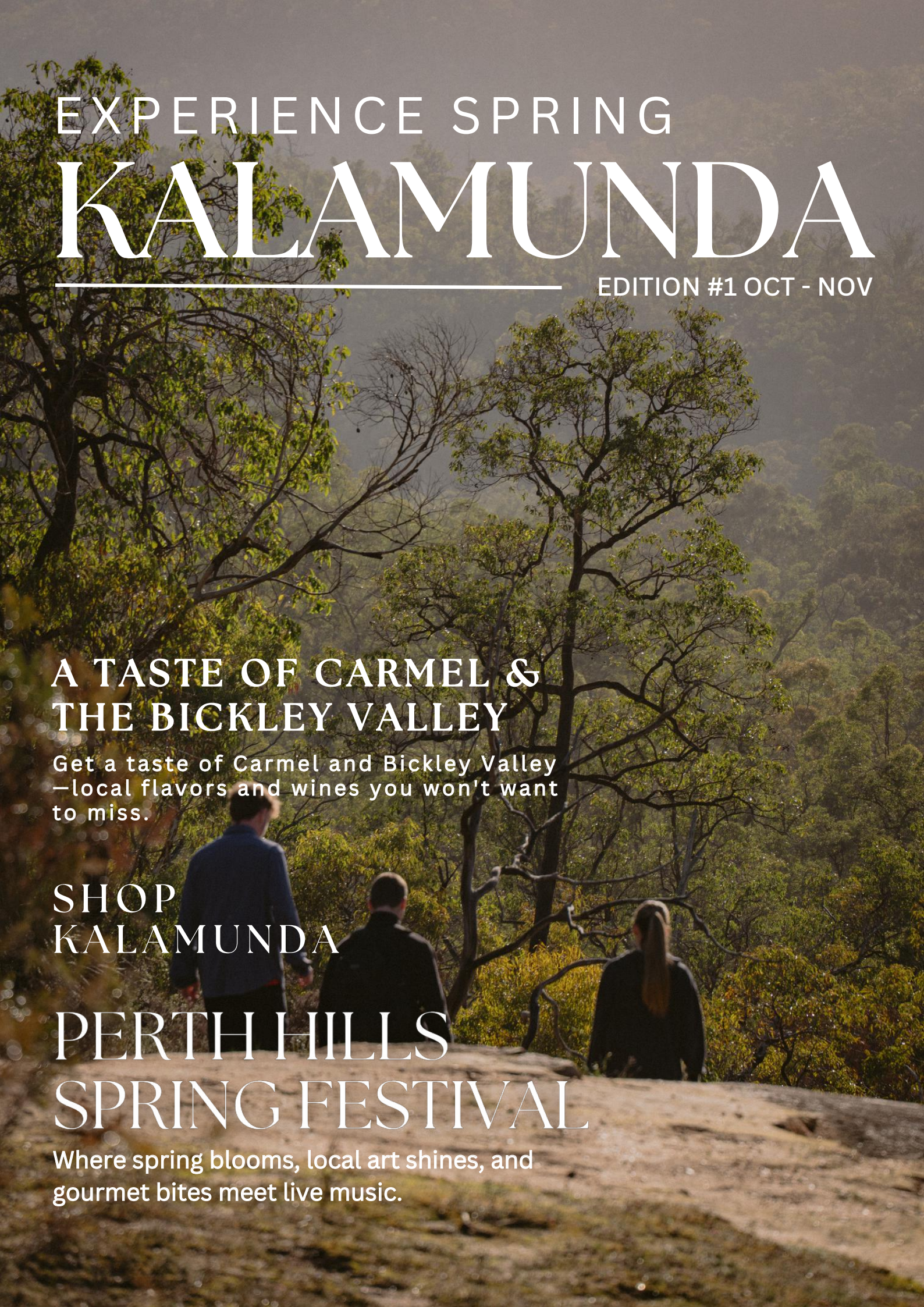




EXPERIENCE SPRING KALAMUNDA

EDITION #1 OCT - NOV

A TASTE OF CARMEL & THE BICKLEY VALLEY

Get a taste of Carmel and Bickley Valley
—local flavors and wines you won't want
to miss.

