



LOCAL ATTRACTIONS

Lithgow Visitors Centre featuring Miner's Safety Lamp

Email: Lithgow Visitors Centre
P: 1300 76 02 76 or (02) 6350 3230
Fax: (02) 6350 3239

Rydal

The village of Rydal is located 10 minutes from Eagle View Escape, 15 minutes from Lithgow and 45 minutes east of Bathurst. It is set in a lovely little valley with rural, farmland countryside. Rydal has a population of about eighty. More people live on surrounding farm properties. There is a hotel and two churches, but no shops. In recent years, the community have banded together and planted thousands of daffodils and now celebrate the annual "Daffodils at Rydal" festival.

Lake Lyell Recreational Area

Lake Lyell is a picturesque recreational lake for camping, swimming and fishing. The Recreation Area boasts a range of amenities including BBQ's, picnic and shower facilities and a children's playground.
P: (02) 6355 6347 E: lakelyell@optusnet.com.au [Check local dam water levels](#)

Hassans Walls Reserve (Lookout)

Hassans Walls, the highest scenic lookout (1130m) in the Blue Mountains, provides magnificent views of the Hartley Valley and Blue Mountains escarpment, as well as views of Lithgow. Hassans Walls Road, Lithgow.

SpaRadise (Japanese bath house)

Escape from your busy lifestyle and indulge yourself in this picturesque setting. Enjoy a therapeutic massage, herbal steam bath or a dip in the Japanese inspired spa overlooking the escarpment of the Blue Mountains, SpaRadise is the perfect place to relax. Ten minute drive from Eagle View Escape.
P: (02) 6352 3122 E: theteashack@ozemail.com.au W: www.bluemountainsparadise.com

Tarana Hotel

This hotel is in the beautiful Tarana Valley (about 15 minutes drive from Eagle View Escape) .Enjoy a meal in their 'Shearing Shed' restaurant or just relax and enjoy the gorgeous views from their beer garden.

P: (02) 6337 5841 Main Street, Tarana

Lithgow Small Arms Museum

This museum houses one of Australia's most comprehensive collections of machine guns, rifles, pistols and related items from around the world. Unique to this museum are Australian designed experimental, prototype and pre-production weapons. On display are numerous non-military items manufactured at the well-known Lithgow Small Arms Factory during its 80 years of precision engineering, including sewing machines, sheep shearing handsets, hand cuffs and many other commercial items. Public Holidays: 10.00am - 4.00pm.Closed Christmas Day and Good Friday.9.30am - 2.30pm Tuesday & Thursday. 10.00am - 4.00pm Saturday, Sunday

Street Address: Methven Street Lithgow NSW 2790 P: (02) 6351 4452 Fax: (02) 6351 4511

Lithgow Workmen's Club

For the information of members and their invited guests The Lithgow Workmen's Club boasts three dining experiences. 3-7 Tank Street, Lithgow P: (02) 6352 2777 W: www.workies.com.au

Secret Creek Cafe & Restaurant

Secret Creek Cafe and Restaurant is located within Secret Creek Sanctuary. This 200 acre native wildlife Sanctuary was established in 2003 with the creation of the Eastern Quoll breeding facility. It is now home to pure-bred dingo, long-nosed Potoroo, Rufous Bettong, Spotted-tailed Quoll, Brush-tailed Rock-wallaby, the Cream-striped Red-necked Pademelon, Swamp Wallaby, Emu and Brush Turkey. Guests at Secret Creek have the amazing opportunity to come on a wildlife walk at sunset when the wild animals at Secret Creek emerge. Proceeds from these sanctuary tours go directly to their conservation programs. Bookings are essential for all tours.

P: (02) 6351 4515 or (02) 6352 1133. 35 Crane Rd Lithgow 2790 NSW

Jenolan Caves

The world famous Jenolan Caves are Australia's most spectacular limestone caves, and just a 45 minute drive from Eagle View Escape. Guided tours of the nine richly decorated show caves are available every day of the year. Tours depart on a regular basis throughout the day. Jenolan has as much to offer above ground - walking tracks throughout the 2416 ha wildlife reserve offer mountain lookouts, natural archways, rivers, waterfalls and a vast array of flora and fauna. Above ground guided tours also available.

