

Victoria

For beginners and professionals alike.

The Australian coast is perfect for amateur and professional surfers. From the Pacific Ocean to the Indian and Southern Oceans, the great, surfing waves in Australia are world renowned. But do be careful, as surfing is a dangerous sport. Pay attention to reports of sharks, jellyfish and strong currents and do not surf alone.

Bells Beach, 100 km from Melbourne, marks the start of the Great Ocean Road and is one of the most iconic surfing sports in Australia hosting the Rip Curl Pro Surf each year. Other great surfing beaches include: **Béllartine Peninsula**, **Point Impossible**, **Jan Juc**, **Point Danger**, **Aglesea**, **Fairhaven**, **Warrambool**, **Portland** and **Port Fairy**.

Mornington Peninsula is an hour's drive from Melbourne and here you can swim amongst seahorses, sting rays, squid and sea urchins at **Port Phillip Heads**. In the same reserve it is possible to scuba dive down to sunken submarines from the Second World War, now home to a rich and interesting array of sea life. Swim with the dolphins at **Sorrento** or try scuba diving for the first time at **Portsea Pier**. Go and see all the fish, birds and seals in the **Popes Eye** nature reserve. Scuba dive 10 metres down to the caves of **Kelp Beds Reef**.