

TRAVEL PASSIONATELY

LOCALS GUIDE

TO THE GREAT OCEAN ROAD



GREAT OCEAN ROAD
ESCAPES

BECAUSE MONEY RETURNS, TIME
DOESN'T, TRAVEL.

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APOLLO BAY
BAKERY

Home of the famous scallop pie. Baking fresh bread, pies, cakes, and specialties using the freshest ingredients each day to create our goodies 7 days a week.

If you are just after breakfast, a quick snack, a healthy lunch or catering for a function we can help. We pride ourselves on our flexibility and customer service.

Open daily from 6am serving a bakery style breakfast with a selection of toasties, egg and bacon rolls, croissants or scones and muffins.

Our lunch selection includes freshly made salad rolls and sandwiches, toasted focaccias and our famous Chicken Caesar Salad Roll.



<p><u>DOOLEY'S</u> <u>PREMIUM ICE</u> <u>CREAM</u></p>	<p>There aren't many destinations that warrant a five-hour return trip from Melbourne, but Dooley's Ice Cream in Apollo Bay is definitely one of them.</p> <p>Nestled in the beautiful seaside village of Apollo Bay, Dooley's Ice Cream is conveniently located within a stone's throw from the beach on the Great Ocean Road. Famed for their award-winning ice cream, they have developed somewhat of a cult following amongst locals and tourists alike since opening their doors in 2002.</p> <p>Grab your refreshment any time!</p>
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APOLLO BAY FISHERMEN'S CO-OP

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THE BIRDHOUSE

Fine Dining. Ocean Views. Apollo Bay For bookings please call 03 5237 7411.

They don't check their emails as frequently as most as they are too busy cooking!



CHEERS!

GREAT OCEAN ROAD BREWHOUSE

Situated on the Great Ocean Road in Apollo Bay where the hills meet the ocean. The Great Ocean Road Brewhouse is a craft beer haven with over 100 craft beers on offer. Warm yourself by the fire or enjoy our dog-friendly beer garden with ocean views.

The BAR opens at 11 am every day. The award-winning BISTRO opens every day for lunch and dinner. Free WIFI available!

To book a table in the bistro area, call
(03) 5237 6240

If the dining area is full, there are still plenty of tables in the bar or beer garden



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CHEERS!

TIMBOON DISTILLERY

THE TIMBOON WHISKY EXPERIENCE

Experience their range of Single Malt Whiskies, Gin, Vodka, Liqueurs and merchandise and shop online or better still, come visit, as they would love to welcome you to our beautiful region and the fabulous 12 Apostles Gourmet Food Trail.

You can do whisky and liqueur tastings, see and smell the stills working, and learn all about their whisky making process at the distillery every day, without the need to book Whisky Tastings are \$15 (4 x 7.5ml pours) with the fee waived if you buy a bottle

1 Bailey St, Timboon VIC 3268, Australia
info@timboondistillery.com.au
(03) 5598 3555



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THE APOLLO BAY HOTEL

Sit back and relax as you casually dine in our nautical-inspired Bistro and Alfresco dining areas, or enjoy a glass of wine or boutique beer in our stylish Bar - all the while, taking in the spectacular views of the Apollo Bay foreshore.

Apollo Bay Hotel is located right in the heart of Apollo Bay, along the breathtaking Great Ocean Road.



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ICARO WHOLEFOOD CAFE

Icaro Cafe serves St Ali coffee, tonics, medicinal lattes, cold-pressed juices, and delicious superfoods with an ethos on fresh locally sourced produce and a conscious effort to reduce waste and protect the earth.

Pure ingredients crafted with love and passion will give you the fuel your body needs to reach its potential. All of our offerings are sourced locally where possible and have been made of high quality.

Crafted with oceans of love, consciousness at its core and flavour - a whole lot of flavour!



LITTLECRUMB BAKERY

Get your dose of coffee and sweets at Littlecrumb Bakery when you're at Apollo Bay.

One of our favorite stopovers for warm pieces of bread and pastries and a boost of caffeine to start our day! They also serve Custom Wedding & Celebration Cakes, and Catering for special occasions.



