



BURNSIDE
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YOUR LOCAL GUIDE
TO THE MARGARET RIVER REGION
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Welcome

Burnside Organic Farm is centrally located in the magnificent Margaret River Region which extends 100km from Cape Naturaliste in the north to Cape Leeuwin in the south.

The area contains wineries, beaches and caves to experience. It is one of the finest wine growing regions in Australia and a world renowned surfing destination. Burnside Organic Farm is the perfect base from which to explore.

ABOUT

Jamie and Lara McCall offer a genuinely hosted experience. Interaction with guests and sharing knowledge is key to the Burnside offering. A love of the Margaret River Region and ongoing lived experience in viticulture, winemaking, organic farming and surfing equips them both to inspire visitors and help them make powerful memories of their Margaret River visit.



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Our favourite things to do in the Margaret River Region

Augusta - If you are here for a longer stay Augusta is a great place to spend a whole day. Head to "Colourpatch" where the Blackwood River meets the Indian and Southern Oceans. There is a playground and lots of lawn to picnic on. Colourpatch is also the name of a café at the same place. Closed Mon & Tues. www.thecolourpatchaugusta.com

Watch the wildlife in the river; pelicans, sting rays and dolphins are common. Kite surfers can be seen most afternoons.

It is a scenic drive to the lighthouse, with pretty beaches along the way. Swim at Granny's Pool or Flinders Bay. In whale watching season (June and July), you can often see whales from these beaches. Or go on a whale watching boat tour. The museum in the main street is open each morning, lots of interesting photos and historical information.

Boranup Forest – Visit the Karri forest. Stop at the look out on Caves Rd.

Bushtucker Tour – Four hours of fantastic fun, canoeing on the Margaret River, try bushtucker foods. www.bushtuckertours.com

Bushwalking & Bike riding – Our farm directly adjoins forest bike tracks and the Wadandi track. Bike hire www.thehairymarron.com

Busselton Jetty and Underwater Observatory – At the end of the jetty is an amazing underwater observatory to view coral and fish. Check on the weather first for visibility. Can walk the 1.6km or catch the train. Lovely area to explore and have lunch at cafes overlooking beach. www.busseltonjetty.com.au

Cape to Cape Walk – Fantastic 100km walk trail along coast from Augusta to Dunsborough. Ask us about our favourite parts, lots of short walks. www.capetocapetrack.com.au



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Caves - Mammoth Cave is self-guided and has easy access for all levels of ability. You do not have to wait for a hosted tour. Our choice for taking children. Lake Cave has a spectacular doline entrance with Karri trees growing out of the cave. Reasonable fitness required. Tours each hour. Jewel Cave is the prettiest cave and closest to Augusta. www.margaretriver.com

Eagles Heritage - Rehabilitation centre for eagles and other wildlife. Over 50 local birds, owls and eagles to see close up. The flying/feeding display at 10.30am for 11am Boodjidup Open 10am - 4pm daily. Not - for - profit. www.eaglesheritage.com.au

Ellensbrook Homestead - Just five minutes from Burnside, Ellensbrook Rd West. Historic homestead of the Bussell family, great picnic spot and short walk to Meekadarabee falls where there is a waterfall, cave and aboriginal story to read. Check out the beach for sunset too.

Gabriels Chocolate - Caves Rd corner of Quininup, Yallingyup. The only authentic chocolate factory in Margaret River. Real chocolate handmade from cacao beans onsite. Ask for a tasting explanation working through the different qualities. www.gabrielchocolate.com.au

Leeuwin Estate - To see the Karri trees, run on the lawn, taste the world-renowned Chardonnay. Long lunch on the deck or a coffee. Don't miss the downstairs art gallery. Original art from their wine labels is on display. www.leeuwinestate.com.au

Farmers' Markets - 8am - 11am (7.30am in summer), every Saturday all year. 272 Bussell Hwy. Just south of the high school at the Education Campus/University. Lots of parking inside drive in and keep going down to bottom bitumen car park. Buy produce direct from the farmers. Breakfast and coffee available. Take bags - it's plastic bag free. www.margaretriverfarmersmarket.com.au



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Sunflowers Animal Farm – Five minutes away on Caves Rd, farm animals to feed and pat, tame kangaroos, playground. www.sunflowersfarm.com

Whale Watching – Season September – December in Dunsborough and June-August in Augusta. www.whalewatchwesternaustralia.com

Wine Tours

Margaret River Discovery Co. www.margaretriverdiscovery.com.au

Margaret River Touring Company. www.margarerivertouringcompany.com.au

Margaret River Tours. www.margaretrivertours.com.au

Wine for Dudes. www.winefordudes.com.au



BEACHES

From North near Dunsborough to South of Margaret River. Be aware that rips and dangerous surf can occur at some beaches. Safe children's swimming beaches are at Gracetown, Gnarabup, Meelup and Eagle Bay.

