



# Bendigo Events Planning Guide 2020-2022



Your guide to planning a successful event in Greater Bendigo





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## Acknowledgement of country

The City of Greater Bendigo is on Dja Dja Wurrung and Taungurung Country.

We acknowledge and extend our appreciation to the Dja Dja Wurrung and Taungurung People, the Traditional Owners of the land.

We pay our respects to leaders and Elders past, present and emerging for they hold the memories, the traditions, the culture and the hopes of all Dja Dja Wurrung and Taungurung Peoples.

We express our gratitude in the sharing of this land, our sorrow for the personal, spiritual and cultural costs of that sharing and our hope that we may walk forward together in harmony and in the spirit of healing.





# About Greater Bendigo

Greater Bendigo a thriving regional city, with an established reputation as a hub for arts and culture, various cultural and sporting events and beautiful gold rush heritage. Bendigo is one of Australia's largest inland cities, supporting a local population of 118,000 and regional population of more than 240,000.<sup>1</sup> Bendigo is a service hub for central Victoria, for health services, higher education, business and transport. Located just two hours from Melbourne by road or train, a 90-minute drive from Melbourne Airport, Bendigo's own airport also offers direct flights to and from Sydney.

In 2019, Bendigo became a UNESCO Creative City of Gastronomy. The designation recognises our region's diverse food culture and our community's commitment to local, sustainable, delicious and creative produce.



1. Estimated Residential Population, ABS



# Introducing Greater Bendigo

## Economy

Our main industries are healthcare and social assistance, retail, manufacturing, construction, and education and training. The region's economy is valued at \$10.6B per annum.<sup>2</sup> Large employers range from major institutional organisations to private business, including Bendigo Health, Bendigo and Adelaide Bank, Hazeldene's Chicken Farm, Thales Australia, Australian Defence Apparel, La Trobe University, Keech Australia, SERCO, Parmalat, MSD Animal Health, Fosterville and Mandalay Resources mines, Industrial Conveyancing, Hofmann Engineering, various Victorian Government departments and 7,900 small businesses that supply essential support services for a growing regional economy.<sup>3</sup>



## Arts and culture

Greater Bendigo's reputation as a leader in the provision of arts and cultural experiences has been firmly established over the past decade. Bendigo Art Gallery has developed a reputation for staging international-standard exhibitions that attract significant visitor numbers and deliver a dynamic and varied suite of public programs and events. The gallery is second only to the National Gallery of Victoria in terms of attendances at cultural institutions across Victoria.

Our many attributes, such as award-winning restaurants and cafes, a celebrated arts and culture scene, a range of festivals and major events, quality recreation facilities, and beautiful heritage and natural surrounds also contribute to our brand as a liveable community. The Capital and Ulumbarra Theatres host quality music, theatre and other performances throughout the year. There is always something to do and see in Bendigo.



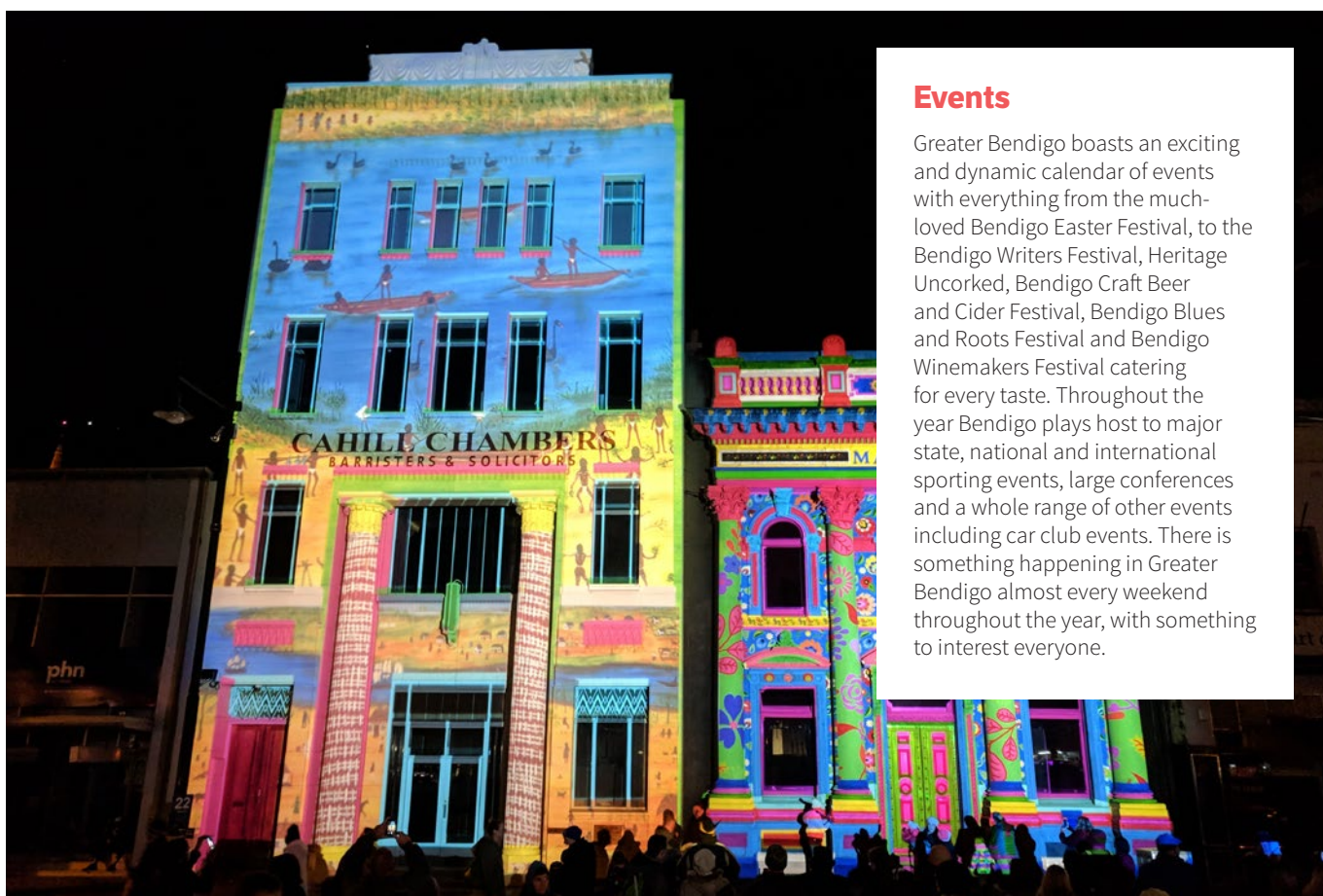
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3. 8165.0 - *Counts of Australian Businesses, including Entries and Exits*, June 2015 to June 2019, ABS





