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RACV winners Victoria

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2 Linden Gardens Rainforest Retreat, Mt Dandenong

Set amid rainforest gardens, this boutique retreat in the heart of the Dandenong Ranges offers an indulgent getaway, with gourmet breakfast and dinner platters delivered to your suite and in-room massages on offer.
9751 1103;
www.lindengardens.com.au

3 Kudos Villas, Hepburn Springs

Close to Daylesford in the heart of spa country, these nine stylish and sophisticated spa villas offer breathtaking bush views and are ideal for couples seeking a private retreat.
5988 3718;
www.kudovillas.com.au

4 Boathaven Holiday Park, Ebdon

Relax on the shores of Lake Hume and enjoy the beauty of the Australian bush while your children swim, jump on trampolines and make new friends at this holiday park, filled with family activities, 15km from Albury/Wodonga.
(02) 6020 6130;
www.aspenparks.com.au



FANCIED RETREATS: TI-Tree Village, Ocean Grove (above left); Linden Cottage (top right) and Kudos Villas (above right).

5 Royal Mail Hotel, Dunkeld

Best known for unforgettable dining in its multi-award-winning restaurant, the Royal Mail Hotel also offers four-star accommodation with stunning views of the Grampians National Park.
5577 2241;
www.royalmail.com.au

6 The Boomerangs, Johanna

The boomerang shape of these architecturally designed open-plan, self-contained cottages on the Great Ocean Rd enables up to 270 degrees of spectacular ocean views through floor-to-ceiling windows.
5237 4213;
www.theboomerangs.com

7 BIG4 Beacon Resort, Queenscliff

Organised children's activities, an indoor pool, giant jumping pillow and options from camping or caravan sites to motel rooms or self-contained units make this Bellarine Peninsula holiday park a joy for families.
5258 1133;
www.beaconresort.com.au

8 Window on the Otways, Lorne hinterland

Created for romantics, these stylish self-contained studios with decks, a spa and wood fire are set on native bushland in the beautiful Lorne hinterland with panoramic views of the Great Otway National Park.
0417 574 617; www.windowontheotways.com.au



FAVOURITES: (Clockwise from above): Royal Mail Hotel, the Boomerangs, Window on the Otways, Best Friend Holiday Retreat, BIG4 Beacon Resort and (below) Boathaven Holiday Park.

9 Best Friend Holiday Retreat, Tarra Valley

Designed specifically for guests and their four-legged friends, this dog holiday park in Gippsland includes a hydrobath hut for dogs, dog bedrooms, a dog playground, luxury day-use kennels and off-leash areas.
5186 1216;
www.bestfriend.net.au



10 Walhalla's Star Hotel, Walhalla

Opened in 1999 with a replica facade of the original gold rush-era Star Hotel, this hotel's interior has been designed to suit modern requirements, with 12 suites including ensuites and king-size beds.
5165 6262; www.starhotel.com.au

And here's the rest of the top 101:

- 11 Anglesea Beachfront Family Caravan Park, Anglesea
- 12 Gippsland Lakehouse, Paynesville
- 13 Johanna Seaside Cottages, Johanna
- 14 A Room with a View B&B, Wongarra

- 15 Balconies Daylesford, Daylesford
- 16 Cumberland Lorne Resort, Lorne
- 17 Bimbi Park, Cape Otway
- 18 RACV Cape Schanck Resort, Cape Schanck
- 19 Sanctuary Park Cottages, Healesville
- 20 Barcardine Country House, Daylesford
- 21 Boroka Downs, Halls Gap
- 22 A-Line Holiday Village, Bendigo
- 23 Monreale Estate, Sassafras
- 24 Tidal River Camping Site, Wilsons Promontory
- 25 Point Of View, Apollo Bay
- 26 Oven Valley Motor Inn, Bright
- 27 Wattle Point Waterfront Retreat, Wattle Point
- 28 Lake House, Daylesford
- 29 Lady Bay Resort, Warrnambool
- 30 Ripratoon Mansion, Sunbury
- 31 Brigadon Cottages, Newborough

