S16	✓			✓	✓	Picnic tables & toilets in Holiday Park open to public. Turn left into Grey River Rd, picnic ground on river adjacent to beach. Ideal area for fishing & koala walk.
Grey River Reserve – Kennett River	R16	✓	✓		✓		Turn left into Grey River Rd; follow for approx 5km to picnic reserve. Lovely bush setting with fireplaces access a short forest walk adjacent to bridge. Note: <i>the Grey River Rd can be rough especially in winter.</i>
Wye River	T15	✓		Free	✓	✓	Two picnic areas located on the Wye River foreshore with free electric BBQ's.
OTWAYS WEST							
Blanket Bay	N19	✓	✓		✓		Turn left on to the Cape Otway Lighthouse Rd, follow for approx. 11km, turn left onto Blanket Bay Road & follow to the end to the day visitor area. N.B the Blanket Bay Rd may be impassable in winter months contact Parks Victoria on -13 19 63 for more info.
Lavers Hill	K16	✓		Free	✓	✓	Undercover electric BBQ's located at the Laver Hill Community Hall – approx. 500m from the west side of the T-intersection.
Melba Gully	K17	✓	✓	Free	✓		Gas BBQ's set amongst cool temperate rainforest with a fantastic ½ hr loop walk.
Triplet Falls	M16	✓	✓		✓		A scenic picnic spot with tables – enjoy a rewarding 1 hour loop walk to view the stunning Triplet Falls or an extended 1 hr walk to Little Aire Falls.
Beauchamp Falls	O16	✓	✓		✓	✓	Located off the Aire Valley Rd. A moderate to hard return 1hr walk to the falls.
Beech Forest	N15	✓	✓	Free	✓	✓	A large covered area with electric BBQ's located in the main street of Beech Forest at the Old Beechy Rail Trail head.
COLAC & HINTERLAND							
Barwon Downs	Q12	✓			✓	✓	Picnic area with playground, ample parking & local historic display.
Birregurra	R9	✓	✓	Free	✓	✓	Sheltered electric BBQ area with playground, located in centre of township. Heritage trail walk & skate park nearby.

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Botanical Gardens & Lake Colac	N9	✓	✓	Free	✓	✓	Located on Fyans St, Colac amongst significant Botanical gardens. A beautiful area for a walk/drive, great views of Lake Colac, free BBQ & playground.
Colac Bird Sanctuary & Wetlands	N9	✓	✓			✓	Located on Church St, Colac with views overlooking Lake Colac, a short walk through wetlands along foreshore of Lake Colac & a bird hide to observe birdlife.
Colac Information Centre	N9	✓	✓	Free	✓	✓	Cnr Queen & Murrays Sts, Colac. Ample off-street parking for cars, vans & buses, free electric BBQ, toilets inside Visitor Centre.
Gellibrand	M13	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Located in the Rex Norman Park & on the Old Beechy rail Trail walk/bike path with gas BBQ, playground, shelter & historic display.
Lake Elizabeth	Q13	✓	✓		✓		From Apollo Bay turn right into Blundy St, right onto Station St, and left onto Hennigan Cres & follow signs to Lake Elizabeth. Enjoy a walk to the Lake or an extended loop walk around the Lake.
Loves Creek	N12	✓	✓		✓	✓	Situated at Kawarren on the Colac – Lavers Hill Rd. Shaded area near creek with ample parking.
Memorial Square - Colac	N9	✓		Free	✓	✓	Large park area on Murray St, amongst elm trees, central to shopping precinct, playground, war memorial, fountain and ample free parking..
Red Rock – Alvie	M7	✓		Free	✓	✓	17km north west of Colac. East & western lookouts offering spectacular views over volcanic Lakes & Craters district. BBQ, playground, ample parking.
Station Street, Forrest	P13	✓	✓	Free	✓	✓	Free BBQ, toilets at Van park, playground, and skate ramp & tennis courts. Forrest Heritage Walk & Tiger Rail Trail.
West Barwon Reservoir - Forrest	P13	✓	✓	Free	✓	✓	Located on the Skenes Creek – Colac Road near Forrest. Electric BBQ's, shelter & access to short walks, mountain bike trails and fishing.
Colac Lions Park	N9	✓	✓	Free	✓	✓	Located 100 metres from the Colac Visitor Centre electric BBQ's, sheltered areas and shaded parking, walk/bike path along Barongarook Creek to Lake Colac.
Beeac	O6	✓	✓	Free	✓	✓	Located on main street in centre of town close to Historic Windmill Museum, electric BBQ's, ample parking and playground.

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