

## George Pentland Botanic Gardens (Attraction)

Corner Williams Street and Foot Street, Frankston (Melway Ref: 102 E5)

Originally part of a nine-hole golf course, the site became known as the George Pentland Botanic Gardens in 1975. The gardens were named after former Shire Secretary and Town Clerk of the City of Frankston, George Pentland.

Now home to a large array of Australian native plants, George Pentland Botanic Gardens is a relaxing place to look at the ever changing and developing botanic displays.

Enjoy the large open spaces, relax on the lawns or at the water's edge, or enjoy a picnic or a barbecue with family and friends while children venture to the playground.

## Ballam Park Homestead and playground (Attraction)

Cranbourne Road, Frankston (Melway Ref: 103 B5)

Ballam Park Homestead is a double-storey sandstone brick house, which is maintained as a home of the 19th Century.

The original property is believed to have stretched from McClelland Drive to McMahons Road, and from Cranbourne Road, halfway up to Skye Road. The house was built around 1855 by the Liardet family and was the first double storey, brick house to be built in the area.

Opening hours: Sunday afternoons 1:00pm-5:00pm, and by appointment, with a small entry fee. Admission to the grounds of the homestead is free. Tea-rooms and a museum are also on site.

Next to the homestead you will find Ballam Park playground. Featuring two forts, climbing frame, swings, slides, and more, this park is so big the kids will never want to go home.



## Bunarong Park (Point of interest)

Wattle Tree Lane, Frankston (Melway Ref: 103 A6)

Bunarong Park is named after the Bunarong Bulluk Aboriginals who originally inhabited the Frankston area, and used the park as a camp site. The park is regionally significant because of the heathland and eucalypt communities it supports. At 90 metres above sea level, the park provides excellent views of Frankston City and Port Phillip Bay.

## Dame Elisabeth Murdoch Arboretum (Point of interest)

42-50 Cranbourne-Frankston Road, Langwarrin (Melway Ref: 103 E5)

The Arboretum has become a very attractive local park, extremely popular for outdoor weddings and photographs. It is an ideal educational facility that can be appreciated by inexperienced and experienced gardeners, and tree lovers alike. The Arboretum was established in 1985-1986 and named in honour of Dame Elisabeth Murdoch in recognition of her contribution to the project.

Opening hours: Sunday to Friday - April to October, 7:30am-6:00pm, and November to March, 7:30am-8:00pm

Saturdays by appointment only, contact Frankston City Council on 1300 322 322.

## Cruden Farm (Point of interest)

Cranbourne-Frankston Road, Langwarrin Private residence (Melway Ref: 103 F6)

Originally designed by Edna Walling, Cruden Farm was presented to Dame Elisabeth when she married legendary newspaper journalist, Keith Murdoch in June 1928. Dame Elisabeth is much loved in the local community and is well known for her philanthropic work and support for over 100 charities throughout Australia.

## McClelland Gallery + Sculpture Park (Attraction)

390 McClelland Drive, Langwarrin (Melway Ref: 103 E3)

McClelland Gallery + Sculpture Park is set amongst 16 ha of bush and landscaped gardens, McClelland Gallery + Sculpture Park offers the visitor a total tourism experience - discovery, fine dining and gifts to take home.

Visitors to the Gallery and Sculpture Park can visit McClelland Gallery Café, for lunch, morning and afternoon tea, or can book the venue for private functions.

Opening hours: Tuesday to Sunday 10:00am-5:00pm.



## Langwarrin Flora and Fauna Reserve (Attraction)

McClelland Drive, Langwarrin (Melway Ref: 103 D10)

This 214-hectare reserve, managed by Parks Victoria, is natural bushland with a network of pram and wheelchair friendly tracks.

A former military reserve, it's an important habitat for native flora and fauna, ideal for quiet recreational activities such as walking, nature study and photography. You may be lucky to spot koalas, brown bandicoots, swamp wallabies and even the rare New Holland mouse.

## Mulberry Hill National Trust Property (Attraction)

Golf Links Road, Langwarrin (Melway Ref: 107 C2)

In 1925, Joan and Daryl Lindsay purchased an 11.7 hectare property in a rural setting with charming views of the surrounding countryside and Western Port. They added an American colonial style Desbrowe Annear designed house to an existing four-room 1880s cottage.

The Lindsays left their beloved Mulberry Hill to the National Trust of Australia (Victoria) so that others could share and enjoy their collection of Australian Art and Georgian furniture and glassware.

