Magic happens here.

And has for 340 million years.

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Immerse yourself in the timeless beauty, romance and magic of Jenolan Caves

Nestled in the Blue Mountains World Heritage Area of New South Wales, the spectacular Jenolan Caves are a ‘must see’ experience, open every day.

With awe-inspiring caverns, pure underground rivers and breathtaking formations, Jenolan is the world’s oldest cave system and is amongst the world’s finest. Award-winning Jenolan Caves is nature at its most dazzling – so inspiring!

Informative guides lead you through your choice of show caves. People of any age or fitness level can find a show cave tour to suit.

You can also enjoy:

- a range of challenging adventure tours
- ‘Legends, Mysteries & Ghosts’ tour
- intriguing ‘Off the Track’ tour
- scenic bush tracks – perhaps spot shy native wildlife

Atmospheric Hotel – next to the caves

To experience all the magic that Jenolan has to offer, consider staying at least one night. Treat yourself to heritage-listed Jenolan Caves House hotel – the perfect escape!

Choose from accommodation to suit all needs and budgets: romantic rooms in the historic guesthouse, modern, motel style rooms at Mountain Lodge, self-catered bunk rooms in the Gate House, self-contained bush cottages.

When hunger strikes

The bright, new Caves Café offers al fresco dining throughout the day. Relax at Jeremiah’s Bar. Enjoy breakfast and dinner at Chisolm’s Restaurant. There are also function rooms for weddings, special occasions and conferences.
# Cave Tours

## Wonders of the Underworld

### Chifley Cave

- **length**: 690m
- **1hr 421 steps**
- **level**: ● ● ●

An outstanding experience, full of variety and surprises. As you move deeper, the cave reveals its beauty – high caverns, amazing formations and exquisite spar crystal. Great for all ages.

### OR Imperial Cave

- **length**: 1070m
- **1hr 258 steps, our easiest tour**

This is the easiest of all our show cave tours as it follows the path of an ancient river passage which is mostly level. Wondrous crystal formations, ancient fossils plus an opportunity to visit and see the underground river.

### OR Lucas Cave

- **length**: 860m
- **1.5hrs 910 steps**

An awe-inspiring cave containing our highest and largest chambers. You'll see one of our most photographed features – The Broken Column – and get a tantalising glimpse of the underground river.

## Jewels of Jenolan

### Orient Cave

- **length**: 470m
- **1.5hrs 358 steps**

The visual impact of this cave is overwhelming – rich, pure crystal formations – and beautifully illuminated. Seeing is believing!

### OR Temple of Baal

- **length**: 365m
- **1.5hrs 288 steps minimum age 6**

Marvel at the astonishing formations in this citadel of reflection & peace. High-tech lighting & sound enhances the tour for a magical and unforgettable experience.

### OR Imperial-Diamond

- **length**: 1270m
- **1.5hrs 386 steps**

Enjoy all that the Imperial Cave offers then be delighted by the wonderland of pure white crystal tinted with every shade of pink and apricot. Stroll through the ‘Crystal Palace’ to finally behold the ‘Gem of the West’.

## Magic of Jenolan

### The River Cave

- **length**: 1271m
- **2hrs 1298 steps minimum age 10**

Still pools of the underground River Styx display stunning reflections of great beauty. Three of Jenolan’s largest crystal formations, plus the awesome Minaret, are within this cave.

### OR Ribbon Cave

- **length**: 590m
- **1.5hrs 394 steps max group 8 minimum age 10**

This small cave, not often shown, is well worth the wait. Enter through the spectacular Orient Cave on the way to this narrow gallery of rare & unusual features of the deepest colouration. Book early.

### OR Off the Track tour

- **level**: ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●
- **2hrs minimum age 10**

Wearing helmet & headlamp, travel back in time. Discover dark, long-abandoned pathways – no longer part of our show cave system for nearly 100 years. Unique & intriguing – one of our most fascinating tours.

### OR Legends, Mysteries & Ghosts

- **level**: ● ● ● ●
- **2hrs minimum age 10**

At night, roam the underworld by torchlight. Shiver to tales of the unexplained – ghostly experiences of visitors & staff, from the 1800s to today. Bring a friend to cling to.

### OR Chifley Secret Chambers tour

- **length**: 1000m
- **1.5hrs 500 steps max group 8 minimum age 10**

The Chifley Cave just got even more surprising! Experience our newest tour, steeped in history. Wearing helmet and headlamp, explore the Chifley, now with 4 recently reopened passages! Closed for decades, these ‘secret chambers’ reveal fascinating artefacts from Jenolan’s quirky past.