SHOP
KALAMUNDA

PERTH HILLS SPRING FESTIVAL

Where spring blooms, local art shines, and
gourmet bites meet live music.



WELCOME

We're excited to introduce this brand-new initiative, created with the hope of becoming a valuable companion for locals and visitors alike as they explore the beauty and charm of Kalamunda and its surroundings. This guide is just the beginning of what we envision will grow into a comprehensive resource featuring the best of what our unique town has to offer—whether it's breathtaking nature trails, local businesses, hidden gems, or community stories that reflect the spirit of our vibrant region.

Our goal with this first edition is to provide you with a glimpse into the heart of Kalamunda, and we are genuinely excited about the journey ahead. As we grow and evolve, we hope to continually improve and expand this guide with more in-depth features, stories, and interviews that shine a spotlight on the people, places, and events that make this community so special.

This guide is more than just a collection of recommendations; it's an invitation to be part of something bigger—a celebration of our local culture, history, and the sense of community that binds us all together. As this project develops, we welcome your feedback, suggestions, and support. Together, we can shape this guide into something that genuinely represents Kalamunda and its surrounding areas.

Thank you for joining us at the start of this exciting journey. We look forward to growing with you and continuing to share the stories and adventures that define Kalamunda.

Here's to many more editions ahead!

Perth Hills Kalamunda Visitor Centre

50 Railway Road

08 9257 9998

visitor.centre@kalamunda.wa.gov.au

Open Daily

9am - 4pm weekdays

10am - 4pm weekends



IN THIS ISSUE

4

Perth Hills Spring Festival

Experience Nature, Art, and Adventure at the 2024 Perth Hills Spring Festival

6

Explore Victoria Dam

Plan your next walk trail adventure to this little known gem.

8

Bickley Valley Wine Trail

Take a journey through Boutique Wineries and Local Craft Cideries of the Bickley Valley.

10

Kalamunda Performing Arts Centre

Find out what's happening at KPAC in October & December

11

Scenic Wildflower Walks

Discover Kalamunda's spring wildflower walk trails

14

Shop Kalamunda

Start your Christmas shopping early in Kalamunda



PERTH HILLS *Spring* FESTIVAL

5 OCTOBER - 11 NOVEMBER

SPRING INTO THE HILLS

Experience Nature, Art, and Adventure
at the 2024 Perth Hills Spring Festival



Get ready for an exciting season of family-friendly fun, culture, and nature at the 2024 Perth Hills Spring Festival! Whether you're a local or a visitor, this vibrant festival offers an array of events that highlight the beauty and creativity of the Perth Hills region. From nature walks and wildlife experiences to artisan markets and art exhibitions, there's something for everyone to enjoy.

Nature and Adventure

Kick off your festival experience with the Forest Festival on October 5th at Stirk Park, Kalamunda, where you can explore the important work of the Nature Reserves Preservation Group. Spend a day under the trees with activities perfect for the whole family. On October 6th, nature enthusiasts can enjoy a series of outdoor events, including the Bibbulmun Blossoms Day Walk, an intermediate hike, or try your hand at photography with the Nature Snap Beginner's Workshop. For families with kids, the fun continues with Paws & Claws, a beginner-friendly event sure to delight animal lovers of all ages.



PERTH HILLS Spring FESTIVAL

5 OCTOBER – 11 NOVEMBER

Art, Culture, and Markets

Art and craft lovers, mark your calendars! The Kalamunda Open Studios Weekend on October 12th-13th will give you the chance to meet local artists, purchase unique handmade items, and soak in the creative atmosphere of this vibrant community. Don't miss the All Things Recycled Clothing Market on October 12th, where you can update your wardrobe with sustainable, stylish finds.

