



# Melbourne Area Guide

A guide to the best places to live in Melbourne



# Best Areas to Live in Melbourne

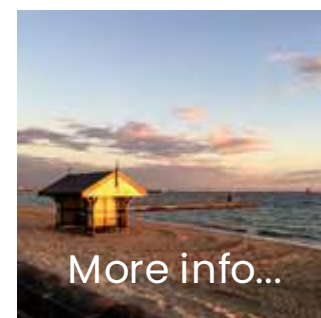
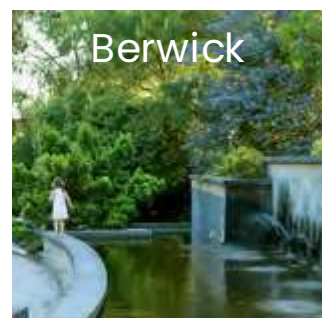
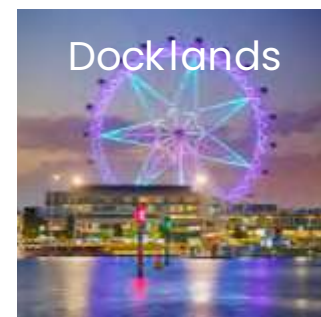
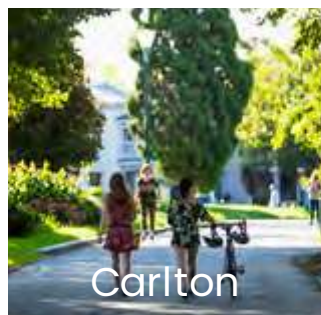
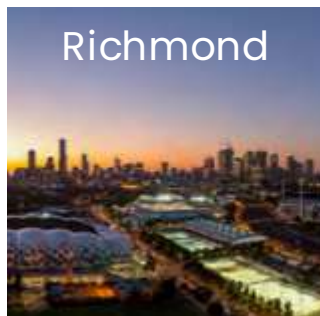
If you are a new teacher joining us in Melbourne, finding a place to live can seem like a daunting task. We've chatted with our team to see which areas would be the best for our international teachers.

A few things to keep in mind when looking into potential areas:

1. Look up the area on a map and pay close attention to where train lines might run. Having public transit at your doorstep makes work and Melbourne living much easier!
2. Finding an apartment/place to live before you've left your home country can be difficult. It's best to look into these areas closer to arrival and utilize the real estate sites to schedule appointments for when you arrive. Each area has its own unique feel so we want you to experience it firsthand and in person to make an informed decision. However, having an idea of which area before you depart is always a plus.
3. If you are travelling solo or in a small group you will need to decide whether to join an existing house share or to start your own. It might be worth reaching out to others in our anzuk Facebook communities closer to your arrival to line up house mates or to simply share ideas.



# Here are just a few of our top suburb choices:



Click on a suburb to find out more!

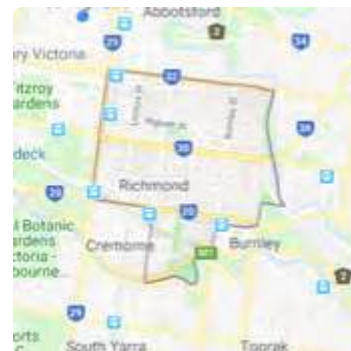


## NEIGHBOURHOOD

# 📍 Richmond

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- Sporting Precinct
- Public Transport
- Pubs, Restaurants & Nightlife
- Parks



Richmond is an excellent area for someone that loves their sport. As you can see above, it's walking distance/short tram ride from the sporting precinct. AAMI Park (Soccer/Rugby), Melbourne Park (Tennis/Basketball) and the MCG (AFL/Cricket) are all right on your doorstep.

Richmond Train Station is also an important hub, it services all train lines heading towards the East and Southeast suburbs. Alternatively, it's 1 stop from Flinders Street Station which is the central station that is the beginning of every train line. (Our train system differs from the Tube in the UK and other lines around the world- we only have a couple of stations that allow you to change lines, most times you'd need to come in to Flinders Street to change over.)

There is a pub on every corner in Richmond, lots of live music venues, however rent would be on the higher end of the scale. There are still some affordable options around though. The convenience of public transport around Richmond would be a big plus, especially if you're doing supply work.



