SOVEREIGN HILL

Education

EXCURSIONS & CAMPS 2020
A wonderful experience for our students and a wonderful contribution to their learning and engagement.’

– Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception School
PRICES

SOVEREIGN HILL ENTRY
(Includes Gold Museum self-guided entry)

$23.60 per student (GST does not apply)
*Adults FOC 1:10
Extra adults $34.40 up to & incl. the first 6 extra adults
All other extra adults $47.70

EVENING SOUND-AND-LIGHT SHOW
AURA, a new and engaging sound-and-light show presenting the story of gold,
in all its wondrous forms, has replaced ‘Blood on the Southern Cross’.

$23.60 per student (GST inclusive)
*Adults FOC 1:10
Extra adults $43.50 up to & incl. the first 6 extra adults
All other extra adults $51.20

EVENING THEATRE PERFORMANCE
$9.00 per student (GST inclusive)
*Adults FOC 1:10
Only for school groups which have already booked the sound-and-light show
Minimum numbers required

* Please note that coach drivers are to be included in numbers and ratios.
It’s been fantastic to get the students engaged and talking about the past. Lots of fun for the students.’

– Campbells Creek PS
SUGGESTED ITINERARIES

SHORT-DAY VISIT

A Short-Day Visit is generally four hours on-site.

SAMPLE ITINERARY

- Education session
- Gold pour demonstration
- Red Hill mine tour
- Gold panning

FULL-DAY VISIT

A Full-Day Visit takes over four hours on-site and may extend into the evening.

SAMPLE ITINERARY

- Education session
- Gold pour demonstration
- Red Hill Mine tour
- Gold panning
- Candle dipping demonstration
- Dinner
- Sound-and-light show

CAMP VISIT

A Camp Visit is for schools planning to spend more than one day on-site. You only pay entry once!

SAMPLE ITINERARY DAY 1

- Education session
- Gold pour demonstration
- Red Hill Mine tour
- Gold panning
- Dinner
- Sound-and-light show

SAMPLE ITINERARY DAY 2

- Gold Museum visit
- ‘The Secret Chamber’ mine tour
- Sweet making demonstration
- Second education session
- Dinner
- Evening theatre performance

Sovereign Hill is open every school day from 10.00 am to 5.00 pm.
The Gold Museum is open every day from 9.30 am to 5.30 pm. It is the perfect orientation space to start your visit to Sovereign Hill.
Coach bus parking for Sovereign Hill is provided in the Gold Museum carpark.
## Sovereign Hill Education Sessions

### Our Most Popular Sessions at Sovereign Hill

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<td>Students join the ‘rush’ to One Eye Gully, re-living the highs and lows of gold fever. They role-play the varied experiences of the diggers, gold buyers and troopers to understand the frustrations that led to the Eureka Rebellion.</td>
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Our VCE programs include History, Outdoor and Environmental Education and Geography: Tourism.

One Sovereign Hill Education Session is included FREE in your entry fee, except where costs are specified. A second session during your visit is $5.00 per student. Complimentary resources and more information can be found at education.sovereignhill.com.au
GOLD MUSEUM EDUCATION SESSIONS

OUR MOST POPULAR SESSIONS
GOLD MUSEUM (ALL 60 MINS)

THAT’S MY GOLD
Through an interactive story of gold fever and piracy, students will explore different types of historical sources (primary and secondary) and how we use historical sources to understand the past. $2.00 per student.

NEW IN 2020* PASSPORT TO DISCOVERY
A unique behind-the-scenes experience with some of our special objects not on public display. Get up close to real objects to explore themes of migration, community and belonging. Students will build historical inquiry skills as they ‘interview’ their artefacts and connect their stories. $2.00 per student.

SKETCHBOOK STUDY: THE ART OF S T GILL
Produce your own ‘sketchbook’ of responses on an interactive tour of the Museum’s collection of artworks by S T Gill, ‘the artist of the goldfields’. $2.00 per student.

COLLECTION CLOSE-UP: THE PERN COLLECTION
Go behind-the-scenes with Dr Sidney Pern’s large collection of Indigenous artefacts from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities and the Pacific Islands. Explore questions of collection management, ethics and ownership. $5.00 per student.

COLLECTION CLOSE-UP: THE CHINESE COLLECTIONS
Go behind-the-scenes with one of the world’s oldest Chinese processional object collections, including ‘Loong’, the dragon. Explore questions of migration and cultural exchange between China and Australia and how we found the Chinese voice on the goldfields. $5.00 per student.

NEW IN 2020* YOUR COLLECTION CLOSE-UP
The Gold Museum cares for a collection of over 150,000 objects covering a wide variety of themes. Contact our Education Officer to create an onsite or virtual artefact experience tailored to your classroom learning. $5.00 per student. goldmuseum.com.au/about-our-collections/
SUGGESTED ACTIVITIES

Bookings are essential.

GOLD MUSEUM
All ages (1 hour)
See the real story behind the gold rush as you get up close to real gold nuggets, tools, temple boards, artworks, and more. Explore scientific, technical and primary source evidence of life on the goldfields. Curriculum-based facilitated programs (as detailed on page 5) and ‘Discover it Yourself’ resources are available and can be tailored to all year levels. (Facilitated programs attract an extra cost.) sovereignhill.com.au/gold-museum-ballarat/education

RED HILL MINE
Levels 3 to 12 (15 mins)
This self-guided tour tells the story of the discovery of the massive Welcome Nugget – more than 69 kilograms of gold! FREE

GOLD POUR DEMONSTRATION
All ages (20 mins)
At the Gold Smelting Works, students can learn about the science behind the melting and purification of gold to create a $160,000 gold ingot. FREE

STAYING LONGER?