WYE GENERAL STORE

Lunch at the General can be as simple as a ham & cheese toastie on sourdough or a boscastle pie, or you can order something special from our seasonal all day menu.

Our burgers are quickly becoming famous - they are created using homemade brioche buns, and the patties are shaped and chargrilled to perfection! We also offer fresh fish and seafood (subject to availability), delightful vegetarian options and hearty soups served with our famous tasty sourdough bread.

And the drive to get here isn't so bad either!



TWELVE APOSTLES

The 12 Apostles are located 275 kilometres west of Melbourne, approximately a four-hour drive along the Great Ocean Road.

Created by constant erosion of the limestone cliffs of the mainland beginning 10–20 million years ago, the stormy Southern Ocean and blasting winds gradually eroded the softer limestone, forming caves in the cliffs.

The caves eventually became arches and when they collapsed rock stacks up to 45 metres high were left isolated from the shore. View the 12 Apostles at sunrise and sunset as they change colour from dark and foreboding in shadow to brilliant sandy yellow under a full sun



SITES TO SEE

WILDLIFE WONDERS

TAKE A WALK ON THE WILD SIDE OF THE GREAT OCEAN ROAD

Wildlife Wonders invites you to experience the wild side of the Great Ocean Road, to explore a spectacular Australian bushland environment, where the forest meets the sea, just 5km from Apollo Bay.

Whether you join us to spot a koala on a guided nature walk in our wildlife sanctuary, to unwind with a great coffee, or find a delightful gift in our shop, your visit directly supports the ongoing environmental conservation of the unique Otways environment.

Contact them at:

03) 7046 1664

info@wildlifewonders.org.au



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APOLLO BAY HARBOUR

The Port of Apollo Bay harbour is an important feature of both Apollo Bay and the wider Colac Otway Shire community.

The working port is part of Apollo Bay's identity, generating economic benefits for both the town and region while helping draw thousands of tourists to the stunning coastal hamlet each year.



APOLLO BAY GOLF CLUB

Located on Point Bunbry, Apollo Bay Golf Course is exposed to the elements and therefore the level of difficulty can vary with each day.

The nine hole course comprises four par three and five par four holes. As there are two tees on some holes and two greens on another, an interesting eighteen holes can be played.

Try not to become too absorbed in your game and enjoy the fabulous scenery all around the course.



LORNE PIER

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Lorne's new pier won the approval of the community and also received an Engineering Excellence award in 2007. A short section of the old pier was left as a historical reminder and the old crane that initiated the whole project sits on shore patiently waiting to go in its final resting place.

LORNE INFORMATION CENTRE

Info Centre Address: 15 Mountjoy Parade

Lorne VIC 3232

Phone: 03 5289 1152



MARENGO REEFS MARINE SANCTUARY

Just past Apollo Bay, off the world-famous Great Ocean Road, Marengo Reefs Marine Sanctuary protects 12ha of ocean waters.

About 150m offshore, this sanctuary protects a reef system known as Little Henty Reef. Two sections of the reef, the inner and outer reef, are usually exposed and separated by a narrow channel known as 'The Gap'.

Composed of sandstone they support wonderful intertidal and subtidal reefs which are packed with sea life.

