

Kalbar

2-DAY ITINERARY

Step back in time and enjoy an indulgent weekend escape to the countryside.



DAY 1

Get there:

A leisurely drive through lush countryside hills and dales lands you in the historic, tiny town of Kalbar.

Take time to explore the quaint streets filled with heritage buildings first constructed by German settlers and lovingly restored by proud Kalbar locals. Browse for unique treasures in antique and gift stores, treat yourself to delicious treats freshly baked at Lovett's Café and marvel at the grand White Chapel and Black Hall - named by the Australian Bridal Industry Academy as Queensland's best wedding venue for 2022. It. Is. Stunning!

Don't miss the cute old-school post office which hosts an old-fashioned lolly store stacked with retro sweets you'd forgotten you love. As you wander, you'll spot a trail of historical signposts that are definitely worth a read and will sweep you up in Kalbar's origin story.

Pub lunch:

What's a visit to an Australian country town without a classic pub lunch? The Royal Hotel Kalbar serves up one of the best, as it has done since 1900. Join the locals for some top notch pub grub washed down with a pint of local lager. You'll be really glad you did.

Explore:

After lunch it's time to check out the region from the best vantage point in town. To reach Mt French lookout you'll take a steep 10 minute drive then a 5 minute stroll through pristine bushland and be rewarded with an incredible 180 degree view of Kalbar and beyond. If you're feeling more adventurous seek out Frog Buttress, famous for its high craggy cliffs. It's legendary amongst rock climbers.





Sample:

Tasting the local tittle is next on the agenda at Kooroomba Vineyard and Lavender Farm. Gaze out over beautiful fields of lavender as you sample local wines and soak up the stunning views of the mountains beyond. Then for a change of pace visit the boutique Scenic Rim Brewery, housed in a heritage-listed old general store and famous for small batch beers and ciders brewed on site.

Settle in:

Back in Kalbar it's time to make yourself at home in the magnificent Herrmann House, a stunningly restored luxury homestead estate. Staying here is truly like stepping back to a grander time, but with all the mod cons. Settle yourself around the outdoor fire pit and relax as the sun goes down over misty mountains. Your magical evening has just begun.

Dine:

Now, we mentioned that this is an indulgent weekend right? Dinner is nothing short of absolutely spectacular.

You're currently within a stone's throw of exquisite Blume restaurant, tucked away in the charming town of Boonah. Reserve a table for Blume's multi-course degustation menu or have Blume's hatted chef Jack Stuart prepare a private dinner for you in the Herrmann house kitchen. Either way, you're in for an unforgettable dining experience, all created with fresh local produce growing just outside your door. After dinner snuggle in and sleep well.



Kalbar

DAY 2

Delight:

Rise and shine to the sound of birdsong (definitely not traffic) and enjoy a leisurely late breakfast at Scenic Rim Farm Box Café. Relax under a towering jacaranda tree surrounded by the farms that produce the home made delights on your plate. Pop next door to explore Elderflower Farm's shop filled with fresh cut flowers from the onsite garden and stock up on farm-fresh produce to enjoy back home.

Cute date:

But before you leave, fall in love with the majestic residents at Summerland Camels, a working camel farm only 10 minutes up the road in Harrisville. A camel ride around the gardens and a huge scoop of delicious camel milk ice cream makes a "cute date" experience that's the cherry on top of your incredible country weekend away.

Farewell:

Not that it's a long drive home. Backtrack to Brisbane or the Gold Coast past those lush green paddocks you've come to love and start planning your next getaway in Kalbar.

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 Kalbar again soon.