- 32 65 Main, Hepburn Springs
- 33 Century Inn, Traralgon
- 34 RACV Cobram Resort, Cobram
- 35 BIG4 Bendigo Ascot Holiday Park, Bendigo
- 36 Torquay Holiday Park, Torquay
- 37 RACV Inverloch Resort, Inverloch
- 38 Captains Retreat, Williamstown
- 39 Celestine House, Guildford
- 40 The Langham, Melbourne
- 41 BIG4 Phillip Island Caravan Park, Phillip Island
- 42 Crown Promenade Hotel, Melbourne
- 43 Chestnut Hill Country Retreat, Swan Reach
- 44 Tokemata Retreat, Cobram East
- 45 Luxury on the Murray Houseboats, Echuca
- 46 La Perouse, Lorne
- 47 Frog Gully Cottages, Longford
- 48 Promhills Cabins, Yanakie
- 49 Johanna River Farm and Cottages, Johanna
- 50 Edgewater Terraces at Metung, Metung
- 51 Lakes Entrance Waverley House Cottages, Lakes Entrance
- 52 Sofitel Melbourne on Collins, Melbourne
- 53 Eilean Donan Gardens & Country House, Yarram
- 54 Silverwater Resort, San Remo
- 55 Rawson Village, Walhalla
- 56 Inverloch Holiday Park, Inverloch

- 57 The Hotel Windsor, Melbourne
- 58 Ambleside on the Lake, Daylesford
- 59 BIG4 Anglesea, Anglesea
- 60 Euroa Butter Factory, Euroa
- 61 BIG4 Ballarat Windmill Holiday Park, Ballarat
- 62 McMillans of Metung, Metung
- 63 Crown Towers, Melbourne
- 64 Annie Roe's Luxury B&B, Olinda
- 65 Quality Hotel Mildura Grand, Mildura
- 66 Prom Central Caravan Park, Foster
- 67 Karbeethong Lodge, Mallacoota
- 68 BIG4 Port Fairy, Port Fairy
- 69 Four Points by Sheraton Geelong, Geelong
- 70 Pepper Springs Retreat & Spa, Hepburn Springs
- 71 Mantra Erskine Beach Resort, Lorne
- 72 Montfort Manor, Traralgon
- 73 Lilac Cottage, Beechworth
- 74 Limosa Rise, Yanakie
- 75 Walhalla Log Cabin, Walhalla
- 76 The Vineyards at Tuileries, Rutherglen
- 77 Shizuka Ryokan, Hepburn Springs
- 78 Chateau Yering, Yering
- 79 Quest Echuca, Echuca
- 80 Tarra Valley Tourist Park, Tarra Valley
- 81 Mornington Bed & Breakfast, Mornington

- 82 Cape Otway Lightstation, Cape Otway
- 83 BIG4 Swan Hill Pioneer City Tourist Park, Swan Hill
- 84 All Seasons Houseboats, Mildura
- 85 Yarraby Holiday Park, Echuca
- 86 Miranda B&B, Toora
- 87 RACV City Club, Melbourne
- 88 Aire Valley Guest House, Hordern Vale
- 89 Novotel Melbourne on Collins, Melbourne
- 90 Bairnsdale Holiday Park, Bairnsdale
- 91 Blue Johanna Cottages, Johanna
- 92 Big Blue Backyard, St Andrews Beach
- 93 The Westin Melbourne, Melbourne
- 94 Sofitel Werribee Park Mansion Hotel & Spa, Werribee
- 95 Novotel Forest Resort Creswick, Creswick
- 96 Echuca Holiday Park, Echuca
- 97 Big4 Ballarat Goldfields Holiday Park, Ballarat
- 98 Bringalbit, Kyneton
- 99 Mercure Yarra Valley Balmownie Estate, Yarra Glen
- 100 Poppies Moonah Links Resort, Fingal
- 101 End of the Line Railway Accommodation, Blampied