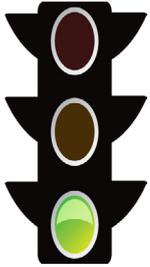


RALLY B - ART DECO TOUR ITINERARY

SHORT RALLY

GRIFFITH INC BEELBANGERA, YENDA AND YOOGALI
(45KMS, 60 MINS PLUS STOPPING TIME)



You will start your tour at the Fairey Firefly monument at the Griffith Visitors Centre Car park, located on the corner of Banna Ave and Jondaryan Ave.

Across from the car park you will see the recently decommissioned Art Deco Griffith Ambulance Station which features a curved facade and geometric chimney.



From the car park exit left onto Banna Ave (opposite the Shell Service Station) - the wide main street features central parking and many shady trees.



Griffith's main street is made up of 3 main 'blocks'. As you proceed in a westerly direction you will see many Art Deco Facades above the shop fronts. You may like to park and view the facades on foot.

1st Block



146 Banna Ave



154 Banna Ave



The Area Hotel



Memorial Hall

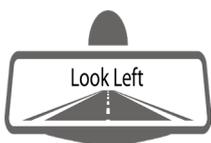


Library



Zecca's Restaurant

Middle Block



The Commonwealth Bank



old Lyceum Theatre



The soldier settler's memorial commemorates the important role that Soldier Settlers played in the establishment and growth of Griffith and the MIA



Cenotaph



Court House

Top Block



Victoria Hotel



Capello Rowe building - previously the Water Conservation & Irrigation Commission (WCIC) headquarters



The Olympia (Davis Sanders) facade is a good example of Art Deco motifs



99 spices & Battaglias Hair Dressers retain their original curved glass shop fronts.



At the roundabout - turn right onto Kookora Street. Looking left as you proceed around Kookora street you can see examples of original art deco brick and fibro houses built in the 1920/30's, particularly noting house number 113 & 105 and 103 & 101, which features native animal topiary. Number 89 has a striking art deco fence. Number 39 & 33 which are opposite IOOF park are also good examples.



The IOOF park houses a number of sculptures created for the Griffith Centenary in 2016. There are Art Deco style bridges over the main canal at each end of the park. City Park is in the next block, it is a popular water recreation area with families.



After a full circuit of Kookora Street, turn left back onto Banna Ave at the Belvedere Restaurant. Continue straight through the roundabout and on the left is the Griffith Regional Theatre, in front of you is the TAFE campus and on the right is Griffith City Council Chambers. The striking Nancy Blumer Memorial is located on the median strip.



As you make a U turn in front of the TAFE campus, note the memorials to the part horses played in the MIA and to pioneer women. Travel back down the opposite side of Banna Ave that you came up.



Turn left onto Kooyoo Street (at the Post Office) - notice Zecca's Restaurant, this is the old State Bank building and it features a clock tower and behind the restaurant is the old State Bank residence.



At the roundabout turn left onto Railway Street. Continue past the Quest apartments.



Turn right at the roundabout onto Ulong Street. Note the house on the left just before the railway line.



Cross the railway line and through the traffic lights, proceed to the intersection.



Turn right onto Binya Street, taking note of the lovely house at number 95.



Turn left onto Beale Street, travel to the end of Beale Street.



Turn right onto Noorebar Ave, this takes you through the part of the “Medical and Education Hub: with the Griffith Base Hospital on the left. You will also pass several Schools and Churches. Noorebar Ave becomes Boonah Street at Apex Park, proceed up Boonah St



Turn right onto Noorilla Street then continue straight ahead which becomes Remembrance Drive.



At the top of the hill turn right onto Scenic Drive, Pioneer Park Museum is on your left. There are a couple of lookouts on the right as you travel along Scenic Drive. From the first lookout you can see the CBD and from the second, the patchwork of vineyards, orchards and rice farms. The Hermits Cave lookout has a short walking trail to the Hermits Cave if you have time for a longer stop. You can also see much of the newer part of Griffith and several wineries with the Tank Farms.



At the end of Scenic Drive turn right onto Rifle Range Road. Note the orange groves on the right in contrast to the dry area (unirrigated land) on the left.



At the end of Rifle Range Road, turn left onto the Rankins Springs Road. As you travel through the village of Beelbangera notice the Park and 3 concentric roads that make up the main part of the Village - a feature of Burley Griffins’ designs. You can stop at the Beelbangera Store for coffee and cake, or continue straight ahead to the village of Yenda.