Daryl Lindsay was knighted in 1956 for his services to art. Joan Lindsay trained as an artist, also wrote novels including the well-known 1967 novel, *Picnic at Hanging Rock*.

Opening hours: Every Sunday except during July. Guided tours 1:30pm, 2:15pm and 3:00pm



## Sages Cottage Farm (Attraction)

85 Sages Road, Baxter (Melway Ref: 106 G5)

Historic Sages Cottage is one of the oldest farmhouses in Victoria set amidst 36 acres including bushland, lake, wetlands and farm animals.

Sages Cottage farm runs therapeutic programs, including creative arts and animal assisted therapy for children where they can develop trusting relationships in a safe environment.

Sages Cottage Café, is a delightful way to spend some time, and you are contributing to a very special community project.


Open hours: 10:00am-3:00pm, on Fridays and Saturdays.

## To finish the drive off

Return to Frankston via Humphries Road to Sweetwater Creek Reserve and see the stunning city and bay views from Oliver's Hill, Nepean Highway back to the Waterfront.

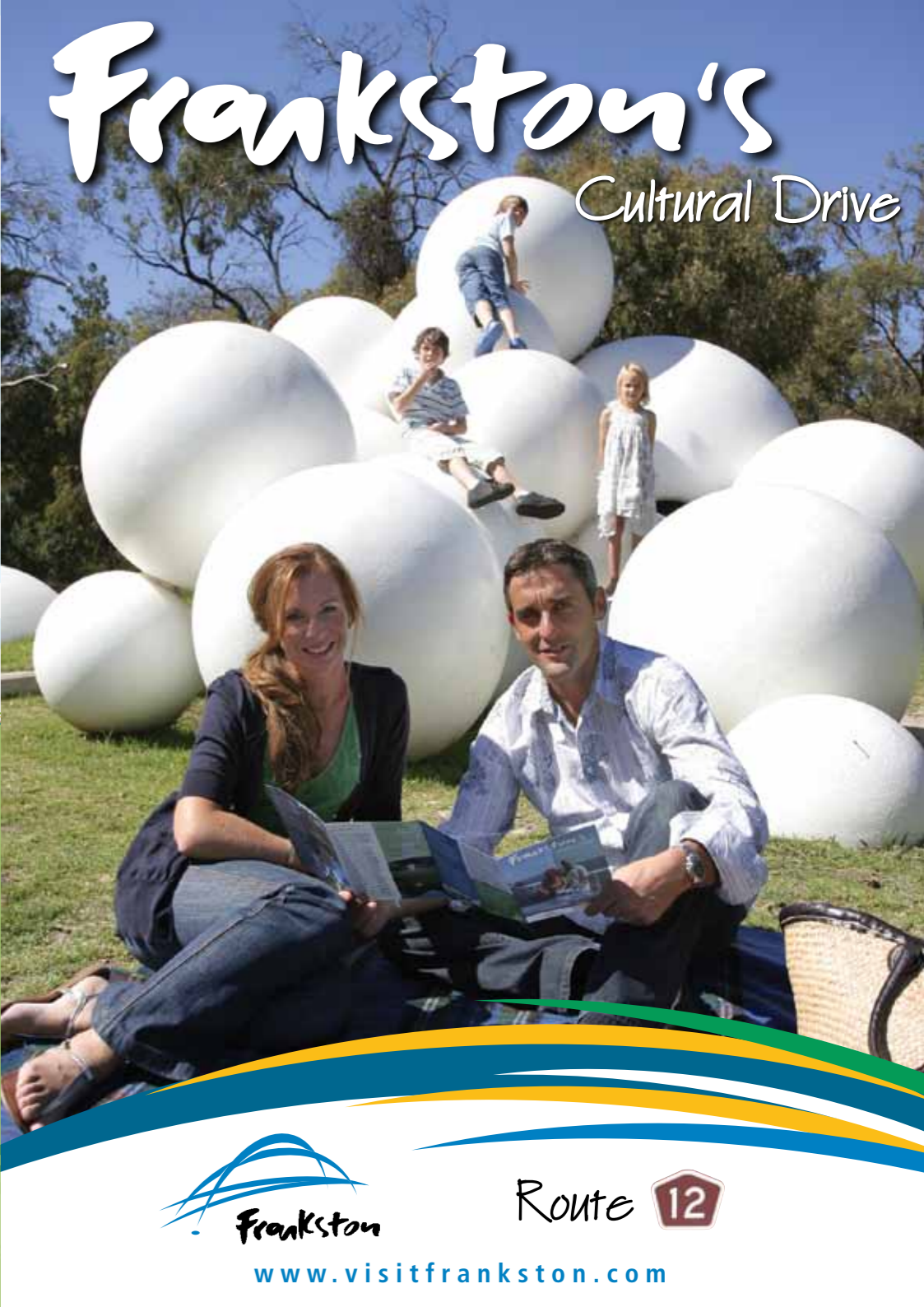
For all the information you'll need to make your visit a memorable one, visit the Frankston Visitor Information Centre (VIC) – where to stay, where to eat, what to do or where to go, our friendly service team are there to help.

