



accommodation around Dargo.

- camping gear, the Dargo General Store also offers
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- **Dargo General Store** - 11 Lind Avenue - Ph: 0411 026 018
- accommodations for you to lay your head.
- The Dargo Hotel has the coldest beers in town, and warm
- **Dargo Hotel** - 108-100 Lind Avenue - Ph: 03 5140 1231
- **Dargo River Inn** - 13 Lower Dargo Road - Ph: 03 5140 1330

## WHERE TO STAY

- Experience a hearty country meal at the Dargo Hotel
- Check out the fire tower lookout at The Pinnacles
- Visit one of the High Country Huts surrounding Dargo
- Go 4wd on one of the local tracks
- Try your luck gold panning in one of the local rivers
- Visit Jungle Creek Falls
- Rivers
- Picnic on the banks of the Dargo, Wonnangatta or Crooked
- Explore the mountains and historic gold sites
- Rock of Gibraltar Lookout
- Visit the Dargo Heritage Museum
- Grant Historic Walk
- Dargo town walk and see the historic buildings
- Visit the old cemeteries
- Walk down to the Den of Nargun
- Visit Wonnangatta Station

## THINGS TO DO

## GIPPSLAND'S HIGH COUNTRY

Gippsland's High Country covers both State and National Parks including the Alpine National Park, Avon Wilderness Park and Macalister State Forest.

For outdoor adventure experience first-rate 4WD touring, rafting, fishing and canoeing Gippsland's High Country is certainly a must-see destination. The area is also an excellent spot for horse riding, bush-walking and hiking. Visit Licola via the southern entrance to the Alpine National Park via Heyfield. Stock up on supplies and fuel before heading into the park. Drop into the Heyfield Visitor Information Centre to pick up park info before you set off.

Alternatively, visit Dargo via Briarolong, the scenic route along Beverley Road is sealed considerably, reducing travel time to Dargo. There is something of interest for everyone on the way to Gippsland's High Country.

In the south-western section of the Alpine National Park, you will find pleasant snow gum woodlands, sprawling mountain vistas, rivers and gorges, as well as rich, cultural heritage - from the rock scatters of the GunaiKurnai People, to grazier's huts nestled in protected folds of the high country.

Note that many tracks and trails leading through Gippsland's High Country may be unsealed, narrow and winding, care is advised when travelling these tracks and trails.

For detailed information on Parks and Forests, visit either [www.parks.vic.gov.au](http://www.parks.vic.gov.au) or [www.delwp.vic.gov.au](http://www.delwp.vic.gov.au)



Outside of Dargo is known for some amazing 4wd tracks, be sure to check out some of the tracks including:

- The Pinnacles Lookout
- Grant-Crooked River
- Wonnangatta Valley (and Station)
- Billy Goat Bluff
- Blue Rag Range
- Dargo High Plains Road

A short drive north of Dargo (17km) along the Dargo High Plains Road, you'll come to McMillan Road and the Grant Historic Area. This thickly forested area hides many features of the mining days including cemeteries, township sites and mining relics. Grant became the principal town on the goldfields, but despite its promise, the Crooked River field quickly waned and by the late 1880s most settlements were deserted.

## DARGO



Discover one of Victoria's most remote communities, nestled in the foothills of the legendary Dargo High Plains. With a population of approximately 150 people, Dargo is a fantastic entry point for the Alpine National Park, Avon Wilderness Park and Mitchell River National Park. Dargo is known for its groves of century-old walnut trees that line the valley floor. Many high country cattlemen have homes in the surrounding stockbreeding and agricultural districts.

Although there was a minor gold rush experienced in the mid-1800's, the town was primarily a resting place and later a supply town for miners on their way to the Grant, Talbotville and Crooked River goldfields nearby. The bush surrounding Dargo has many relics from the gold rush era that remain accessible and give an insight into the history and challenges experienced during the mining era.

Visit Wonnangatta Station by 4WD, once Victoria's most remote cattle station, Dargo is an excellent base for trail bike riders wishing to explore the many tracks and trails in the area. Deer hunting in season is also a popular activity in the region above Dargo.

