

Let's take a stroll

We've uncovered some great places in Merri-bek to visit, dine and play, north of Bell Street. This trail map unveils some of the best places locals love in Glenroy, Hadfield, Coburg North, Pascoe Vale, Oak Park and Fawkner. Find an authentic Polish sausage in Glenroy, amazing Turkish eggs in Oak Park or forge a new knife in Coburg North! This list is just a teaser for some of the wonderful places you can find in the northern part of Merri-bek.

Use our guide to venture north and discover a new northern favourite!

We support sustainable options as you travel within Merri-bek. Consider leaving the car at home and catching public transport or riding a bike. It's the best way to soak up all the local sights and sounds.

Local public transport options

TRAIN: Upfield Line

Coburg, Batman, Merlynston, Fawkner and Gowrie stations.

Craigieburn Line

Glenroy, Oak Park, Pascoe Vale

TRAM ROUTES:

No. 19 to North Coburg

BUS ROUTES:



Scan here for bus routes to these areas.

BIKE ROUTES:



Scan here for all bike routes to these areas.

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Cut Throat Knives

3/54 Bakers Road, Coburg North
cutthroatknives.com.au

Artisan knives that push the envelope of materiality, crafted with blacksmithing skill and designed to be both beautiful and functional. Explore our maker workshops to create your own future kitchen heirloom.

Tell Me More

Beyond our own products we run classes for people to make their own knives. No experience needed, people from all walks of life have made their own kitchen knives in our workshops.

What is your local gem?

Head to **Joy** Coburg and have a coffee while you wait for knives to be sharpened. Phenomenal food and great batch brew.



est. 2023

The Gaming Arena

123 Bakers Road, Coburg North

Mon - Fri 11am - 10pm

Sat 9am - 10pm

Sun 9am - 7pm

thegamingarena.com.au

The ultimate destination for tabletop gaming enthusiasts! Licensed venue with bar and packaged snacks.

Tell Me More

From epic board game nights and immersive role-playing adventures to team-building corporate days, trivia nights and painting classes, we're redefining what a gaming space can be. Warning: our games can be competitive... and addictive!

What is your local gem?

Generator Café who provide our catering.



est. 2020

Back Alley Bakes

10 Leslie Ave, Coburg North

Mon - Fri 7am - 2.30pm

Sat - Sun 8am - 2pm

backalleybakes.com.au

Artisan bakery producing biodynamic sourdough bread, pastries, sandwiches, hot food and delicious coffee.

Tell Me More

We are the home of the 'croi-sauso', a pork and fennel sausage roll wrapped in croissant pastry.

What is your local gem?

Beit Siti 'my grandmother's home' - a Palestinian cafe and cultural centre.



est. 2016

Peshawri

37 Bonwick Street, Fawkner

Mon - Sun 2pm - 9.30pm

peshawri.com.au

Casual Pakistani restaurant with authentic traditional dishes of Peshawar.

Our signature dish is Smoked Lamb Kadaai; a smoky slow-cooked lamb, cooked in a kadaai (iron wok) with a blend of tomatoes and zesty green chillies.

Tell Me More

We try to keep everything affordable and takeaway friendly.

What is your local gem?

We also have another **Peshawri** restaurant at 868 Sydney Rd, Brunswick.



est. 2013

Abu Noaas

41 Bonwick Street, Fawkner

Tue - Sun 9am - 7pm

peshawri.com.au

A family restaurant serving handmade authentic iraqi food.

Our biggest sellers are the lamb shawarma and falafel with our house made samoon (traditional bread). Also look out for our geymar, thick buffalo cream drizzled with honey or date syrup.

Tell Me More

I started working in my parents' restaurant when I was 7, now the whole family helps out here, my parents and my brothers.

What is your local gem?

Code 961 Café a Lebanese café, and **The Fresh Spot** for halal meats, fresh vegetables and deli goods.



est. 2024

Glenroy Billiards & Bar

151 Wheatsheaf Road, Glenroy

Mon - Sun 11am - 1am

glenroybilliardsandbar.com

A laid-back venue with a vibrant bar and multiple billiard tables, welcoming both seasoned pros and first-time players.

Enjoy our cocktails and beers alongside customer favourites such as chicken chilli, burger and fries.

Tell Me More

We also host live music, DJ nights, and private events, and regularly run billiards and PlayStation tournaments.

What is your local gem?

Baar Pipaal An Authentic Nepalese restaurant known for its rich flavours and warm hospitality.



est. 2005

Polka Deli

22 Post Office Place, Glenroy

Tues-Sat 9am - 5pm

[@polkadelliglenroy](https://www.instagram.com/polkadelliglenroy)

Eastern European specialty delicatessen.

We are known for our authentic Polish smallgoods, including traditional sausages, cakes and breads as well as a selection of imported goods from across Eastern Europe.