The VIC can assist with tours, accommodation, holiday information, festivals, gifts, souvenirs and special events.

 7N Pier Promenade, Frankston Waterfront (Melway Ref: 100A A9)

Open seven days, 9:00am-5:00pm, all year (except Christmas Day and Good Friday). For further information, phone 1300 322 842; e-mail [www.frankston.vic.gov.au](http://www.frankston.vic.gov.au) or visit [www.visitfrankston.com](http://www.visitfrankston.com)

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# Frankston's Cultural Drive



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# Welcome

Frankston City has long been Melbourne's favourite family playground offering the best beaches, beautiful parks, gardens and playgrounds and, of course, is where the magnificent Mornington Peninsula begins.

Frankston City is the entertainment capital of Melbourne's south-east, boasting galleries, theatres, cinemas, nightlife, waterfront restaurants and hip urban bistros.

## The Frankston Cultural Drive

Currently signposted as Route 12 the Frankston Cultural Drive includes a tour of Frankston City's unique cultural and heritage attractions.

Visit French-style homestead Ballam Park, and the historic 1920s American colonial mansion Mulberry Hill, Langwarrin Flora and Fauna Reserve, just to name a few.

Explore the McClelland Gallery + Sculpture Park, featuring Australia's premier sculpture collection plus much more.

## Start at Frankston Visitor Information Centre (Attraction)

**Pier Promenade, Frankston Waterfront, Frankston (Melway Ref: 100A A9)**

The state-of-the-art Frankston Visitor Information Centre is part of the Frankston Waterfront precinct, located adjacent to Sofia restaurant.

Along Frankston pier you will find Louise Lavarack's sculptural work 'Sight Line' which features nautical flags stretching from the shore to the end of the pier. Follow the flags to uncode the nautical message.

Throughout the Waterfront area you will also find artworks by Anne Ross featuring seagulls and other beach finds titled 'Lost and Found', as well as Anna Minarado's mosaic embedded in the paving called 'Oasis.'

The playground inspires children's imaginations with castles, tunnels, slides, swings and sandpits. Make use of the picnic facilities, to allow the whole family to enjoy the magic and wonder of the Frankston Waterfront.

