



Welcome to Bellarine Lakes

A guide to your
new home &
workplace



Aged Care

Bellarine Lakes, Vic

Be at the heart of it in Bellarine Lakes.

Living in Bellarine Lakes, Victoria offers a serene and picturesque lifestyle surrounded by natural beauty and modern amenities. Nestled within this coastal region, residents enjoy the tranquility of lakeside living coupled with convenient access to nearby towns like Geelong and the stunning beaches along the Bellarine Peninsula.

The community here is known for its friendly atmosphere and diverse recreational opportunities, from boating and fishing on the lakes to exploring scenic walking trails or playing golf at renowned courses.



During the 19th century, the peninsula was an important hub for shipping and maritime activities, with numerous coastal settlements and ports serving as vital links for trade and transport.



90

km from
Melbourne CBD

4.1k

residents

20°C to 25°C

Summer
temps



The traditional custodians of the land encompassing Bellarine Lakes and the surrounding areas are the Wathaurong people, who are part of the Kulin nation.

Your new workplace in Bellarine Lakes

Welcome to Bellarine Lakes! And thanks for your interest in our home and team.

Welcome to Bupa Bellarine Lakes, our beautiful care home is located southwest of Melbourne and is close to Geelong and the Surf Coast's beaches.

Bellarine Lakes is a wonderful community, and our residents stay connected through the Italian club, Sportsmans club and engaging in shopping trips and days out. We are currently looking to engage with local schools and local retirement village on regular basis and we host events for our residents, staff and families.

Our team at Bellarine Lakes really make the difference, and without them, our home wouldn't be the same. They work hard to make sure this is a relaxed and calm environment that makes you excited to come to work. They are a diverse, friendly, kind and caring team well supported by management with traineeships, scholarships and more to drive their career progression.

We love to welcome new team members by ensuring they have a buddy for the first few weeks and are given the time to get to know our residents and team well.

We can't wait to work with you!



Living in Bellarine Lakes combines serene lakeside living with modern amenities amidst the picturesque landscape of the Bellarine Peninsula. Residents enjoy easy access to recreational activities like boating and fishing, while also being close to nearby towns and stunning coastal beaches. It's a peaceful retreat offering a harmonious blend of nature and convenience.

Public Transport

Bellarine Lakes, being a rural locality in Victoria does not have extensive public transport options like those found in urban areas. However, there are some limited transportation services available:

Bus Services

There are regional bus services that connect Bellarine Lakes and surrounding areas to nearby towns and cities like Geelong. These services operate on specific schedules and routes, and it is best to check online.

School Buses

Bellarine Lakes has school bus services that cater to students commuting to nearby schools.

Private Transport

Given the rural nature of Bellarine Lakes, private transport such as cars or bicycles is often relied upon for daily commuting and getting around.

Taxis and Ride-Sharing

Taxis and ride-sharing services like Uber may be available for transportation within and around Barrabool, though availability could be limited compared to urban areas.

Geelong is only a 15-minute drive from Bellarine Lakes and is much more connected.



Buses

Geelong has an extensive bus network operated by the Public Transport Victoria (PTV). Buses cover most parts of the city and connect to surrounding suburbs and towns.

Victoria Line Train Services

Geelong is served by Victoria Line regional train services, connecting it to Melbourne and other regional destinations. The Geelong railway station is centrally located in the city and provides regular services to Melbourne's Southern Cross Station.

Geelong Free City Buses

Geelong offers a free shuttle bus service known as the Geelong Free City Buses (Route 50 and Route 60). These buses operate in loops around the city centre, providing easy access to key attractions, shopping areas, and the waterfront.

Airport

The nearest major airport to Bellarine Lakes, Victoria, Australia, is Avalon Airport, which is located approximately 27 kilometres northeast of Barrabool. Avalon Airport serves as a regional airport for the Greater Geelong and Melbourne areas. It offers domestic flights to various destinations within Australia, including Sydney, Gold Coast, Adelaide, and Perth.

For international flights and a wider range of domestic connections, Melbourne Airport (MEL) is the primary airport serving Melbourne and is located approximately 80 kilometres northeast of Barrabool. While Melbourne Airport is farther away, it offers a more extensive selection of flights to domestic and international destinations.

Schools

There are no specific schools located within Bellarine Lakes itself, as it is primarily a residential community. However, there are several schools nearby in the broader Bellarine Peninsula region and in neighbouring towns such as Geelong. Some schools that residents of Bellarine Lakes may consider include:

Leopold Primary School

Located in the nearby suburb of Leopold, this primary school serves students from prep to Grade 6.

Clifton Springs Primary School

Another nearby primary school located in Clifton Springs, offering education from prep to Grade 6.

Bell Park North Primary School

Located in Bell Park, this primary school is within driving distance from Bellarine Lakes and caters to prep to Grade 6 students.

Geelong East Primary School

A primary school in Geelong East, which may be accessible for families living in Bellarine Lakes.

Geelong High School

A secondary school located in Geelong that offers education from Year 7 to Year 12.

Geelong Grammar School - Corio Campus

A well-known independent school with boarding facilities, located in nearby Corio.



Dining & Nightlife

Bellarine Lakes, being a residential community located in close proximity to towns like Geelong and the Bellarine Peninsula, offers a mix of dining and nightlife experiences within easy reach.

While Bellarine Lakes itself is more focused on serene lakeside living and outdoor activities, residents can explore nearby areas for dining and entertainment options.