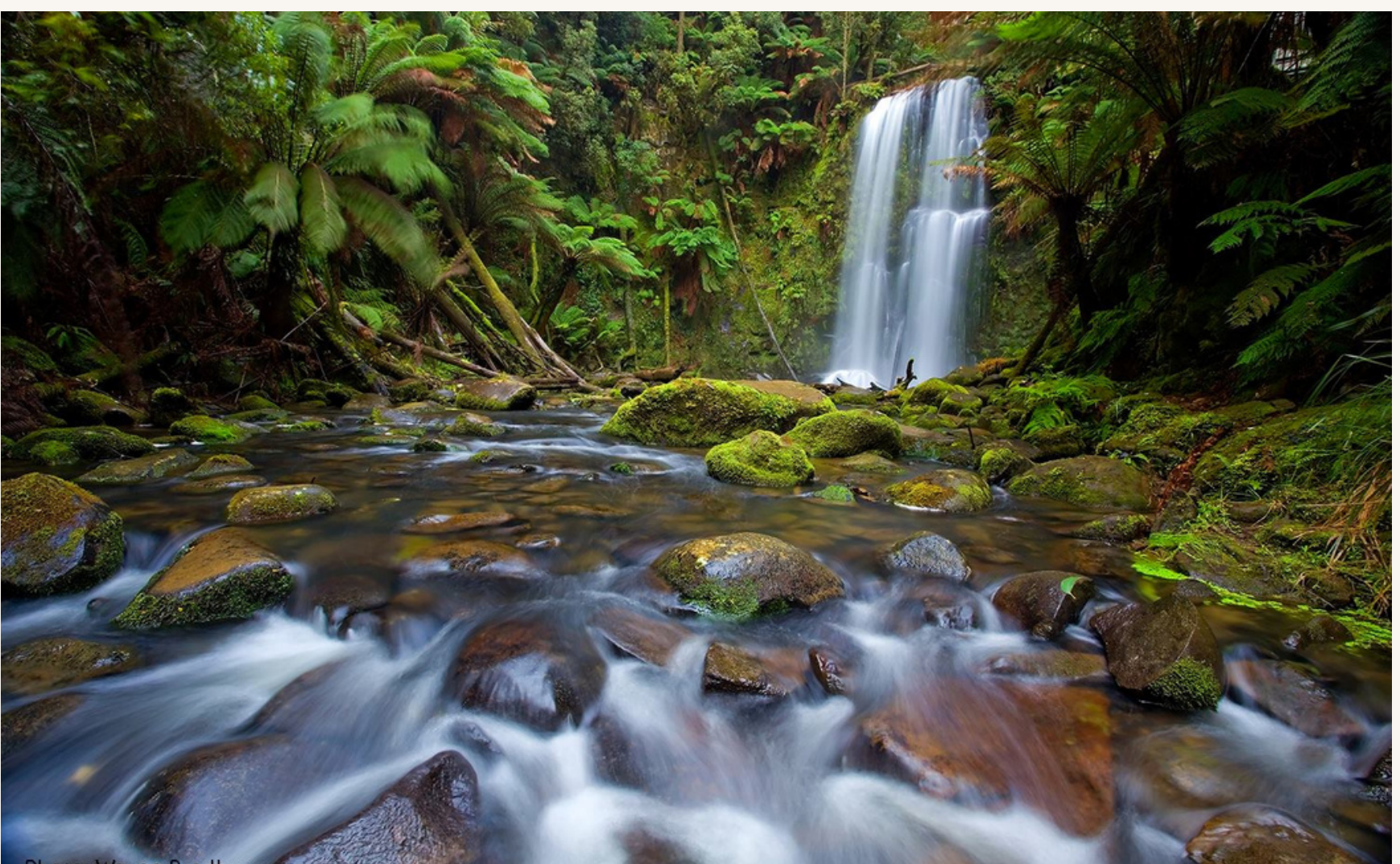


BEAUCHAMP FALLS

Walk through magnificent mountain ash forests with large myrtle beech, blackwood, and thick ferns to arrive at the spectacle of the Beauchamp Falls crashing over a ledge into a large pool.

One of several waterfalls in the Great Otway National Park, this 20-meter waterfall rewards a somewhat strenuous walk. To get to the falls, take the walking path from the picnic area, located off the Aire Valley Road from Beech Forest Road.

The three-kilometer path is an hour's walk return and requires reasonable fitness. The descent to the falls leads to a viewing platform (there is no access to the falls). The path back is steep and has steps that can be slippery when wet.



CALIFORNIAN REDWOODS

Located along the Aire Valley Road this picnic area is a delightful place to stop and enjoy a picnic or just a short stroll into the forest.

The Californian Redwood forest (Sequoia trees), was planted alongside the river in 1939. This unique forest is enchanting and is an experience that you will not forget.

There are two picnic tables located out in the open near the forest and pit toilets are also available nearby.



