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ROYAL BOTANIC GARDENS MELBOURNE

ABORIGINAL HERITAGE WALK

In the heart of the city, the beautiful Melbourne Gardens occupies what was once a traditional camping and meeting place for the Boon wurrung and Woi wurrung people. Today, you can participate in one of the most interesting walking tours in the city.



Enjoy an authentic Indigenous experience in the beautiful Melbourne Gardens, just minutes from the centre of Melbourne.

Local Aboriginal guides will take you on a journey through the gardens, incorporating the themes of spirit, connection and land. Learn about the stories and culture of the original inhabitants, along with the plant lore of traditional foods and medicine, tools and ceremony on this award-winning tour.

Melbourne Gardens offer a picturesque setting of 38 hectares within walking distance of the city for you to visit and discover over 50,000 species of plants from around the world.

Enquire about group and individual packages. There is also a range of education programs available for Primary, Secondary and Tertiary students.



Experiences	Days Operating	Season	Duration	Min Numbers	Max Numbers
ABORIGINAL HERITAGE WALK Local Aboriginal guides lead a walking tour in the Botanic Gardens that incorporates the themes of spirit, connection and land. Includes a traditional smoking ceremony and lemon myrtle tea.	Daily (excluding Saturday)	Year round	1.5 hours	15	50

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Product Type	Attraction, Restaurant, Short Tour
Caters for	Independent Travellers & Groups
Product Category	Nature & Wildlife, Urban Culture
Region	Melbourne, VIC
Getting There	Melbourne Gardens are located about 2 kms from Melbourne CBD. They are accessible by tram, bus, the 'hop on & hop off' Melbourne Visitor Shuttle or bicycle (bike path). Street metered car parking for up to 4 hours is generally easy to find close to entry gates.

WORN GUNDIDJ ABORIGINAL CO-OPERATIVE

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Tower Hill offers an opportunity to see Australia's iconic wildlife roaming free in a natural bush setting. Tours cover the parks history, the unique revegetation project, Indigenous culture and practices, and tastings of bush foods and plants growing in the reserve. This is a unique Australian experience.

The Worn Gundidj Aboriginal Co-operative conducts guided tours from the Visitor Centre located in the heart of the Tower Hill Wildlife Reserve. This Reserve is a dormant volcano, being one of the worlds largest examples of a nested maar, comprising a series of scoria cones located inside the main crater, and surrounded by an extensive lake and wetland system.

Having been completely revegetated commencing in the 1960s, the Reserve is now home to many of Australia's iconic animals – kangaroos, wallabies, emus, koalas and echidnas, as well as a wide range of reptiles, and up to 200 species of birds.

Our tours provide the visitor with a wealth of information in relation to the history of the Reserve, both pre and post European settlement. The Visitor Centre has a wide range of Indigenous

artefacts, and our tours include the opportunity to learn about and handle these tools and implements.

Our guides are versed in the history and culture of the land's original Indigenous inhabitants, and have a wealth of knowledge about the flora and fauna to be found in the reserve. Lasting for 90 minutes, the tours include a guided walk through a section of the Reserve that is home to many bush food plants, as well as many of the free roaming wildlife species.

Our tours can be tailored to suit the needs of individuals and groups, and whatever options are chosen, the visitor is guaranteed a unique insight into Australia's rich history, culture and natural environment.



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Product Type	Attraction, Short Tour
Caters for	Independent Travellers & Groups
Product Category	Indigenous Culture, Nature & Wildlife
Region	South West Victoria
Getting There	Three and a half hour drive south-west of Melbourne on the Princes Highway, 14 kilometres west of the major provincial city of Warrnambool, which is located on the Great Ocean Road.

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GUIDED WALKING TOUR Tour of the wildlife reserve including an insight into Indigenous culture and practices.	Mon - Sun	Year round	90 minutes	1	50
GUIDED NIGHT WALK Tour of the wildlife reserve after sunset, viewing nocturnal animals and creatures.	Mon - Sun	Year round	90 minutes	2	15