Meanwhile, the beloved Rotary Kalamunda Artisan Market, running for over 23 years, is back with over 115 unique stallholders selling everything from gourmet food to handcrafted sculptures. You won't want to miss this lively market.



Wildlife and Stargazing

Dive into wildlife education at Discover Kanyana Day on October 19th, where you can explore the work of the Kanyana Wildlife Rehabilitation Centre. Learn about wildlife rehabilitation and enjoy interactive displays that are fun for kids and adults alike. If you're more of a night owl, the Perth Observatory is offering Night Sky Tours throughout the festival. Bookings are essential for this breathtaking look at the Southern Hemisphere's celestial wonders.

Food, Wine, and More

For a perfect blend of art and wine, visit Tonon Vineyard & Winery on November 2nd-3rd to enjoy their Art Exhibition & Wine Tasting. Sample locally produced wines and view captivating artwork from talented artists—an experience for both art lovers and wine connoisseurs alike.

Events are added weekly to the website. To learn more perthhillsspringfestival.com.au to check for the latest information.

DOUBLE CLICK THE WEEKLY BOXES BELOW TO VISIT THE WEBSITE AND SEE WHAT'S ON EACH WEEK

WEEK 1



WEEK 2



WEEK 3

WEEK 4

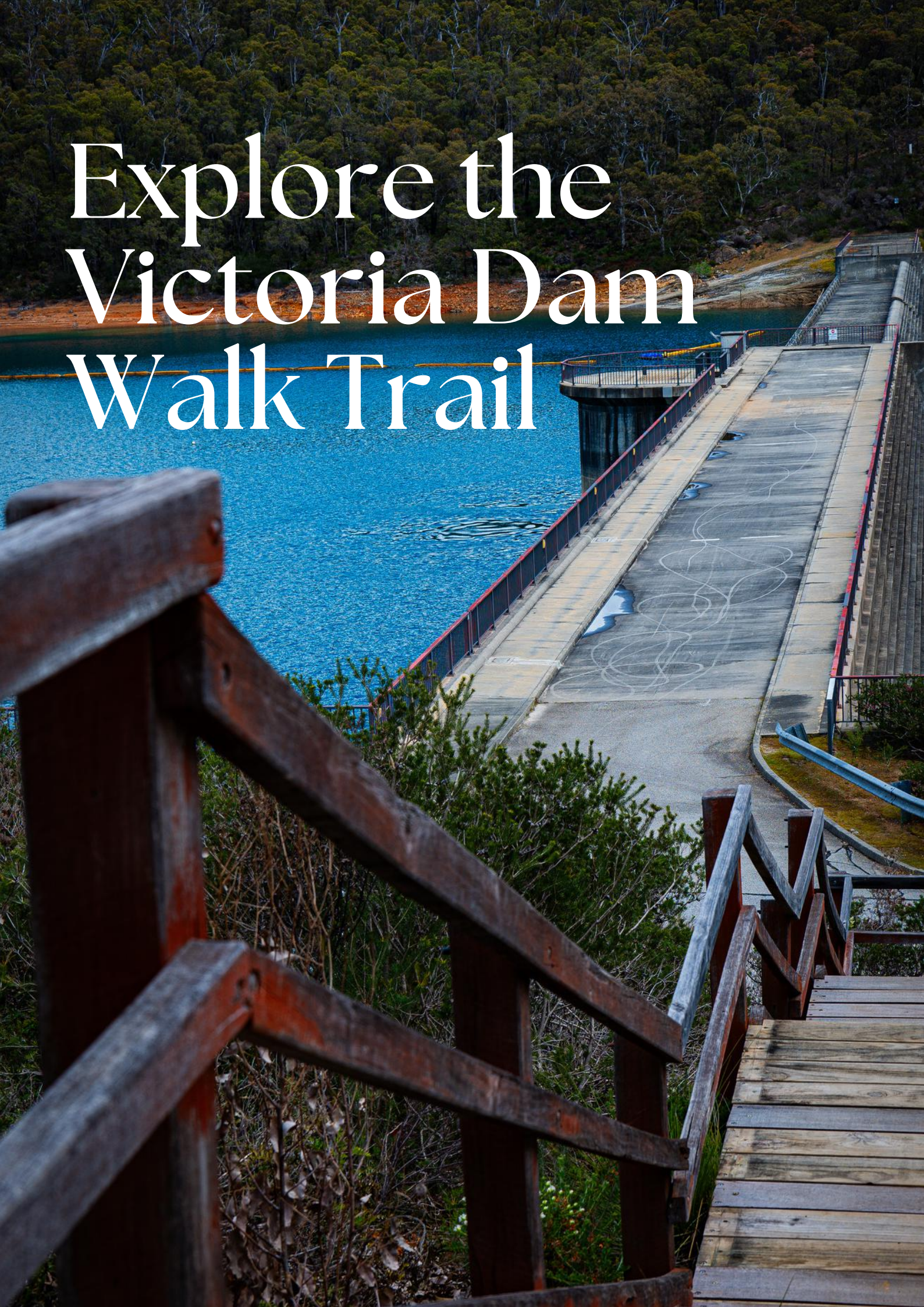


WEEK 5



WEEKLY





Explore the Victoria Dam Walk Trail

For a scenic escape close to the city, the Victoria Dam Walk in Perth Hills offers a perfect mix of history, nature, and tranquillity. This 6km loop, tucked within Jarrah forests, is a must for those wanting to explore one of Perth's hidden gems.

Starting at the Victoria Dam car park off Masonmill Road, the trail winds through serene bushland, towering trees, and striking granite outcrops. It's suitable for hikers of all fitness levels, with moderate inclines offering the right balance of challenge and ease.



