

PREPARE FOR YOUR VISIT

GETTING THE MOST OUT OF AN EXCURSION TO GEELONG SPORTS MUSEUM

ABOUT THE MUSEUM

Geelong Sports Museum promises to educate, surprise and entertain students as they explore the unique relationship between sport and the Geelong region through exhibitions, films, artefacts, and interactive experiences. The museum offers a range of educational resources for teachers and students that connect with learning areas and capabilities in the Victorian school curriculum.

Visit the Geelong Sports Museum website to learn more:

<https://www.geelongsportsmuseum.vic.gov.au>

VISITING THE MUSEUM

PLANNING EXCURSIONS

Geelong Sports Museum was designed to be a self-guided visiting experience, allowing groups to explore and interact with different features along the way. For the full experience, we recommend allowing 90 minutes – where groups will be able to take 60 minutes to explore the museum and 30 minutes for lunch or a break in the Djilang Plaza.

A morning or afternoon excursion will give students time to explore the museum's unique stories, and experience the many interactive spaces, including the wall of sailing knots, commentator's booth, quiz wall, and more.

GROUP SIZES AND CAPACITY

We recommend that school groups should be limited to 2–3 classes of approx 25 students per class. This will give students the ability to fully explore everything the museum has to offer. For groups larger than this we recommend having rotating groups through the museum and Djilang Plaza to limit congestion when viewing the exhibits.

The Museum requires one teacher with duty of care for every ten students. These teachers retain duty of care and are responsible for the behaviour of the students throughout the visit.

Schools looking for additional activities while at Kardinia Park might consider the Barwon Regional Cricket Centre (BRCC) who run school programs.

WHAT TO BRING

- Printed copies of Geelong Sports Museum education resources relevant to your groups learning goals.
- Sports equipment to use in Djilang Plaza and Geelong Cricket oval (optional).

ACCESSIBILITY AND MUSEUM FACILITIES

The Museum is accessible to everyone featuring:

- A hearing loop
- Subtitled films in the theatrette
- Accessible all-gendered toilets
- Changing places facilities adjacent to the museum
- Access to wheelchairs if required
- Sensory bags for people with sensory processing challenges
- Large lockable cupboards for group bookings at the main entrance.

DJILANG PLAZA

Outside the entrance to the museum is Djilang Plaza. This open area space is available for students to have lunch during their museum visit. It features:

- Basketball ring
- Table tennis table
- Tables and chairs, bench seating
- Grassed area
- Rubbish bins

Groups can also use Geelong Cricket oval for free play and activities. This oval is managed by the City of Greater Geelong and access is subject to availability.

GETTING HERE

Geelong Sports Museum is located next to Gate 1 of GMHBA Stadium at Kardinia Park in South Geelong. Further location details can be found by viewing the [Kardinia Park Stadium interactive map](#).

<https://www.kardiniapark.vic.gov.au/interactive-stadium-map/#/profile?location=65523eaf80083de6eaf89e7f>

BUS DROP-OFF AND PARKING

- Buses can park and drop students in the D8 carpark which is accessed from Park Crescent, near the Kardinia Aquatic Centre and behind the Kardinia Park senior citizens club. Students can walk on the footpath along Moorabool Street to the museum (approx. 5 mins).
- After dropping students close to the Museum, buses can park on Park Crescent near the Kardinia Aquatic Centre or in the D8 carpark behind Kardinia Park senior citizens club.

ARRIVING BY TRAIN

South Geelong Station is a short 450-metre walk from the stadium.

