



YARRA VALLEY BALLOON FLIGHT AND WINERY TOUR

Yarra Valley



A spectacular way to see the best of the Yarra Valley with Victoria's leading hot air balloon company, Global Ballooning. Combine a flight and wine tour, a perfect way to spend a day in the Yarra Valley. Let the breeze usher you in a hot air balloon along corridors of grape vines and over the Yarra River as you take in breathtaking views of mountains that surround the spectacular valley. These breathtaking views change with the seasons and are especially awe inspiring when taken in from a vantage of 3,000 feet. Enjoy a sense of timelessness and adventure, combined with the comfort of knowing you are in safe and expert hands.

Yarra Valley Balloon Flight and Winery Tour

1 hour before Sunrise

Depart Melbourne CBD Hotel for transfer to the Yarra Valley launch site



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Just 50 minutes from the Melbourne CBD lie the lush hillsides of the Yarra Valley. A place of diverse and rich history stretching back to the first settlers. The Yarra Valley is home to 90 vineyards and 35 wineries, many of which hold a reputation for creating world-class wines. Yarra Valley is also renowned for being one Victoria's largest tourist destinations.

Inclusions:

- Complete flight and ground insurance.
- Launch and landing government fees in and around the Yarra Valley
- Peace of mind that you have chosen to fly with Victoria's leading hot air ballooning operator offering the most professional service. You will be in the hands of the most experienced pilots and ground crew in the business.
- A carbon neutral flight - by choosing to fly with Global Ballooning you will be helping to restore biodiversity and essential habitat for native fauna, improve water quality and salinity problems. This is because Global Ballooning is the only Victorian operator to offset our emissions.
- In-flight photography with the opportunity to purchase a souvenir CD compilation and DVD pack after the flight.

After the Flight Full cooked breakfast at Balgownie Estate with complimentary champagne

Our wine tour will depart regardless – if your flight is cancelled your meeting point for the wine tour will be amended to one of our Melbourne city meeting point – we have 4 within the CBD.

Drop back at approx 4.45pm

After Breakfast Global Ballooning transfer to Yering Station

The time of the transfer changes depending on the time of year and sunrise. There may be some time to enjoy Yering Station Wines and even grab a coffee at Chateau Yering. In the summer you may be dropped off as early as 8.30am.

10:45am Depart Yering Station Winery

Australian Wine Tour Company guide/driver will collect you from Yering Station Wines to commence the wine tour portion of the tour.

11:00am Greenstone Vineyard



Greenstone Vineyard is beautifully situated on a single site in the picturesque Yarra Valley, an hour's drive from Melbourne. The Winery and Cellar Door, which are nestled into the base of the Christmas Hills, have unparalleled views of the Estate vineyard and Great Dividing ranges. It is here that winemaking operations are carried out, making Greenstone one of the most progressive wineries in the valley.

12.00noon Balgownie Estate



Indulge in a guided tasting session at Balgownie Estate tasting table. Make your selection of wine for lunch and take your complimentary glass of wine to the eatery. Lunch includes main meal, a glass of Balgownie Estate wine & tea or coffee.

1:30pm Yering Farm



The old hay shed situated at the top of the hill, overlooks stunning views, has been converted into a charming rustic Cellar Door, oozing with character. The Cellar Door proudly showcases antique cooper tools used by pioneer winemakers over a century ago. A fantastic environment to enjoy superb wines made with traditional winemaking techniques.

2:15pm Soumah of Yarra Valley



Soumah of Yarra Valley - The Yarra Valley cool climate focus allows this winery to specialize in wine styles and varieties typical to northern Italy and south eastern France. With awards for Chardonnay and Pinot Noir and a passion for northern Italian varieties, you will be sure to find something pleasing while overlooking the rolling hills of the vineyard and the majestic Warramate Hills.

3:30pm Leave Yarra Valley back to Melbourne

4:30-5pm Return to Drop off points

**Itinerary is subject to change

FEATURES

- 1 hour sunrise balloon flight over the Yarra Valley
- Gourmet champagne breakfast
- A Real Wine Expert, (not a snob!) as your guide that will entertain and educate you
- Cellar Door Tasting at Greenstone, Soumah, Yering Farm and Balgownie Estate
- A La Carte Lunch at Balgownie Estate including a glass of estate wine
- Departs daily (except Dec 25 and 26)
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