



MURRAYVILLE HISTORIC WALK

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| 1 Private Residences, built 1913 (shops & café) | 14 Fire Station, Brigade founded 1936 |
| 2 Grocery Shop 1913, then Butchers Shop (now Take Away) | 15 Masonic Lodge 1921-2001 (now privately owned) |
| 3 Murrayville Hall, opened 1957 | 16 Hospital 1954-1992 (Now Community Health Centre) |
| 4 Hotel, built 1918 | 17 Flora Reserve |
| 5 Pine Hill Walk | 18 Community College |
| 6 Railway Station 1913-1960's (Now Whistle Stop Craft Shop) | 19 Consolidated School 1944-1994 (Private Residence) |
| 7 Lions Park, Toilets | 20 Swimming Pool opened 1951 |
| 8 Rachael Sporn sign | 21 Caravan Park updated 2007 |
| 9 Silo erected 1939 | 22 Uniting Church 1912 |
| 10 Wally's Window painted 1949 | 23 Church of England 1929 |
| 11 Pioneer Park (site of the Victoria Hotel) | 24 Catholic Church 1937 |
| 12 Post Office built 1926 | 25 Museum 2006 (was Buff Lodge) |
| 13 Police Station 1998, First Police Station built 1914 | 26 Lutheran Church 1923 |
| 13 Court House 1914-1970's (now SES) | |



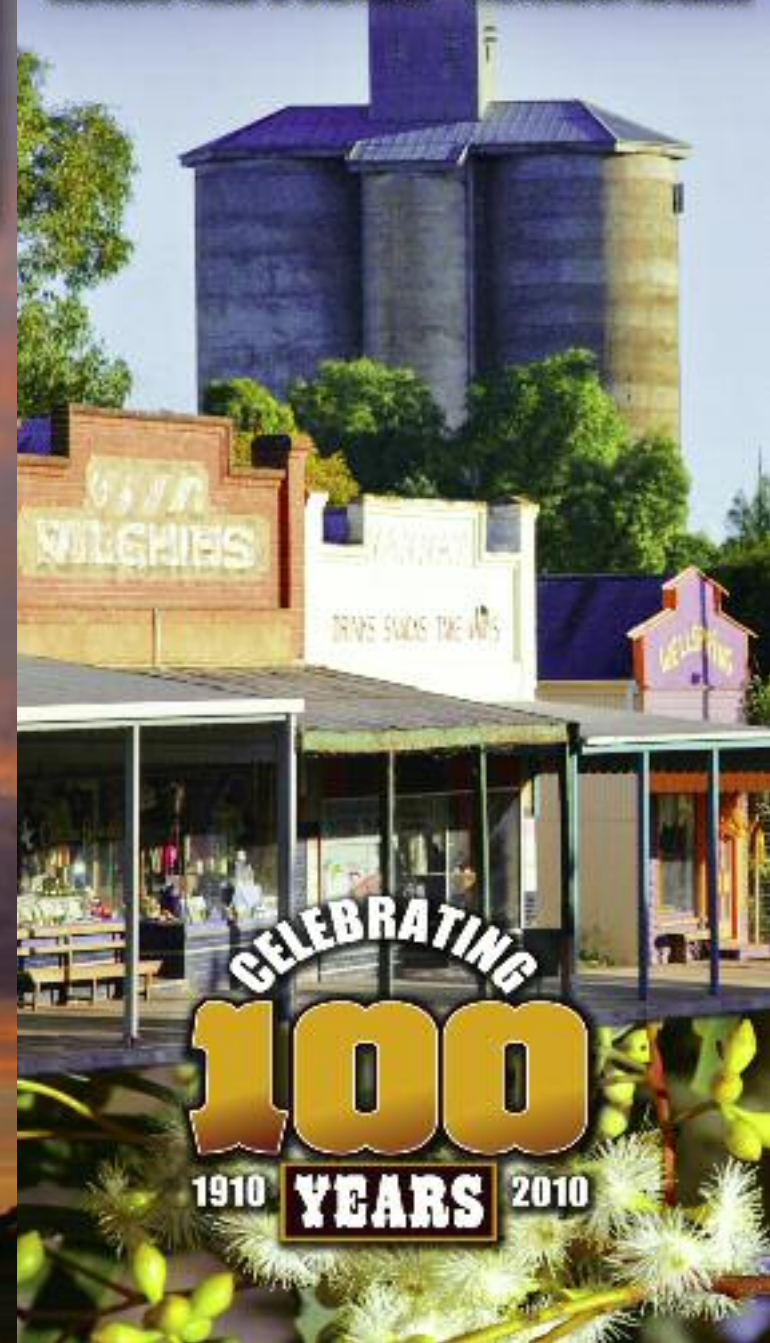
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Reed Street Murrayville c.1923



Murrayville Hotel

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Stay and explore the diversity and beauty of Victoria's Mallee



The town of Murrayville with a population of about 215 is situated on the Mallee Highway, 22 kilometres from the South Australian border. To the north of the town is the Mallee Sunset National Park and to the south the Big

Desert State Park. Murrayville is an ideal place to stay and explore the wonders of the Mallee.

The Caravan Park is a quiet peaceful spot situated away from the highway and adjoining the swimming pool. The historic sites of the town and the Pine Hill Walk & flora reserve are with in easy walking distance.

Murrayville was named after the Premier of Victoria, John Murray. The first town blocks were offered for sale on June 16, 1910 at No1 bore Panitya. Settlers lived in tents until they were able to erect some form of shelter, which usually had an iron roof and walls of iron, bag or local pine.

The heritage of Murrayville has been preserved with the restoration of the Railway Station and Consolidated School; both these buildings are State Heritage listed. The Court House and Wally's Window have also been preserved. The stone buildings and Take Away in McKenzie Street and the shops in Reed Street were built between 1911 and 1917. These buildings show the architecture of the time and the use of lime stone.

Settlement of the Murrayville District began from the South Australian border in 1908 and the eastern side in 1911. Farm blocks were approximately 640 acres. In an area of low rainfall Murrayville is fortunate in having good underground water. The district has always been predominately a grain growing and sheep area but recent years have seen farming enterprises such as potatoes, olives and goats become part of our rural scene.

Murrayville relies on its rural sector but tourism is becoming more important as four wheel drivers, naturalists and visitors discover what this part of the Mallee has to offer including Wild-flowers, wildlife and beautiful sunsets. Murrayville is surrounded by natural Mallee vegetation.

The road sides provide a colourful display from July when the wattles are in bloom until December when the hop bushes are covered with their colourful seed pods. A four-wheel drive is not required to see some of our best wild-flowers as many grow within the town perimeters.

A display of named images of many of the local wildflowers and early photos of the town can be viewed in the gazebo opposite the Take-away.

Wildlife is numerous in the nearby Mallee scrub, emus, kangaroos, Mitchell hopping mice and lizards exists. Many birds including mallee fowl, wrens, honeyeaters, whistlers and parrots can be found.