NEIGHBOURHOOD

# 📍 North Melbourne

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- Inner City
- Public Transport
- Markets
- Parks



North Melbourne is very close to the city and has a large station where a number of train lines run through to the North and West. This also includes a Vline service to Melton and Geelong. It has a tram that travels to the West of Melbourne.

It has a large amount of flats that can be rented. You can easily reach a number of inner West and Inner North schools on the train and tram line. Good connections to city link to access the West and North if one does have access to a car.

Great place to live and in close proximity to Victoria Market, a Melbourne institution.



## NEIGHBOURHOOD

# 📍 South Yarra

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- Cafes, Bars & Restaurants
- Shopping
- Markets
- French Influence



South Yarra is a fantastic spot for cafes, restaurants, and shopping whilst being slightly quieter at night. This said you're in easy distance of the famous Chapel Street where it's all going on.

You're in the 'leafy greens' near the Botanical Gardens and Fawcner Park, with the Yarra river running through. Strong train and tram links to the CBD.

Rent will be similar to other popular areas such as Richmond and Brunswick whilst having more of a suburban, family feel.

There seems to be a reasonably high French population in South Yarra so there are a few French style restaurants.

If you are able to find a place near the train station you'll be really well connected to several train lines which will mean easy access to a large number of schools.

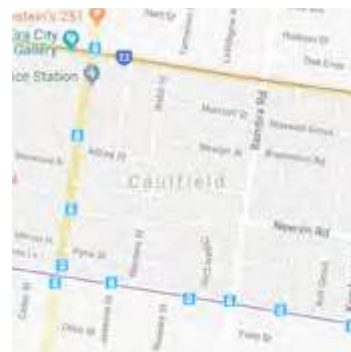


## NEIGHBOURHOOD

# Caulfield

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- Public Transport
- Asian Food
- Parks
- University Community



Caulfield is best known for its prestigious Caulfield Racecourse which hosts the celebrated Caulfield Cup each year in the Spring Carnival time.

Caulfield is filled with university students attending the nearby Monash University which fosters a friendly, accepting nature amongst its residents. It is a healthy multicultural community that loves to come together - in cafes, restaurants, sporting events and parks of which there are plenty.

Not far from Caulfield you will find Koorang Rd, famous for its array of Asian restaurants. Check it out if you love your Asian cuisine.

When it comes to open green spaces that beckon the masses, Caulfield Park has it all, including a running track, football fields, a duck pond, lawn bowls and tennis courts.

Well serviced with Train, tram and bus links that connect to the city as well as to the outer suburbs which is perfect for educators without a car.



NEIGHBOURHOOD

# 📍 Brunswick

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- Inner City
- Cafes, Restaurants & Pubs
- Hipster
- Multiple Accommodation Options



Approximately 5 kms north of the CBD. Great transport links both trains and trams.

Brunswick is home to Melbourne's hipster night life. Great for food, live music and winding down. Also good places for breakfast or brunch at an iconic Melbourne cafe.

There is a lot going on in Brunswick but you are away from the hustle bustle of the CBD or other suburbs a little closer in.

Lots of accommodation options including new apartments and shared houses.

Conveniently anzuk supports most of the schools in the Brunswick area.





## NEIGHBOURHOOD

# Fitzroy

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- Inner City
- Cafes, Restaurants & Pubs
- Hipster
- Cycling



A pretty happening area, Smith St and Brunswick St Fitzroy have hundreds of bars, restaurants, shops, live music venues and interesting characters. Fitzroy also has some awesome street art. You only have to walk around to discover some of best street art in Melbourne.

It's a bit disconnected from the train line which means relying quite heavily on trams or walking/cycling between places.

A 'hipster' area which also caters quite well to vegetarians/vegans.



NEIGHBOURHOOD

# 📍 Carlton

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- Inner City
- Parks
- Public Transport
- Italian Food



The Little Italy of Melbourne, think terrace cafe/ restaurants, boutique shops, bookshops and cinemas.

Home of the 'best margherita in the world', green parks and great cycling lanes to and from the city.

Carlton is walking distance to city also with great tram lines. Close enough to the CBD for great access to Melbourne metro train network. Easy access to the schools in the north.