Eagle Bay – Lovely calm beach. Protected from SW seabreeze.

Meelup – Trees near the beach, very calm, great for kids. Nice picnic spot. Protected from SW sea breeze. BBQs.

Yallingup – A large bay with reef surf, snorkelling and swimming area. A lovely long walk or watch the surfers from the steps. Café. Nice nature playground and lookouts.

Gracetown – Only 15 minutes away, our favourite for a swim. Beautiful sheltered beach with surf breaks on the points. Perfect for swimming, snorkelling and great for children. Explore the rocks and swim to the pontoon. Lovely walks from South Pt carpark out to the point, or drive south of the town to Lefthanders carpark for a long beach walk past surf spots.

Ellensbrook – **Our closest local beach, only 5 minutes away.** A great place to watch the sunset. Nice deck area. Watch the surfers or swim in the protected bay, not as picturesque as Gracetown but still good on a hot day (and no one there). Walk south to beautiful rock pools.

Margaret River Mainbreak – Watch the surfing in the morning or windsurfing action in the afternoon. Beautiful place to watch sunset. Lovely rock pools to snorkel and play in on hot days. Fish and chip van in summer. Takeaway beer available from the Prevelly Store.

Margaret River Mouth – Good body surfing, river is great for children, go for a walk along the river. Hire a canoe and surfing lessons in summer. Bushtucker canoe tour daily – must book. Climb chicken sandhill to see amazing view and the remains of Wallcliffe house. Walk to Kilcarnup on the Cape to Cape walk trail – ask us for directions. Watch out for rips and dangerous surf.



BEACHES

From Dunsborough to the south

Gnarabup/Prevelly – Sheltered swimming spot with The White Elephant café overlooking the water. Good for children. To the right is Prevelly beach good walking/running/baby stroller path along the top of the beach.

Redgate – Very beautiful beach for experienced surfers or going for a walk. Be very careful swimming here as there are rips. Rock pools are safe down the far end. Where Grace Bussell and Samuel Isaacs rescued survivors of the shipwrecked vessel Georgette.

Hamelin Bay – Towards Augusta. No better place on a hot still day. Crystal blue calm water. Go early before the sea breeze comes in. Stingrays come in to feed sometimes.

They are all beautiful. Explore and find your own special beach.



WINERIES

From DUNSBOROUGH to SOUTH of MARGARET RIVER

We are situated in the middle

There are over 90. Here are some of our favourites.

*Restaurant Bookings essential

***Wise Winery** – Situated near Eagle Bay. Restaurant with amazing views overlooking Geographe Bay and the vines. A perfect place to start your holiday on the way down. www.wisewine.com.au

Blind Corner – Certified organic. Family owned. Great selection and fun to visit.
www.blindcorner.com.au

Happs – Very large range of wines, many alternative varieties and sweet styles. Also a pottery gallery. www.happs.com.au

***Arimia** – Lovely secluded bush setting. Children friendly. Quality local seasonal food by Evan Hayter. Allow time and book the degustation. www.arimia.com.au

Windows Estate - Corner Caves Rd and Quininup Rd, Yallingup. Family owned and operated, small production of quality wines. Their Chardonnay is amazing, all their wines excellent. Gabriel's chocolate next door. www.windowsestate.com

Stormflower Vineyard – Certified organic. Quality wines.

***Hay Shed Hill & Rustico Restaurant** – Big range of well-priced wines. Excellent share food. Great service and open until 6pm. www.hayshedhill.com.au

Moss Wood – Small, unique, family quality. Some of best wine in area. Old vines. By appointment only. www.mosswood.com.au



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***Cullen Wines** – Overlooking the vines. The best biodynamic wines by winemaker Vanya Cullen. Award winning Chardonnay and Cabernet. Family owned, one of the oldest vineyards. Lovely rustic building with vineyard views. Large lawn area where kids can play. Quality restaurant with organic focus, lunch only. Closed Wednesday and Thursday. www.cullenwines.com.au