4655 Jenolan Caves Road, Jenolan Caves P: 1300 76 33 11

E: reception@jenolancaves.org.au W: www.jenolancaves.org.au P: (02) 6359 3311

Zig Zag Railway

The Great Zig Zag Railway, the original rail line into the Lithgow Valley, was opened in 1869. The line was hailed as an engineering masterpiece of the 19th century. Steam trains run on the weekends, public holidays and school holidays. On other days, the train ride is on a vintage rail motor. The trip includes stops at scenic lookouts. Open daily. Trains depart Clarence Station daily at 11.00am, 1.00pm & 3.00pm.

Chifley Road, Clarence

W: www.zigzagrailway.com.au

Mount Piper Power Station & Energy Expo

Mt Piper Energy Expo offers a wonderful day out for the whole family. The power station is just off the Castlereagh Highway (Mudgee Road), about 20km north-west of Lithgow and 8 km past the Wallerawang Power Station. Mt Piper's address is 350 Boulder Road, Portland. Mt Piper is Delta electricity's newest power station with state-of-the-art design and technology. Tours of the power station are held every day (including weekends) at 11am. Solid enclosed shoes must be worn and cameras and bags cannot be taken along on the actual tour.

Jannei Goat Dairy

Jannei Goat Dairy is owned and operated by Neil and Janette Watson. Neil is the cheese maker and also milks about 70 goats producing award winning cheeses, yoghurt & milk. Winner of 2008 Australian Grand Dairy Awards - Champion Goats or Sheep Milk Cheese. Open Monday to Wednesday 10am to 5pm & Friday to Saturday 10am to 5pm for free cheese tasting & sales.

8 View St, Lidsdale P: (02) 6355 1107

Belgrave Park Alpaca Stud

Belgrave Park Alpaca Stud is situated at Hartley in the beautiful Blue Mountains. Enjoy the relaxed atmosphere and clean air and experience the charm and serenity of the alpacas.

P: (02) 6355 2477 for Booking. Alpaca Products for Sale: Fleece, Yarn, Knitwear, Hats, Garments, Farm Visits Welcome by Appointment. W: www.belgraveparkalpacas.com.au

High Country Trail rides & Quad Bikes

Experience the great Australian bush from horseback with extensive views over mountains, forests and farmland. See the wildlife and enjoy the tranquillity.

P: 0427 470 247 W: www.highcountrytrailrides.com.au

Casey's Vineyard

Established in 1995 the vineyard specialises in cool climate varieties of Chardonnay, Pinot Noir & Shiraz, Wine tasting and sales at their unique rustic cellar doors.

Open 11.00 am to 4.00 pm Saturdays & Sunday. Monday to Friday by appointment. 960 Hazelgrove Rd, Oberon P: (02) 6336 1744

E: jnrcasey@dodo.com.au W: www.caseysvineyard.com.au

River Deep Mountain High

From Eagle View Escape, travel back down the mountain for 40 minutes to township of Katoomba. River Deep, Mountain High is the Blue Mountains' premier group adventure provider. For the best Blue Mountains outdoor canyoning and abseiling tours and activities

2/187 Katoomba Street Katoomba NSW 2780

P: (02) 4782 6109 Mob: 0410 619 086 E: fun@rdmh.com.au

Werriberri Trail Rides

All rides are accompanied by experienced guides. Megalong features some of Australia's most beautiful scenery - wonderful country to explore on horseback. All horses are graded to suit the ability of the riders. They cater for all ages and skills.

P: (02) 4787 9171 E: horse@lisp.com.au W: australianbluehorserides.com.au

The Packsaddlers High Country.