## Heritage

Bendigo's heritage is visible across the city and visitors can experience Bendigo's living history at the Central Deborah Gold Mine, the Golden Dragon Museum, Joss House Temple and Bendigo Tramways. Bendigo's stunning Rosalind Park and the Bendigo Botanic Gardens in White Hills offer great spaces to relax and take a break. Buildings like the Bendigo Town Hall and the old Post Office building (the Bendigo Visitor Centre) and many others, are beautiful examples of gold rush architecture visible in the city centre.



## Events

Greater Bendigo boasts an exciting and dynamic calendar of events with everything from the much-loved Bendigo Easter Festival, to the Bendigo Writers Festival, Heritage Uncorked, Bendigo Craft Beer and Cider Festival, Bendigo Blues and Roots Festival and Bendigo Winemakers Festival catering for every taste. Throughout the year Bendigo plays host to major state, national and international sporting events, large conferences and a whole range of other events including car club events. There is something happening in Greater Bendigo almost every weekend throughout the year, with something to interest everyone.





## Gastronomy

Bendigo and the region have been recognised by the UNESCO Creative Cities Network as a City of Gastronomy, joining 245 other creative cities around the world. Bendigo is the first city in Australia to become a City of Gastronomy. The designation recognises our region's diverse food culture and our community's commitment to local, sustainable, delicious and creative produce. Our story is about growing, sourcing, cooking and sharing food. It is about how our culture and heritage is represented and shared through what we eat and drink, the places we share meals, and the memories we make around food, family and community.



# How we can help

The City's Tourism and Major Events Unit can provide expert assistance to event organisers. Our team of experienced professionals have facilitated hundreds of successful large scale events and can provide all the advice and practical support needed for your event to be a success. Our team can assist with:

- **Sourcing venues**

We are here to help make your next business event a success and provide the perfect setting for your delegates to enjoy a memorable experience. The City has a superb range of unique spaces and venues, including the Capital and Ulumbarra Theatres, Bendigo Town Hall and many high-quality sporting facilities and venues for your specific needs. With so much choice, we'll help you find the right venue for your next conference, exhibition or special event.

- **Accommodation booking**

Our Visitor Services Team can help with sourcing and booking accommodation for your event participants, taking all the hassle out of organising your stay.

- **Traffic management**

Our team can provide assistance with organising any required traffic management plans or road closures.

- **Activities and attractions**

Our Visitor Services Team can create customised itineraries and activity packages for participants to enjoy, including of Bendigo's best known attractions.

- **Permit requirements**

We can provide advice and assistance in obtaining all the required permits for you event, including environmental health permits, event permits, filming permits and risk and public liability requirements.

- **Promotional support**

We can provide advice and support to turn your marketing ideas into reality and maximise potential opportunities with local media outlets to promote your business event, conference or special event in Bendigo.

- **Ticketing services**

Our team are happy to organise event registrations and ticketing services and provide tourism material for event delegates and attendees.

- **Connections and advice**

Our team knows what's happening where and when. They can help you make contact with local service providers who can ensure your event is a success and can provide quality advice about other considerations for your event.

- **All the extras**

For your business events, speak with our Business Events specialist for event rewards, corporate gifts from our Uniquely Bendigo range and other benefits we can assist you with so your delegates can enjoy the best from the city.



\*Conditions apply



## All Seasons Resort Hotel

All Seasons Resort Hotel, Bendigo is regional Victoria's foremost conference, event and accommodation venue and offers everything you would expect from an accredited 4.5 star hotel. Eleven versatile conference rooms can be reconfigured to meet every requirement from a board meeting for five to a function or event for 800.

Excellent conference packages include state of the art audio-visual equipment and a business centre is also available. The Bassford and Lansell Rooms have been specifically designed to cater for every sized conference, trade show or function. All functions and conferences held here are renowned for their comfort, adaptability and ultimately, their success.

All Seasons Resort Hotel is also the premier venue for weddings. These special celebrations are held in the beautiful surroundings of the elegant Conservatory or the Fernery for a more intimate gathering. For a larger wedding the Bassford and Lansell rooms can combine to cater for up to 450 guests. A genuine dedication to detail and excellence includes a specifically dedicated wedding co-ordinator to ensure the success of this very important day.

The accommodation features 79 deluxe rooms and facilities include a 17-metre horizon indoor heated swimming pool, spa and sauna. There is ample parking for cars and the opportunity to park close to individual rooms. As an added advantage, All Seasons Resort Hotel provides courtesy buses to shuttle local delegates to and from conferences. All Seasons Resort Hotel conference packages are designed to make every conference and function a success. Quick and easy packages for standard events and a range of upgrades are readily available.