CAPE OTWAY LIGHTSTATION

Cape Otway Lighthouse is the oldest surviving lighthouse on mainland Australia and is considered the most significant.

This leading attraction on the Great Ocean Road is a must for all visitors. Built-in 1848, the lighthouse is known as the 'Beacon of Hope,' sits 90 meters above the pristine ocean of Bass Strait.

For many thousands of 19th-century migrants, who spent months traveling to Australia by ship, Cape Otway was their first sight of land after leaving Europe, Asia and North America.



OTWAY FLY

Experience a breathtaking view of the magnificent Otway Ranges from the World's tallest treetop walk.

The 600-metre-long, 25-metre-high elevated walkway provides unrivaled views of the unique beauty of the region's flora and fauna, from the rainforest floor up to the soaring heights of the treetops.

Don't miss the 45-metre tall Spiral Tower and the cantilever perched above Young's Creek – a truly exhilarating experience as you gently sway with the rainforest canopy.



WALK 91 - GREAT OCEAN ROAD WALK

Walk 91's passion is helping you discover the natural beauty and wonderful local history of the Great Ocean Walk... without the stress of planning. Whether you're an experienced hiker or a novice, walking solo or in a Group, we will plan a unique, self-guided walk for you.

Walk pack-free, any date you choose, enjoying wonderful accommodation and food. Experience a sense of journey and achievement changing accommodation as your walk unfolds.

We are locals, based in Apollo Bay, on the Great Ocean Road, at the start of the Great Ocean Walk trail



FORREST MOUNTAIN BIKE TRAILS

Situated in the breathtaking scenery of the Great Otway National Park, the Forrest MTB Trails offer some of the most diverse and fun trails in Australia.

There's over 65km of single track weaving through from tall eucalyptus, and native bush to magical fern gullies. Quite simply, there is a trail for everyone!

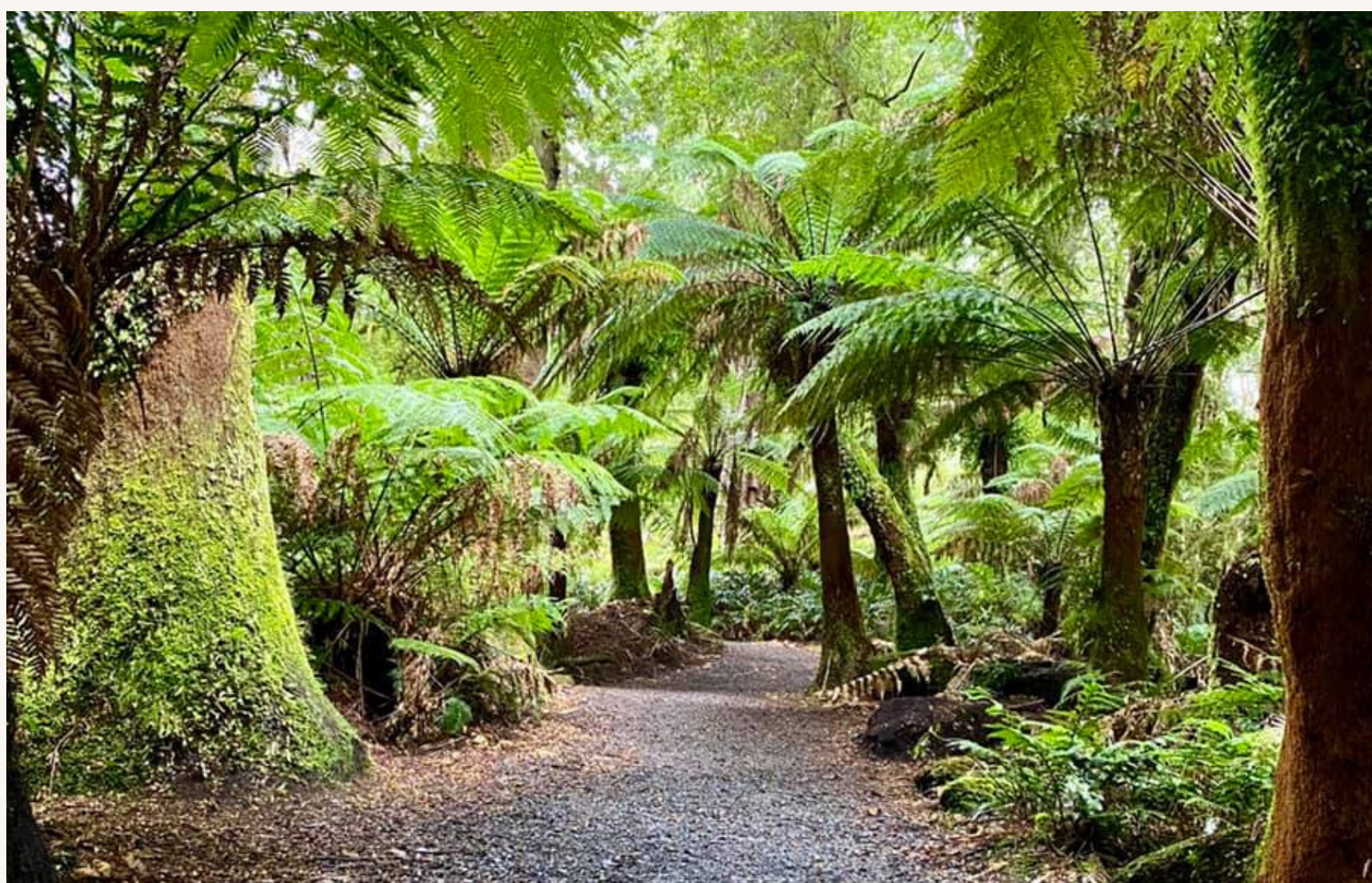
Keep in mind that mobile and cell phone reception on the Forrest bike trails is limited (indeed some parts are off range) – so be sure to plan accordingly.