The trail circles the picturesque Victoria Reservoir, with stunning water views and surrounding hills. Take in the panoramic vista of the valley below at the dam wall—ideal for photos or quiet reflection. Birdwatchers will enjoy the abundance of native species, and the trickling water adds to the peaceful atmosphere.

Autumn and spring are the best times to visit, with cooler temperatures and blooming wildflowers. While family-friendly, the trail remains secluded enough for a peaceful retreat, perfect for solo or group hikes. Just a short drive from Perth, it's a great day out in the Perth Hills.

The Victoria Dam Walk offers an authentic Australian bush experience, combining history and natural beauty—a must for nature lovers looking to uncover Perth's hidden treasures.



Victoria Dam car park, off Masonmill Road.



6km loop, taking approx. 1.5 to 2 hours to complete.



Elevation: Moderate with some gentle inclines.



No, dogs are not permitted due to conservation efforts.



The best time to visit is Spring (September - November) when wildflowers are in bloom, and the weather is mild.



Parking is available at the trailhead, and there are picnic spots nearby for a post-hike lunch.

Key Trail Info

Discover the Bickley Valley Wine Trail

With its winding roads and serene landscapes, the drive through the Bickley Valley is as enjoyable as the wine and cider tastings themselves

Nestled in the Perth Hills, just a 30-minute drive from the city, the Bickley Valley Wine Trail offers a laid-back and authentic experience for lovers of boutique wines, craft spirits, and local produce. This charming region invites you to explore family-run wineries, and cider houses set amongst rolling vineyards and orchards. If you're looking for a peaceful getaway to enjoy high-quality, small-batch wines and cider, the Bickley Valley is well worth a visit.

The Bickley Valley is home to a collection of intimate wineries, each offering a unique experience.

“

The Bickley Valley Wine Trail offers a relaxed yet refined experience, with family-run wineries, distilleries, and cider houses set against picturesque vineyards and orchards.

