

Live Like locals

GENERAL SUGGESTIONS FOR YOUR ENJOYMENT!

In planning (particularly accommodation) for The Festival why not consider making a real break of it? Visit Orange F.O.O.D. Week - it concludes a few days before our event begins. Check it out here [Home | Food Of Orange District \(orangefoodweek.com.au\)](http://orangefoodweek.com.au).

Welcome to Orange,

We hope you enjoy your stay here and have a chance to explore our town and surroundings.

At our local **Visitor Information Centre**, 151 Byng St. knowledgeable staff members offer multiple suggestions of activities to entertain you. They will also tell you about walking and cycling around the area and about tours to farms and vineyards. Have a look at the Information Centre building with its sloping lawn roof designed for children (and intrepid adults) to roll down! You can reach the roof top via the steps, or find the lift hidden around the corner. It is located in our cultural hub with the Museum, the Art Gallery, Library and Theatre right on the spot.

WITHIN WALKING DISTANCE OF THE MERCURE HOTEL

We think you may enjoy the following experiences. Look on the internet for more detailed information and bookings. Very approximate walking times are noted in **bold**.

Excellent Coffee: Coffee addicts refuel yourselves!

- **Cafe Latte** is on the south side of the Uniting Church building at 217 Anson S, , a few steps towards Summer St from the Ex Servos front door. Serves breakfast and lunch. Closed Sunday. 2 mins.
- **Harley and Hem** Walk across Byng St, and down the hill past the scaffolded Metropolitan Hotel. Open every day 3 mins.
- **Hawkes General Store** Fabulous gift shop with coffee in the courtyard 46 Sale St. Closed Sunday. 6 mins. Byng St Local Store (cafe). Breakfast, lunch 7 days, dinner Wednesday to Saturday. Book on-line. 02 6362 0768, 47 Byng St. 10 mins.

Indulgences. 10 mins. Almost on our Congress doorstep are three wonderful bakeries/patisseries and a gelateria. All are within strolling distance of the venue.

- Fabulous **Racine Bakery** is across Summer St, on the corner of the Orange Arcade (142 Summer St.) and the Woolworths car park.
- **The Sugar Mill** is at 26B Sale St.,
- **Hansel and Gretel** is across Sale St. at 118 Summer St.
- We also boast **Spilt Milk Bar** selling Australian Gelato all year round at 45 Sale St.
- **Stan's** sells fish and chips at 114 Summer St.,
- **Maithil Rasoi** serves Indian at 116 and
- you can hire a bike from **DG Cycle Co** at 110!

The Union Bank, Schoolhouse restaurant and Courtyard, excellent for lunch and dinner. Share plates. 02 6311 1770, 84 Byng St. cnr. Sale St, **5 mins**

Lucetta Dining. Authentic Italian food prepared with local ingredients. Very popular, very small, best for parties of 2 - 6, must book. 02 6365 3603, 211 Lords Place. **9 mins**

Hey Rosey Wine Bar. Funky 20-seater wine bar, if you prefer a table reservations are a must. Great wine, delicious food. 301 Summer Street. Bookings on line, **12 mins**

Badlands Brewery. Call in for a locally made beer or two or organise a group to take a tour of the brewery , book 0423 113 084. Sale St car park between Byng and Summer Steets. **7 mins**

Raku Izakaya. Great Japanese food. A local favourite, a good idea to book lunch or dinner. 0428 759 050 129 Summer St. **7 mins**

Ferment Wine Centre. Tastings Monday to Saturday 11.00am - 9.00pm. 02 6360 4833 87 Hill St. **10 mins**

Washington and Co Whiskey Saloon. Excellent whiskeys, food available nearby (ask staff for advice). Walk-ins only. 0418 408 046 **12 mins**

Mr Lim Korean & Chinese Diner. For Asian deliciousness it's hard to go past this restaurant. 02 6360 1122. 282 Summer St. **10 mins**

Cured, our favourite continental deli, is in the Orange Arcade, 142 Summer St. or from the Woolworths car park. Stefan makes his own products from local ingredients. His charcuteries platters, European sausages, smoked meats and pates are renowned and blend perfectly with local wine.

The Lane Cellars, an independent bottle shop. Next to Cured in the Orange Arcade. Carries selection of premium local wine and beers as many other Australian wines and craft beers.

Shopping all round central Orange, roughly bounded by Sale, Byng, Peisley and Kite streets. Browse boutiques such The White Place, Hawkes General Store, Frockwork (pre-loved clothing), Cint, Danielle Louise, Mary and Tex, Chaos and Karma and many more. Dirty Janes is a complex of many shops selling all sorts of goodies a few steps up Byng St. from the Mercure.

Orange is a very liveable country town. We have galleries, specialist shops, music, churches, theatre, too many available activities for us to list. Golfing, cycling, lawn bowls, various gyms can all be checked out on the internet. If there is something you would like to do, just ask at the Visitor Centre if it is available.

Outside the CBD many enterprises are flourishing but visitors need transport unless you book a tour. There are restaurants, a gin producer called Parrot almost in town, the Agrestic Grocer, Small Acres Cyder, Borenore Caves , Charles Sturt Uni., orchards, Gaanha Bula Mount Canobolas and beautiful Lake Canobolas. Cycling, fishing, rock climbing, check at the Visitors Center or on line.

Thank you for coming and please Come Again.