# EXPERIENCE SUMMER KALAMUNDA

## TASTE THE HILLS

From La Fattoria's Nonnas Family Table to the exquisite Gourmet Delights of fresh farm produce and global flavors.

## DISCOVER KALAMUNDA'S SUMMER MARKETS

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Welcome to the second edition of the EPHK Magazine, your seasonal guide to the vibrant charm of Perth Hills Kalamunda.

This summer edition is brimming with stories, events, and experiences that celebrate the very best our community has to offer. From fresh local produce and delightful dining experiences to artisan markets and unforgettable outdoor adventures, there's something here for everyone.

Browse the pages and explore how you can make the most of summer in the hills—whether it's discovering hidden gems, indulging in culinary delights, or planning your next family outing.

This issue is dedicated to celebrating the essence of our region and connecting you with the people, places, and traditions that make it so unique.

Thank you for joining us, and here's to an inspiring season ahead!

Warm regards, The EPHK Magazine Team

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Nestled in the centre of town, Kalamunda markets are a treasure trove for enthusiasts. With a mix of artistry, fresh produce, and vibrant community energy, the town's markets are must-visit events for locals and visitors alike.

#### KALAMUNDA ARTISAN MARKET

There's something magical about spending a sunny morning at the Kalamunda Artisan Market. Held on the first Saturday of every month in Central Mall, it's the kind of place where creativity and community come together.

The first thing that strikes you is the atmosphere—cheerful chatter, the soft strumming of a musician playing nearby, and the enticing aroma of freshly brewed coffee mingling with the scent of sweet pastries. It's the perfect start to a day of exploring.

As you wander through the bustling stalls, it's impossible not to be drawn to the unique treasures on display. There's something for everyone—handmade jewellery that sparkles in the sunlight, colourful artworks that capture the essence of the hills, and beautifully crafted homewares that beg to come home with you. Each stall has its own story, often shared with a smile by the artisan behind it.

What makes this market even more special is its purpose. Run by the Rotary Club of Kalamunda, every dollar of profit goes back into the community. Over the years, they've raised more than \$2 million for local causes, so every purchase feels like a small way of giving back.



## NEXT MARKET DATES

## Artisan Market

Saturday 4 January Saturday 1 February Saturday 1 March 8:00 am – 1:00 pm

## **Farmers Market**

Every Sunday 8:00 am - 12:00 pm

**Night Market** Friday 24 January Friday 28 February Friday 28 March 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm If you're a foodie or simply someone who loves exploring vibrant community spaces, Kalamunda's Farmers and Night Markets are calling your name. Both run by the Kalamunda Chamber of Commerce, these markets celebrate fresh produce, mouthwatering flavours, and the lively community spirit that defines this Hills town. Whether you're soaking up the morning sunshine at the Farmers Market or enjoying an evening under the stars at the Night Market, you're in for a treat.

#### **FARMERS MARKET**

Sunday mornings in Kalamunda have a special charm, and it starts with a stroll through the Farmers Market. Held every Sunday, this market is the go-to place for those who value fresh, local produce and artisanal goods.

As you wander the stalls, you'll find vibrant fruits and vegetables, just-picked herbs, and freshly baked loaves of bread that seem to call your name. But it's not just the produce that shines—the market is also home to a variety of gourmet offerings like cheeses, jams, and even handmade treats perfect for a lazy Sunday breakfast.

What makes the Farmers Market unique is the connection it fosters between growers and the community. It's not uncommon to strike up a conversation with a farmer about their produce or discover a cooking tip that transforms your dinner plans. The friendly vibe, coupled with the quality of goods on offer, makes this market a staple of Kalamunda life.



#### NIGHT MARKET

Once a month, the centre of town lights up for the Night Market—a magical evening filled with incredible food, music, and fun. The market transforms the mall into a bustling hub where families, friends, and food lovers gather to savour the best of local and global cuisines.

The food stalls are the highlight here, offering everything from spicy street food to indulgent sweet treats. It's the perfect opportunity to sample something new while enjoying the twinkling fairy lights and upbeat tunes from live performers. As you stroll through, you'll also find a variety of craft stalls offering unique, handmade items that make for delightful keepsakes.

The Night Market isn't just about food—it's about the energy and warmth that come from being part of a community event. It's the kind of place where you can grab a bite, tap your foot to the music, and bask in the glow of a perfect summer evening.