”



Among the top stops is the award-winning Tonon Winery. Known for its artisan-crafted wines, Tonon is renowned for producing boutique wines from estate-grown alternative grape varieties, including Vermentino, Fiano, Malbec, Cabernet Franc, Sangiovese, Tempranillo, and Prosecco. Impressively, Tonon is the only grower and producer of Prosecco in the Perth Hills. The winery's focus on small-batch production and its use of unique grape varieties make it a must-visit for wine enthusiasts looking for something truly special. Another standout is Fairbrossen Estate, where sustainability and generosity come together.

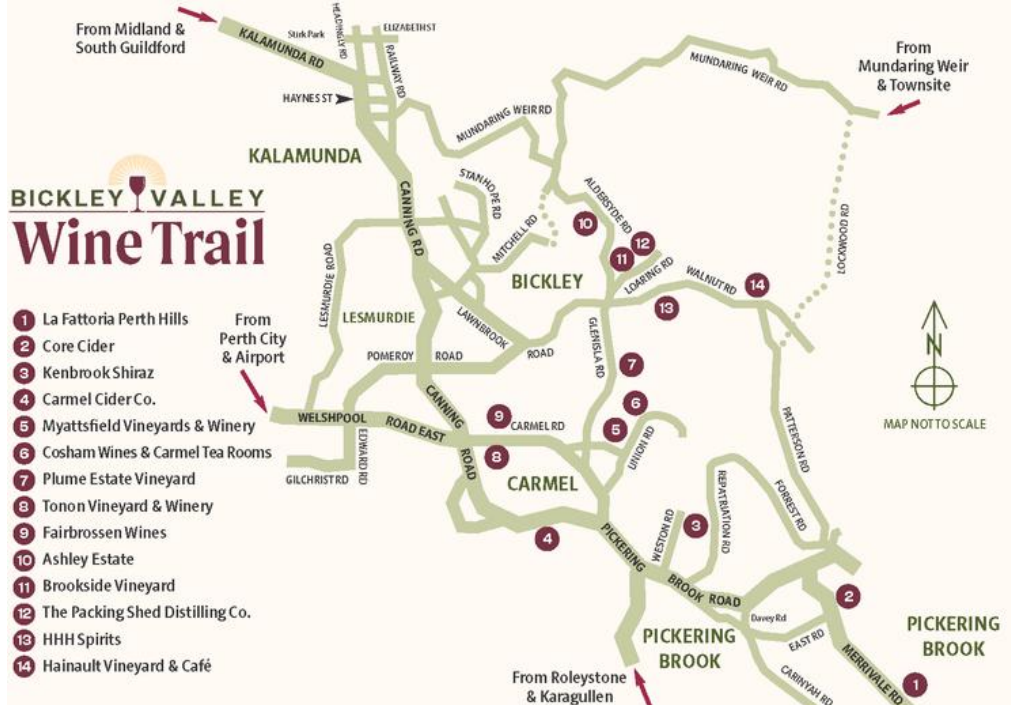
The estate's Shiraz and Malbec, crafted using environmentally friendly practices, are highly praised, and their cellar door pairs these wines with delightful seasonal platters. The name "Fairbrossen," which loosely means "full to bursting," embodies the spirit of hospitality you'll experience here.

For an elevated tasting experience, head to Plume Estate Vineyard, set against the stunning backdrop of the Bickley Valley. Enjoy a glass of their sparkling wine or Pinot Noir while overlooking rows of vines and picturesque scenery. Plume's café also offers seasonal dishes that complement their wine offerings, making it a perfect spot for a long lunch in the hills.



BICKLEY VALLEY Wine Trail

- 1 La Fattoria Perth Hills
- 2 Core Cider
- 3 Kenbrook Shiraz
- 4 Carmel Cider Co.
- 5 Myattsfield Vineyards & Winery
- 6 Cosham Wines & Carmel Tea Rooms
- 7 Plume Estate Vineyard
- 8 Tonon Vineyard & Winery
- 9 Fairbross Wines
- 10 Ashley Estate
- 11 Brookside Vineyard
- 12 The Packing Shed Distilling Co.
- 13 HHH Spirits
- 14 Hainault Vineyard & Café



Bickley Valley isn't just about wine – its craft cider scene is equally impressive. Start your cider exploration at Carmel Cider Co., where small-batch ciders made from locally grown apples and pears showcase the best of the valley's produce. With a focus on traditional methods, Carmel Cider Co. delivers crisp, fresh flavours that are hard to beat. Visitors can book tastings by appointment and catch their pop-up events, which offer a great opportunity to enjoy local cider paired with food.

