

ST GEORGE HORSE CENTRE & FARMSTAY

32 Henry's Lane, Tamworth

T: 02 6760 8468

Open: 7 days, by appointment

10 minute drive from Tamworth

Saddle up and head out for a horse ride through beautiful bushland and enjoy spotting nature's most unique like kangaroos and a diverse array of bird life. St George is situated on a 50 acre rural retreat where you can challenge yourself to a riding lesson or trial ride. If horses aren't your style then go bushwalking and enjoy a light refreshment on the deck overlooking the panoramic views of the Tamworth region.

ATTUNGA STATE FORREST

Attunga Forest Road, Attunga

T: 02 6841 4288

Open: 7 days

20 minute drive from Tamworth

The Attunga State forest is accessible via Inlet Lane off the Tamworth Manilla Road on the western foothills of the Moonbi Range, the Great Dividing Range. Amongst the Cypress and White Box forest it has an extensive range of amazing native bird life. Camping is permitted and free however there are no actual camping facilities and there is a part of the forest safely sectioned off for the archery club.

EXPLORING MANILLA

Manilla offers a relaxed environment where you can easily throw a fishing line out and picnic at the Manilla Weir with a chance to see a platypus, or enjoy walking by the banks of the Namoi River and discover the true beauty of Australian nature.

Make sure you enjoy the spirited shopping at Burrell's Bazaar, a fancy goods store opened in 1901 and cure your cravings at the Imperial Hotel's Country Harvest Restaurant and the Canberra Café, an authentic Greek-style fish and chip shop owned by the same family since the 1950's.

MANILLA VISITOR INFORMATION CENTRE

Manilla Street, Manilla

T: 02 6785 1207

Open: 7 days, 9am – 4pm

30 minute drive from Tamworth

Upon arriving in the quaint town of Manilla, the Visitor Information Centre is a great starting point to discover the hidden charms of the old town. The Manilla Heritage Museum in Royce Cottage located at the Visitor Centre

is a fascinating place to begin your exploration with its comprehensive collection of Manilla's history. The museum has many interesting and intriguing displays including the platypus research by Harry Burrell, one of three museums in Australia.

EASY RIVER WALK

Manilla

T: 02 6785 1207

Open: Accessible at all times

The Easy Walk along the Namoi River is a pleasurable activity and will give you a historic tour of the town through to view the Namoi River, Traffic Bridge built in 1886, the Junction, Showgrounds and a 100 year old Railway Bridge. The Easy River Walk is only 2.5 km in length with an estimated time of 1 hour to complete leaving from the Manilla Visitor Information Centre.

EAGLE MOUNTAIN WINES

"The Mountain", Wimbourne Road, Manilla

T: 02 6785 6545

Open: Saturday & Sunday, 11am – 4pm or by appointment

10 minute drive from Manilla

Eagle Mountain Wines is the first winery in the picturesque and geologically significant Manilla River valley where the product is planted, pruned, picked and processed by hand on site. Eagle Mountain Wines are situated 11 km west of Manilla and offer two classic red varieties; shiraz and cabernet sauvignon.

SOAR THROUGH MANILLA

If you are a thrill seeker – then you have definitely discovered the heart of adventure in the region. You can literally take off and capture aerial views of the region or jump on a horse to get up close and personal with the landscape.

MANILLA PARAGLIDING

"The Mountain", Manilla

T: 02 6785 6545

Open: 7 days, by bookings only

20 minutes from Manilla

Learn to fly at one of the best paragliding schools in Australia where the course delivers you skill standards well beyond the minimum and covers all aspects of paragliding. Located at one of the world's best and safest flying sites, Mt Borah also hosted the 2007 Paragliding World Championships.



OAKHAMPTON HOMESTEAD AND COUNTRY HOLIDAYS

Oakhampton Road, Manilla

T: 02 6785 6517

Open: By appointment

15 minutes drive from Manilla

Oakhampton offers a true country getaway located near the Split Rock Dam. Warm spirited hospitality is offered as well as horse riding, fishing adventures, farm activities, private tennis court swimming pool and bicycle trails.

They offer a diverse range of accommodation and the cuisine is mouth watering also.

ANGLERS DELIGHT

Located in the Manilla region are two major water storage dams' ideal for camping, water sports and fishing; Split Rock Dam and Keepit Dam.

SPLIT ROCK DAM

Manilla Road, Manilla

T: 02 6785 1207

Open: Accessible at all times

20 minute drive from Manilla

Named for a fissure in a great rock near the dam site itself, Split Rock Dam is a major local irrigation reservoir and water recreation resource. Facilities are available for angling, camping, boating and water sports. Anglers have reported good catches of most inland fish including Golden Perch, Black Bream, Jew Fish and the prized Murray Cod.

WARRABAH NATIONAL PARK

Namoi River Road, Manilla

T: 02 6785 1207

Open: Monday - Friday

40 minute drive from Manilla

Warrabah is situated north east of Manilla and is one of the few inland river parks in NSW via four wheel drive access. You'll enjoy the tranquil atmosphere and scenery of the Namoi River and marvel at the huge granite boulders to be found there. Warrabah provides an important native refuge and has plentiful activities for the whole family like playing in the pools and rapids, fishing, canoeing, bushwalking and camping.

KEEPIT DAM

Rushes Creek Road, Somerton

T: 02 6769 7605

Open: Entry fee per vehicle

20 minute drive from Manilla

At approximately two thirds the size of Sydney Harbour, Keepit Dam is a popular recreation area for fishing, skiing, sailing and swimming. There are a various facilities onsite including tennis courts, skating area, gliding and walking trails. Plenty of accommodation options available.

RETURN TRIP TOUR

After farewelling the township of Manilla, follow the Namoi River Road which leads to Keepit Dam about 37 km away. The road will lead out to the Oxley Highway where you turn left to return back to Tamworth passing through Somerton. This 52 km picturesque drive will take you through some of the regions best fertile farming lands.