Packages include the option for a full day event as well as longer conferences that need to include accommodation in the package. Everyone can easily wind down from a conference or event in the Hotel Sports and Lounge Bars and lunch or dinner in Seasons Bistro is an excellent opportunity to sample some of the highly regarded local wine.

Only 90 minutes from Melbourne and central to other major regional centres, All Seasons Resort Hotel has a well established reputation for delivering a high level of professional and personalised service.



Meeting Rooms total	11
Meeting Capacity	700
Accommodation Rooms	79
Accommodation capacity	270

ROOM NAME	AREA m <sup>2</sup>	Lm x Wm	Height	THEATRE	CLASSROOM	CABARET	COCKTAIL	BANQUET	U-SHAPE	BOARDROOM
Lansell 1	256.3	23 x 11	3.5	150	66	90	180	100	40	40
Lansell 2	112.2	10 x 11	3.5	70	36	48	80	60	25	25
Lansell 1 & 2 combined	333.1	34 x 11	3.5	350	150	120	380	200	-	-
Bassford 1	185	15 x 12	3.5	150	55	110	180	120	50	50
Bassford 2	127.5	10 x 12	3.5	60	40	60	100	60	30	30
Bassford 1 & 2	312.5	25 x 12.50	3.5	350	150	180	380	240	-	-
Lansell 1 & Bassford 1	407.3	23.50 x 14.80	3.5	450	200	180	400	220	-	-
Lansell & Bassford combined	630.55	23.50 x 24.30	3.5	800	300	300	760	400	-	-
Fernery Room	335.81	31.30 x 10.50	3.2	200	140	152	250	200	-	-
Conservatory	432.81	19 x 23	2.65	400	160	200	500	260	60	60
Atrium	106.08	10 x 10	2.65	80	40	48	120	60	32	20
Boardroom	35.72	9 x 4	2.65	-	-	-	-	-	-	10

These capacities do not include stage and dance floor.

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## Bendigo Art Gallery



With an outstanding permanent collection and dynamic innovative exhibitions, Bendigo Art Gallery is the leading regional gallery in Australia. The Gallery's Sculpture Annexe overlooking the beautiful Rosalind Park provides an impressive and unique backdrop for any event. Individual catering options can be provided through the Gallery Café, tailored to suit a range of corporate or private functions.

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## Bendigo District RSL



### Bendigo's best kept secret.

Bendigo District RSL is a fully licensed venue with a large bistro, function rooms, entertainment, sportsbar with TAB, al fresco areas and a memorabilia garden with tanks and a Bushmaster.

Bendigo District RSL is open from 8am to 2am Sunday to Wednesday and 8am to 4am Thursday to Saturday. We offer regular dining specials, weekly promotions, live music on a Friday night and run a courtesy bus service on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings.

There is ample free parking and wheelchair access at both entrances. You do not have to be a member to enjoy the venue, but it helps.

Members receive discounts on food and drinks, entry into regular competitions and promotions, eligibility to participate in the Thursday night members draw and use of the tennis courts.

Bendigo District RSL's function rooms comprise of five spaces- a full function room, a large function room, a small function room, a terrace and a brand new state-of-the-art

boardroom. The facility's function spaces are adaptable to most styles of set up and we welcome all kinds of functions: weddings, conferences, gala dinners, birthday parties, meetings, expos, product launches, training sessions and much more.

Contact the Functions Manager for more information.

Additional facilities include:

- 10ft x 6ft ceiling mounted projector screen
- Projector and laptop
- Microphone & lectern
- Whiteboard
- Wi-Fi
- Stage
- 75-inch interactive TV
- Tele-conferencing
- Tea and coffee
- Function menus to suit every occasion
- 300 free car parking spaces



ROOM NAME	AREA m <sup>2</sup>	Lm x Wm	THEATRE	CLASSROOM	CABARET	U-SHAPE	BOARDROOM	ROUND TABLES	LONG TABLES	MEETING SQUARE	INFORMAL
Full function room	-	-	220	-	110	-	-	160	-	-	-
Large function room	-	-	120	50	65	33	-	90	100	42	-
Small function room	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	60	-	-
Terrace	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	120
Boardroom	-	-	-	-	-	-	14	-	-	-	-

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## Bendigo Events & Exhibition Complex



One of Regional Victoria's largest event spaces offering two complexes with a combined indoor area of 11,000m<sup>2</sup> clear span space and huge arena, on 18 hectares and located less than 3kms from the CBD. The Prince of Wales Showgrounds is an affordable option for your next big event. The Complex hosts the annual Australian Sheep and Wool Show, National Swap Meet and Caravan and Camping Leisurfest. Spaces are available individually, in combinations or the entire 18 ha site, which includes ample on site and adjacent parking. Our excellent facilities are ideal for hosting a diverse range of regional, national and international events and exhibitions featuring:

- Home and Garden
- Building and Construction
- Music and festivals
- Food and wine
- Motoring displays
- Agriculture and farming
- Outdoor leisure and adventure
- Sport and recreation
- Performing arts / Theatre

**The Showgrounds Arena** is one of the largest outdoor arenas' in Victoria. The 32,000m<sup>2</sup> area, fenced or unfenced, with a 25,000m<sup>2</sup> grassed arena, is ideally suited to large scale outdoor events including music and food festivals. Currently the venue for Groovin the Moo, let your imagination create your remarkable event.

**The Bendigo Exhibition Centre** offers 5,000m<sup>2</sup> of clear span exhibition space suitable for large scale events such as agricultural shows, expo's, conferences, conventions and trade shows with drive through access for large vehicles.

The 435m<sup>2</sup> multipurpose room is an ideal space for product launches, conferences, seminars, fashion parades, trade shows, presentation and award dinners, etc. With an adjacent commercial kitchen, the room also offers a raised viewing window offering an outlook to the main exhibition space. Several catering options can be provided upon request.