Not far from Carmel, Core Cider House in Pickering Brook offers another exceptional experience. With its 40-acre orchard, Core Cider produces a range of award-winning ciders that cater to every palate – from sweet to dry.

Visitors can enjoy tastings in the cider garden, stroll through the orchards, or settle in for a meal at their on-site restaurant. It's a perfect place for a relaxing afternoon under the trees and an ideal stop for families.

“

Whether it's a glass of Shiraz at Myattsfield or a cider in the garden at Core Cider House, the Bickley Valley offers a truly authentic taste of the region.

”

The Bickley Valley Wine Trail is as much about the journey as it is about the destinations. The scenic drive through vineyards and orchards, with glimpses of the surrounding forests, adds to the charm of the experience.

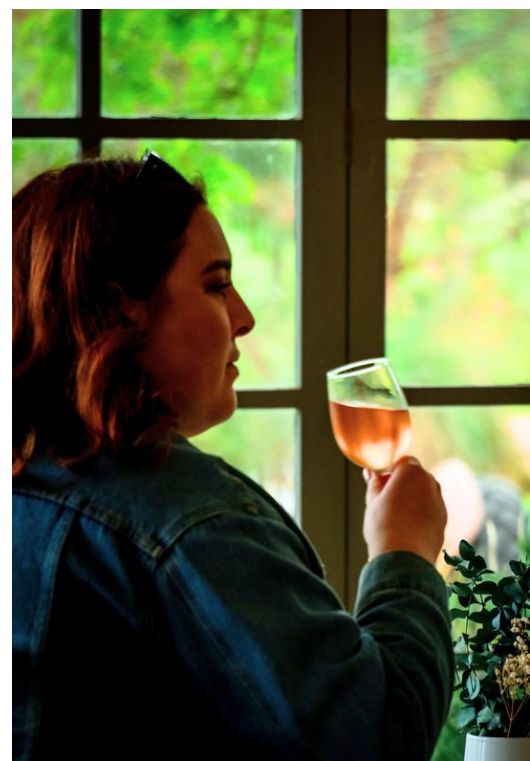
Many cellar doors and venues, like The Packing Shed at Lawnbrook, take full advantage of their locations, offering outdoor seating that allows you to soak in the valley's beauty while enjoying your beverage.

With a variety of wineries and cideries to explore, the Bickley Valley Wine Trail makes for a perfect day trip.

Many venues offer year-round tastings, and local tour operators such as d'Vine Tours provide customised tours so you can fully enjoy the valley without worrying about the drive.

Whether you're an enthusiast of boutique wines or craft ciders, there's something for everyone in the Bickley Valley.

Visit our [website](#) to learn more about all the venues and tour operators in the Bickley Valley and start planning your perfect getaway today.





KALAMUNDA PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE

SHOWS | OCT & NOV

OCT
5

AQUILA
90'S ROCK
& GRUNGE

OCT
12

A CAPPELLA WEST
A SHOE, A SPANNER
AND A SONG

OCT
19

HEADLINERS
COMEDY GALA
HOSTED BY
MATT DYKTYNSKI

NOV
6

JAKE DENNIS
MORNING MUSIC: FUNK &
R'N B

NOV
8

VINCE JONES
AN EVENING WITH VINCE
JONES

NOV
23

AUSTRALIAN BLUES
BROTHERS & SOUL
SISTERS
TRIBUTE SHOW

48 Canning Road, Kalamunda

Box Office Opening Times: Monday - Friday 9:00am - 5:00pm

P: 9257 2558 W: kalamundapac.com.au

E: performingarts@kalamunda.wa.gov.au



Scenic Wildflower Walks to Take in Kalamunda This Spring

These wildflower trails and scenic drives showcase the best of what the Perth Hills offers in the spring. Whether you're an avid hiker or just looking for a peaceful spot to enjoy nature, Kalamunda's wildflower displays won't disappoint.