***Vasse Felix** – Large range of quality wines, excellent upmarket restaurant serving innovative food and Holmes a Court art gallery. Not suitable for children. www.vassefelix.com.au

Howard Park – Spectacular unique modern building and large range of wines. www.howardparkwines.com.au

Cape Grace – Small family business with quality wines. Robert and Karen are very welcoming. www.capegracewines.com.au

McHenry Hohnen Wine – Caves Rd. Great wines. Close to Burnside. www.mchenryhohnen.com.au

Cape Mentelle - Quality wine from old vines. They grow Zinfandel too. Open everyday for tastings. Barrel room tours with lunch & wine appreciation. www.capementelle.com.au

***Xanadu Winery** - Quality old vines, good wine and lovely restaurant. Small playground for children. www.xanaduwines.com

***Voyager Estate** – Cape Dutch style buildings, rose gardens, great food and quality wine in a more formal setting. Amazing staff, service and experience. Degustation lunch only. Not suitable for children. www.voyagerestate.com.au



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***Leeuwin Estate** - Venue of the famous concert, upmarket restaurant, beautiful setting overlooking Karri trees. Another favourite restaurant for a long lunch. Quality wine. Buy a glass of the Art Series Chardonnay just to taste it. World class Australian art collection down stairs. See all the Leeuwin art series label originals. Not really suitable for children unless they are happy sitting for a long lunch. www.leeuwinestate.com.au

If you don't have much time the must see wineries are; Cullen, Vasse Felix, Voyager and Leeuwin Estate.

If you have time for one more choose a small one like Blind Corner, Windows Estate or Cape Grace.



FOOD & RESTAURANTS

Based on feedback from our guests

Beach Cafes

The White Elephant – Everyday 7.30am – 4pm. Gnarabup beach. Simple breakfasts, lunches and coffee. Amazing location. Swim, eat, enjoy the view. Maybe you will see Lara and friends paddle-board surfing out at boaties surf break. During Winter there is a cosy wood fire and inside area. Watch the wild seas and storms. No bookings. www.whiteelephantcafe.com.au

Sea Gardens - Near the Prevelly General Store. Lovely ocean vistas, great breakfasts. Casual and family friendly. Open all day. www.seagardencafe.com.au

The Common – Open everyday from 12 midday until 10pm. Casual dining and family friendly. Follow the signs near Prevelly/Gnarabup Beach. It is further up the road at the resort. Vistas to the ocean and bush in the outside eating area in warmer weather. Enjoy a sunset drink. www.thecommonbistro.com.au

Gracies General Store - Gracetown beach. Has the best ever home baked pies and other wholesome lunch food. Takeaway coffee, bottle shop, ice creams. 7am -3pm daily.



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Cafes in Margaret River Town

Margaret River Bakery – Bussell Hwy bottom left of town. Marcelle and her husband Lyndon (the baker) put lots of love into their bakery to make quality food. Not your average bakery. Bohemian feel. Great ambience. Great organic range, light meals breakfast, gluten free options, salads and great coffee. 6.30am – 3pm. Closed Sunday. www.margaretriverbakery.com.au

Egberts – Tiny sister of the bakery. Red Feather Coffee and croissant bar. Locals hangout. 6am – 3pm. Closed Saturday.

Sidekick Café – A favourite for a quick coffee. Light lunches and snacks. Near IGA supermarket.

Blue Ginger Café - Station Rd. Just out of the centre of town. Good for breakfast and coffee. Where the locals go after yoga. Has a relaxed retro atmosphere and also our favourite gourmet food shop. 8am – 4pm. Closed Sunday. www.bluegingerfinefoods.com



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Restaurants & Breweries

Margaret River Town

Brewhouse Brewery – Situated where Carters Rd joins Bussell Hwy. Parking inside. Our favourite to meet our friends for a quick meal and wine. Great fun menu. Kid friendly with a playground. www.margaretriverbrewhouse.com.au

Pizzica – Under the Bridgefield building & La Scarpetta. Wooden building on left as get to town. Like being in Puglia where the owners Ivan & Anna come from. Favourite for its wood fired pizza and grilled meats. Good value, family friendly. Best to book. www.pizzica.com.au

La Scarpetta – Rustic authentic Italian. Best to book. www.lascarpetta.com.au

Morries – Top of town LHS. Good food. Modern Australian. More intimate dining but still family friendly. Open from 5pm, 7 days. www.morries.com.au