The 270m<sup>2</sup> entrance foyer is ideal for event registrations, ticketing, sponsor recognition, pre-event entertainment, signage and displays and unlimited parking options.

**The Regional Events Centre** provides 6,000m<sup>2</sup> of clear span exhibition space and a 113m<sup>2</sup> entrance foyer, event office and kitchenette, suitable for large scale events, exhibitions, tradeshow, conferences, conventions and agricultural competitions.

Also containing several access points for large vehicles, the Regional Events Centre offers unlimited scope to creatively plan your next big event.



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## Bendigo Stadium



Bendigo Stadium is a multipurpose world class venue and the largest indoor stadium in regional Victoria. The stadium hosts a range of sporting events, concerts, exhibitions, conferences and functions. Located just over 4km west of the CBD and only 150km from Melbourne, with ample on-site parking and direct public transport links, Bendigo Stadium is easily accessible from any point in the city.

The Show Court Arena covers 2,600 square metres, seating an impressive 4,000 guests in fixed, retractable and floor seats. Additional spaces including the VIP Mezzanine, Sky Lounge, seven indoor courts and 12 outdoor netball courts offer versatility for hosting any style of event, while the large open concourse provides an ideal location for event activation, including pop-up shops, information stalls, promotional signage and collateral distribution.

Bendigo Stadium offers an extensive range of signage options to promote your event. Videowalls, point of sale graphics and LED screens can be combined to provide maximum awareness and impact. The venue is also equipped with the latest on-court technology; a four-screen Jumbotron suspended above the Show Court Arena can be used for live broadcast or a range of other applications while LED perimeter signage is accessible for commercial or event messaging.

Let Bendigo Stadium's dedicated event team assist with all your event planning

needs. The team will deliver a seamless end-to-end experience, providing you with guidance and recommendations along the way while helping to ensure that your event is a resounding success.

Spaces for hire:

- Show Court Area
- 7 indoor courts and 12 outdoor netball courts
- Sky Lounge function room
- VIP Mezzanine
- Concourse
- Board room located on ground floor
- Licensed restaurant and sports bar
- Serviced backstage green room and dressing rooms
- Event and production offices

Key features:

- Serviced box office
- 650 carpark spaces
- Wi-Fi internet
- Catering offered by in-house chefs
- Fully licenced venue
- Loading bay
- Jumbotron, video walls and LED screens
- International level sports lights suitable for broadcast TV
- Accessible venue for all ages and abilities
- Dedicated female and male change rooms



ROOM NAME	AREA m <sup>2</sup>	Lm x Wm	CONCERT	SPORT	SEATED DINING	COCKTAIL	CONFERENCE	EXHIBITION
Show Court Arena	2,680	67 x 40	4,000	4,000	1,700	2,500	3,000	150
Multipurpose courts	5,400	135 x 40	2,500	1,700	1,700	1,800	2,000	150
Sky Lounge	270	30 x 9	-	-	120	200	200	-
VIP Mezzanine	242	40 x 6	-	-	100	200	200	-
Bistro	-	21 x 11	-	-	180	-	-	-

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## Fosterville Gold Tennis Centre



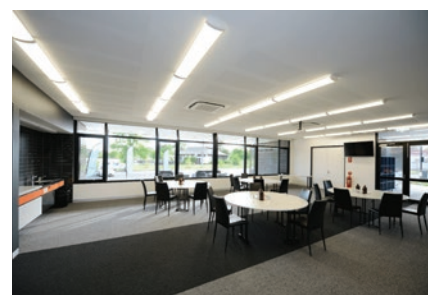
Now established as a premier venue in the Central Victorian event market, The Fosterville Gold Tennis Centre is the perfect location for your next event.

Catering for meetings, training days, conferences, seminars and special events our spaces are flexible and can be scaled to create the perfect setting for your needs.

With picturesque views looking over Lake Weeroona and world class tennis courts our team take pride in delivering a quality experience.

With only a 5 minute walk to Bendigo's Best restaurants in the CBD and a partnership with Quest Bendigo offering discounted rates, we can help offer your guests the ultimate experience.

With onsite café roasting coffee each morning and delivering fresh homemade catering each and every lunch, there really is no better option.



ROOM NAME	THEATRE	CABARET	COCKTAIL	U-SHAPE	BOARDROOM	SPECIAL EVENTS
Swan Room	60	40	60	25	18	-
Eagle Room	40	36	45	18	18	-
Swan and Eagle Room	120	90	180	28	18	-
Centre Complex	-	-	-	-	-	500

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## Meet at the Julie-Anna



### Why choose the Julie-Anna for your next conference, workshop or meeting?

Your event matters!

Hosting a successful event is a stressful undertaking. Whether it is a major sales presentation, seminar, product launch of a business luncheon...

The Julie-Anna is ideally located in the Lake Weeroona precinct, just 1.4 kms from Bendigo CBD.

The Ridge Room offers views over Lake Weeroona, an abundance of natural light, plus free on-site car parking.

The perfect location to host your next conference, meeting or event.

Our tranquil setting invites you to achieve your desired event goals.

Offering built in AV, and flexible floor plans.

Let our kitchen team create a menu to keep your team inspired and their creative juices flowing.

Our courtyard area extends to you the ideal break out space for team building activities.

With accommodation, parking, dining and event catering on site, the Julie-Anna is the conference venue of choice for event organisers in Bendigo.

Be inspired with our all-inclusive delegate packages or contact us to design and tailor your own package. Ask about our "Build Your Own Buddha Bowl" lunch option, a certain crowd favourite!

All packages include:

- Free Wi-Fi for all delegates
- Conference coordination support

Flexible floorplans for small groups of up to 10 through to groups of 60 banquet, theatre or cocktail style.