MAITS REST RAINFOREST WALK

Maits Rest is about 15 minutes drive from Apollo Bay on the Great Ocean Road along the way to the 12 Apostles. There is car parking immediately after you see the Maits Rest sign, to the left off the road. This 30-minute, 800m walk along mixture of boardwalk and gravel paths takes you along a valley floor in part of the ancient rainforest. Giant myrtle beeches rise through the mists and create a canopy for the amazing array of tree ferns and moss on the forest floor.

Many of the beech trees are 300 years old and form an important part of this cool temperate rainforest within the Great Otway National Park. Look for a wide range of birds, including 43 species found nowhere else in the world.



RELAX

COASTAL YOGA & KITCHEN MEDICINE

At Coastal Yoga & Kitchen Medicine Apollo Bay
Frances & Fabio offer teachings in Asana (Hatha
Yoga Therapy,

Ashtanga Vinyasa), Yoga Philosophy, Food as
Medicine & Meditation, Fabio & Frances seek to
assist those looking to unlock their ultimate human
potential.

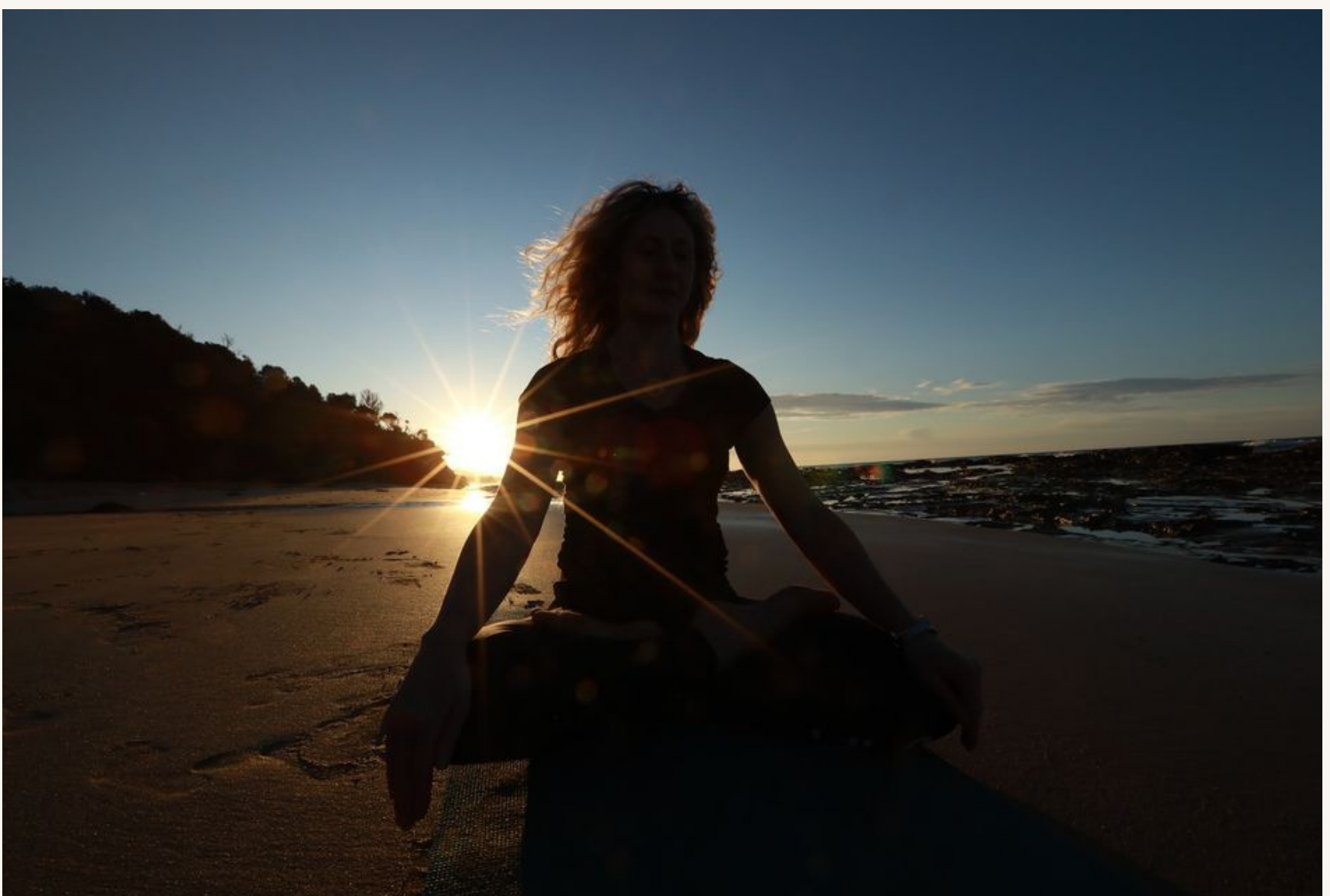
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HAWKEYE HOMEWARES