#### WHY YOU'LL LOVE THESE MARKETS

Whether it's the fresh start of a Sunday morning at the Farmers Market, the magic of an evening under the stars at the Night Market, or the creative energy of the Artisan Market on the first Saturday of every month, Kalamunda's markets offer something truly special. Each event, run with care and dedication, celebrates the heart of the community while supporting local growers, makers, and creators. Together, they create a vibrant tapestry of food, art, and connection in the stunning Perth Hills. So, whether you're a foodie, a treasure hunter, or just looking for a memorable outing, Kalamunda's markets are waiting to welcome you.



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#### From a Simple Dream to a Celebrated Community Tradition

In the serene backdrop of the Perth Hills, a small idea has flourished into one of Western Australia's most anticipated gardening events —the Kalamunda Garden Festival. Since its inception in 2018, this seasonal festival has grown in size and captured the hearts of thousands, thanks to the passion, dedication, and sheer hard work of its founders and volunteers.

#### How It All Began

The story of the Kalamunda Garden Festival is, at its heart, a love story. Andrew and Mandy, a husband-and-wife team based in Kalamunda, shared a deep connection with nature and gardening. Andrew, a skilled horticulturist and propagator, brought years of experience and a genuine love for plants to the table. Mandy, equally passionate, envisioned a community-driven event where people could come together to celebrate gardening, share knowledge, and inspire one another.

Their dream was simple: create an event that reflected the beauty and vibrancy of gardening while supporting local growers, artisans, and businesses. In 2018, that vision became a reality with the festival's first gathering in Central Mall, Kalamunda. What started as a small local event quickly gained momentum. Today, the festival is held four times a year, each marking the change of seasons—autumn, winter, spring, and summer. The vibrant market atmosphere brings together over 150 stalls, offering everything from unique plants and gardening tools to handmade gardening crafts and sustainable gardening products.

But it's not just about shopping; the festival also serves as a hub for learning and connection. Renowned guest speakers, including horticultural experts and gardening celebrities, share their insights, offering workshops, talks, and demonstrations that captivate audiences of all ages.

#### The Faces Behind the Festival

The heart and soul of the festival remain, Andrew and Mandy, whose tireless efforts have driven its success. Every event requires countless hours of planning—often late nights and early mornings—to ensure that everything runs smoothly. Their work is voluntary, a true labour of love, fueled by their belief in the importance of community and the joy that gardening brings to people's lives.

Their dedication hasn't gone unnoticed. Local businesses, volunteers, and community members have rallied around the festival, creating an atmosphere of collaboration and shared pride. Together, they've built an event that feels like a celebration of the community itself.



#### 2025 Dates

- March 2nd
- June 1st
- September 7th
- December 7th





The Kalamunda Garden Festival isn't just an event—it's an experience. Families, gardening enthusiasts, and even those with a budding interest in plants come to enjoy the friendly, welcoming atmosphere. There's something magical about wandering through stalls with vibrant flowers, rare plants, and handmade treasures while listening to live talks and meeting like-minded people.

It's also become a platform for promoting sustainability. Many stalls and activities focus on eco-friendly gardening practices, helping attendees make greener choices for their homes and gardens. This mix of fun, education, and inspiration has cemented the festival's reputation as a must-visit event.

As the festival continues to thrive. Andrew and Mandy have big plans for its future. In 2025 the festival will offer an Edible Garden Adventure, featuring tours of local edible gardens, giving visitors a more intimate glimpse into the region's horticultural treasures and the opportunity to learn from the experiences of others and grow their own food at home. They're also expanding to feature international guests, with the first being Charles Dowding attending via live, video link from his home in the UK later in the year. These additions promise to make each festival even more engaging and memorable.

The Kalamunda Garden Festival has blossomed into more than just a local event—it's become a vibrant celebration of everything that makes the Perth Hills special. Thanks to the unwavering dedication of Andrew, Mandy, and their team, the festival continues to grow, inspiring gardeners and connecting communities with each new season.

#### F.A.Qs

**1. When is the restival held?** *The Kalamunda Garden Festival happens four times a year, on the first Sunday of every season.* 

#### 2. How much does it cost?

Entry is only \$10 per ticket, and children 16 and under can attend for free, making it a great family outing.

#### 3. Where is it held?

The festival takes place in the picturesque Stirk Park in Kalamunda, with plenty of space to explore.

#### 4. Is it family-friendly?

Absolutely! There's something for everyone, whether you're a seasoned gardener or a curious first-timer.

#### 5. Can I bring my dog?

Unfortunately, dogs aren't allowed at the park during the festival, but there's plenty of space at home to spoil them with new plants!

#### 6. What makes it unique?

The combination of passionate organisers, local talent, and the community's love for gardening creates an atmosphere unlike any other.