### Accommodation capacity:

Total beds = 49

Total capacity = 87



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## Quest Apartments / Mercure Bendigo Schaller Conference

### On the hunt for hassle-free meeting, conference and event spaces?

#### Get acquainted with the following properties of Bendigo.

Our spaces are fitted out with state-of-the-art technological solutions, flexible room set-ups and a range of catering options, all under the one roof.

Conference, meeting and event facilities:

- Function spaces for up to 50 people
- Flexible setup options
- Flat screen TVs with data connections
- Data projector and screen
- Heating and cooling systems
- Whiteboard and flipchart
- Wireless internet
- Mouth-watering in-house catering and day delegate packages
- On-site parking



### Mercure Bendigo Schaller

Positioned a hop away from the vibrant arts precinct, ensure your delegates and guests stay inspired within Mercure Bendigo Schaller's unique surrounds.

#### *The Workshop*

A unique conference and event space lit with an abundance of natural light and splashed with vibrant Schaller original artworks and sculptures.

#### *The Meeting Table*

In the centre of the action, make use of the lobby's modern, edgy surrounds. Ideal for small gatherings and semi-private breakout areas.



ROOM NAME	AREA m <sup>2</sup>	Lm x Wm	THEATRE	CLASSROOM	COCKTAIL	U-SHAPE	BOARDROOM
The Workshop	37.8	5.5 x 7	32	18	50	15	18
The Meeting Table	21.9	5 x 4.5	-	-	20	-	10

To book The Workshop or Meeting Table:

**Phone** +61 3 4433 6100 **Email** HB6S3@accor.com

### Quest Bendigo Central

Professional and purpose built, our conference room and apartments offer a versatile setting to suit our client's needs. Located close to the Bendigo CBD and picturesque Lake Weeroona.

To book Quest Bendigo Central conference and apartment meeting spaces:

**Phone** +61 3 5410 1300 **Email** questbendigocentral@questapartments.com.au



### Quest Bendigo

Located in Golden Square, ideal for both informal and formal meetings.

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## Ulumbarra Theatre



### Truly memorable experiences start with extraordinary locations.

Whether you're planning a major event, national conference, banquet dinner, product launch, seminar or celebration, Bendigo Venues & Events brings a diverse range of grand historic settings with modern performing arts and event capabilities.

Ulumbarra Theatre, the newest and largest of our family of venues rises from within the walls of the city's 1860's Sandhurst Gaol. With an auditorium capacity of 950, break out options include expansive foyers, adjoining studios and modern meeting rooms. Outside three historic courtyards are landscaped and perfect for a range of events.

There are many unique locations throughout Ulumbarra for creative event opportunities. Even the Ulumbarra main stage can be transformed to accommodate dinners or intimate performances.

The real benefit for event organisers choosing Ulumbarra is the ability to create a truly memorable event, delivered seamlessly by our professional team. The Bendigo Venues & Events team comprises experienced event planners, premium caterers, booking specialists and skilled technical staff ready to partner with you to deliver a professional and successful event.

Food and beverage options are many and varied and can be designed to match a particular season, event, style or location.

The name Ulumbarra means 'gather together' or 'meeting place' in the language of the Traditional Owners, the Dja Dja Wurrung. It blends heritage and modern elements beautifully, offering distinctive historic and state-of-the-art event spaces ensuring your guests will be impressed by the grandeur and the sophistication of your chosen event setting.



ROOM NAME	AREA m <sup>2</sup>	Lm x Wm	THEATRE	CLASSROOM	CABARET	COCKTAIL	BANQUET	U-SHAPE	BOARDROOM
Auditorium	-	-	950	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stage	364	28 x 13	250	104	192	250	240	50	-
Ground Floor Foyer	500	-	250	-	128	750	240	50	-
First Floor Foyer	220	-	120	-	60	200	120	30	-

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Theatre



## Bendigo Town Hall

Bendigo Town Hall allows you to spend your day surrounded in history. This classic building in the heart of Bendigo is one of the city's greatest architectural achievements from the late 19th century. Bendigo Town Hall has been returned to the elegance and beauty of its 19th century heritage after an extensive restoration and renovation program including plasterworks, murals and gold leaf worked by skilled artists and artisans.

Offering first class professional catering and technical support, the Bendigo Town Hall is the perfect location for functions and conferences with style and elegance.

As one of the most spectacular venues in central Victoria, overlooking the beautiful Civic Gardens, featuring a minstrel's gallery high above the main hall, you can be assured that your banquet, conference, trade show, in fact any event, will be the most talked about event of the year.



ROOM NAME	AREA m <sup>2</sup>	Lm x Wm	THEATRE	CLASSROOM	CABARET	COCKTAIL	BANQUET	U-SHAPE	BOARDROOM
Main Hall	378	21 x 18	380	230	264	380	330	50	-
Foyer	72	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gallery	35	10 x 3.5	30	20	-	50	30	-	16

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## The Capital

The Capital located in historic View Street, was originally built as the Sandhurst Masonic Hall in 1873 and boasts one of the finest entries of any arts centre in the nation, with towering Corinthian columns and an interior that has been restored to its original grandeur.

The 480 seat capacity Capital Theatre sits above two elegant heritage chambers – The Capital's Banquet Room and the Bendigo Bank Theatre.

The Capital's Banquet Room is an elegant space on the ground floor for larger group dinners, meetings, wedding receptions, awards nights, presentations or trade-show displays.

The Bendigo Bank Theatre is a unique space which was the original 1873 lodge room of the Freemasons and one of the most significant heritage spaces in Bendigo.

These heritage spaces with their ornate plasterwork, decorative stained glass and magnificent ceilings are all equipped with the latest audio visual equipment to facilitate any presentation. They each lead onto graceful foyer spaces serviced by kitchen and bar facilities.