Miki's Open Kitchen – Tiny Japanese tempura restaurant. Tues – Sunday, hard to get in but try. Not suitable for young children. Bookings essential. Miki uses our produce. www.mikisopenkitchen.com.au

Settlers Tavern – Favourite for a family dinner. Near IGA, Bussell Hwy. Upmarket pub food using local quality ingredients. Quick service, great wine list, kid friendly, good value, very large sizes. Can't book. Lunch from 11am. Dinner 6pm – 9pm. Our wine is always on the wine list. Avocados are also used in season. No bookings. www.settlerstavern.com



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Cafes

Cowaramup

Black Sheep Deli – Great home cooked food and coffee. Raw food delights and salads too. Gourmet supplies and vegetables. From 6am-5pm, 7 days.

Olio Bello – Lunch only. Just before Cowaramup. Armstrong Rd, off Cowaramup Bay Rd at Caves Rd end. Delicious pizzas, salads and Italian style food. Now licensed. Also taste a large variety of EV Olive Oil pressed on site. www.oliobello.com

Restaurants & Breweries

Dunsborough / Bunker Bay

Lamonts – At Smiths beach resort. Open all day. Café for breakfast and more formal for dinner. Excellent food and wine. Book for dinner. www.lamonts.com.au

Studio Bistro – 7 Marrinup Drive, Yallingyup. Quality local and seasonal food. Lunch & Dinner. They use our produce. www.thestudiobistro.com.au

Yarri – Chef is Aaron Carr (ex Vasse Felix). Rave reviews. Behind Coles in Dunsborough. www.yarri.com.au

Wises Winery – Consistently good food and amazing setting. www.wisewine.com.au

Eagle Bay Brewery – Great location and views. Fun for kids with big outside areas and good food and quality beer/wine. A favourite if heading up that way. www.eaglebaybrewing.com.au

Meelup Farmhouse – Go for the setting. Big lawn for children. www.meelupfarmhouse.com.au

Bunker Bay Cafe – Casual café right on the beach at Bunkers Bay. Licensed. Beautiful beach setting. It's all about the location. Swim, coffee, swim, lunch. www.bunkersbeachhouse.com.au



BUYING QUALITY FOOD In Margaret River Town

Margaret River Venison – 5103 Caves Rd, north of Ellensbrook Rd. Large range including sausages, mince, steaks, chorizo and prosciutto. Paddock to plate. www.mrvenison.com

Margaret River Gourmet Meats – Margaret River main Street. Our favourite butcher if we run out of our own meat. Quality cuts, local and grass fed. Pre order for pick up.

IGA River Fresh Supermarket – Owned by a Margaret River family supporting our community. Open 7.00am – 8pm everyday of the year. They support local farmers and producers by buying local and WA grown vegetables, fruit and meat. Made to order rolls in the deli. Plastic bag free store BYO bags.

Blue Ginger Gourmet Foods & Cafe - In Station Rd. Gourmet food shop & café. Delicious items to make a special meal, also bread, cheese, local goats cheese, deli section and meals to go. Good coffee. Plastic bag free. www.bluegingerfinefoods.com

34 Degrees Blue Seafood – All your seafood needs. Next door to Blue Ginger. Closed Sat afternoon and Sunday.

Garden Basket – Next to Blue Ginger. The only green grocer in town if you miss the Farmers' Market. www.thegardenbasket.com.au

Farmers' Market - Every Saturday all year 8am-11pm (7.30am start Summer). Get there early. 272 Bussell Hwy. Look for signs on day. Just South of town at the University. Heaps of parking inside, drive right in, continue to bottom bitumen carpark. BYO bag plastic bag free. www.margaretriverfarmersmarket.com.au



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BUYING QUALITY FOOD In Margaret River Town

Burnside Produce – Avocados in October, November and December. Honey, capers and wine all year. www.burnsideorganicfarm.com.au

Burnside Kitchen Garden – In front of our house through wrought iron gate. Always lettuce, silverbeet, greens, lemons and many herbs. Ask Jamie or Lara what is growing and in season to pick.

Burnside Organic Farm Wine - Certified Biodynamic wine. Grown, made and bottled onsite. If you are staying please ask about our complimentary wine tastings and winery tours. Guests not staying are welcome to book online.



A man and a woman are laughing together in front of a rustic wooden wall. The man is on the left, wearing a grey cap and a green button-down shirt. The woman is on the right, wearing a pink cardigan and blue jeans. The background is a wall of vertical wooden planks.

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