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#### **38 COLLINS RD, KALAMUNDA**

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## OPENING HOURS

Monday to Sunday

09:00 am - 06:00 pm

#### Waterslides

Monday - Sunday 10:00am - 5:00pm

## **Giant Inflatables**

Saturday & Sunday 12:00pm - 3:00pm\*

\*KWP reserves the right to adjust the available times according to operational needs

## Early Morning Swimming Wednesday & Friday\*\* 06:00 am - 09:00 am

\*\*Early Morning Swimming is available from December to February each season

## FRESH PICKS AND FARMGATE FINDS

The Hills aren't just a destination—they're an experience, especially for lovers of fresh produce. Whether you're keen on picking your own fruits or exploring farm gates stocked with local treasures, the region offers unforgettable memories for families, friends, and foodies alike. Here's your guide to the best spots for fresh fruit and veggie fun!

## SUMMER FRUIT AND VEGETABLE PICKING

#### THE FRUIT CORNER

Kickstart your new year by savouring the freshest vegetables in January. While they specialise in seasonal delights, checking their social media ensures you're in the loop for dates and availability. Whether you're on a veggie spree or just exploring, The Fruit Corner is a must-visit for fresh finds.

📍 1 Bracken Rd Pickering Brook

#### **CORE CIDER HOUSE**

Core transforms fruit picking into a festive adventure! During January's school holidays, hop aboard the Apple Express, a tractor ride through their vibrant orchard. With sessions led by Farmer Rach, you'll harvest plums to take home and enjoy. Perfect for families, this \$15 treat (free for kids under 3) is more than picking—it's about making memories. Book your tickets here.

#### **TONY'S FRUITS**

Open 7 days a week, Tony's Fruits offers fresh stone fruit picking from 9 AM to 4 PM. It's a no-fuss, pure joy stop for those craving the ripest plums, nectarines, and peaches.

📍 721 Canning Rd, Carmel

#### S&R ORCHARD'S FRUIT PICKING FESTIVAL

Imagine strolling through orchards bursting with plums and nectarines, Christmas props still on display, and the sweet aroma of ripe fruit. S&R Orchard's Fruit Picking Festival (January 11-19) is a celebration of nature. For just \$12 (\$6 for kids), you can enjoy an all-you-can-eat experience, a 2kg take-home bag, animal farms, tractor rides, and much more. No booking is required, and it's pet-friendly too!

📍 36 Halleendale Rd, Walliston

📍 35 Merrivale Road, Pickering Brook





## FARM GATE SALES

#### **KENBROOK SHIRAZ**

Nestled in Pickering Brook, Kenbrook Shiraz offers more than just wine. Seasonal fruits like peaches, plums, and macadamia nuts make it a haven for fresh produce lovers. Open weekends and public holidays.

📍 50 Weston Road, Pickering Brook

#### **BICKLEY VALLEY FRESH**

Bickley Valley Fresh is a treasure trove of local goods, from fruit and veggies to baked treats, honey, and preserves. Open Friday to Sunday, it's your one-stop shop for authentic flavours.

📍 95 Glen Isla Road, Bickley

#### **LEOTTA'S ORCHARD**

Find the freshest stone fruits like cherries, apricots, and figs at Leotta's Orchard Shed. Open weekends from December to March, it's a local favourite for a reason. Remember, it's cash-only!

📍 741 Canning Road, Carmel

#### QUALITY CITRUS GROWER DIRECT

At the Zurzolo family's "The Shed," you'll find top-tier citrus, honey, and fresh vegetables sourced from nearby farms. Open Friday to Sunday, it's a community gem for fresh produce.

📍 170 Welshpool Road East, Lesmurdie

#### **PLAN YOUR TRIP!**

Whether it's the thrill of picking your own fruit, meeting local farmers, or indulging in regional flavours, this is a slice of heaven for every age group. Pack your bags, grab your baskets, and let the Hills surprise you!

Visit <u>ExpereincePerthHills.com.au</u> to find out more about buying fresh, seasonal produce in the Perth Hills.

