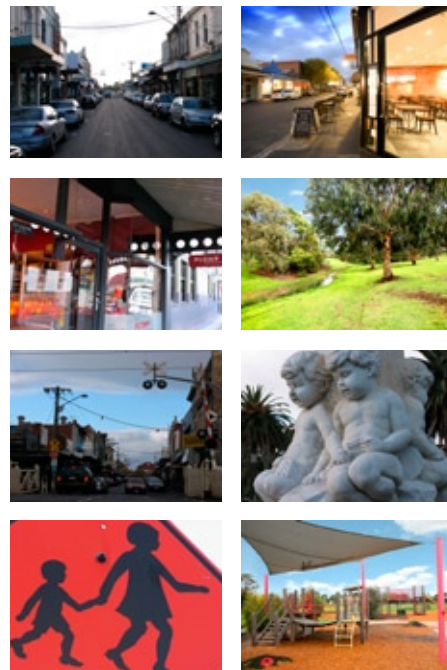




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Yarraville

Why would you ever leave Yarraville? It has its own multi-screen cinema, a raft of speciality shops, restaurants and excellent cafes, a skate park, great schools, its own football team – the Western Bulldogs are only just down the road - and what may well be the world's oldest (perhaps only) mouth organ band. So there's something for everybody.

There's plenty of potential for exploring too; the whole area is dotted with playgrounds and parklands including the gorgeous, meandering oasis that is Cruickshank Park while Williamstown's bay beach and the rolling greenery of Footscray Park are only minutes away.

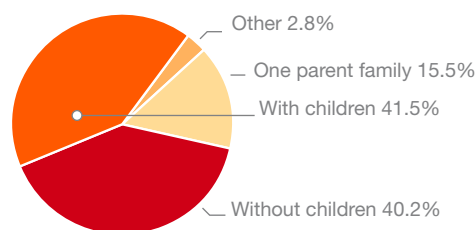
There's a charming mix of dwellings here, occupied by an increasingly eclectic mix of young families, professionals and long time residents from all walks of life.

The intersection of Ballarat and Anderson Sts forms the heart of the quaint, Yarraville shopping village which, despite its country town feel, plays host to some very sophisticated wining and dining. There's a real feeling of community here, where the whole of Yarraville converges to shop, play, relax, and occasionally play the mouth organ. The local council is Maribyrnong (www.maribyrnong.vic.gov.au).

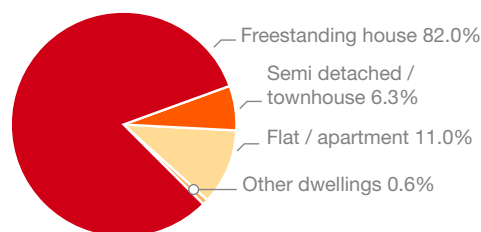
Fast fact: Check out In Yarraville Tonight for an irreverent yet informative fortnightly online wrap of what's going down in the 'Ville. Tune in and download the pod cast at www.iyt.org.au

Statistics:

Family structure



Type of dwelling



Family structure and Type of Dwelling data used with permission of the Australian Bureau of Statistics.

Locals recommend:

Cafes And Restaurants

Cafe Fidama (34 Ballarat St; 9687 0133; www.cafefidama.com.au)
Top Australian bistro.

Carson's lounge (33 Ballarat St, 9687 8478) Modern Australian cuisine.

Hausfrau (32A Ballarat St) Gorgeously girly cakes, coffee and domestic goddess accoutrements.

Bopha Devi (27 Ballarat St; 9362 0941; www.bophadevi.com). Relaxed and intimate restaurant serving ripper Cambodian food.

Lucellino (20 Ballarat Street; 9689 9788) Serving authentic Italian pizza from the heart of Yarraville.

Shopping

Plump Organic Grocery (24 Ballarat St) Top notch veggies and produce, organic wine and darn good coffee too.

Heather Dell Cakes (7 Anderson St) A dear old bakery, serving cakes and pies just like grandma used to make.

Andrew's Choice (24 Anderson St) One of Melbourne's best gourmet butchers.

Hotels And Bars

Commercial Hotel (238 Whitehall St; 9689 9354). A dash of snug local, a pinch of Fitzroy, a dollop of welcome and a great kitchen.

Acqua e Vino (18a Anderson St; 9687 9006) Splendid and sophisticated wine bar.

The Yarra Lounge (7 Ballarat St; 9689 4090). Chilled out little bar for scrummy tapas and a glass of something cold.

Entertainment

Sun Theatre (8 Ballarat Street; 9362 0999) A luxurious six-cinema theatre detailed in Art Deco style.

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