The Dargo River meanders its way through the township of Dargo, making it an ideal destination for day trips or a starting point to discover the spectacular scenery of the High Plains and the Grant Historic area.

The Dargo Historical Museum showcases many artefacts, photos and displays based on early gold mining in the area.

## DARGO



## VISITOR INFORMATION

**Central Gippsland Visitor Centre**  
**Port of Sale**  
**70 Foster Street Sale VIC 3850**  
**Phone: 1300 368 864**

**Maffra Visitor Information Centre**  
**Maffra Courthouse**  
**96 Johnson Street Maffra VIC 3860**  
**Phone: 03 5141 1811**

**Yarram Visitor Information Centre**  
**Yarram Courthouse**  
**9 Rodgers Street Yarram VIC 3971**  
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Licola is a small and attractive village nestled beside the Macalister River. Licola was formerly a timber town from where early cattlemen drove their herds to the nearby high plains and mountains for Summer. Today, the Lions Club of Victoria own a large section of land in Licola and operate a wilderness village and youth camp onsite, which is immediately surrounded by farmland.

The town generates its own power, pumps and treats its own water and is responsible for its own waste management. Licola is the only privately owned town in Victoria, and is the only one in the state not connected to mains power.

Licola is the southern gateway to the Alpine National Park, and its main industries are tourism, logging and farming. It has one general store, including post office and petrol station and a small number of houses.

Licola is a popular destination for camping within the nearby Alpine National Park, four wheel driving enthusiasts - who enjoy the challenge of the many four-wheel driving tracks and trails accessible from Licola, and trail bike riders - who also share the trails network. Horse riders also frequent the Alpine National Park nearby with organised tours available. Area highlights include the spectacular views available from The Pinnacles Lookout and fire tower, the many high country cattlemens huts, the iconic walk to Lake Tail Karng, the mystery of the Wonnangatta Station and during Spring - the spectacular wildflowers.

## LICOLA



The rivers of the Macalister and Caledonia offer fantastic trout fishing, with anglers also taking in some fly fishing. These mighty rivers also provide excellent rafting, kayaking and canoeing after the snow melts after winter.

The best ways to experience the Alpine National Park from Licola is hiking to the summit of Mt Howitt, part of the Australian Alps Walking Track or a visit to "the hidden lake" of Tall Karng, a stunningly beautiful place steeped in Dreamtime legend.

The Macalister Gorge Scenic Reserve is a beautiful place, with the wide, gently flowing Macalister River that provides excellent spots for camping, swimming and fishing.

With some of the best 4wd tracks in the Gippsland High Country, if you are up for the drive, the areas around the Avon Wilderness Area, Wonnangatta, Howitt Plains and Alpine National Park are well worth a visit.

The Lions Wilderness Village is a great place for groups and families alike, with something for everyone to enjoy. There is a great range of activities including: indoor and outdoor games, adventure courses, trampolines, mini golf and much more.

## LICOLA



- 4WD on one of the many tracks from the Alpine National Park or Avon Wilderness Park.

- Drive the Licola-Jamieson Road (advised during Summer only), or head to Bennison Lookout

- Explore Lake Tail Karng and the walking tracks throughout the area

- Explore the Wonnangatta-Moroka National Park

- Bush walk through one of the tracks through the Alpine National Park or Avon Wilderness Park

- Bring your raft or canoe/kayak and enjoy one of the local rivers - such as the Macalister

- Try your hand at fly fishing around the bridge at Licola

- Take in the high country on horseback

- Bring the family and enjoy the adventures at the Lions Wilderness Village

- Visit on of the high country cattlemen's huts in the areas surrounding Licola (closest huts to Licola are - Moroka Hut, Guy Hut and Howitt Hut)

- Walk the Bryce Gorge Circuit, through snow gum woodlands and see some high country waterfalls

## THINGS TO DO

## WHERE TO STAY

- Licola Caravan Park (adjacent to the Licola General Store)
- Licola Wilderness Village
- Lake Glenmaggie Caravan Park
- Montana on the Macalister Caravan Park
- Paradise Valley Camping Grounds
- Blores Hill Caravan Park

Note: it is advised to use updated maps from publishers such as HEMA or Rooftop Maps, this map is just a guide.