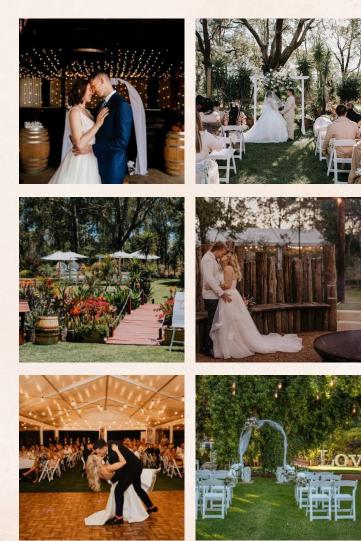


Rothwood, Award Winning Wedding Venue Nestled in the Perth Hills is a hidden gem of love. Walking over the yule brook bridge with water flowing from Lesmurdie Falls, you enter the Havilah Gardens, which is a nod to the garden of Eden - the land of plenty. Over the past 10 years, hundreds of couples have said 'I Do' at Rothwood, and we couldn't be prouder of the sanctuary we have created. From mid-week elopements and bespoke weddings to the big all-inclusive wedding, our knowledge and experience allows couples to have a stress free day, where we can take care of everything for you. After all, our goal is to ensure you have the most beautiful day of your lives! Contact us today to receive a free, 26 page personalised brochure, which has an abundance of information to assist you in your wedding planning venture!

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Summer dining in Kalamunda is like a world foodie treasure hunt. From exotic spices to comforting European classics and bold, zesty bites, there's something for every craving.

## **MASON & BIRD**

Curry Night Wednesdays and Sangria Fridays Kickstart your culinary journey at Mason & Bird, where midweek blues meet their match on Curry Night Wednesdays. Pair the rich, aromatic curries with your favourite drink and bask in the welcoming vibes. On Sangria Fridays, the atmosphere takes a Spanish turn—sip refreshing sangria as the weekend excitement brews. It's the perfect mix of comfort and celebration.

0456 664 349 Mon - Tue 8:00am - 1:30pm Wed-Sat 8:00am - 8:00pm Sunday 8:00am - 2:00pm 7 Williams Street, Kalamunda masonandbird.com.au

## KISHI

#### Japanese

For those who savour delicate flavours and artistic presentation, Kishi is a must-visit. From exquisitely rolled sushi to tempura that practically melts in your mouth, the Japanese menu here is a love letter to umami. Perfect for a light yet satisfying summer meal that transports you straight to Tokyo.

#### 9293 0001

Tues - Sat 5:30-8:30 3 Haynes St, Kalamunda

## TACO MARIA

#### Mexican

Feeling festive? Taco Maria's will have you saying "iOlé!" in no time. Dive into vibrant Mexican flavours with tacos that burst with fresh ingredients, nachos dripping with gooey cheese, and margaritas that pack a refreshing punch. Every visit feels like a summer fiesta with extra guac.

#### **9293 333**7

Wed - Thurs 5:00pm – 9:00pm Frid - Sat 5:00pm – 10:00pm 18 Mead St, Kalamunda tacomaria.com.au

## **OMAS & OPAS**

#### **European Food Truck**

Perched atop the breathtaking Lions Lookout, Omas & Opas serves European cuisine with a view. Imagine hearty schnitzels, creamy pastas, and delectable pastries that feel like a warm hug from your grandma's kitchen. Dine under the open sky and let the panoramic vistas of Perth Hills make every bite more memorable.

#### 0407 881 548

Frid 5:00pm - 7:30pm - \*Kalamunda Library Sat 5:00pm - 7:30pm - \*Lions Lookout \*Check their social media pages for updates on locations.

## THE VAULT

#### Italian

Rounding out your gastronomic adventure, The Vault offers the romantic charm of Italian cuisine. Think wood-fired pizzas with perfectly charred crusts, creamy risottos, and tiramisu so decadent it might just ruin all others for you. Pair it with a glass of wine, and you've got the quintessential summer evening.

#### 9293 3323 Wed - Sun 11:00am - late 21 Haynes St, Kalamunda thevaultrestaurant.com.au



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As we pass through this wonderful landscape, we acknowledge the Whadjuk Noongar people as the custodians of the land on which we walk and pay respect to Elders past, present and emerging.

- Kalamunda Township / Zig Zag Cultural Centre / Perth Hills Visitor Centre / Kalamunda History Village: Starting point. 50 Railway Road, Kalamunda. Left turn at rofundabout of Mundaring Weir Road. Kalamunda was founded in 1901. The name Kalamunda derives from the Aboriginal 'Cala', meaning bush, and 'Munnda', meaning hearth. ZZCC and Visitor Centre Ph: (08) 9257 9998. P, I, T, W, F, H.
- Bibbulmun Track Northern Terminus: A worldrenowned walk track of 1000km to Albany. Across road to south, Kalamunda Railway Heritage Trail. Both track and walk sites have information boards. Proceed along Mundaring Weir Road. Turn left at Crescent Road, Jorgensen Park sign.
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3. Jorgensen Park: Once part of the Schmitt pioneer family estate. The area was originally called Hoch Hein (High Place). Formerly a golf course, the now reforested park is home to the multi-purpose Kalamunda Community Centre. Walk trails run through the park with wildflowers throughout the year, peaking in spring. Horse-riding and dog-walking permitted. P, T, Ta, B, Pl, W, H.

