



House Guide

Pinnacle Loft
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Description

This western red cedar two storey loft house is situated at the base of the pinnacle walking track. It offers picturesque views and is a great place to come and relax.

It is suitable for one large family or two small families.

There are 4 bedrooms, one is located upstairs and has its own ensuite, three on the ground floor. There are 2 queen size beds and 4 single beds. The main bathroom has a spa bath and a separate toilet.

A fully equipped kitchen and laundry also help make this place like a home away from home.

Features

- Air conditioning
- Blu-ray and DVD player
- Books
- Ceiling fan
- Child's high chair
- Clothes dryer
- Cot
- Deck/Patio
- Dishes and utensils
- DVD and CD discs
- Fridge
- Hair dryer
- Heating
- Iron and board
- Linen provided
- Living room
- Microwave
- Outdoor gas BBQ
- Oven
- Parking
- Playstation
- Stereo
- Stove
- Television
- Toaster
- Towels provided
- Toys
- Video library
- Washing machine
- Wine glasses
- Wood stove



House Restrictions

This is a NO SMOKING facility.

NO PETS ARE ALLOWED

Maintenance Items

Please report maintenance items to the owner via email or telephone. Leave a note for the cleaner on the bench.

Wood Heater

The wood for the heater is located in the shed. Wood is NOT to be used for outdoor fires. If there is no kindling please source sticks from around the yard. When starting the heater, lift the small lever with the knob on it located on the bottom right hand side of the heater all the way to the top. This promotes air flow and will help the fire burn better to get it started.

As the fire gets established and is burning freely gradually slide the lever down to the bottom. This will allow the heater to burn more efficiently.

The fan switch is located on the right hand side at the base of the heater. You may need to plug it into the power point at the rear of the heater. Fan promotes air flow around the heater and thus allows the house to heat up quicker.

DO NOT use axe or hatchet inside the house! This breaks tiles. Use the log outside the garage to split wood. Use the log on the deck outside the house to chop sticks and kindling.



Gas BBQ

The gas BBQ is provided for your use.

PLEASE BE CONSIDERATE OF OTHER GUESTS WHO WILL BE STAYING AFTER YOU AND CLEAN IT AFTER YOU USE IT - NO ONE WANTS TO USE A DIRTY BBQ.

There is a spare gas bottles in the shed if you run out of gas, please swap the bottles and leave a note for the cleaner or advise us via email or phone that you have done so.

Electric Heater/Air Conditioner

There are two reverse cycle air conditioners, one located upstairs and one downstairs. They are remotely controlled. The remote for the downstairs system is located near the stairs and the one upstairs is located behind the bed head.

Hot water

A large hot water tank is located on the right side of the house. Hot water is heated between 10pm - 7am. Please note, there may be an hour shift to this time, due to the daylight savings or other reasons. If you are experiencing a lack of hot water supply, please check the hot water fuse is turned on. This is located on the electrical switch board, on the front, right side of the house. We have had instances where guests switched the fuse off, before leaving the property.

Please **DO NOT** switch off any fuses, when vacating the property.

If the fuse is on and you are still having issues with the hot water supply – this is possibly because previous occupants have used up all of the hot water, before your arrival. If this happens, you can enable the hot water booster. The button is located on the hot water switch. Press it and the booster will heat up the water during next 20-30 minutes.



Garbage collection

Could visitors please place the rubbish/recycle bins out on the side of the road on a Sunday night for collection on a Monday morning. Recycle bins only go out fortnightly so please check if the neighbors have placed theirs out to know which week to put it out. Place the bins slightly apart.

Departure

Renting a vacation home as opposed to hotel comes always with a little extra responsibilities for guests. Our business leaves these responsibilities to our guests:

- Please check-out by 10am at the latest (unless arranged with the owners)
- Please wash and dry all dishes and put them away
- Please remove all items from the refrigerator and clean it
- Please empty bin and place all rubbish in the wheelie bin outside
- Please ensure the air conditioners are turned off
- Please ensure the beds heating blankets are turned off in all the bedrooms
- Please ensure all the lights are switched off
- Please check all the doors and windows are locked
- Please wipe the BBQ down with newspaper and make sure it is clean
- Please turn off the television
- Please make sure the shed is locked and key returned to the hook above the refrigerator



Activities

If you only have one day in the Grampians, the best locations to visit are:

- The Pinnacle (our favorite – access from Wonderland Carpark)
- MacKenzie Falls
- Boroka Lookout
- Reeds Lookout
- The Balconies

Please see these locations on my [Google map](#).

For that extended stay consider visiting:

- Silverband Falls
- Mount William
- Mount A abrupt

The Grampians map can be found [here](#).