## Award-winning Adventure Caving

Dare to squeeze, crawl and climb through ancient caves, with only your headlamp to light the way. Exhilarating! We supply overalls, safety gear, helmets, lights and highly experienced guides.

Choose from 3 challenge levels:

- **Plughole** Daily, 2 hours
- **Aladdin** Sundays, 3 hours
- **Mammoth** Once a month, 8 hours, experienced cavers only. Minimum ages apply

Please book ahead.
Experience protected wilderness
Our ancient, fragile environment is carefully protected. Among many measures, air and water purity are strictly monitored. Wander through the World Heritage wilderness to lookouts, arches, waterfalls and lakes. Immerse yourself in the tranquility. Glimpse native wildlife.

Children & youth in the underworld
Give kids an understanding of this unique environment and its strange life forms. Fun, teamwork, leadership skills and a break for parents in school holidays.

Retired? Children left home?
Stay at Caves House mid-week and save. Appreciate life’s finer things including atmosphere, food & wine.

Successful Conferences
Are you planning a conference, family function or dinner? Our professional staff, function rooms, accommodation, restaurant and bar will make it easy for you.

Weddings & commitment ceremonies
Begin your lives together at this special place. Our professional staff, magical surrounds and romantic reception areas will create fond memories to last a lifetime. Renew your vows or formalise your commitment to each other – Caves House is synonymous with romance!

Memories
Take home precious reminders of your visit and gifts for friends and family.

Gift Vouchers
The ideal gift for that special person. Let them discover and experience the magic too.

New: Chifley Secret Chambers Tour
So you’re looking for adventure – something that thrills without the spills, maybe a little on the dark side?

Squeeze, crawl and climb through winding, ancient passageways with only your headlamp to light your way.

Our challenging adventure programs offer underground activities for beginners to veterans. Wearing headlamps and guided by professionals, experience-seekers explore, abseil, crawl, climb, squeeze, face their fears and conquer them, deep in the heart of a mountain, no experience necessary!

Your senses will reel with a special feeling of exhilaration and accomplishment. Adventure Caving is one of Australia’s best adventure experiences – great for both body and mind – for those who want something completely different.

So ask us about the Plughole Tour (daily), the Aladdin Tour (Sundays) and the advanced Mammoth Tour (once a month).

Have fun, get to know your workmates and learn something new. Jenolan is ideal for your next team building getaway, with activities including fascinating cave tours, challenging all day adventure caving, guided bushwalks. All our team activities work toward:

- enhancing relationships in the workplace or organization
- helping develop a united commitment in a collaborative climate
- creating a greater understanding of the relevance of teamwork and the importance of leadership

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Jenolan is a magical and romantic place to stay and a favourite retreat for generations of Australians. Cave House hotel is our showpiece, and a range of other accommodation options are available within the village.

**caves house**

**Grand Victorian era hotel**
Experience the historic charm of this heritage listed hotel. Enjoy economical, traditional guest house rooms with shared bathrooms or quaint, charming en suite rooms.

**mountain lodge**

**Studio apartments – families and couples**
The Lodge is within Jenolan Village adjacent to Caves House. Spacious rooms feature TVs, bar fridges, ensuites.

**gatehouse**

**Budget & Backpacker style accommodation**
The Gatehouse can accommodate up to 66 guests. Facilities include shared bathroom amenities on each floor and two common rooms with food preparation areas.

**jenolan cottages**

**Self-contained cottages**
Jenolan cottages are located at the top of the ‘5 Mile Hill’ on the approach to the reserve. 8 cottages are surrounded by the 2,416 hectare reserve – abundant in wildlife.

**chisolm’s restaurant & jeremiah’s bar**

**Grand dining room and bar**
Restaurant features regional fare, warm country hospitality and a well stocked bar.

**caves café**

**On the terrace at Caves House**
The bright, new café offers a range of food options.
Driving
Jenolan Caves is just 1½ hours from Katoomba or 2½ hours from Penrith via the picturesque Blue Mountains. Add 45 minutes from the CBD or airport. From Canberra, there are two routes – the Tablelands Way via Goulburn is the most picturesque. Allow around 3 hours. Fill up at Lithgow, Mt Victoria or Oberon as fuel is not available at Jenolan.

Free parking
There are 450 spaces for cars, campervans and buses. The road into Jenolan is sealed. Buses and large vehicles must approach via Hampton. Jenolan is not suitable for caravans, however caravan parks in nearby Oberon or Lithgow can accommodate you.

Coach tours & rail-coach connection
From Sydney, a variety of day and overnight coach tours visit Jenolan daily, or you can take the Jenolan rail-coach connection via Katoomba – call or see our website for details.