

suggested itineraries



Mildura Rural City Council



art lovers trail

Travel Distance - 56km Time Required approx. 5 – 7 hours

Mildura and district has a rich and vibrant Arts sector. Whether it be local or visiting exhibitions, Landscape or Still Life painting, sculpture or local indigenous art, a wander through the galleries and installations can be truly uplifting, and you never know, you may find that piece you simply must have!

This itinerary, when downloaded to your smart device, is fully interactive. You can choose to follow the itinerary as offered, or pick just those items that pique your interest, after all this is all about you!

Simply select the destination and hit "Take Me There" and your smart device will bring up the destination on Google Maps. Just select start and Google Maps will direct you there – simple!

Have a fantastic day, and if you need any assistance please give us a call on 1800 039 043.

1 Mildura Visitor Information & Booking Centre

Start your tour at the Mildura Visitor Information and Booking Centre where you will find the original painting "Broken Hill" by Pro Hart. This painting was donated to the centre by the artist in 1997. Pro Hart, born in 1928, lived at Menindee in the Broken Hill area all his life where he was fascinated by the surrounding unique landscapes of the NSW outback.

Aside from this important work, there are many other displays at the centre that you may find interesting, including a sculpture by Artist Dimitri Nickas at the front of the building. Standing 5.7 metres tall and weighing approximately 1700kg, the sculpture was deliberately left untitled by Mr Nickas so that people could make up their own interpretation. Most locals however refer to it as the 'Whirly Wind', which is very apt in our climate.

Near to the main entry doors you will find three mosaic totem



poles. These works are by Kerren Miles, Rachel Kendrigan and Ryan Von Czarnecki.

In the lobby of the Alfred Deakin Centre are two artworks 'River of Dreams' and 'Deakin's Pipe Dream' by artist Megan Jones and a cast glass and stainless steel sculpture entitled 'Columns of Life' by Stephen Skillitzi.

While at the Centre, let the team of expert staff help you to plan your time in Mildura and share the secrets only a local would know. The centre offers local knowledge and personal insights about Mildura and the wider region, guides, brochures and maps, and can help to make your visit one that you won't forget.

An attraction in itself, the Visitor Information Centre boasts a myriad of interpretive displays, an indigenous canoe tree, some examples of local indigenous artwork with emphasis on the works of Sharon Kirby, virtual reality headsets, theatrette and a gift shop selling local produce, gifts and souvenirs for family and friends.

Open 9am – 5.30pm Monday – Friday, 9am – 5pm Weekends and public holidays.

180 – 190 Deakin Avenue, Mildura
Telephone: **03 5018 8380**

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2 Art Vault (1.1km from previous point)

The Art Vault is a unique, privately funded contemporary arts facility comprising three gallery spaces which showcase a regularly changing exhibition program of work spanning diverse

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mediums by local, national, international and indigenous artists, while also suiting a range of budgets.

In addition, specialist printmaking facilities and a thriving artist in residence program foster exchange between visiting and local artists, who work from studios on site, as well as the broader community. The gallery showcases a variety of local work whether it be canvas, oil, acrylic, water colour, pen and ink or jewellery.

Open 10am – 2pm Mon, 10am – 5pm Wed – Fri, 10am – 3pm Sat, Closed Sunday & Tuesday

43 Deakin Avenue, Mildura
Telephone: **03 5022 0013**
Website www.theartvault.com.au

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3 Museum of Innocence (65m from previous point)

The Museum of Innocence is the home of Arts Mildura and Gallery F, and is an artist-run exhibition and performance space that invites artists, writers, musicians, dancers, scientists and mathematicians to come to Mildura for a period and to share their insights, discoveries and outcomes with local artists and the Mildura community.

Open 10am – 4pm Thurs – Fri, 10am – 2pm Sat – Sun. Closed Mon – Wed.

33 Deakin Avenue, Mildura
Telephone: **03 5022 9542**
Website museumofinnocence.org



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4 Gallery 25 (Stefano's Cafe) (35m from previous point)

Gallery 25 is a smaller gallery space with exhibitions of artworks by local and visiting artists. Quite intimate, it is a part of Stefano's Café, where you can purchase great coffee and upmarket café style meals.

Open 7am – 3pm Mon – Fri, 8am – 3pm Sat, 8am – 12noon Sun.

27 Deakin Avenue, Mildura
Telephone: **03 5021 3627**
Website: www.stefano.com.au

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5 Mildura Arts Centre and Historic Rio Vista House (1.2km from previous point)

Mildura Regional Art gallery is a part of Mildura Arts Centre and comprises five gallery spaces showcasing a vibrant and engaging mix of temporary exhibitions drawn from the gallery's collection, together with work by contemporary local artists, visiting artists and touring exhibitions. The permanent collection, referred to as one of Victoria's best kept secrets, the foundation bequest of Senator RD Elliott and Mrs Hilda Elliott includes the largest single collection of paintings by Anglo-Irish artist Sir William Orpen. You may also be surprised to find a pastel by Edgar Degas, *'Femme à la baignoire se coiffant'*, as well as works by Sir Frank Brangwyn and a number of important Australian artists.