Fall in love with the last of the mountains wild horses in the mountains where they belong. Specializing in small groups offering 1 hour 2 hour & 3 hour Rides. Pick up from Blackheath Train Station available. Or follow the great western Hwy to Blackheath, turn left at the traffic lights and cross the railway, immediately turn left into Station Street, turn left into Shipely Road, turn left onto Megalong Road and follow to its end (23km) P: (02) 4784 9150

Centennial Glen Stables

Visit Centennial Glen in the beautiful Kanimbla Valley. Enjoy horse riding, driving a sulky, mountain trail riding, even learn to ride. Soak up the atmosphere, breathe the 'fresh' air, see their wildlife and fantastic mountain views.

By Appointment Only P: (02) 4787 1193 M: 0417 273 438 or 0438 871 193

Kanimbla Drive via Shipley Road Blackheath NSW 2785

E: judith.jim@bigpond.com W: www.centennialglenstables.com

Capertee Valley Helicopters

Enjoy the thrill of a helicopter ride in the vivid blue skies over the Central West. Joy flights include the Capertee Valley, winery tours, remote picnics pub crawls and charter flights.

T: (02) 6359 0157 M: 0428 639 825

Hartley Valley Tea House

Home to the wonderful eccentric teapots from Wensleydale in England, browse through the range of superb arts, crafts and creations, all of which make beautiful souvenirs. Morning tea's and light lunches available. Open 10.00am to 5.00pm daily but closed Mondays & Tuesdays.

Great Western Highway, Little Hartley P: (02) 6355 2117

Everglades Historic house and gardens

1930s mountain retreat which is open to the public. A multi-purpose spot it's open for simple relaxation or picnic in the gardens, exhibitions, outdoor plays, a warm drink in the tearooms or to simply admire the views over the Jamison Valley

37 Everglades Ave Leura, NSW, 2780 P: (02) 4784 1938

Hartley Historic Village

Within Hartley Valley, on the Great Western Highway, just below Victoria Pass. Located at Old Bathurst Rd, Hartley off the Great Western Highway. Hartley is a 19th century village on the western edge of the Blue Mountains in a small tributary valley of the River Lett. It consists of 17 buildings of historic significance dating from the 1837 Greek revival courthouse to the timber and iron Corneys Garage built in 1945. There are also a large number of portable artefacts and family histories.

Email: [National Parks and Wildlife Service](#) or P: (02) 6355 2117

The Campbell Rhododendron Gardens

An area of 18.3 hectares that host Rhododendrons which were introduced as the main exotic plant, complemented by Azaleas, Mollis Azaleas and many deciduous trees, planted under the Australian bush. This rare sight is a wonderful experience to walk through. Take in the sights of maples and delicious trees amongst the native bushland. Take a leisurely stroll through the tracks in the garden and you will be amazed at the blossoming plants that are best on show at this time of year.

Bacchante Street, Blackheath, NSW, 2785 Open daily from 9am to 4pm

Lake Wallace & Thompsons Creek Dam

Located close to the township of Wallerawang , Lake Wallace is a popular spot to fish, sail or swim. Enjoy a picnic or BBQ on the banks of the dam. Thompsons Creek Dam is a favourite amongst fly fisherman.

Blue Mountains National Park

Several lookout points provide vantage points over the Grose valley. Bushwalking, abseiling and canyoning are popular activities in this area. The visitors centre is located in Govetts Leap road, Blackheath. Email: [National Parks and Wildlife Service](#) or P: (02)4787 8877 or Contact the Blue Mountains Tourism Authority.

Grose Valley

Within the [Blue Mountains National Park](#). There are several vantage points within a short drive from Lithgow off the Bells Line of Road or Great Western Highway. The National Park Visitors centre is near one lookout. Other lookouts are at the ends of Hat Hill Road and Evans Lookout Road, both at Blackheath. There are numerous walks in this area to such places as the Grand Canyon and Blue Gum forest.

Wentworth Falls

Wentworth Falls is probably the most stunning waterfall in the Blue Mountains. Having two sections falling from the top to a ledge half way down and then again to the very bottom of the valley, if there was no break, these falls would be the highest waterfall in the Blue Mountains. You can see the top half of the falls from Princess Rock a short walk from the car park, however to really appreciate the grandeur of these Falls you should plan for a few hours for bushwalking.