Tell Me More

Our speciality is the Staroplska a mild wood smoked sausage with garlic, white pepper, nutmeg, and allspice.

What is your local gem?

Not so local but it's the **Polish Club Albion** for traditional, home-style Polish cuisine. And you can get a great coffee at **21 Days Later** Cafe also in Post Office Place.



est. 2022

Pehlivan Turkish Street Food

142 Middle Street, Hadfield

Mon - Thu 4 - 9pm

Fri - Sun 12 - 9pm

[@pehlivanstreetfood](https://www.instagram.com/pehlivanstreetfood)

Serving authentic Turkish dishes from smoky charcoal-grilled meats to vibrant salads, dips and bread, with a focus on communal family feasting like our signature 'sofra to share' a clear highlight.

Tell Me More

Everything is made in-house, including meat marinades, dips, salads and breads.

What is your local gem?

Jack & Daisy Café in Pascoe Vale.



est. 2021

Siconi Gelato

98 A West Street, Hadfield (and East Brunswick Village)

Summer 12 - 10pm

Winter 11am - 11pm

[@siconigelato](https://www.instagram.com/siconigelato)

Authentic Italian gelato. All products are homemade and beyond the scoops of ice cream there are also gelato cakes, choc tops, ice cream filled cannoli, bubble waffles and maritozzi (Italian cream buns).

Tell Me More

There are over 72 flavours on rotation, from the number one customer favourite pistachio, to the more obscure, like kefir or taro flavours.

What is your local gem?

Stradina Café on Eileen Street Hadfield, I am there everyday getting coffee!



est. 2016

Francis Winifred Café

94 Winifred Street, Oak Park

Mon - Fri 7am - 3pm

Sat-Sun 8am - 3pm

franciswinifred.com.au

Bright retro styled café with a lively atmosphere and delicious café treats. Offering a creative all-day menu featuring house-made pastries, and delicious brunch dishes including Turkish eggs and hot honey sandos, served up with Allpress coffee.

Tell Me More

Look out for our popular burger nights!

What is your local gem?

Follow up your brunch with a visit to the nearby **JP Fawkner Reserve**, a great place to walk and a playground for the little ones.



est. 2024

Di Benedetto

152 A Cumberland Road, Pascoe Vale

Tues - Sat 7am - 3pm

dibenedetto.com.au

Di Benedetto is your go-to local café for fresh, homemade food made with love. We prepare everything in-house using fresh, locally sourced ingredients. Our affordable individual meal packs are a customer favourite, made fresh and packed with quality you can taste.

Tell Me More

We're excited to announce the opening of our frozen yogurt bar right here in Pascoe Vale! Keep an eye out... it's set to become your new favourite spot for a sweet treat!

What is your local gem?

Jack & Daisy Café right next door!



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Ciccio Pizza

98 Kent Road Pascoe Vale

Tues-Sat 5pm - 9.30pm

Sun 5pm - 9pm

ciciopizza.com.au

Traditional wood fired pizza. Our pizza motto is "in thin crust we trust!"

Tell Me More

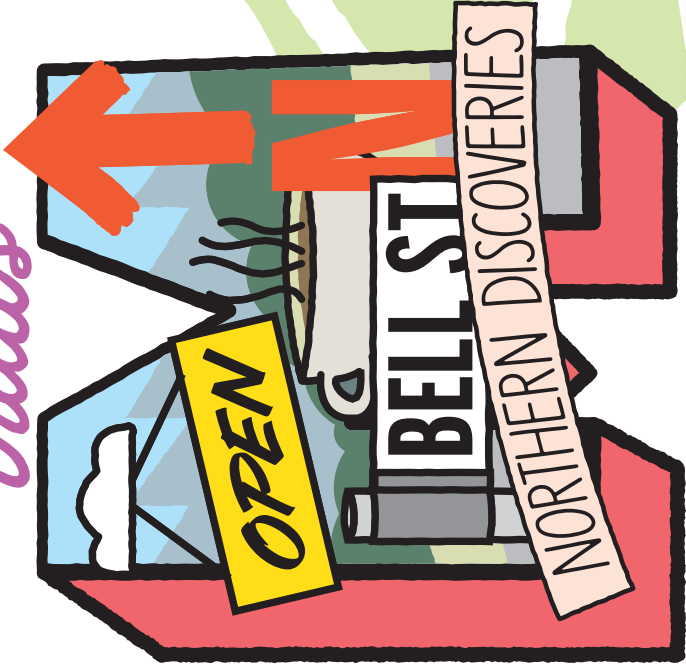
Our pizza toppings reflect the different regions in Italy, from the northern gorgonzola to the southern nduja (spreadable salami). We also make our own arancini and tiramisu.

What is your local gem?

Back Alley Bakes for pies, pastries and bread.

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