

North East Vic - Silo Art Trail

5 Days / 4 Nights – Mon 28th March – Fri 1st April 2022

The Tour Includes:

- Home Pick Up and Return
- Luxury coach travel (Daytripper Tours)
- 4 Nights Quality Motel Accommodation
- Most Meals as per itinerary
- All Entry Fees and Guides as per Itinerary

Tour Highlights:

- Colbinabbin Silo Art
- Rochester Silo Art
- Tongala Street Art
- Winton Wetlands Watertank Art
- Goorambat Silo Art
- Goorambat Church Mural
- Devenish Silo Art
- St James Silo Art
- Tungamah Silo Art
- Rutherglen
- Rutherglen Gold Battery
- Parkers Pies
- Rutherglen Common School Museum
- Rutherglen Wine Experience & Visitor Information Centre
- Andrew Buller Wines
- Benalla Street Art Tour
- Benalla Art Galley
- Benalla Costume & Kelly Museum
- Tatong Water Tank Art
- Healesville
- And much more......











Join us as we take a road of discovery on the North East Victoria Silo Art Trail, where we will experience art in a large scale and not in a gallery. With visits to both the Silo Art Trail and Benalla Street Art this trip is certainly one for our art enthusiasts as well as those who simply enjoy the open-air artworks that are popping up all over Australia. We'll connect with some of the towns interesting & colourful locals as we learn more about the area they call home. With these tours we enjoy time in some of the smaller towns in the region – utilising their services and spending money in the towns that are doing it tough. We do encourage you to do the same and buy a coffee, gift or souvenir.

Day 1: Home to Benalla: (L/D)

This morning after being **collected from your home** we welcome you on-board as we make our way towards Melbourne. Here we will take in a few of the **city murals** as we begin our journey towards North East Victoria. After a delightful Morning Tea stop, we visit the **Colbinabbin Silo Art**. This is the newest of the silo art sites with painting beginning early March 2020. After taking in the beauty of the Silos we will head to the **General Store** for lunch. The residents of the township are currently banding together to purchase the store securing it for the community. After our delightful lunch we make our way to **Rochester** another town with some gorgeous wildlife depicted on silos. Moving on from Rochester we travel to **Tongala**. The Tongala Milk factory is well known for creating tinned milk products but today we are here to see the **street art** created in the town. **Local artists** donated their time and talent to brighten the small farming community. We will have some time to wander around and take in the murals before the final leg of our journey to **our motel in Benalla**. Take time to unpack and settle in as we will stay here for the next 4 nights. We will head out to the Bowls Club tonight for a lovely 2 course meal.

Overnight: Avondel Motor In, Benalla (4 nights)









Day 2: Silo Art Visits (B/L/D)

This morning we enjoy a lovely **cooked breakfast** before heading out to enjoy more silo art. Making our way to Winton Wetlands and the CFA water tank art. Here we'll enjoy a lovely morning tea before we head to Goorambat to view the silo art that was painted in 2 stages during 2018 and 2019. The barking owl is Milli who lives at the Healesville Sanctuary. The Clydesdale horses were painted in 2019. They are Clem, Sam & Banjo. Whilst in town we will also visit the Uniting Church to see "Sophia" 'Sophia' came into being in 2017 when the Uniting church community in Goorambat were approached to host a mural inside the church itself as part of the Wall to Wall festival. What a treat! Next, we are off to Devinish Silo Art. This site was also completed in 2 stages. Stage 1 artwork depicts a stunning image of a WW1 nurse and a modern female military medic in the Australian Armed Forces. This was officially unveiled on Anzac Day 2018. Stage 2 is a tribute to the Australian Light Horse and was unveiled one year later Anzac Day 2019. After some time taking in the artwork, we will enjoy lunch provided by Devenish Community catering. Feeling refreshed we next travel to see the St James Silo Art - GJ Coles Story. George purchased his first store here trading mainly in farming equipment. The Coles company made a generous donation towards this art project. So much history in one small country town! Time to move on to our last silo for today at Tungamah. The Tungamah Silos, completed in February 2018, were the first silos to be painted in North East Victoria. The initial mural depicted dancing Brolgas and the much-loved Australian Kookaburra. Sobrane, the Artist, returned to paint around the Kookaburra to include the lovable Pink and Grey Galah, a Humming bird, a cheeky owl hiding in the leaves, a Sulphur-crested Cockatoo, two small wrens and a white Ibis, sitting in the thick foliage of a gum tree. There are also a few murals painted around the town – we'll try and locate them. After our day full or art, we head back to our motel to freshen up before heading out to the local Golf Club to enjoy another lovely 2 course dinner together.