Scenic World is in Katoomba,

Australia's World Heritage-listed Blue Mountains. Scenic Railway, Scenic Walkway, Scenic Skyway, Scenic Cableway. They are on the corner of Violet Street and Cliff Drive, only 3km from Katoomba's town centre and railway station and have a multi-story free car park facility.

If you go by train, from Katoomba you can hop on a Blue Mountains Explorer or Trolley Tours bus that will drop you off right at the front door. P: (02) 4780 0200 · Fax (02) 4782 5675

The Blue Mountains Botanic Garden, Mount Tomah

This 252 hectare garden sits on the summit of a basalt capped peak 1,000 metres above sea level in the World Heritage listed Greater Blue Mountains. The garden is home to a world class collection of plants from the cooler southern hemisphere. Open 9am to 5.30pm daily (9.30am Sat/Sun/public hols/closed Xmas Day)

Bells Line of Road via Bilpin New South Wales 2758, Australia

P: (02) 4567 3000 Fax: (02) 4567 2037 Email: tomah@rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au

Wollemi National Park

Eagle View Escape recommends some areas may need four wheel drives please check with Lithgow tourism or Lithgow council for road conditions. Possibly the most important aspect of Wollemi National Park is that it protects, permanently, the largest remaining forested wilderness in NSW, including the Colo-Capertee river system, used extensively with the surrounding bushland for hardy recreation activities. Is now part of the recently declared Greater Blue Mountains World Heritage area. The Colo River and its gorge is undoubtedly one of the most spectacular in Australia. Bushwalking from various points, includes Newnes Plateau and in Wolgan Valley. Special features of interest include the Capertee Valley, historic ruins at Newnes and the Glow Worm Tunnel. The Wollemi Pine, a "living dinosaur" was discovered in Wollemi National Park in 1994. The tree dates back about 100 million years. The Pines survival depends upon its isolation. Propagated Wollemi Pines can be seen at Mt Tomah Botanical Gardens.

Mount Wilson Town & Gardens

Eagle View Suggests Lithgow Tourism to find out which gardens are open before visiting. Famous for its magnificent cool climate exotic gardens. Many gardens are open all year round; Spring and Autumn are the most popular seasons when the gardens are at their most colourful. The best strategy for any visitor is to get out of the car and start walking. The experience of the town is the experience of its gardens, its avenues of trees, its lookouts and its walking trails and picnic areas. For most people, the best time to visit Mount Wilson is either spring or autumn. At these times many of the locals open their gardens - some of which are over 120 years old - to the public. Of particular note are Church Avenue, Queen's Avenue and The Avenue with their rows of plane trees, limes, elms, beeches, liquidambar and pink cherries. Gardens open to the public in Mount Wilson include Yengo Sculpture Gardens featuring Australia's first endangered wildlife reserve, Nooroo including a world famous wisteria collection, Breenhold, Sefton Cottage, Windyridge, Bebeah and Merry Garth. Mount Wilson holds an annual Autumn Garden Festival during April and May each year. Many of these glorious gardens are open to the public for a small fee. Spring and Autumn are the best times for colour, but the gardens are lovely all year round. Take a picnic and stroll through these beautiful gardens. Mt Wilson has some of Australia's most spectacular gardens. From Lithgow follow the Bells Line or Road, turn left at Mt Wilson Road until you arrive at Mt Wilson Town Ship.

The Edge Cinema

The Edge cinema Set centrally in Katoomba, The Edge has four theatres The Edge Cinema in is open daily. Now you can experience a 737 type flight simulator with the VSjet at The Edge Cinema. Try this amazing piece of technology flying with a pilot who will guide you as you experience a takeoff from the airport of your choice. You can fly over Sydney and take in the sights, or any city of the world. The Edge Cinemas is on the Great Western Highway, turn into Civic Place, Katoomba. Phone: (02) 4782 8900
225 Great Western Hwy, Katoomba .