GLENELG SHIRE

WAR MEMORIAL TRAIL

A self-drive touring route of Glenelg Shire’s War Memorials, Avenues of Honour and sites.
1. **Memorial Gates**  
*St James’ Anglican Church, 7155 Princes Hwy, Tyrendarra*  
Memorial Gates at the entrance to the Anglican Church commemorate five local servicemen who died in World War II.

2. **War Memorial**  
*Princes Hwy, Narrawong*  
A war memorial erected in memory of the service men and women who served, died and suffered in various conflicts.

3. **WWII Memorial Lookout Tower**  
*2 Wade St, Portland*  
Entry fees apply. Open 9am to 4pm every day except Christmas Day and Good Friday. Under the Australia Remembers Program this obsolete water tower, built in the 1930s, now commemorates social and military history. As well as great views from the top of the tower, there are a number of displays of military history focusing on local involvement in World War II.

4. **The Narthex, Memorial Plaques and Memorial Window**  
*St Stephen’s Church, corner of Percy and Julia St, Portland*  
Located within the church are a number of plaques, a memorial window and The Narthex dedicated as a war memorial.

5. **Portland RSL (Sub-branch)**  
*Corner of Percy and Gawler St, Portland*  
Open 10 am to 12 noon Tuesday and Thursday.  
A number of honour boards, photographs and memorabilia are displayed in the hall.

6. **War Memorial**  
*Memorial Triangle, Cliff St, Portland (Council office)*  
A number of memorials are situated in front of the Glenelg Shire Council office, including a large white marble statue of a World War I soldier unveiled in 1930. Since 1935, floral tributes have been displayed at the Memorial Triangle on Anzac Day.

7. **Vietnam Veterans’ Garden**  
*Cliff St, Portland (Council office)*  
Located near the Memorial Triangle, these gardens commemorate those who served, suffered and died in the Vietnam war.

8. **Prisoners of War Monument**  
*Cliff St, Portland (Council office)*  
Located near the Memorial Triangle, a number of plaques commemorate the men and women who suffered as prisoners of war in various conflicts.

9. **Gallipoli Pine**  
*Botanic Gardens, 1 Glenelg St, Portland*  
Located within Portland’s Botanic Gardens, established in 1857, is a Gallipoli Lone Pine planted and dedicated in 1992.

10. **Memorial Gate**  
*Nelson Cemetery, Huebner Rd, Nelson*  
The War Memorial Wall at the entrance to the Nelson Cemetery was unveiled in 2006 and commemorates servicemen who served in World Wars I and II. Twenty six people are honoured on the plaques.
11. **Avenue of Honour**  
*Service road in front of former state school, Winnap-Nelson Rd, Drik Drik*  
The avenue includes approximately 15 Moreton Bay Fig trees planted in 1918 and a stone marker to commemorate World War I.

12. **Memorial Gate**  
*Drik Drik Cemetery, Winnap-Nelson Rd, Drik Drik*  
Memorial Gates at the entrance to the Cemetery commemorate those who served in World Wars I and II. The gates were originally erected at the site of the Drik Drik Primary School and the plaques were re-erected at the cemetery when the school closed.

13. **Avenue of Honour**  
*In front of former state school, Princes Hwy, Greenwald*  
This avenue of honour includes 23 Radiata pine trees, planted in 1918 to commemorate those who served in World War I. In 2014 a new memorial plaque, stone and flag pole were erected.
14. Gallipoli Pine and Dartmoor and District Avenue of Honour (Memorial Carvings)
Intersection of Greenham and Ascot St, Dartmoor
The avenue, planted in 1918 includes a number of Atlantic cedar trees, both living and dead. The dead trees have been carved into sculptures in commemoration of those who served in World War I. The sculptures created by Kevin Gilders include Sad News, The Nurse, The Boy at War, At Arms, Three Services, Over the Top, Rest in Peace, Parting and The Game. Located at the end of the Avenue of Honour at the Village Green is a Gallipoli Lone Pine and plaque.

15. Memorial Gates
Dartmoor Primary School, 76 Greenham St, Dartmoor
Memorial gates at the entrance to the school commemorate local residents who served in World War I.

16. War Memorials
Bryan Park, Corner of Henty and Russell St, Casterton
The Boer War Memorial comprises a cast iron sculpture on a sandstone block, unveiled in 1903. The Casterton War Memorial comprises a tall granite obelisk on a granite base with inscriptions commemorating local residents who served in various conflicts.

16a. Avenue of Honour
Glenelg Highway, Casterton
The World War I avenue of honour was planted in 1918, originally comprising 50 Elm trees.