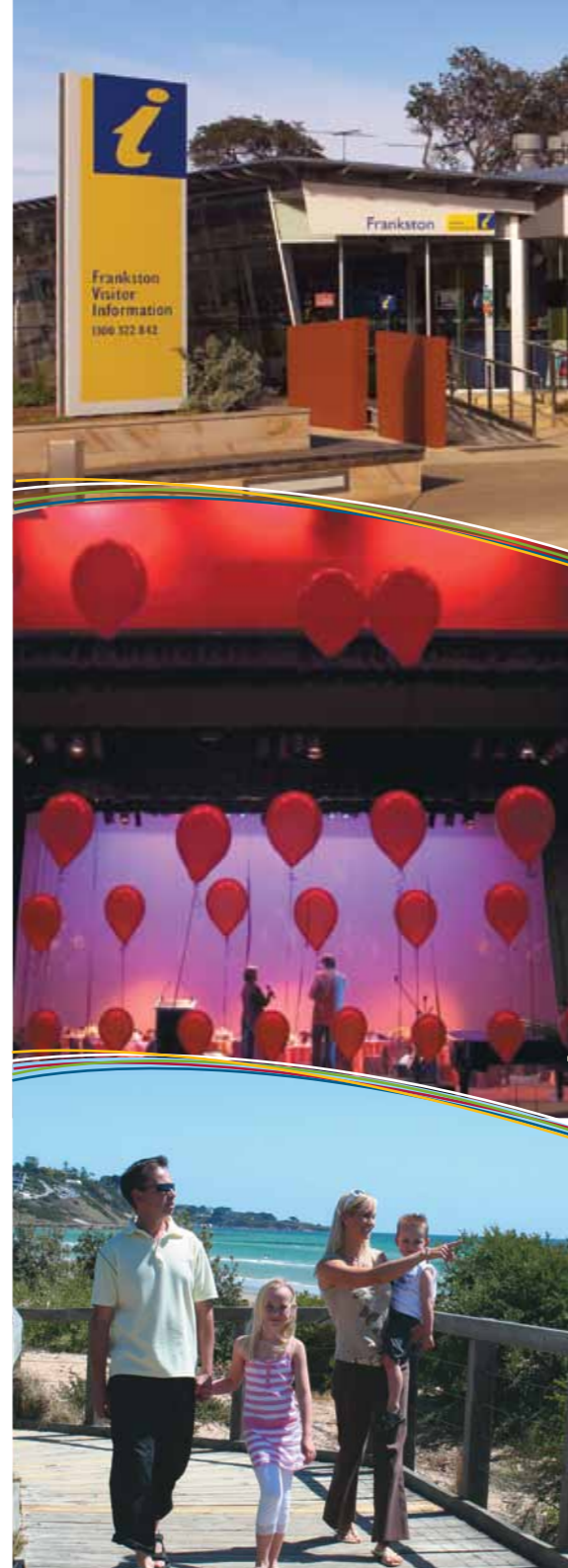
## Waterfront boardwalk (Attraction)

**7N Pier Promenade, Frankston Waterfront, Frankston (Melway Ref: 100A A9)**

The Waterfront boardwalk meanders through the sand dunes along the foreshore giving visitors the ability to see the coastal vegetation whilst preserving it. The boardwalk extends from the foot of Olivers Hill, through the pier precinct and down to the Lifesaving Club and Waves Restaurant.

The spectacular Landmark Bridge is a major feature of the Frankston Waterfront. Overlooking Port Phillip Bay, the bridge links the Visitor Information Centre and Sofia restaurant, to the Frankston Yacht Club and Long Island.

The four-metre wide, arched suspension bridge includes cutting-edge feature lighting for night time viewing, providing an exceptional location to take in the splendour of the Bay, and Kananook Creek.



## Norfolk Pines on Davey Street

(Point of interest)

**Davey Street, Frankston (Melway Ref: 100A C8)**

As you drive along Davey Street be sure to take a look at the avenue of Norfolk Pines with one of the oldest being found at the Frankston City Council Civic Centre. Dating back to the 19th Century, the pine is the focal point for the annual Christmas Festival of Lights when it is lit up for thousands to see as the City welcomes in the festive season.

## Frankston Arts Centre

(Point of interest)

**Corner of Young and Davey Street, Frankston (Melway Ref: 100A D8)**

Designed by renowned Australian architect, Daryl Jackson, the Frankston Arts Centre is a landmark building. The Centre has about 250,000 visitors come through its doors each year, to attend performances and functions, and to perform on stage. "The creative arts space", Cube 37, is housed in a purpose-built building adjacent to the Frankston Arts Centre and is open to the public Monday to Saturday, 9:00am-5:00pm and Sunday noon-4:00pm.

## Old School House Museum

(Point of interest)

**Davey Street, Frankston (at Frankston Primary School) (Melway Ref: 100A D9)**

Established in 1874, the Old School House was the original building on the school site which catered for children of Frankston's early settlers. It opened with 45 students enrolled under the Head Teacher, Alexander Allan. Still in its original condition the Old School House features in recent Vegemite television commercials.

## Frankston Park Gates

(Point of interest)

**Young Street, Frankston (Melway Ref: 100A C9)**

Home of the Frankston football ground, and the legendary Frankston Dolphins. The entrance gates at the north-western end of the park are the original iron gates from the Old Melbourne Gaol.

## Beauty Park (Attraction)

**Young Street, Frankston (Melway Ref: 100A C9)**

Beauty Park was transformed from a Bullfrog Swamp. It features a small lake, barbecue facilities and a playground. It is the perfect place to take your family for a picnic.

Children can enjoy the playground featuring a 5.8-metre high Corocord TM climbing net, combination unit with cubby house, and slide and a toddler's climbing net. The sandstone-clad pavilion provides shelter from the elements. The park is also the start of the Frankston-Baxter bike path.



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