

# Boonah

## 3-DAY ITINERARY

For outdoor sports fanatics, adventurers, explorers  
and creatives, all roads lead to Boonah.



## DAY 1

**Get there:** Take an easy drive through stunning countryside to beautiful small-town Boonah.

**Pick a spot:** Set up camp at the top of Mount French, in Moogerah Peaks National Park, and you'll wake to one of the best views in the Scenic Rim. Camping and RV options abound in and around Boonah. Just pick a spot or book a five-star stay with Ketchup's Bank Glamping for glamorous starry nights.

Alternatively, toddle straight from the bar to your bed in a comfy old-school Aussie pub room at Boonah's Australian Hotel. If you're lucky, you might meet the resident ghost.

Keen for more luxurious digs? Mount French Lodge, owned by the Spicers Group, is an exclusive guesthouse on 100 private acres complete with a pool and a personal chef!

**Afternoon:** Take a walk around town. Boonah is a quirky little community filled with eclectic shops, great cafes, three country pubs and a smattering of engaging street sculptures created by local artists. The four-tonne Blumbergville clock, fashioned from recycled farm machinery, has a steampunk aesthetic, and mimics the croak of the Pobblebonk Frog every 15 minutes. It is quite the monument.

**Explore:** Get your bearings with a drive up to Mount French where two short walks reward you with panoramic views of the Fassifern Valley, Lamington National Park, and Mount Barney. Photographers will love the wildflowers, fauna and hundreds of native grass trees dotted amongst eucalypt forest.

**Dinner:** The Dugandan Hotel, a quick courtesy bus ride out of town, offers quintessential hearty pub meals, craft beer on tap, chatty locals, and a verandah perfect for sitting, sipping, and watching the sun go down. Not ready for bed yet? Continue your Aussie pub crawl with a schooner back in Boonah. The Australian Hotel, the Commercial Hotel and Simon's Tavern conveniently line the main street.





## DAY 2

### Breakfast:

There are 13 cafes to choose from, all serving up delicious menus packed with locally grown produce. You seriously can't go wrong here. While you're in foodie mode pick up a picnic hamper from Rockalicious and head out for a day of exploring.

### Choices:

There is SO MUCH TO DO around Boonah. We suggest:

Grab trail maps from our Visitor Information Centre and dive into our ancient Gondwana rainforests. Favourite treks include the Lower Portals Track at Mount Barney and the Rainforest Circuit at Cunningham's Gap. Get the inside info about the Gorge and its secret swimming holes and make sure your camera is charged as you'll want to capture the breathtaking sights you're about to see.

The legendary crag at Frog Buttress is on the bucket list of many a top rock climber and is known as 'the crown jewel of Queensland climbing'. Have a crack at a beginner climb yourself, or just watch the pros cling to this sheer rock face. It's an exciting and suspenseful spectator sport.

Water sprites, you have three lakes and dams from which to choose. Lake Moogerah is famous for waterskiing and wakeboarding, kayakers love paddling atop glassy Lake Maroon and Wyaralong Dam is an angler's paradise, filled to the brim with Australian Bass and Mary River Cod.

4WD enthusiasts can head off-road for a day-trip adventure to remote Queen Mary Falls. If you're on two wheels, check out more than 25 kilometres of mountain bike trails and/or endless country lanes just waiting to be explored by pedal power. Motocross fanatics can get their adrenaline pumping on the natural terrain tracks, jumps and freestyle MX arena at Queensland Moto Park.

### Afternoon:

After all that action, relax and settle in for a brew or two at the Scenic Rim Brewery. Housed in a heritage-listed turn-of-the-century former general store, this cute family-owned establishment serves up a delicious, Dutch-themed bar snacks menu just asking to be washed down with the ice-cold ales, lagers, and ciders all brewed on site.

### Dinner:

Kooroomba Vineyard and Lavender Farm is another unmissable experience for visitors to Boonah. The cellar door and restaurant looks out over six hectares of grapevines, breathtaking lavender fields and magnificent views of the mountains beyond. Dine on world class French country fare, complemented by local wines, and finished off with a dessert menu to die for. This is the culinary part of your Boonah adventure.







## DAY 3

### Breakfast:

Choose another of Boonah's 13 cafes for breakfast or head 10 kilometres north to the tiny town of Kalbar, where you'll find the Scenic Rim Farm Shop Café. Sit on lush green lawns under an enormous Jacaranda tree and dine on a true 'paddock to plate' menu created around ingredients sourced from local farms, gardens, orchards, dairies, fromagers, bakers and plantations. Order a second coffee and relax.

### Explore:

There's really no rush to get home, so continue your adventure along the way. Visit Boonah Gliding Club and take to the skies in a glider or light plane. Make new dromedary friends at Summer Land Camel Farm and taste-test award-winning camel milk ice cream. Trek across the impressive dam wall at Lake Moogerah or head east towards Canungra, where you can picnic by the creek with friendly alpacas.

As we said, there is SO MUCH to do in the Scenic Rim, named by Lonely Planet as one of the top 10 regions to visit in 2022. We hope to welcome you back to Boonah again soon.