17. War Memorial
636 Casterton-Edenhope Rd, Wando Vale
The war memorial honours local residents who served in World War I and the Korean and Vietnam Wars.

18. War Memorial
Portland-Casterton Rd, Sandford
The Sandford War Memorial was originally erected to honour the men of Sandford who served in World War I. Additional plaques were added for later conflicts.

19. War Memorial and Avenue of Honour
Intersection of Maud and High St, Merino
The Merino War Memorial was unveiled in 1918 to honour the men of Merino and District who fought in World War I. It now commemorates those who served in various conflicts. The avenue of honour was planted in 1932.

20. War Memorial
Conda-Coleraine Rd (near Tahara-Merino Rd intersection), Tahara
The Tahara War Memorial commemorates 38 local men and 1 nurse who served in World War I. Unveiled in 1919, the memorial includes a tall granite obelisk, cast iron fence and flag pole.

21. Avenue of Honour
Intersection of Portland-Casterton Rd and Buckingham St, Digby
This World War I memorial Elm avenue was originally planted in 1917 with 70 trees. A further 21 trees were planted in 1918. There are now 97 trees in the avenue. The original plaques and timber guards were replaced with new plaques in 1991. A peace tree situated at the northwest corner of the Portland - Casterton Road intersection marks peacetime (1914-1918).
22. Memorial Park
Intersection of Portland-Casterton Rd and Simpson St, Digby
Opened in 1993, this park commemorates those who served in World War II. A peace tree planted in the park commemorates the South-East Asian and Vietnam conflicts.

23. Avenue Of Honour
Intersection of Blackwoods Rd and Casterton-Portland Rd, Hotspur
In 1918, 40 Brachychiton acerfolius (Kurrajong) trees were planted by the Hotspur community ‘as living monuments to the memory of the great sacrifices made by their gallant soldiers’ in the Great War. In 2001 a new brass plaque with the names of these local soldiers was mounted on to a large boulder.

24. Gallipoli Pine and Heywood War Memorial
Intersection Hunter St and Henty Hwy, Heywood
A tall granite obelisk was dedicated in 1920 to the ‘men who served the Empire’ and gave their lives. Additional commemorative inscriptions were added for conflicts between 1930 and 1973. A memorial to James Rogers, V.C. is located adjacent. A Gallipoli Lone Pine was donated in 1994 by E.R. Dawson ‘in memory of fallen comrades from all wars’.

25. Memorial Gates
Heywood and District Memorial Hospital
21 Barclay St, Heywood
The memorial gates located at the entrance to Heywood Rural Health include individual plaques dedicated in 1953 to 12 fallen soldiers from World War II.
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War Memorial Halls containing honour boards:
- Dartmoor and District Soldiers War Memorial Hall
- Hotspur Public Hall
- Mumbannar Soldiers War Memorial Hall
- Paschendale Soldiers War Memorial Hall
- War Memorial Halls (not open to public)

Penshurst, Sandford, Strathdownie, Tyrendarra, Wando Vale Soldier’s War Memorial Halls

Warrenville Soldiers Memorial Hall

Marmong Hill Memorial Hall

Drogheda Soldiers Memorial Hall

Sandford Mechanics Institute

Mooloonga Soldiers Memorial Hall

Ouzel Bay Soldiers Memorial Hall

Dunkeld Memorial Hall

Mumbannar Memorial Hall

Drek Drik Hall

Lyons Memorial Hall

Ruthven Memorial Hall

Richmond Memorial Hall

War Memorial Hall, Ballarat

Penshurst Memorial Hall

Strathdownie Memorial Hall

Wallacedale Soldiers Memorial Hall

Wando Vale Soldiers Memorial Hall

Digby Soldiers Memorial Hall

Paschendale Soldiers Memorial Hall

War Memorial Hall, Dartmond

Edward Memorial Hall

Henry Memorial Recreation Hall

Mumbannar Soldiers Memorial Hall

Digby Soldiers Memorial Hall

Sandford Memorial Hall

Marmong Hill Memorial Hall

Grampians National Park

Lower Glenelg National Park

Grampians National Park

Flinders Reef National Park

Cape Bridgewater

Port Fairy

Casterton

Port MacDonnell

Mendon

Mt Gambier

Adelaide

Melbourne

Grampians National Park

Mt Napier State Park

Mt Eccles National Park

Cobboboonee National Park

Lower Glenelg National Park

Tower Hill Reserve

Lake Condah Discovery Bay Coastal Park

Cape Nelson Discovery Bay

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