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## WHAT'S NEW IN MELBOURNE AND REGIONAL VICTORIA FACTSHEET

### ACCOMMODATION

#### Hotel Chadstone Melbourne

Under the bespoke Mgallery Sofitel brand, the brand-new 5-star Chadstone Hotel made its debut during November 2019. With 250 luxury rooms, spa and wellbeing facilities, meeting spaces and a ballroom, it adds to Melbourne's accommodation options for delegates. Located only steps away from Chadstone - The Fashion Capital, delegates will have access to the largest shopping centre in the Southern Hemisphere.

#### Holiday Inn Express Melbourne

The brand-new Holiday Inn Express Melbourne Southbank is situated in Melbourne's premier culture and entertainment destination. Holiday Inn Express Melbourne Southbank is within close proximity to many of the city's renowned restaurants and bars, being within walking distance to the Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre and Crown Casino complex. The four-star property features 345 well-appointed guest rooms and has seven room categories and vast amount of twin room inventory. The hotel caters for four flexible meeting spaces, along with unique, activated event spaces

#### Marriot International - Element Melbourne Richmond

Recently opened earlier this year, a new stylish, eco-friendly hotel with 163 guest rooms also features four modern eco-friendly meeting spaces, all appointed with the latest technology spanning a total of 256 square metres. Located on level five, rooms can be configured to welcome between 12 to 250 guests. An outdoor deck space provides sweeping views of Melbourne's skyline and CBD.

#### Mantra Epping

Recently opened, this hotel is located at Cooper Street, Epping. The two-wing hotel features 214 rooms as well as a range of amenities including a café, restaurant and bar, a brewhouse, meeting spaces plus more.

### NEW ACCOMMODATION IN 2020 & BEYOND

**AC Hotels by Marriot Southbank** - The 200-room hotel opening in 2020 will feature 150sqm of meeting and event space, 24-hour fitness centre, pool, three food and beverage outlets, along with a range of collaborative areas.

**W Hotel on Collins Street** - Due to open in 2020, 5-star hotel featuring 294 rooms, restaurant, indoor pool and gym.

**Novotel & Ibis Styles Melbourne Airport** - Due to open in 2020, a 10-story property will feature 464 guestrooms, a pool café, two bars, a restaurant, a wellness centre and a rooftop garden as well as conference facilities.

**Ritz-Carlton** - Opening in 2020 on Spencer Street, the 5-star property will be Melbourne's tallest hotel with 263 rooms.

**Docklands Marriot Hotel** - Due to open in 2020, a 5-star resort facility with 200 guestrooms, a 15th floor infinity pool, bar and dining area.

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**Jackalope Melbourne** - Due to open in 2020 Jackalope Melbourne will boast 32 designer suites located in Flinders Lane, within the heart of Melbourne city.

**Hyatt Centric Melbourne** - Due to open in 2020, this 5-star brand will feature 280 rooms in Flinders Lane, restaurant and rooftop bar with views of the Yarra River and Southbank.

**IHG Voco Melbourne Central** - Opening mid 2020 this hotel will feature 252 rooms, pool, gym, meeting spaces, restaurant and a sky lobby.

**The Ritz Hotel Geelong** - Due to open in 2020, will offer 126 apartments targeted at corporate and incentive groups. Holiday Inn and Suites Geelong - \$200 million investment scheduled for late 2020. It will include accommodation, retail, offices, dining, swimming pool and function spaces.

## ATTRACTIONS AND VENUES

### Phillip Island

New Penguin Parade. Earlier this year in July Phillip Island Nature parks launched the new Penguin Parade Visitor Centre. This was a result of \$48 million investment from the state Government. The new environmentally friendly visitor centre offers fun and interactive activities, state-of-the-art theatre, dedicated education wing, a wide range of dining and retail option plus more.

Restoration of more than six hectares of penguin habitat which benefits Australia's largest colony of Little Penguins.

### Grand Hyatt Melbourne - MICE Signature Experiences

Impress delegates with immersive experiences tailored to client needs by an event planner at Grand Hyatt Melbourne. Experiences include yoga, happiness workshops, street art tours, perfume making, Melbourne destination tours and much more.

### Geelong Arts Centre

Undergoing a \$38.5 million redevelopment, with new studios, services, new dedicated spaces for education etc.

### URBNSURF Melbourne

Just opened and located at Melbourne Airport, Urbnsurf Melbourne is the first man-made surf park facility in Australia. Thanks to clever, wave-generating technology, visitors of all abilities will be able to have an authentic surfing experience whatever the weather - without a beach in sight, and LED lighting means keen surfers can ride the waves night and day. It boasts a 320-metre pool that produces waves between 0.6 metres and 1.9 metres, with rides lasting up to 32 seconds. The attraction includes a fully equipped pro-shop for board and gear hire, licensed café, and training programs for all ages.

### Wildlife Wonders

Based on a 20-hectare property west of Apollo Bay along the Great Ocean Road, a first of its kind wildlife experience has recently launched called Wildlife Wonders. The ecologist led guided walk takes visitors through the Otways region to explore Victoria's native wildlife. Located in bushland delegates can watch koalas dozing in the treetops, potoroos and bandicoots foraging on the forest floor and kangaroos hopping along the horizon against a spectacular ocean backdrop.

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### **The Lakeside Discovery Centre - Yarra valley & Dandenong Ranges**

Due to open in December 2020, The Lakeside Discovery Centre adjacent to the Puffing Billy Lakeside Station, will Showcase the relationship between the Dandenong Ranges and Puffing Billy, as well as offering food, beverage and function facilities.

### **Port Phillip Ferries**

Available from December 2019, Port Phillip Ferries is set to launch their new ferry service between central Geelong and Docklands very shortly. The service will run 365 days a year, with two services per day, departing and arriving at Steampacket Quay on the Geelong Waterfront. Their brand-new vessel will be able to transport 400 passengers with indoor and outdoor seating available - and will make the trip in 100 minutes. There will be a licensed café, free bike racks, charging stations, free Wi-Fi and, obviously, the most scenic work route possible in Melbourne.

### **13th Beach Golf Lodges**

Opening in January 2020, 13th Beach Golf Club, Barwon Heads on The Bellarine will launch its new luxury accommodation offering in January 2020. The 16 new golf lodges overlook the stunning Beach Golf Course and Lake Murtnaghurt. Each features a luxurious king/ or twin bedding configuration, outdoor space and modern furnishings. 13th Beach Golf Club is ranked in the top 10 Public Access golf courses in Australia (Golf Australia) and hosts the Vic Open Golf tournament every February.

### **Wilsons Promontory Cruises - Pennicott Wilderness Journeys**

New Wilsons Prom cruises have commenced in September this year and is the latest addition to the award-winning Pennicott Wilderness Journeys ecotours. Travel in world's first, custom built amphibious boats, designed for cruising waters in comfort and safety. Witness iconic South Point, the southernmost tip of mainland Australia and cruise into the waters of Bass Strait and Victoria's first marine national park. This cruise tour will take visitors to the iconic granite monolith that is Skull Rock, sculpted by waves and surrounded by crystal blue waters.

### **Bendigo Street Art Tour**

Located on the Goldfields region, new tours are available to explore Bendigo's blossoming street art scene with a talented and passionate local artist from Nacho Station artist collective. Learn about the unique challenges that a heritage city poses for our local artists, hear local urban legends and street beefs, see inter-state and international artists' work, and even leave your own mark on our walls during the tour.