Angaston is one of the region’s highest townships and home to a variety of cafes, a bike shop, cheesemaker, Italian cooking school, wine bars, cellar doors, B&Bs and boutique retailers. Offering ample parking, the historic Angaston Railway Station was completed in 1911 and is listed as a State Heritage Place. From here it’s an easy descent to Nuriootpa, affording panoramic views over the Valley floor and rolling vineyards that symbolise the Barossa.

Nuriootpa is the commercial hub of the Barossa and central to the region’s wine production. ‘Nuri’ as it’s locally known offers a diversity of retail outlets, eateries, and a scenic riverside walk through Linear Park.

Nuriootpa’s Tolley Reserve and playground is great for families. The ride to Tanunda is mostly flat terrain with many interesting sites en-route including wineries, historic buildings and the entrance to the iconic Seppeltsfield Road and Para Road Wine Path.

Tanunda is known as the ‘heritage heart of the Barossa’ and retains all the village charm and character of yesteryear.

The town features historic buildings and churches, Heritage Trail, Regional Gallery, Barossa Museum, bike shops, a brewery, retail therapy and a thriving al fresco cafe culture, making it a perfect place to unwind. Tanunda is also home to the Barossa Visitor Centre offering cycle hire and facilities and a range of visitor services.

The Barossa: best by bike

There is no better way to explore the Barossa’s premium food, wine and rich heritage than by bike. Its high-quality sealed cycling and walking network extends 40 kilometres from Angaston to Gawler via the three main townships of Nuriootpa, Tanunda and Lyndoch.

The path is ideal for intimately exploring the natural beauty of this magnificent region at your own pace. Travel as little or as much of the path as you like in either direction, enjoying stunning views, attractions and generous Barossa hospitality every step of the way.

The Barossa is located about one hour from Adelaide by car, or catch the train to Gawler and connect with the Jack Bobridge Track or LinkSA bus service. For more details visit adelaidemetro.com.au or LinkSA.com.au

GETTING YOUR Bearings...
Jack Bobridge Track - Tanunda to Lyndoch (14km)

Varying in its degree of difficulty, this leg of the Jack Bobridge Track showcases some of the state’s most beautiful natural terrain. Every turn offers a new surprise as towering gums give way to sweeping vistas and vineyards, against the backdrop of the Barossa Ranges.

Kangaroos, echidnas and birdlife abound, along with a collection of well-known wineries and cellar doors to break the journey.

Midway between Tanunda and Lyndoch is Rowland Flat, best known for its proximity to Jacob’s Creek - the site of the Barossa’s first commercial vine plantings in 1847 and an ultramodern cellar door offering cycle hire and facilities.

Altona Landcare Reserve is a must-see for nature lovers before making the picturesque descent into Lyndoch.

The route features an array of restaurants, wineries, Tanunda Pines Golf Club and high-end accommodation, providing a myriad of options for locals and holiday-makers alike.

(14km)

Jack Bobridge Track - Lyndoch to Gawler (13km)

Established in 1837, Lyndoch is one of South Australia’s oldest towns and home to a number of boutique, family-owned vineyards and cellar doors. The town boasts traditional artisans, restaurants and cafes offering authentic German-style meals, smallgoods, freshly baked pies and sweet delights.

Pristine conservation and recreation parks near Sandy Creek and Cockatoo Valley provide excellent bushwalking and sightseeing opportunities – don’t forget the camera!

Gawler is the final destination on the Jack Bobridge Track, where heritage charm meets contemporary convenience to create a thriving retail and commercial centre. An extensive linear path follows Gawler’s natural river corridor and a short distance away is the Northern Expressway and Stuart O’Grady Bike Track to Adelaide. For more information contact Gawler Visitor Centre on 1300 545 254.

(13km)

History files

Gawler to Angaston Line officially opened in 1911 to much fanfare. A local newspaper proclaimed: "...The railway will very likely make the towns bigger...Already new shops are being built and new houses going up in Angaston, and we hope to see the town very busy and prosperous..."

Remnants of this proud railway heritage are on display at Angaston Railway Station precinct and at Tolley Reserve in Nuriootpa, home of the RX Class locomotive No. 217 which was salvaged from a scrap yard.

The Barossa Council officially opened the Angaston-Nuriootpa Bike Path in 2010; original railway sleepers were recycled and used in interpretive signage. The Jack Bobridge Track opened in 2013, completing Council’s 40km continuous shared use path across the Valley floor.

Trail etiquette

For your safety and enjoyment:

- Notify others of your approach
- Obey signage; cyclists give way to pedestrians
- Respect private property and the environment - take rubbish home and don’t remove native vegetation
- Keep left
- Cross roads with care
- No motorbikes permitted

Don’t ride if affected by alcohol.

Caution

The Barossa Trail and Jack Bobridge Track is 40km and has varying levels of difficulty. Only attempt distances within your capabilities.

Always carry water and avoid hot periods of the day. Dress for the weather and wear appropriate clothing and footwear. Don’t forget your helmet if riding.

Don’t ride if affected by alcohol.

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