- 4. Hummerston Road / Schipp Road / Piesse Brook: To the lower entrance of Kalamunda National Park. Former streamside house sites, with remains of a trout dam and exotic tree species on the right of Schipp Rd. Next to the Park entrance, on the left, is an old hut site with small gold workings. On the right a NW Aboriginal Mission holiday site, later used by the Scouts. Walks include parts of the world famous Bibbulmun Track, Schipp Road Walking Trail, Rocky Pool Walk and Bridle Trail. P, W, H.
- 5. Aldersyde Road / Mundaring Weir Road: Orchards are on the left. Turn left into Mundaring Weir Road noting the Bickley Valley and wineries turnoff on the right. Proceed along Mundaring Weir Road, around the hairpin bend over the creek.
- 6. Beginning of Beelu National Park: Named after the Aboriginal group known as *The River People*, who came up to the hills during the winter months. Most of the Park comprises jarrah/marri forest with understoreys of banksia, casuarina, grass trees, woody or herbaceous shrubs and ground species, many of which provide beautiful spring flower displays. Native forest animals for the most part are nocturnal. Nectar and seed-eating bird species are well represented. During the late 1800s the forest was heavily logged and several sawmills operated in the area.

- 7. Fern Road: A diversion through the attractive scenery of Kalamunda and Beelu National Parks, and farmland leading to Paulls Valley Road. Alternatively remain on Mundaring Weir Road.
- 8. Calamunnda Camels: Paulls Valley Road. Camel rides (fees apply), animal farm, walk and bike trails. P, T, Ta, B, W, C, Wh.
- 9. The Dell: Information for mountain bike riders & Munda Biddi Trail. P, I, T, Ta, B, W, C.
- **10.** Gungin Gully: Picnic area close to road. P, Ta, B, W, C.
- 11. King Jarrah: One of several Eucalyptus species growing throughout this forest, referring to specimens that attain a certain age and size. Few of the very old trees were left after the jarrah forest was milled. Park on road verge with care.
- **12. Farrell Road:** Picnic area set in pine plantation. P, T, Ta, B, W.

13. South Ledge / Golden View Lookout: 400m walk to Golden View Lookout with views over Helena Valley, Mundaring Weir Dam and CY O'Connor Lake. P, I, T, Ta, B, W.

- 14. Mundaring Weir (Kalamunda side): Weir views, maps and walks. Weir wall construction completed in 1902. The catchment area is 1500 km2.
  P, I, T, Ta, Wh H. (see also #20)
- 15. Pump Station Number 1: Built in 1902, now a National Trust Museum showing original pumps, boilers and history of dam building and pipeline to the goldfields 600km distant. Open weekends only. Entry fees. Start of Golden Pipe-line Trail. Note pipeline on right when driving along Mundaring Weir Road. P, I, T, Ta, B, H, Wh.
- 16. Mundaring Weir Hotel: The Federation-style building was built in 1906 on the site of an older hotel. It was a favourite retreat from the city served by rail. Many parts of the building were shipped from England. Today a venue for concerts, weekend events. Start of Kep Cycle Track, 75km to Northam. P, T, Ta, W, C, F, H, A.

17. Mundaring Weir Gallery: Opposite Hotel. Built in 1908, used as a community hall for social events, a temporary school, before falling into disrepair. Taken over in 1978 by local craftspeople as a gallery. Open Fridays, Weekends and Public Holidays 11:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

#### 18. Department of Biodiversity Conservation and

Attractions (DBCA), Perth Hills Office: 275 Allen Road, Mundaring. Information about the forest, National Parks, walk trails, tent camping, conservation and fire advice. Ph: (08) 9290 6100. P, I, Wh, W.

19. East Weir Wall (Mundaring Side): Former pleasure gardens now a picnic area with fine old exotic trees and other plant species. Chance of seeing kangaroos in the gardens. Historical display on building of the weir and a memorial to CY O'Connor, the pipeline engineer. Weir views.

