

Epic Winter Road Trip



Melbourne

Canberra

Sydney

Gold Coast

Sydney > Gold Coast

As you follow the ocean along the Pacific Highway, there are a host of great spots to explore. One of the hidden gems is [Myall Lakes National Park \(7\)](#) where you can walk, kayak and fish to your hearts content.

Another 'big' to tick off your road trip bucket list is the [Big Banana \(8\)](#) in Coffs Harbour. There is lots to see in the Coffs Harbour surrounds too, like the stunning Forest Sky Pier at Sealy Lookout.

Just before you cross the border into Queensland and into the Gold Coast, there are some great coastal towns. While Byron Bay gets lots of air time, we love somewhere a little quieter like [Brunswick Heads \(9\)](#).



Canberra > Sydney

An Australian road trip wouldn't be complete without sighting some of our 'big' icons along the road. About an hour out of Canberra, look out for the [Big Merino \(4\)](#) just off the highway on the way into Goulburn, the perfect spot for a stop and to learn the history of wool.

[Bowral \(5\)](#) is another must visit along the way. The largest town in the Southern Highlands, Bowral was traditionally a rural summer retreat and is home to everything antique, gourmet and Donald Bradman.

On the last leg into Sydney, take a detour to find [Sea Cliff Bridge \(6\)](#), a great spot to park and wander down the pedestrian side of the bridge for some iconic photos.



Melbourne > Canberra

There are lots of historic towns in regional Victoria that flourished during the gold rush and still hold that same charm today. [Beechworth \(1\)](#) is definitely worth a visit to grab lunch at their iconic bakery as well as visiting some of the historic sites such as the Old Goal.

Once you have crossed into New South Wales, [Holbrook \(2\)](#) is a family friendly spot to stop the journey with the Submarine Museum the backdrop to your next family holiday snap.

Whilst not directly on the way, for the snow bunnies out there [Perisher \(3\)](#) and the NSW snow fields are absolutely worth a detour. Ski seasons runs from June 12 to October 3, 2021.



Where to Stay



voco Gold Coast

Escape the cold this winter and treat yourself to a tropical escape at voco Gold Coast, just a stone's throw from crystal clear waters and golden sands. Choose from one of our ocean or hinterland rooms, or elevate your stay in one of our suites. Whichever you choose - paradise awaits!



Crowne Plaza Sydney Coogee Beach

Charming visitors with its pristine coastline and unspoilt beauty, Coogee has long been known as one of Sydney's most iconic beachside retreats. Recently reimagined to reflect the coastal locale and just steps from Coogee Beach.



Holiday Inn Potts Point - Sydney

The perfect base for a Sydney break with surprising, panoramic city and harbour views. Sitting within a renowned dining hub, blending popular neighbourhood restaurants, artisan bakeries and chic street cafés.



Crowne Plaza Canberra

Explore Canberra's galleries, great shopping and delicious dining from the hotel's central location. This winter why not go truffle hunting or discover a new local shiraz? And then unwind in our picturesque park-side locale.



Crowne Plaza Melbourne

Lose yourself in an escape to Melbourne that will see you enjoying the many delights the dynamic city has to offer. From top-notch dining to hidden gems, world-class events to the eclectic arts scene, countless unique experiences await.