Hawkeye Homewares is a lifestyle store situated in the beautiful coastal town of Apollo Bay, on the Great Ocean Road in Victoria.

Australian designed and made is our thing. It's not our only thing, but we pride ourselves on our ever-changing collection of products sourced from Australian makers.



ESSENTIALS

Where to go	Location & Hours
IGA Apollo Bay Plus Liquor	103-109 Great Ocean Rd, Apollo Bay VIC 3233 Hours: 8am–8pm Phone: (03) 5237 6251
FoodWorks	4 Hardy St, Apollo Bay VIC 3233 Hours: 8am–8pm Phone: +61 3 5237 7355
Apollo Bay Medical Centre	75 McLachlan St, Apollo Bay VIC 3233 Hours: 8:45am–5:45pm Closed on Saturdays & Sundays Phone: (03) 5237 8595
Otway Health	75 McLachlan St, Apollo Bay VIC 3233 Open 24 Hours Phone: (03) 5237 8500
Apollo Bay Taxi Services	0400 229 222
Ambulance/Police/ Fire Australia-wide	Dial 000

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ESCAPE THE EVERYDAY.

FRESH SALTY AIR, ROLLING GREEN
HILLS, AND THE WASH OF THE SEA
IN THE DISTANCE.

THESE ARE THE SIGHTS, SMELLS
AND SOUNDS OF YOUR NEXT
APOLLO BAY AND SKENES CREEK
ESCAPE!

SEE YOU SOON!