Why not include The Engine Room or one of the city's most historic intimate buildings, Dudley House as unique additions to your event, both located right next to The Capital.



ROOM NAME	AREA m <sup>2</sup>	Lm x Wm	THEATRE	CLASSROOM	CABARET	COCKTAIL	BANQUET	U-SHAPE	BOARDROOM
Capital Theatre Auditorium	-	-	480	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Theatre Stage	117	13 x 9	132	65	96	120	120	40	-
Banquet Room	169	13 x 13	180	65	96	180	120	40	25
Bendigo Bank Theatre	112	14 x 8	140	65	64	180	80	30	25
Lanyon Room	36	9 x 4	25	-	-	50	-	-	16
Shades Bar	36	6 x 6	25	-	-	50	-	-	12

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## The Discovery Centre

Looking for a unique and exciting venue for your next event? Located in the heart of Bendigo, the Discovery Centre is highly convenient and offers an experience that can't be matched.

Strengthen your team with Discovery's Corporate Team Building Packages for up to 50 people. Foster team work with one of our Challenge Workshops, which combine creativity with engineering to solve problems. Build confidence through a series of unique challenges such as conquering the Vertical Slide and solving puzzles, and explore the universe together in our Planetarium Show.

Choose the Discovery Centre for your corporate event with three dynamic spaces for hire, or the option of the entire centre to yourselves.

### *The Boardroom*

Overlook the centre in this private office space with kitchenette. The flexible layout allows for a capacity of 20-25 people.

### *The Laboratory*

A fun, colourful and science-themed space where messes can be made, and a capacity of 30 people.

### *The Auditorium*

This large and versatile space has been freshly renovated to honour its history, and boasts a capacity of up to 100 people.

All spaces include tea and coffee facilities, Wi-Fi access, amenities and an option to experience the Discovery Centre.

Check our website for more information.



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## La Trobe Art Institute

La Trobe Art Institute is situated in the arts precinct of Bendigo, opposite the Bendigo Art Gallery and the Capital Theatre on View Street. LAI is a contemporary gallery with a modern, fully equipped auditorium, meeting room, foyer and courtyards that are available for events.

The auditorium offers tiered seating for up to 90 guests. Facilities include dedicated laptop computer, ceiling mounted data projector and DVD/Blu-ray player with touch screen controls, large projection screen, lectern and whiteboard.

The reception/foyer area provides space for pre- and post-event catering and access to two external courtyards. Up to four trestle-style tables are available for catering purposes and/or display of printed material and registration desk.

The Meeting Room provides an ideal break-out area or quiet space away from other activities. The room seats up to a dozen people in conference style format, and facilities include internet connectivity, large flat screen monitor and whiteboard, and some self-catering facilities.

For any bookings and inquiries please contact the LAI on 5444 7272 or email us at [lai@latrobe.edu.au](mailto:lai@latrobe.edu.au)



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# Accommodation

Bendigo spoils visitors with a broad range of accommodation options to suit all styles and budgets. Choose from a cosy bed and breakfast to a contemporary art inspired hotel, sophisticated boutique retreat's, 3-4.5 star motels and holidays parks that can accommodate large groups in beautiful modern facilities.

Bendigo offers accommodation for approximately 4,000 people, with clusters of accommodation surrounding major event facilities even the largest groups can be conveniently located close to your event venue.

## Motel/Hotel

Property	Total Beds	Total Capacity
Alexandra Place	31	61
All Seasons Resort Hotel Bendigo	123	277
Barclay On View	54	83
Bendigo Goldfields Motor Inn	17	28
Bendigo Mclvor Motor Inn	29	48
Bendigo Oval Motel	53	73
Bendigo Welcome Stranger Motel	37	54
BEST WESTERN Cathedral Motor Inn	44	95
Best Western Crystal Inn	37	110
Central Deborah Motel	49	75
City Centre Motel	57	100
Elm Motel	22	37
Golden Reef Motor Inn	42	76
Golden Square Motor Inn	19	31
Heathcote Retreat Motel	40	74
Julie-Anna Inn, Bendigo	49	85
National Hotel Accommodation	98	142
Quality Hotel Lakeside	130	172
Quality Inn Colonial	69	100
Sandhurst Motor Inn Bendigo	34	51
Tea House Motor Inn	50	76
The Heritage Bendigo	38	76
Hotel Shamrock	54	96
Mercure Bendigo Schaller	129	248

## Boutique

Property	Total Beds	Total Capacity
Balgownie Estate Accommodation	29	63
Barkly B & B	4	4
Bendigo Cottages Bed & Breakfast	6	11
Bishopscourt Bed & Breakfast	6	10
Lynnevale Estate Bed & Breakfast	3	6
River Gardens Axedale	2	2
Sandhurst Ridge Bed & Breakfast	2	4
Stonehaven on Monsants	4	8
Allawah Bendigo	50	92
The Suites, Villa Belgravia	3	6

## Caravan Park

Property	Total Beds	Total Capacity
A-Line Holiday Park	42	65
Avondel Caravan Park	62	83
Big4 Bendigo Ascot Holiday Park	168	222
Big4 Bendigo Marong Holiday Park	76	98
Big4 Bendigo Park Lane Holiday Park	145	194
Gold Nugget Tourist Park	166	208