Mildura Arts Centre has a rotating program of diverse exhibitions. For this reason, artworks from the collection are not on continuous display but instead may be included in its regularly changing curated displays. To avoid the disappointment of not seeing a particular work from the collection, we recommend contacting them prior to your visit. Rio Vista Historic House, originally home to Mildura's irrigation founder W.B. Chaffey, was purchased in 1950 for £18,000 and converted into an art gallery to house the collection of works bequeathed by Senator R D Elliot. The bequest was on the condition that a suitable place be found to house the collection. Several rooms in Rio Vista were converted for display purposes and many of the original surfaces were painted over. It remained a gallery until 1966. Its conversion into the Mildura Art Gallery saved the house from probable demolition and now ongoing restoration has restored its former grandeur.

Open 10am – 5pm Daily

199 Cureton Avenue, Mildura
Telephone: **03 5018 8330**
Website: www.milduraartscentre.com.au

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6 Sculpture Park (Located on site at Mildura Arts Centre)

Located in the lawns of the Mildura Arts Centre, the Sculpture Park currently houses 12 sculptures including Ron Robertson-Swann's *'Beethoven'*, Simon Hopkinson and Gary Willis's work, *'Art'* and John Robinson's *'Mortality'*, all produced as a part of the Mildura Sculpture Triennials.

Beginning in 1961 as the Mildura Prize for Sculpture, the Mildura Sculpture Triennials (as they were later known), was the first event to promote and encourage large scale contemporary sculpture, site-specific installations and performance art in Australia and was quite unique in the history of Australian Art.

The inheritance of these events is a significant number of substantial public sculptures in and around Mildura, including the Mildura Arts Centre lawns.

199 Cureton Avenue, Mildura
Telephone: **03 5018 8330**
Website: www.milduraartscentre.com.au

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7 Mildura Riverfront Gallery (800m from previous point)

Set on the banks of the Murray River, Mildura Riverfront Gallery has been established for over 50 years and is a gallery where you'll be welcomed by talented award-winning working artists, sharing ideas, skills and knowledge showcasing the uniqueness of the Mildura region. They offer a diversity of styles and mediums and have an impressive range of pieces for sale. Workshops on Life Drawing are available on the first Saturday of the month.

Open 10am – 2pm daily except Wednesday

Hugh King Drive, Mildura
Telephone: **0407 398 408**

Website: www.mildurariverfrontgallery.com.au

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8 ArtRageUs (1.4km from previous point)

ArtRageUs is an initiative of local disability support organisation Christie Centre Inc. and allows artists with a disability to express themselves through visual and performing arts. Artists work out of the studio on Tuesday and Wednesday. On Thursday artists work on mosaics, which they sell on commission. Interested parties are invited to visit by appointment on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. There is a small gallery space with a broad range of styles and mediums available for sale. Their artwork is diverse and they proudly provide some of their works to the Mildura Chocolate Factory for use on their packaging.

Open: Tuesday and Wednesday by appointment

19 Magnolia Avenue, Mildura
Telephone: **03 5023 2761**

Website: www.maamildura.com.au



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9 Magenta Artists (10.9km from previous point)

The Magenta Artists are a group of artists who paint together on Wednesdays between 10am – 3pm at the old Magenta Station shearing shed, which is now located in the picturesque grounds of the Australian Inland Botanic Gardens in Buronga NSW.

The group are quite diverse and make use of all mediums in a friendly environment of support. Visiting artists are most welcome, as are visitors who wish to stop by and observe the group in action.

While you are there why not relax with a wander through the magnificent gardens, and perhaps grab a coffee or some giftware from the café.

Open 10am – 3pm Wednesday

1183 River Road, Buronga, NSW

Telephone: **0449 677 702**

Website: www.magentaartists.com

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10 Barkindji Wiimpatya Murra Centre (13.9km from previous point)

The Barkindji Wiimpatya Murra Centre is an Aboriginal art gallery showcasing a wide range of locally made items and artefacts. Often you will be lucky enough to find artists working within the workshop area where they are happy to show guests how they work and answer any questions.

The main focus of the Barkindji Wiimpatya Murra Centre is to support local artists with all of their talent, encourage them to branch out of their comfort zone to create things they have never tried before and to help them connect with their culture through art and craft.

Open: Monday - Friday 9am - 3pm and weekends and public holidays by appointment.

1845 Silver City Highway, Dareton NSW
Telephone: **03 5027 4073**



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Return to Mildura (26.4km)

Using the link below, return to Mildura via the Calder Highway and Merbein.

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