## NEIGHBOURHOOD

# Yarraville

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- Community Feel
- Parks
- Public Transport
- Cafes, Bars & Restaurants



A charming inner western suburb with a nice community feel. Enjoy a stroll along the ambient shopping strip. A movie with the family at the iconic Sun Theatre which has been restored to its original Art Deco interior and dinner at the vault, a historical old bank converted to a restaurant.

It has a train station so is quite good for CRT and is well located to a number of primary and secondary schools that book regularly.



NEIGHBOURHOOD

# 📍 Moonee Ponds

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- Community Feel
- Parks
- Public Transport
- Cycling



Leafy suburb further away from the hustle and bustle of the city with great train and tram links to the West and the North.

Equally suited to families or free spirits, Moonee Ponds affords a fresh air lifestyle while still keeping the city in your sights. Theatre, cycling, dining, racing – you got it.

Although we do not have a lot of schools directly in Moonee Ponds it is on the Craigieburn line where we have a lot of schools that can be reached by various stations a long that service.



NEIGHBOURHOOD

# Hawthorn

- Many Private Schools
- Shopping
- Public Transport
- Cycling



Fantastic area that is just one suburb east of Richmond. There's a large university based in Hawthorn which means there's a lot going on and so many culinary options!

It is a very affluent area and there are a large amount of independent schools based in this suburb.

The government schools are also very high-achieving in this area, it's excellent for public transport and being accessible to a number of schools.

As it's also close to the river, there are plenty of walking and cycling options nearby.



NEIGHBOURHOOD

# Docklands

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- Inner City
- Shopping
- Public Transport
- Waterfront Views



Very inner city and located right by Southern Cross Station the biggest station in Melbourne which all train lines run through.

Loads of things to do here, from going to watch the football or a concert at Marvel Stadium, to catching a ferry to Geelong.

There are many apartments available for rent and the area is full of students, international travelers and young professionals. Living here you would never even need to contemplate owning a car as CRT is on your doorstep reaching to all areas of Melbourne.



## NEIGHBOURHOOD

# Melton

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- Suburban Area
- Affordable
- Teachers In High Demand
- Fast Growing Area



An outer area and is serviced by the VLine train. Living expenses would be very affordable.

It is a teacher short area so a lot of opportunities for work. Living and working in this area would give you a great opportunity to be in a community that is seeking teachers to grow in their schools.

Therefore, there are great long term teaching opportunities and for the right teacher sponsorship possibilities.



NEIGHBOURHOOD

# 📍 Footscray

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- Affordable
- Public Transport
- Hipster
- Parks



You can enjoy a vibrant, multicultural lifestyle in Footscray, with Vietnamese restaurants, bustling markets, expansive public gardens and riverside bike paths, all within view of the city.

Is really great area and fairly inexpensive rent wise.

Everyday a new brewery or cafe is opening there as the hipsters are moving in.

A large station with 2 train services running through it which again will give you easy access to a number of our Secondary and Primary schools in the Western suburbs.





## NEIGHBOURHOOD

# Berwick

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- Affordable
- Public Transport
- Suburban Area
- Parks



Berwick is ideal for anyone looking to trade the city hassle for country calm, and who want spacious living without sacrificing convenience.

One of the fastest growing parts of Melbourne with very affordable housing.

The area has a great mix of government, Catholic and independent schools with a huge amount of opportunities for teaching work within each sector.

Up-and-coming leafy suburb with nice cafes, shops and restaurants.

# Other recommended areas to live...

- **Springvale (teacher short area, lots of local schools)**
- **Mount Waverley (teacher short area, lots of local schools)**
- **Glen Waverley (teacher short area, lots of local schools)**
- **Malvern (great PT connections)**
- **Frankston (teacher short area, lots of local schools)**
- **Broadmeadows (teacher short area, lots of local schools)**
- **Point Cook (teacher short area, lots of local schools)**
- **Hoppers Crossing (teacher short area, lots of local schools)**
- **Geelong (Regional Area)**

## What about St Kilda?

You may have heard about St. Kilda, it's a popular area with lots of tourists and great in terms of beaches, nightlife, etc. So why hasn't it made our list? The issue with St. Kilda is poor public transport links which makes it very challenging for Primary and Secondary Teachers, for that reason we can't universally recommend the area. However there are a lot of Early Childhood settings in the area so ECT's should definitely consider St. Kilda as a viable option.

## Don't see the area you might be keen to live in on this list?

Speak to your local anzuk team member to discuss suitability for work and access to public transit:

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