## Self Contained

Property	Total Beds	Total Capacity
Abbey View	2	4
Abide on Beischer	7	14
Banksia Heights	2	4
Bendigo Holiday Accommodation	15	22
Bendigo Holiday Rentals Barnard Retreat	6	9
Bendigo Holiday Rentals Hargreaves House	2	6
Bendigo Holiday Rentals Victorias Cottage	4	6
Bridge Haven	4	8
Carramar Farm	6	8
DeBeers Townhouses	8	12
GilGraves Vineyard Farmstay	5	7
Grandview Apartment	1	2
Grape Escape Cottage	4	6
Harper House	5	8
Havlin House	4	8
Home Flat House	3	5
Hustler's Reef	3	4
Jamar Lodge	4	5
Learmonths Place	5	9
Number 12	3	4
Oasis Residential Accommodation	15	18
Pengallie	5	5
Pownall's Cottage	2	3
Quest Bendigo	115	156
Quest Bendigo Central	146	183
Ravenswood Retreat	5	4
St Aidans Self Contained Apartment	7	11
Stay Social	10	12
Stays on Forest	3	5
The Cellars @ Heathcote II	4	8
The Graduate Bendigo	47	47
The Residence of MacKenzie Quarters	7	10
Vineyard Views @ The Shiraz Republic	7	14







## Bendigo Heritage Attractions



Discover Bendigo's fascinating gold story and how it shaped the city. Choose one of the attractions below or package them up for the full experience.

Central Deborah Gold Mine is Australia's premier underground tourist mine experience which tells the story of Australia's richest goldfield.

Take a trip through history aboard a Vintage Talking Tram and discover the oldest operating tram depot in Australia, dating back to 1903. Learn more about Bendigo's first people aboard the Dja Dja Wurrung Tram or hear about Bendigo's fascinating history on our standard tour.

At the Bendigo Joss House you can discover more about the Chinese migrants who came to Bendigo in search of gold so long ago. Learn more about fascinating Chinese culture at this heritage-listed building which will celebrate its 150th year in 2021.

Tours can be tailored to suit your needs. Just call Bendigo Heritage Attractions' dedicated bookings coordinator to find out more.

If you are looking for a unique evening activity, enjoy some drinks in true Bendigo style aboard the drinks tram, available for charter hire.



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## Bendigo Party Hire



**Bendigo Party Hire** has been the key to creating successful events for over 25 years, from private celebrations to large corporate trade shows, Bendigo Party Hire has remained locally owned and operated.

**We provide innovative,** attractive and affordable solutions and products for all kinds of business events and celebrations across Bendigo and throughout Central Victoria. Event organisers will save time and money when working with the Bendigo Party Hire team, as our vast experience with private enterprise and local government requirements assist you to avoid red tape and permit confusion.

**We've been providing marquees** and hire equipment within private and public spaces for more than 25 years and can guide you to ensure everything you require is in order. Whether your event is catering for 10 or 1000 people Bendigo Party Hire has everything you need to ensure success.

**Our extensive product** and equipment list ranges from trade show booths, staging, catering equipment, flooring and marquees through to decorations, crockery and silverware.

**For trade show and conference organisers,** Bendigo Party Hire now offers exhibition booths and trade counters that will professionally promote your products and business. Our booths and counters are completely customisable, the addition of company names and brand logos are an effective marketing tool.

**Planning for success** is easy when you eliminate worry and stress concerning unexpected weather or extreme conditions. Our range of quality marquees will keep guests sheltered, you can even warm them up with our range of gas and electric heaters. Planning services are available and recommended, talk to us about your ideas and browse our variety of products to ensure your event is customised to be exactly the right style and theme that you require.

**From corporate to glamorous,** your event can look just how you imagined it – your vision can become a reality.



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## Bendigo Visitor Centre



### Supporting your next event, meeting or conference in Bendigo

The Bendigo Visitor Centre offers a range of services to assist you in delivering a successful event, meeting or conference. A team of local specialists provide quality personal service with attention to detail, minimising your event organising workload and ensuring your delegates are well looked after.

### Centrally Coordinated Accommodation Booking Service

- Working with over 100 local accommodation providers, our accommodation specialists will assist with booking your delegates into accommodation that suits their needs
- Complex, special requirement and tailored bookings are our speciality
- Personally managed bookings online or over the phone for your delegates, with one point of contact making it easy, fast and convenient
- Tap our resources to block book rooms to ensure you can secure the accommodation your event needs in advance at competitive rates
- Complimentary booking service for all conferences and events within the Bendigo region

### Melbourne (Tullamarine) Airport / Bendigo Airport to Bendigo CBD Transfers

Our team works with local transport operators to offer numerous pick up and drop off services, 7 days a week, to ensure your delegates receive a safe and comfortable trip to and from Melbourne/ Bendigo airports.

### Conference Tour or Partners Programs

Our local specialists work with the Conference Organiser to design and tailor Conference Activities or Partners Programs, whilst offering a centrally coordinated booking service for local attractions.

### Delegate Registration and Ticketing services

Our tailored registration and ticketing services provide a range of option for pre-selling your conference or event online, over the phone or face-to-face. Contact us to discuss your event or conference needs.

### On Site Event Support

Our mobile team can deliver Bendigo information to your delegates during key registration or entry times.

Contact us to discuss our package options.

### Add a historic flare to your business meetings and events

The Federation Room and Basement Room are located under The Old Post Office (Bendigo Visitor Centre) at 51-67 Pall Mall. Central to the Bendigo CBD and boasting the historic factor, the Federation Room or the Basement are the perfect place for smaller meetings and event groups.

Both rooms cater for between 5 to 50 people. The Federation Room has the flexibility to be set-up for theatre, boardroom and reception style meetings and has the option of whiteboard and television for presentations. The Basement is styled for cocktail events and smaller seated groups. Both rooms can be hired together to allow for flexibility and breakout options during your meeting or event.

To find out more about these unique meeting and event spaces or to organise a viewing please contact the Bendigo Visitor Centre.



ROOM NAME	THEATRE	CLASSROOM	CABARET	COCKTAIL	BANQUET	U-SHAPE	BOARDROOM
The Federation Room	35	-	-	50	-	-	12
The Basement	-	-	-	50	-	-	-

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## Power AV



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- Rigging

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## Bendigo Airport



Bendigo Airport offers frequent daily QantasLink flights to Sydney, offering you the option of a short, convenient and hassle-free journey to and from Bendigo.