Internet can give you lots of ideas about activities in [Grampians](#). We would recommend at least to check these:

Brambuk – the National Park & Cultural Centre:

<http://www.brambuk.com.au/>

It is located about 300m away from the Pinnacle Loft house and is a great source of information. You can buy detailed maps for any tour. Their web site contains lots of suggestions.

The Grampians web site:

<http://www.visitgrampians.com.au/>

Contains heaps of info, including list of must see scenic lookouts:

<http://www.visitgrampians.com.au/see-do/nature-wildlife/scenic-lookouts>

Dining out

If you wish to dine out, there are a number of quality restaurants available. These are just a few.

Quarry Restaurant

Address: Stony Creek Halls Gap

Phone: 5356 4858

Email: Frexor@bigpond.net.au

Balconies Restaurant

Address: Grampians Road, Halls Gap

Phone: 5356 4232

Email: mtgrand@netconnect.com.au

Halls Gap Hotel

Address: 2262 Grampians Road, Halls Gap

Phone: 5356 4566

Kookaburra Restaurant

Address: Grampians Road, Halls Gap

Phone: 5356 4222

Darcy's Restaurant

Address: Grampians Road, Halls Gap

Phone: 5356 4344

Email: hallsgapcolonial@bigpond.com.au

Owners Recommendations

- Quarry Restaurant
- Halls Gap Hotel (especially for families)
- Kookaburra
- Blaze Rock Day Spa
- Halls Gap Zoo
- Grampians Adventure Golf
- Halls Gap Tourism Shuttle bus ph: 0499598638

For all of your Halls Gap and Grampians information including maps of the area, please do not hesitate to contact the Halls Gap Information Centre located in the main street. They will only be too glad to help out where they can.

Bushfire Plan

Halls Gap is a bushfire prone area. On days of High Fire Danger:

- Listen to local radio stations for weather and fire updates:
ABC RADIO 3WV 594 AM
ACE RADIO 3WM 1089 AM
- Take note of any warnings given.
- Modify your activities to suit the weather conditions
- Check for total fire ban days:
(Halls Gap is in the North Western Fire District)

In case of bushfire in the proximity of Halls Gap or the Grampians Region:

- Listen to local radio stations for fire warnings and instructions
ABC RADIO 3WV 594 AM
ACE RADIO 3WM 1089 AM
- Check www.cfa.vic.gov.au
- Check www.dse.vic.gov.au/fires
- Ring the Victorian Bushfire information line on 1800 240 667
- Call in at the Halls Gap Visitor information Centre or ring for advice on 5361 4444
- Relocate to a safe location if necessary
- Contact your hosts
- Halls Gap has a nominated Neighborhood Safer Places (NSP's) or place of last resort:
Halls Gap Information Centre — Grampians Road, Halls Gap
- NOTE: You should only make the decision to go to a NSP if all other options of escaping the fire have been exhausted.
- Going to a Place of Last Resort is an option of last resort when other plans have failed.
- Places of Last Resort are not an alternative to planning to either leaving early or staying and actively defend your property.
- They are not inherently "safe" places during a bushfire.
- Many houses will provide more effective protection than Places of Last Resort.
- Travelling to a Places of Last Resort may be dangerous. Traffic congestion, fire activity, heavy smoke, accidents or fallen trees may block the route there.

- There is no guarantee that you will not be injured or killed by fire or radiant heat when travelling to or sheltering at a Place of Last Resort.
- While emergency services will make every effort to protect people sheltering at Places of Last Resort, there is no guarantee that emergency services will be present.
- There will be no provision for pets.
- There will generally be limited parking. Large numbers of vehicles may further compromise what little protection the area affords.
- No amenities (eg. food, drinks, toilets) will be provided

Halls Gap has two main roads for access or egress:

- Grampians Road, northwards to Stawell.
- Grampians Road, southwards to Dunkeld.



Hot weather activities

HALLS GAP

- Brambuk The National Park & Cultural Centre - ph 5361 4000
- Adventure Golf & Moco Gallery - ph 5356 4664
- Grampians Furniture (showroom) - ph 5356 4321
- The Gap Winery (cellar door sales) - ph 5356 4252
- Halls Gap Zoo & Gallery - ph 5356 4668
- Halls Gap swimming pool - ph 5356 4313
- Halls Gap Golf Club - green fee box
- Stony Creek Stores - shopping
- Healing Hands (massage) - ph 0429 174178