As you continue to travel toward Yenda you will see rice farms to the left, which will have been left fallow this year due to low water allocation resulting from the drought.



When you reach the 50km signs, turn right onto Myall Park Road



Straight after crossing the railway line, turn left onto Railway Parade.



Travel several blocks then turn right onto North Ave. Note the facades of the butcher shop and eddies auto repairs. There is also a vacant shop featuring turquoise tiles and curved glass windows. The old Yenda Cafe also has many Art Deco elements.



At the end of North Ave you arrive at Yenda Place. Turn left around Yenda Place, this central park is a feature of the township. The Yenda hotel is a great example of an Art Deco Hotel. Be sure to stop in at the Yenda Pub for refreshments, making sure you view the painting in the hallway featuring “scandalous scantily clad allegedly local ladies”.



If you have travelled to the Yenda Pub, you will need to perform a u-turn so you can proceed to your next turn.



Turn right at South Avenue.



Turn right onto Mirrool Ave. On the left, just before the main canal, you can find the Art Deco style Yenda Water Supply Building with its two sky blue water tanks.



Proceed across the Main Canal on Burley Griffin Way to Yoogali via Bilbul. Along the road you will see vineyards, prune and orange orchards. You will also notice the Murray Cod farm with their net covers and aeration fountains on the right just before Bilbul and the De Bortoli Winery on the left.



At the trainline at Yoogali, turn right to complete your trip, or turn left to continue on for the long tour. If you are completing your trip by turning right onto Mackay Ave, note the old Penfolds building on the left and the Griffith Producers’ Co-Op building to the right before ending back at the Visitors Information Centre car park.

LONG RALLY

GRIFFITH TO LEETON AND RETURN

(157KMS, 3 HOURS MINIMUM, PLUS STOPPING TIME)

If you are on the long rally, you have already turned left at the Railway Line at Yoogali onto Irrigation Way



On the way just a few km's down the road you will see an electrical sub-station. Just after that you will see the new Griffith Solar Farm. Take care driving through the village of Widgelli as the S bends are tight! This section is 17km.



Turn right at the T-Intersection onto Irrigation Way towards Leeton. The trip to Leeton is 38kms long. The historic town of Whitton is off to the right (approx 18kms from the last turn).



When you reach the outskirts of Leeton, continue along Wamoon Avenue straight through the traffic lights and straight through the roundabout at McDonalds to the main street of Leeton, Pine Avenue.



Travel along Pine Ave noting the many Art Deco Facades, in particular, the Salvation Army Centre, Chinese Restaurant and Tyre Centre on the left and the Hardware shop and the Leeton Hotel on the right.

At the far end of the street you will see the Iconic Roxy Theatre. It is a magnificently restored example of an early Theatre and is still operational. With its beautiful Art Deco design and grand interior, The Roxy Community Theatre is one of the oldest cinemas in Australia. Opened in the heyday era of film, this iconic Leeton landmark is steeped in history, and its charm, elegance and ambience continue to be drawcards today. The Leeton community loves the Roxy, and visitors to Leeton do too! Located in the heart of Leeton, the heritage listed theatre has one of the largest roll-up mechanised screens in Australia. The screen measures approx 16m wide by 8m high, and is one of a very small number of two-level cinemas remaining in NSW. The Roxy is a valued and vital part of the local culture, like it has been from the beginning. The opening on 7 April 1930 was a grand occasion, where the capacity audience enjoyed a screening of *The Black Watch*. The theatre was named after the largest picture theatre in the world, The Roxy theatre in New York. Today, it's a multi-function centre featuring regular movie screenings, live theatre and entertainment, and is a versatile event space.



Turn left at the roundabout onto Chelmsford Place and at the top of the hill you will see striking Art Deco water towers. You will notice the magnificent old Water Resources building on the left.



Do a U-Turn around the water towers, note the lovely Art Deco house on the left and the Hydro Hotel as you travel back down Chelmsford Place. The hotel was constructed to house visitors from overseas who travelled to Leeton to see the world famous engineering of the MIA.



Travel straight through the roundabout onto Wade Ave, noting the facades on the right and left. At the end of the road is the Leeton Court House.



After your tour around Leeton you can return to Griffith by retracing your steps.