Seasonal
& Weather
Dependent

Wildflower Hot Spots

- ▶ Jorgensen Park
- ▶ Lesmurdie Falls (north side)
- ▶ Whistlepipe Gully
- ▶ Hill Street
- ▶ Zig Zag Drive
- ▶ Lions Lookout
- ▶ Kalamunda National Park
- ▶ Schipp Road, off Hummerston Road
- ▶ Spring Road Entrance

Visit the Kalamunda Visitor Centre at the Zig Zag Cultural Centre, **50 Railway Road**, Kalamunda, to pick up your copy of the Wildflower Brochure. Discover all the best spots to view stunning wildflowers this spring.

Spring is the perfect time to explore the stunning wildflower displays in Kalamunda and its surrounding areas. The hills come alive with vibrant colours, creating a spectacular backdrop for your outdoor adventures. Here are some of the best trails to explore if you're eager to see wildflowers in full bloom:

Carmel Walk

Nestled in Korung National Park, Carmel Walk is a hidden gem that bursts with colour from late winter to spring. This pleasant loop trail offers an excellent opportunity to spot a wide variety of wildflowers, including delicate orchids. It's a peaceful walk where you can enjoy both the beauty of nature and the serenity of the bushland.

Piesse Brook Interpretive Trail

For a picturesque experience, head to the Piesse Brook Interpretive Trail in Kalamunda National Park. This trail follows the meandering Piesse Brook all the way to Rocky Pool, where you can soak in the beautiful views. Along the way, informative signposts describe the area's unique geology, history, and local flora. With a blend of stunning wildflowers and educational insights, this walk is perfect for nature enthusiasts.

Lions Lookout Trail

Lions Lookout offers more than just a good view—it's also a great spot to see wildflowers in full bloom. As you hike, you'll be rewarded with expansive views of the surrounding landscape, all while being surrounded by a variety of vibrant flowers.

Lesmurdie Falls

One of the most popular spots in the Perth Hills, Lesmurdie Falls combines breathtaking views with a lovely wildflower display. The trails around the falls offer several vantage points, each with its own natural beauty. It's a perfect combination of scenery and floral beauty, making it a must-visit in the spring.

ZigZag Drive

If you prefer a scenic drive over a hike, take a leisurely journey along the ZigZag Drive. This winding road offers stunning views of the Perth city skyline and the chance to see wildflowers lining the roadside. With lookout spots along the way, you can stop, take in the beauty, and capture those perfect springtime photos.



OPENING HOURS

Weekdays 10am to 3pm

Thursday 12pm to 3pm

Weekends 10am to 4pm

Access through the Zig Zag Cultural Centre
after paying at the Kalamunda Visitor Centre

KALAMUNDA HISTORY VILLAGE
56 Railway Road, Kalamunda

P: (08) 9293 1371 | E: history.village@kalamunda.wa.gov.au

W: www.kalamundahistoricalsociety.com



Nature Reserves Preservation Group Proudly Presents

The Forest Festival

Saturday 5 October 2024

Stirk Park, Kalamunda

10am - 3pm

Free live entertainment, environmental stalls,
forest faeries, childrens activities and more.

www.nrpg.org.au



natural resource
management program



A PERFECT DAY OF SHOPPING IN KALAMUNDA: 10 MUST-VISIT SPOTS



Kalamunda is a treasure trove of unique boutiques, vibrant markets, and beautiful garden centres. Whether you're a plant enthusiast, fashion lover, or local market explorer, our charming town in the Perth Hills has something for everyone. Here's your guide to spending the perfect shopping day in Kalamunda:



Zanthorrea Nursery

Start your day surrounded by nature at Zanthorrea Nursery, a family-owned garden centre known for its wide variety of Australian native plants. Whether you're looking to spruce up your garden or find a unique plant gift, this peaceful spot offers plenty of inspiration.

