Riddells Creek Studio

288 Gap Road, Riddells Creek, 3431

Riddells Creek Studio welcomes artists, practitioners and researchers whose aims are compatible with ours to move and live with intelligence and respect.

The studio is 20m by 10 m, floored in Victorian ash, sealed with Livos oil for gorgeous foot feel. The floor is sacred, no shoes allowed. Skylights provide daytime light, florescent lights for night. The studio is unheated, so Spring through to Autumn is the best time. One 5 m section of the wall slides open as needed. Powered speakers, CD player and deck deliver a full sound. There are two toilets and two showers adjacent.

There is a **kitchen/dining/lounge** area 7x10m, heated, with a cooktop/oven, fridge, and cups/plates/cutlery. This allows self-catering, or there's Seasons Bistro 5 minutes away at Riddells and other catering options locally.

Sleeping is on comfortable futons, on a carpeted 10x10 m area between the living area and Studio. There are side tables and lights for each sleeping berth. We supply a towel and pillow; you must bring bedding—sheets, pillowcase and blankets/doona. The Sleeping Pavilion is unheated, with an evaporative cooler for summer.

The lounge room looks out over grassed slopes to a creek-line of manna gum, peppermint and stringybark. The town of Riddells Creek has a supermarket, postal agency, bakery, pharmacy, service station and (incredibly) five restaurants—everything you need. There is a good enough Telstra mobile connection at the Studio, and 120 hectares of bushland across the road for walking and talking, standing and breathing.

Costs: Studio use by groups is \$150 for all day use for not-for-profit/unfunded, and \$200 for-profit/funded. Overnight accommodation for up to 14 people, at \$20/person/night (not-for-profit event), and \$30/person for-profit. Extra accommodation at TreeTops Scout Camp, one km away (nice cabins) but book ahead. For costs for individual residencies, contact us.

The spirit of the thing: To focus without distraction, with the comfort of the green valley and the provocations of the weather and wildlife. **Speak to** Ross Colliver 0411 226519, ross.colliver@bigpond.com.

See overleaf for directions. Follow our latest photos, ideas and events on Facebook here.









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Getting there

Riddells Creek is 65 kms north-west of Melbourne, the other side of Sunbury on the map below.

By road: From Melbourne, come off the Calder Freeway at South Gisborne sign, Mundy Rd, turn right over the freeway, a few kms to the Riddells-Sunbury Rad, turn left, to Riddells Creek. Right at the big bluestone railway bridge Riddells Creek, drive through town, then take Gap Road off to the left, 70 metres past the 70kmh sign. Driving up Gap Road, and at the top, turn right onto the dirt and go another 400 m. We're under the "Riddells Creek Winery" sign. Park on the verge and come to the house to the left of the sheds.

By train: From Southern Cross Station to Riddells Creek on the Bendigo line is around 50 minutes. If you talk to us, perhaps we can pick you up. Or ride your bike up the hill, 4.5 kms.

By plane: The Melbourne Airport-Bendigo bus will take 30 minutes from the airport and drop you in Gisborne. And again, if you talk to us about it, we can pick up.