#### P, I, T, Ta, B, W, H.

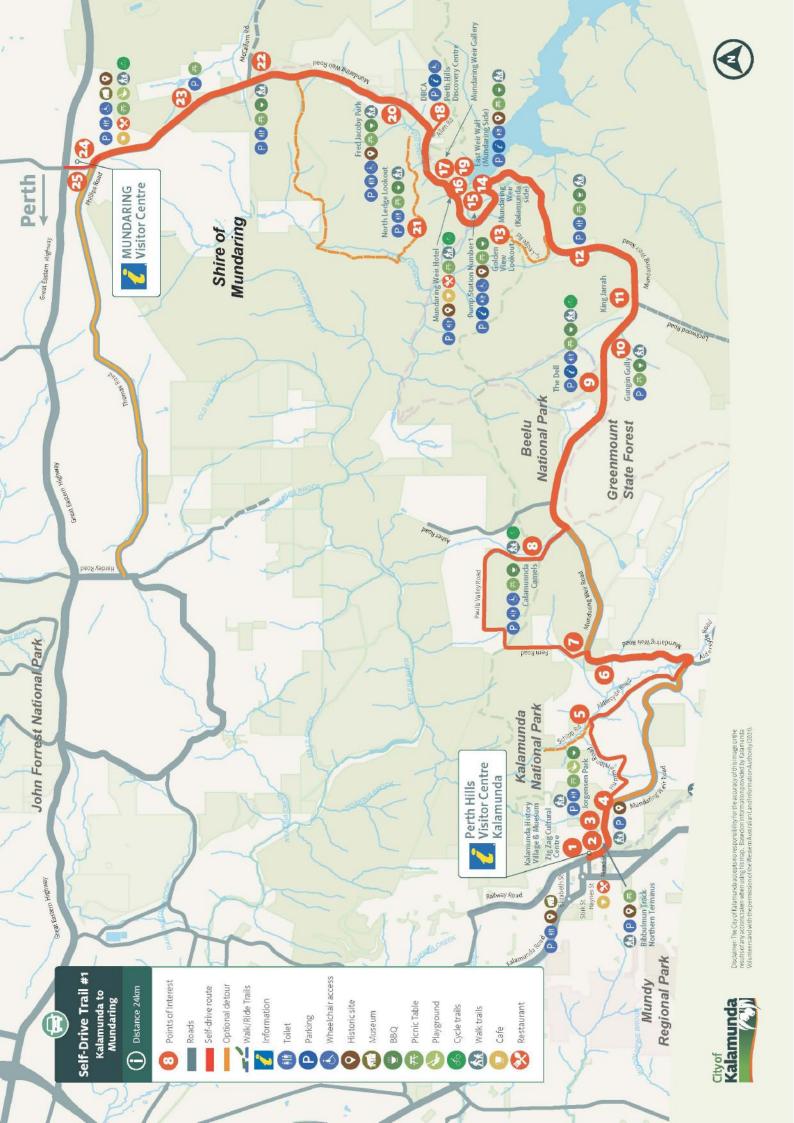
- 20. Fred Jacoby Park: Extensive park and picnic area, shady trees, photo opportunities. One of WA's largest oak trees, over 140 years old. P, T, Ta, B, W, H, Wh.
- 21. North Ledge Lookout: Lovely valley and weir views. Wildflower displays in spring. Gravel road, 4WD rec. P, T, Ta, B, W.
- 22. Grevillea Mycumbene: Wildflowers in spring, walk trails.
- 23. Pimelia Mycumbene: Wildflowers in spring, walk trails.

#### 24. Mundaring Township / Mundaring

Visitor Centre: Mundaring was gazetted in 1898. The name is derived from the Aboriginal word Mindahlung meaning 'a high place on a high place'. Visitor Centre at 7225 Great Eastern Hwy. Ph (08) 9295 0202. P, I, T, Pl, F, W, C, H, Wh.

25. Philips Road / Thomas Road: Optional detour, turn left at the roundabout, Mundaring Sculpture Park on your right, Munda Biddi Bike Trail start point. Becomes Thomas Road, right turn onto Hardey Road to access Great Eastern Highway.











# The Art of **Nonnas Table**

With its winding roads and serene landscapes, a visit to La Fattoria in the Perth Hills is as much about the journey as it is about the unforgettable food, wine, and family traditions waiting at Nonna's table.

In the heart of the scenic Perth Hills lies La Fattoria—a place where food, family, and heritage come together to create unforgettable dining experiences. Italian for "The Farm," La Fattoria pays homage to its roots as a working farm and vineyard, transforming into a sanctuary of farm-totable dining, where every visit feels like stepping into a story of connection and culture. At the heart of it all is Nonna's Family Table—not just a dining experience but an open invitation to gather, share, and indulge. Lucy and Eric, the proud proprietors of La Fattoria, draw on their Sicilian heritage to bring generations of recipes to life.