The direct two-hour flight provide the perfect gateway between the two cities, so booking your next business event here in Bendigo couldn't be easier.

Bendigo Airport is conveniently located just 5.5kms from Bendigo city centre. The flight crew can pre book a taxi so you and other event delegates arrive relaxed with a waiting vehicle, which means more time to enjoy your business event and beautiful Bendigo during your stay.

On departure, you can expect a hassle-free check-in with no lines and a café serving barista-made coffee, ensuring a comfortable and relaxing trip home.

For all information about Qantas flights to and from Bendigo Airport go to [www.qantas.com](http://www.qantas.com) or call 13 13 13.

For other information go to [www.bendigo.vic.gov.au/Services/Bendigo-Airport](http://www.bendigo.vic.gov.au/Services/Bendigo-Airport)



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# Day trips from Bendigo

Organise some time out for your participants so they can explore the many fascinating villages and townships of the surrounding area.

## Tour 1: Heathcote and surrounds

From cellar doors to tranquil bushlands...

### Heathcote 35 minutes by car

Heathcote is nestled amidst Box-Ironbark forests and showcases locally-grown wines, natural bushlands, and village shopping at its best – making it a special place to visit.

**Highlights:** Visit winemakers at their cellar doors / Pink Cliffs Reserve / Viewing Rock & Devil's Cave / Mt. Ida.

## Tour 2: Castlemaine and surrounds

From farm-gates to creative buzz...

### Harcourt Valley 20 minutes by car

Discover Harcourt Valley, being championed as the apple, pear and cider centre of Victoria.

**Highlights:** Cider Mills and Orchards / Mount Alexander Food & Wine Trail / Award Winning Wineries / Mount Alexander Regional Park

### Castlemaine 30 minutes by car

Renowned for the arts, food and wine, Castlemaine is a relaxed place with a sophisticated feel in a stately 19th century setting. Once one of the world's richest shallow alluvial goldfields; the town is now abuzz with vibrant cafés, providores, eclectic shops, contemporary and vintage fashion, historic homes, gracious gardens, art galleries and nearby wineries.

**Highlights:** Buda Historic Home & Garden / Castlemaine Art Gallery & Historical Museum / Theatre Royal / XXXX Antique Complex, Castlemaine Botanical Gardens

### Maldon 40 minutes by car

With its intact heritage streetscape, this old goldmining town was the first to be declared 'notable' by the National Trust of Australia in 1966. A historic steam train links Maldon to Castlemaine and galleries with fine food, cosy cafés, innovative shops and antique shops line the streets

**Highlights:** Mount Tarrengower / Carmen's Tunnel Gold Mine / Beehive Chimney / Victorian Goldfields Railway / Penny School Gallery / Maldon Vintage Museum

## Tour 3: Lake Eppalock

From fishing to watersports...

### Lake Eppalock 30 minutes by car

Lake Eppalock is perfect for water based activities and outdoor group picnics. Constructed on the Campaspe River in the 1960s, this vast lake has always been popular for boating, water-skiing, fishing and swimming. Why not have a lunch box delivered to your group?

**Highlights:** Picnic by the Lake / Waterskiing and Boating / Fishing / Visit nearby Redesdale

## Tour 4: Echuca and surrounds

From historic paddlesteamers to flavoursome foods...

### Elmore 30 minutes by car

Elmore might be small, but each October more than 40,000 visitors flood the town for the annual Elmore Field Days.

**Highlights:** Campaspe Run Rural Discovery Centre / Picturesque Campaspe River.

### Echuca Moama 70 minutes by car

Take to the waters in Echuca Moama – a charming riverboat port. It is the "paddlesteamer" capital of Australia, with an early history as a bustling river port.

**Highlights:** Paddlesteamers / Riverboat Port / Golf and Clubs / Murray River

## Tour 5: Natural wonders

From gold fossicking to vineyards...

### Loddon Region 45 minutes by car

Gold fossickers still visit this area hoping to strike it rich. The townships of Inglewood, Tarnagulla and Wedderburn offer historic sites, gold fossicking and bushwalking. Vineyards, farming land and massive olive plantations are also dotted around this large and productive region.

**Highlights:** Gold Fossicking / Wineries / Recreational Pursuits / Loddon River

For more information on the day trips from Bendigo visit: [www.bendigotourism.com](http://www.bendigotourism.com)

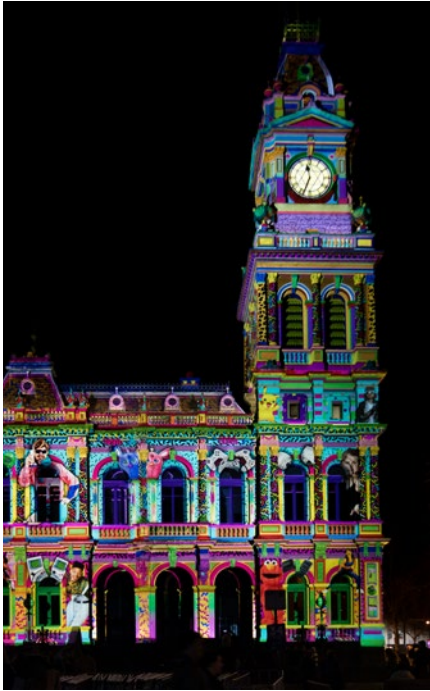




## Bendigo Central Business District







# Uniquely perfect business events



For more information and all event enquiries contact the Major Event Team on +61 3 5434 6000 or visit Major Events at [www.bendigo.vic.gov.au](http://www.bendigo.vic.gov.au)