In Geelong and the Bellarine Peninsula, you'll find a diverse range of restaurants, cafes, pubs, and bars catering to various tastes and preferences. From waterfront dining with stunning views of the bay to cozy cafes serving up delicious brunches, there's something for everyone. The region is known for its fresh seafood, local produce, and quality wines, offering a delightful culinary experience.

In terms of nightlife, Geelong has a vibrant scene with bars, live music venues, and entertainment options to enjoy. Whether you're looking for a laid-back evening sipping cocktails by the water or a lively night out dancing to live music, you'll find establishments catering to different atmospheres and styles.

While Bellarine Lakes itself may not have a bustling nightlife scene within its immediate vicinity, residents can easily access the vibrant offerings of Geelong and the Bellarine Peninsula for dining and entertainment experiences, making it a convenient and enjoyable destination for social outings or food and wine enthusiasts.

Employment Opportunities for your family

Bellarine Lakes benefits from proximity to a range of employment opportunities in surrounding areas.

While Bellarine Lakes itself is primarily focused on residential living and recreation, residents can access employment options in nearby towns and cities such as Geelong.

Geelong, in particular, offers diverse employment opportunities across various sectors including healthcare, education, manufacturing, retail, hospitality, and professional services.

Major employers in the region include Deakin University, Barwon Health, the Victorian Government, and various manufacturing companies. Geelong also serves as a hub for small businesses, startups, and entrepreneurial ventures.

In addition to traditional employment sectors, the Bellarine Peninsula is known for tourism and hospitality, offering seasonal job opportunities in restaurants, wineries, hotels, and attractions, especially during peak tourist seasons.

Residents of Bellarine Lakes can commute to Geelong for work, which is approximately a 15 to 20-minute drive away, depending on traffic and exact location within Bellarine Lakes.



The accessibility to Geelong opens up a range of employment options for those living in the area, making Bellarine Lakes a desirable location for both lifestyle and career opportunities.

Shopping

Bellarine Lakes does not have its own shopping precinct or major retail centres within its immediate vicinity. However, residents have convenient access to shopping amenities in nearby towns and suburbs such as Leopold and Geelong.

In Leopold, which is close to Bellarine Lakes, there is a shopping centre called Gateway Plaza. This plaza offers a range of retail stores including supermarkets, department stores, specialty shops, cafes, and services like pharmacies and banks. Residents of Bellarine Lakes can easily drive to Gateway Plaza for everyday shopping needs.

For a wider selection of shopping and entertainment options, residents often visit Geelong, which is approximately a 15 to 20-minute drive away. Geelong boasts several shopping centres and precincts, such as Westfield Geelong, Market Square Shopping Centre, and Pakington Street in Geelong West, known for its boutique shops and cafes.



Overall, while Bellarine Lakes itself may not have direct shopping facilities, residents enjoy convenient access to nearby shopping centred and retail hubs in Leopold and Geelong, making it easy to fulfil everyday shopping requirements and enjoy leisurely retail experiences.



Parks & Recreation

Bellarine Lakes offers a variety of recreational activities due to its scenic lakeside location and proximity to the Bellarine Peninsula and Geelong. Residents can enjoy outdoor pursuits and leisure activities both within the community and in the surrounding areas. Some popular recreational activities in and around Bellarine Lakes include:

Boating and Fishing

With lakes located within the community, residents can enjoy boating, kayaking, and fishing right on their doorstep.

Walking and Cycling

Bellarine Lakes features walking trails and pathways around the lakes and through green spaces, ideal for leisurely strolls or cycling.

Golf

Nearby golf courses like the Clifton Springs Golf Club and Curlewis Golf Club provide opportunities for golf enthusiasts to enjoy a round of golf with scenic views.

Beach Activities

Residents can easily access beautiful beaches along the Bellarine Peninsula, such as Point Lonsdale, Ocean Grove, and Barwon Heads, for swimming, surfing, and beach walks.

Wineries and Vineyards

The Bellarine Peninsula is home to several renowned wineries and vineyards where residents can enjoy wine tastings, cellar door experiences, and scenic views.

Dining and Picnicking

Residents can have leisurely picnics by the lakes or visit local cafes and restaurants in nearby towns for dining with waterfront views.



Wildlife Watching

The Bellarine Peninsula is rich in wildlife, offering opportunities for birdwatching and spotting native fauna in natural habitats.

Art and Culture

Residents can explore local art galleries, museums, and cultural events in nearby towns like Geelong and Queenscliff.

Overall, living in Bellarine Lakes provides a range of recreational activities that celebrate the natural beauty and lifestyle of the Bellarine Peninsula, making it a desirable location for those who enjoy outdoor pursuits and relaxation in a picturesque setting.

Things to do in Bellarine Lakes



Wine tasting



Explore Portarlington



Adventure Park Geelong



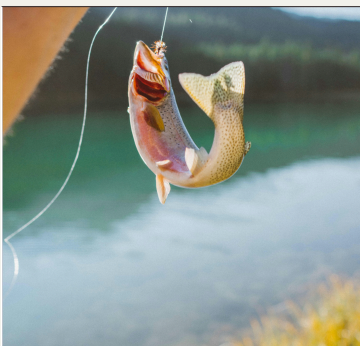
Bellarine Peninsula Coast



Queenscliff Harbour



Maritime Museum



Fishing



Local Markets



Bellarine Rail Trail



Useful links

Local Council

[Geelong Australia](#)

Australian Bureau of Statistics

For census and cost of living data

<http://www.abs.gov.au/>

Property

realestate.com.au

domain.com.au

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Bupa respectfully acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we live and work. We pay our respects to Elders past, present, and emerging – for they hold the memories, the traditions, the culture and the hopes of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples across the nation.