STAWELL

- Leisure Centre — (indoor/outdoor pool plus squash courts for hire) — ph 5358 5909
- Railway Station Gallery — ph 5358 2495 Soul Fruit Gallery & Studio — ph 5358 3309
- Hall of Fame & Central Park — home of the famous Stawell Easter Gift — 5358 1326
- Big Hill Pioneer Lookout
- Northgate Stawell Gold viewing area Stawell Golf Club — ph 5358 1492
- Sisters Rocks
- Blue Moon Alpacas — ph 5358 2581 Caspers World in Miniature — ph 5358 1877 Historic Town Hall & animated clock
- Cato Park & Lake
- North Park Skate Park
- Cultural/Heritage Trail — self drive around town (pick up booklet from Stawell Information Centre)
- Pleasant Creek Courthouse - Historical Society (open on Wednesday & Thursday)
- Shopping, Gaming venues and TAB

GREAT WESTERN

- Seppelts -cellar door & tours daily at 11.00am and 2.00pm - ph 5361 2239
- Bests Winery - cellar door sales - ph 5356 2250
- Grampians Estate Winery - cellar door sales - ph 5356 2400
- Donovan Wines (open public holidays and by appointment) - ph 5356 2482
- Toll Gate Studio Gallery - ph 5356 2288

ST ARNAUD

- Queen Mary Botanic Gardens
- Cultural/Heritage Trail - self drive (pick up booklet from St Arnaud Information Centre) Kara Kara Estate Winery - ph 5496 3294
- Berrys Bridge Vineyards - (Carapooee) cellar door sales - ph 5496 3220
The statue of Jacques LeRoy de Saint Arnaud
- Shopping, gaming venues and TAB
- St Arnaud Country Club (golf) -ph 5495 1727
- Pioneer Park - picnic or views at Wilson Hill Lookout



Day trip suggestions

Why not explore the greater Grampians region.

POMONAL

- Grampians Lavender Patch - ph 5356 6285
- James McMurtrie Glass Blowing studio - ph 5356 6137
- Didjun - massage, Aveda products - ph 5356 6120
- Blaze Rock - Day spa, massage, treatments - ph 5356 6171
- Red Rock Olives - shop open weekends only - ph 0401 700868
- Grampians Store, Cafe & Gallery - ph 5356 6294
- Lake Fyans - fishing or swimming - ph 5356 6230
- Pomonal Wildflower Nursery - ph 5356 6250
- Rocket Cottage Plants, Herbs & Natives - ph 5356 6312

ARARAT

- J-Ward (daily tours commencing at 10.00am) - ph 5352 3357
- Gum San Chinese Heritage Centre - ph 5352 1078
- Aradale (open Sundays only — tours at 11.00am and 2.00pm) - ph 1800 657158
- Art Gallery - ph 5352 2836
- Alexander Gardens
- One Tree Hill - 360 degree view
- Astor Cinema (air conditioned) - ph 5352 2616
- YMCA (indoor pool and fully equipped gymnasium) - ph 5352 1064
- Shopping, gaming venues, TAB, Local wineries

HORSHAM

- Aquatic Centre & YMCA (indoor/outdoor pool and fully equipped gymnasium) ph 5382 2576 Wool Factory - ph 5382 0333
- Centre Cinema - ph 5382 1249
- Art Gallery - ph 5382 2888
- Botanic Gardens, May Park, Wimmera River - BBQ's, playground
- Skate Park

- Norton Estate Winery - cellar door sales - ph 5384 8235
- Horsham Golf Club - ph 5382 1652
- Stone Forest Mini Golf - ph 5382 2530
- Horsham Lanes & Games (ten pin bowling) - ph 5382 5022
- Shopping, Gaming venues, TAB

DADSWELL BRIDGE

- Giant Koala - ph 5359 5230

WARTOOK

- Artists' Studio & Gift Shop - ph 5383 6243
- Grampians Quad Bikes - ph 5383 9215
- Grampians Horse Riding Centre - ph 5383 9255

DUNKELD

- Arboretum walk - ph 5574 9232
- Historical Museum - ph 5577 2386
- Waiting Room Art Gallery - ph 0438 361 761
- Ros McArthur Art Studio - ph 5574 0234
- Grampians Pure Sheep Milk Dairy (Glenelg Highway, Glenthompson) - ph 5577 4223

HAMILTON

- Wannon & Nigretta Falls
- Mount Baimbridge Lavender - ph 5572 4342
- The Big Woolbales - ph 5571 2810
- Lake Hamilton
- Art Gallery - ph 5573 0460
- Wineries
- Sir Reginald Ansett Transport Museum - ph 5571 2767 Botanic Gardens
- Hamilton Pastoral Museum - ph 5571 1595
- Hamilton History Centre - ph 5572 4933
- Shopping, Gaming venues, TAB