Melville's Rose N Gardens

For the flower lovers, Melville's Rose N Gardens is a must-visit. Known for its stunning collection of roses, this garden shop is the perfect place to add a splash of colour to your home garden.

Hills Botanic

Continue your garden shopping at Hills Botanic in Central Kalamunda. This boutique nursery specializes in rare and exotic plants, making it the perfect stop for plant collectors or those looking to create an impressive garden display.

The Cheese Shop

Need a gourmet break? Head to The Cheese Shop, a specialty store where you can find an impressive selection of local and international cheeses. Whether planning a picnic or just loving artisanal products, this shop will satisfy all your cheesy cravings.





Clover Lane Clothing

For fashion enthusiasts, Clover Lane Clothing is a stylish boutique offering a curated collection of women's clothing. You'll find chic pieces perfect for updating your wardrobe, from everyday essentials to standout statement items.

The Micro Collective

The Micro Collective is a delightful boutique that brings together fashion, homewares, and gifts from local designers. This eclectic shop is great for finding one-of-a-kind items and supporting local artisans.

The Craft Wagon

Art and craft lovers will adore The Wagon – Kalamunda, a shop that specializes in locally made arts and crafts. Browse through an assortment of handcrafted items and pick up some beautiful pieces to add to your collection or home décor.

Perth Mosaics

If you're feeling crafty, make a stop at Perth Mosaics. This arts and crafts store offers a wide range of supplies for creating your own mosaic masterpieces. It's a creative haven for both beginners and experienced artists.

Markets Galore! No shopping day in Kalamunda is complete without visiting one of its vibrant markets:

Kalamunda Artisan Market (monthly)

Explore a variety of artisan stalls offering handcrafted goods, from artwork to gourmet food.

Kalamunda Farmers Market (weekly)

Get fresh, local produce straight from the farmers themselves.

Kalamunda Night Market (monthly)

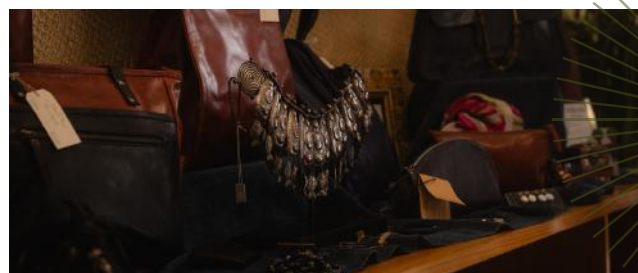
Enjoy food trucks, artisan stalls, and live entertainment for a lively evening out.

All Things Recycled Clothing Market

Discover pre-loved and upcycled fashion at unbeatable prices.

All Things Vintage Market WA

Hunt for vintage treasures, from clothing to home décor, at this nostalgic market.



Kalamunda offers a shopping experience like no other, with its blend of unique stores, garden centres, and bustling markets. Take a day to explore the vibrant shopping scene and uncover the hidden gems this charming town has to offer!

A person is sitting on a large, fallen log that spans across a rocky stream bed. The person is seen from behind, looking out over a lush, green valley. The stream flows through the center of the valley, surrounded by dense vegetation and trees. The scene is bathed in warm, golden light, suggesting late afternoon or early morning. The overall atmosphere is peaceful and scenic.

Perth Hills Kalamunda Visitor Centre

50 Railway Road
08 9257 9998

visitor.centre@kalamunda.wa.gov.au

Open Daily
9am - 4pm weekdays
10am - 4pm weekends

EXPERIENCE
**PERTH
HILLS**
KALAMUNDA