



Australian Cycling Holidays *Itinerary*

Bass Beaches Family Cycle Tour

3 days

Day 1: Cowes to San Remo 23 km cycle.

Route Overview On cycle paths for most of the day. Some quiet roads along the beach front where you will find many hidden bays and beaches. In the afternoon, you cross over the Phillip Island bridge to San Remo.

Meet the Australian Cycling Holidays team at Cowes Waterfront Jetty, right in the middle of Cowes, at 10:30 am. Bikes are fitted, maps provided, routes explained, your luggage is collected for delivery to the hotel, and then you're off!

This morning's cycle takes you through the original bushland of Roberts Reserve where there are many wallabies, birds and even koalas. Continue along the quiet roads with beach and headland views to cross the bridge at Newhaven. Have some fun at Amaze'n'Things and check out the Koalas at the Koala Park. At San Remo take a walk to back beach to see the entrance to Westernport or just enjoy some Fish and Chips!



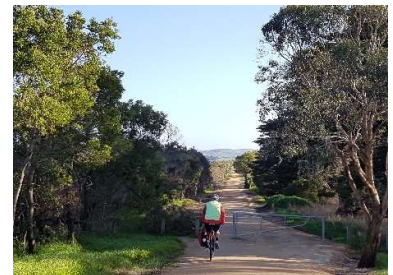
Day 2: San Remo to Kilcunda, 24km.

Route Overview Today is all on bicycle paths. You will need to take your lunch and water along. Cycle with spectacular views to Westernport Bay join the Bass Coast Rail Trail and cycle right to Woolamai. Retrace your path to finish at Kilcunda.

After breakfast, you cycle out of San Remo towards Anderson on the cycle path. You have views of the beautiful Westernport Bay all the way along. There are quite a few vista points! Take care on the steep parts of this path which may require a short walk at times.

At Anderson, there is a picnic table where you can stop for a picnic. From here you turn left and head downhill to Woolamai. It is 6kms to the end of the Rail Trail and the Woolamai country race course. Return to Anderson and cycle to Kilcunda where you will stay. Kilcunda has a magnificent, wild beach. However there are no flags, so no swimming, but wonderful walking.

If you wish you can cycle direct to Kilcunda by turning right at Anderson which will be 12 kms total of cycling. At Kilcunda there is the wonderful George Bass Coastal walk which wanders along the headlands. The walk is 7km long (14km return). There are many headlands and beaches to see along the way. You can return whenever you want.



Day 3: Kilcunda to Wonthaggi State Coal Mine, 16km

Route Overview A lovely ride on the Bass Coast rail trail. Today you cycle through the rolling dairy farms and past wetlands with many birds. Have lunch in Wonthaggi and head to the State No1 Coal Mine and go underground.

On Day 3 you take off for Wonthaggi along the Bass Coast Rail Trail. You will have stunning beach and country scenes as you ride along. See how many black swans you can count. Did you know they are native to Australia?

Wonthaggi is a great place to stop for lunch and to enjoy the local produce. Make sure you take a look at the Whalebone Hotel where whale jawbones that washed up on a local beach in the 1930's have been mounted. The old Railway Station is now a museum and well worth a look. See if you can find pictures of the Pit Ponies.

After lunch its back on your bikes to cycle out to the State Coal mine and, if you like, take an underground tour. These are twice daily at 11am and 2pm. Then cycle back to Wonthaggi where we will meet you at the end of your tour.



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