Camping around Mansfield

The town of Mansfield is nestled in the foot hills of the Victorian High Country. Surrounded by hills and mountains, rivers and streams, it has much to offer those interested in fishing, exploring, bushwalking and camping. Spend some time enjoying the tranquility in one of the lovely camping areas located within about half an hours drive from Mansfield.

Camping Sites

Blue Range Camping and Picnic Area
Blue Range offers a small, basic camp site on Blue Range Creek. Toilet facilities are across the road in the picnic area.

Buttercup Creek Camping Area
The tumbling water in Buttercup Creek provides a peaceful background sound within these small, shady sites. Two wheel drive access is via Carter’s Road off the Mt Buller Road. Four Wheel drives can use Buttercup Road to access the campsites, involving two creek crossings.

Carters Mill Camping and Picnic Area
The camping area at Carters Mill is a small, sheltered site, close to the Delatite River and the walking tracks along Plain Creek. This campsite is a great base for 4WD day trips into the surrounding high country.

Running Creek Camping Reserve
Located on the Howqua River and accessed via Howqua River Road, Running Creek is popular with anglers, paddlers and campers. There are two walking tracks that start here and end at Tobacco Flat, approximately 12 kms upstream. The Howqua River Walk follows the river flats with nearly 40 river crossings, while the Lower Howqua Feeder traverses the higher country.

Granny’s Flat Camping Area
The very popular Granny’s Flat is located on the Jamieson River. Access is 4WD in wet weather. Mitchell’s Bridle Trail, 21km walking track starts from here and follows the Jamieson River to Mitchell’s Flat.

Granny’s Flat Camping Reserve is closed during the seasonal road closure period that is in place from the Thursday after the Queens Birthday Long Weekend in June until the Thursday before Melbourne Cup Weekend in November.

The Delatite Arm Reserve
The Delatite Arm Reserve, also known as ‘The Pines’ is located on the shores of the picturesque Lake Eildon. Numerous campsites are located along the Lake and most of the campsites have access to toilets.

Howqua Hills Historic Area
Camping along the Howqua River is very popular and a great way to explore the Howqua Hills Historic Area managed by Parks Victoria. Opportunities for 4WDriving, exploring and bushwalking abound. Access is via Howqua Track from Merrrijig. The Howqua Hills Historic Walk from Sheepyard Flat to Fry’s Hut is not to be missed. For more information phone 131 963 or visit www.parkweb.vic.gov.au

Safety
On Code Red Fire Danger Rating days, parks and State Forest are closed to the public. Do not enter parks or forests on Code Red Days. If you are already there when a Code Red day is declared, you should leave the night before or early in the morning.

For more information
The Department of Sustainability and Environment (DSE) is responsible for managing Victoria’s State Forest. For further information contact DSE’s Customer Service Centre on 136 186 (TTY: 1800 122 969) or visit DSE’s website at http://www.dse.vic.gov.au/forests

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