Full-Day and Camp Visit groups may elect to book in for some of the additional free activities listed below.
Limited availability. Bookings are essential.

CANDLE DIPPING DEMONSTRATION
Students can see candles being made using traditional methods.

SWEET MAKING DEMONSTRATION
Students can watch boiled lollies being made using traditional methods and equipment.

ANTI-CHINESE LEAGUE MEETING
Secondary students can attend a fiery meeting in the Victoria Theatre to vote on the establishment of an Anti-Chinese League in 1850s Ballarat.

GOLD MINE TOURS

There are three guided mine tours. All include a ride on the Inclined Tramway. $3.50 per student.

LABYRINTH OF GOLD
An underground journey to discover the working life of Ballarat’s early miners. Suitable for Levels 5 and 6 studying ‘From Colony to Nation’.

THE SECRET CHAMBER
The inspiring story of two Chinese brothers who sought their fortune in Victoria’s ‘New Gold Mountain’. Suitable for Levels 3 and 4 studying ‘Community and First Contacts’.

TRAPPED
The dramatic story of the 1882 disaster that struck in the New Australasian No. 2 Mine at Creswick. Suitable for Levels 9 and 10 studying ‘The Making of the Modern World and Australia’.
EXPLORE & LEARN

Your visit to Sovereign Hill should include additional time to explore the diggings, shops and cottages across Sovereign Hill’s Outdoor Museum.

The following FREE activities do not require booking:

VISIT BRIGHT VISIONS: THE JOURNEY BEGINS

Visit our orientation exhibition in the Entrance Building to discover the motivations and experiences of those who made the big decision to try their luck on the goldfields.

GO PANING

Head to the diggings to pan for real gold in the creek.

WATCH WORKING EXHIBITS

See demonstrations of 19th century trades including wheelwrighting, blacksmithing, tinsmithing and metal spinning. Check the map for times.

VISIT STEAM OPERATIONS

See Cornish boilers and steam-powered machinery in action.

BROWSE COTTAGES & SHOPS

Explore goldfields living conditions, meet historical interpreters and shop 19th-century style.

EXPLORE THE CHINESE CAMP

Experience the Chinese Camp and discover the hardships faced by Chinese diggers.

SEE THE REDCOAT SOLDIERS ON PARADE

ENJOY INTERPRETIVE THEATRE EXPERIENCES

Check the Victoria Theatre blackboard for information.

BOWL NINE PINS AT THE EMPIRE BOWLING SALOON

Explore our Teacher Map for more information education.sovereignhill.com.au/excursion-planning/schools-map/
DISCOVER IT YOURSELF LEARNING

Sovereign Hill encourages student-centred learning based on ‘Purpose, Choice and Ownership’. We provide a selection of easy-to-use ‘Discover It Yourself’ enquiry-based learning ideas to help teachers make the most of their Sovereign Hill experience. Visit education.sovereignhill.com.au for FREE resources to support your visit. Download and discover!

**TEDDY’S VISIT**  Foundation to 2
Bring your class teddy and photograph his/her adventure at Sovereign Hill for literacy activities back at school.

**SOVEREIGN HILL SNAPSHOTs**  Levels 3 to 6
Choose a topic and take suitable photos to develop a presentation back at school.

**GOLD MUSEUM**  Best Suited for Levels 3 to 6
Choose from three curriculum-linked, self-guided discovery trails which encourage students to work together in small groups and to look at the Museum in a new way. Trails are available in the areas of Mindfulness, Mathematics, and the artist S. T. Gill.

**PICTURE THIS!**  Level 9
Choose a contentious topic, collect photographic evidence and argue a point of view in a presentation back at school.

**MAKING A BETTER WORLD?**  Level 9
Year 9 students take photos to respond to issues based on ‘The Making of the Modern World and Australia’.

**HIDDEN HISTORIES: THE WADAWURRUNG PEOPLE**
Take a digital tour that brings to life the perspectives and participation of Aboriginal people on the Ballarat goldfields from 1851 to 1871.
SCHOOL CAMP ACCOMMODATION

BOOK EARLY AS THIS IS VERY POPULAR!

The Sovereign Hill Hotel adjoins Sovereign Hill’s Outdoor Museum and offers comfortable bunkroom accommodation ideal for schools.

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EVENING ACTIVITIES

AURA
GOLD CHANGES EVERYTHING

Explore space, delve into the Dreamtime, and re-live Australia’s most important rebellion – all while travelling under the night sky. AURA combines 3D cinema, world-class projections and experiential storytelling to reveal how gold revolutionised Australia.

A multi-sensory experience nightly.

EVENING THEATRE PERFORMANCE

If you are staying more than one night, you can book your students in on the second night to experience a performance in the elegant Victoria Theatre. (Only available for schools which have already booked the sound-and-light show. Minimum numbers required.)

Find more information on page 1.
OTHER QUALITY EDUCATION PROGRAMS

NARMBOOL ENVIRONMENTAL DISCOVERY
Narmbool is Sovereign Hill’s magnificent, historic pastoral and bush property which extends over 2,000 hectares and is just 30 minutes from Ballarat. Our expert teachers deliver curriculum-based programs and model sustainable environmental practices in 1 to 4 day camps with accommodation for up to 80.

sovereignhill.com.au/narmbool

COSTUMED SCHOOLS
Sovereign Hill’s famous costumed schools program is a unique, two-day, costumed role-play experience. Early booking is recommended as places are limited for this very popular program.

T (03) 5337 1143
sovereignhill.com.au/costumed-school

ACCESSIBILITY AT SOVEREIGN HILL

Find resources including social stories, Auslan-interpreted videos and more at:
sovereignhill.com.au/visit/what-s-on/accessibility-at-sovereign-hill