Overnight: Avondel Motor In, Benalla (4 nights)







Day 3: Rutherglen (B/D)

This morning after our lovely breakfast we're off to **Rutherglen**. On arrival well have some time to wander around the town and grab a coffee before we head to the **Gold Battery**. Its purpose was to crush quartz from nearby quartz reefs and extract gold from within. During a five-year period it crushed 110 tons of quartz and produced 628 ounces of gold. (over 1.7 million dollars in today's rates). Next, we'll make our way to **Parkers Pies** touted as Australia's Greatest Pie Shop. Please do purchase yourself something yummy from the menu for lunch. After a delicious lunch we head to the **Common School Museum** that currently houses a fascinating collection of historical artifacts from Rutherglen and surrounds. The museum is based in what was Rutherglen's original school and was built in 1872. Having enjoyed some of the local history we head to the **visitor information centre** which just happens to also be a **wine centre** – how civilised. Feel free to have a browse around at the **local produce**, **souvenirs and gifts**. What trip to Rutherglen would be complete without a visit to a **local winery for a glass of wine and cheese platter** before heading back to our motel with plenty of time to relax before we head out for dinner to the Goorambat Railway Hotel. We hope you enjoy your 2 course meal in this lovely little country pub.

Overnight: Avondel Motor In, Benalla (4 nights)

Day 4: Benalla & Street Art

(B/D)

Another hearty breakfast and we take in the sights of Benalla. Fast becoming recognised as Australia's leading street art destination, Benalla hosts an incredible variety of street art murals created by street artists at the top of their game from around the world. We'll tour our way around the murals with one of the towns experts. This tour will give you an insight into the world of international street art, the artists who created the artworks and the stories behind the art. Following our tour, we head to the Benalla Art Gallery, one of Victoria's premier Art Galleries. The Gallery presents a diverse, high quality exhibition program to inspire and engage audiences. The Gallery also hosts one of Benalla's best cafés and the gallery gift shop. Please do purchase some lunch for yourself from the café during our visit. After lunch we'll head to the Botanical Gardens and enjoy a stroll around. The gardens were developed in 1886 and retain much of their original layout. The rose garden contains a collection of Australian roses seldom found in public garden – such a treat! Our last stop for today is the Benalla Costume and Kelly Museum. The museum specializes in costumes and local history, including the Ned Kelly Story. After our full day we make our way back to our motel. Tonight we head to the 150 year old North Eastern Hotel for a lovely 2 course dinner.

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Day 5: Homeward Bound

(B/L)

Enjoy your cooked brekky before we board the coach to head towards home. To finish our Silo Art Trail we head to **Tatong** Tavern to view the **Water Tank Art**, titled '**The Kelly Gang Prospecting in the Tatong Hills'** this mural has been painted with such minute fine detail, it's absolutely amazing. – we'll enjoy some lovely **morning tea** whilst here before we are back on the road heading towards home. Our next stop is **Healesville** where we'll enjoy a lovely lunch together. Time permitting, we may stroll around this pretty little town before we make our final leg towards home. With new memories, friends, and photographs of the lovely North East Silos we arrive home. Enjoy the convenience of **being transported directly to your door**. We look forward to seeing you again on another Daytripper Tour...

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