For the past eight years, they've welcomed guests to their table, serving authentic delights in a space lovingly transformed from their old packing shed into a warm, rustic restaurant. The surrounding orchard has also blossomed into a thriving vineyard, a testament to their commitment to honouring their land's heritage while embracing its future. This summer, La Fattoria's menu sings with the season's freshest flavours. Picture yourself savouring handmade Chisciol—a northern Italian savoury pancake—delicate Polenta Bruschetta, and dishes crafted with care and attention.

Pair your meal with wines that tell the story of the Hills' ancient terroir. From crisp Fiano and vibrant Vermentino to robust Montepulciano, which recently earned a gold medal and the Best Red Varietal award at the 2024 Perth Hills Wine Show, the vineyard's offerings are as diverse as they are delicious. Other varietals like Pignoletto, Sagrantino, Nero d'Avola, and Barbera have also garnered accolades, promising a sip of excellence with every glass.

At La Fattoria, every dish tells a story—one of family, heritage, and the simple joy of sharing a meal together.



#### **Beyond the Table**

La Fattoria isn't just about dining—it's a celebration of community and discovery. Each vintage season, the farm invites visitors to join the grape-picking experience, quickly filling teams with enthusiastic "La Fattorians" who return year after year to help select the best fruit for their wines – and partake in the legendary 'picker's lunch.'

The dining experience goes beyond the food, too. Geordie's Forno (oven), run by Lucy and Eric's daughter, adds a touch of personal passion to the La Fattoria story. Geordie specialises in gluten-free baking, creating exceptional treats like cinnamon scrolls, seeded loaves, and her famous gluten-free Hot Cross Buns—coming this Easter! Keep an eye on their social media for seasonal specials that showcase Geordie's skill and creativity. No visit to La Fattoria is complete without sampling their Modican-style chocolate, a Sicilian delicacy with a rustic texture and rich cocoa flavour. Paired with their fortified wines, it's a fitting tribute to the family's heritage and their dedication to authentic, artisanal experiences.

La Fattoria is more than just a restaurant—it's a place to linger, explore, and immerse yourself in the beauty of the Perth Hills. Whether you're sharing a festive meal at Nonna's long table, sipping a glass of award-winning wine as the sun dips below the horizon, or breaking a loaf of Geordie's gluten-free bread, every moment here is one to savour.

This summer, let La Fattoria help you make memories as rich and lasting as the taste of their homemade limoncello and fig leaf liqueur. Reserve your seat at Nonna's Table today.

#### Bookings: 08 9293 7888 www.lafattoria.com.au | 211 Merrivale Road, Pickering Brook



Aluten free and vegetarian option available PHONE BOOKINGS ONLY 9293 7888





Find a Fairy

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Tick each time

you find a door!

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The original door!

Where did the magic come from?

Fairies were first spotted here 2 years ago at the Clip Joint in Kalamunda. Since then, they have decided to call Kalamunda home and now live in over 20 different places!

> Take your time, roam around, look closely- there's magic to be found.

In the main street, or down a lane, no two fairy doors are the same.

Follow the map, come out and play, You may just find a fairy along the way.

Join the fairies, come and see, Just how magical Kalamunda can be! 📽

Fairy Map

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Fringe World Festival is making its return to the Kalamunda Hotel this January and February! Start 2025 with a bang and enjoy a fantastic lineup of comedy, music, and live entertainment, showcasing both local and international talent. From hilarious stand-up to amazing musical acts, there's plenty to look forward to.

Mark your calendars and don't miss out on these fun-filled nights in the heart of the Perth Hills!

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#### Emma Krause: 40+ Fabulous

24 January 2025

A comedic journey exploring the challenges and triumphs of life beyond 40.

#### Devin Gray: How To Get Away With Marriage 25 January 2025

How To Get Away With Marriage" is a plot for laughter, cryptic culture clashes, and a daring dash of... suspicion?

#### **Raised Funny**

#### 25 January 2025

Tori Griffiths, self-proclaimed "Funny Dad," is perhaps a little too proud of how often his wife says, "Please don't wind them up before bed," as if it's proof of his unmatched talent as an entertainer.

#### Superfan Showdown Live Gameshow!

#### 25 January 2025

An interactive live trivia showdown to crown Perth's biggest Superfan.

#### A Tropic Blunder

#### 31 January 2025

Tropic Blunder. The latest show forms the guys at TOUR DE FARCE. Strap yourself in for a night of comedy, interservice roasts and stories.

#### Shake It Off: The Ultimate Taylor Swift Experience

#### 1 February 2025

Calling all major Swift fans and playing all your favourite Taylor songs from yesterday to today, we present to you Australia's premier Taylor Swift Tribute, Shake It Off.

#### Suns of Fred: Crack Up

**1 February 2025** Award-winning comedy trio delivering big laughs and dance moves.

#### Moorditj

**1 & 14 February 2025** Award-winning comedy trio delivering big laughs and dance moves.

#### Gill Cordiner: Abs Flab

#### 2 February 2025

A hilarious show about dating, marriage, and unexpected adventures.

#### **Brown Syndrome**

2 February 2025

Join Shash as he hilariously navigates the clash of cultures between the Land of Spices and the Land Down Under.

#### Western Australia in Pictures and Songs 8 February 2025

Historic photographs from the late 19th and early 20th Centuries, along with contemporary images are projected to accompany original acoustic songs with strong WA themes composed by the performers.

#### Takashi Wakasugi: Comedy Samurai 8 February 2025

Japanese Comedy Boy Takashi presents a unique stand-up experience.

#### Milo Standards: Penis De Milo 8 February 2025

The (drag) king of comedy is coming to FRINGE WORLD! The terrifying alter-ego of feminist comedian Kate Smurthwaite unzips the trousers of truth and lays it on the table.

#### Emma Krause: Finding Confidence – A Woman's Journey Into Stand-Up Comedy

#### 2 & 9 February 2025

Emma shares her journey of overcoming fear to embrace stand-up comedy.

#### The Big HOO-HAA! The Kalamunda Hotel 9 February 2025

Two teams of fearless comedians take the stage to do battle in a competition of jokes, sketches and songs to win your laughs, applause, and the HOO-HAA! trophy.

#### Simone Springer: Mum's Time Out

#### 7 February 2025

A night off for mums, celebrating the chaos and humour of motherhood.

#### Michael Shafar - Inappropriate 15 February 2025

Michael Shafar is back at Fringe World with a new show that discusses racism, colonisation, Andrew Tate, political assassinations, paedophiles, Pauline Hanson, the Middle East and more.

#### Joe White: Ethiopian & Still Not Hungry

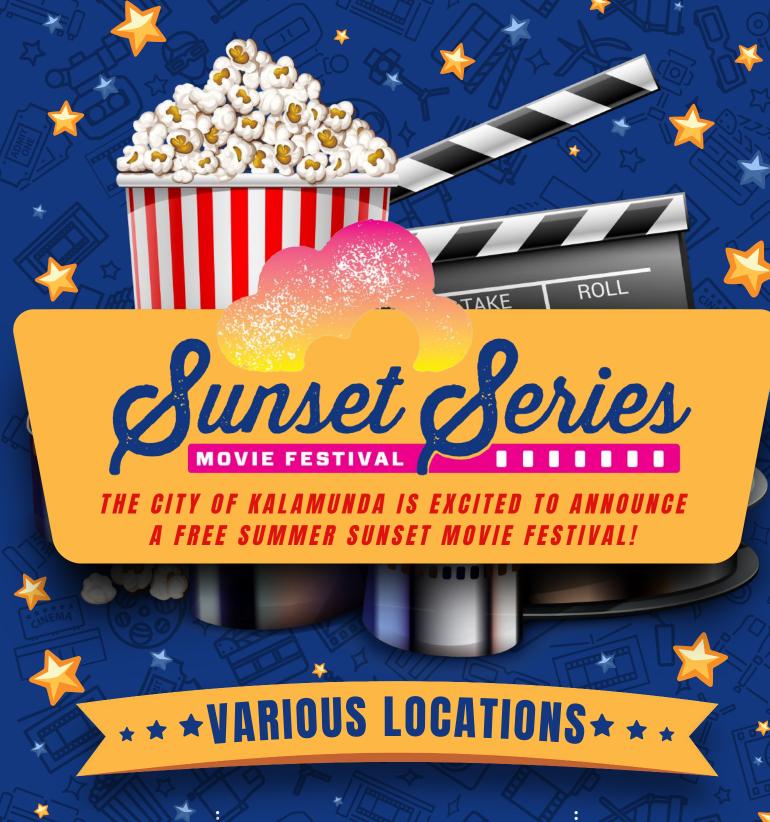
#### 15 & 16 February 2025

Award-winning comedian Joe White delivers his latest stand-up show.

#### Loft Clearance

#### 16 February 2025

Join Eileen as she rummages through one hundred years worth of possessions that have accumulated in her loft.



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