## Valleys of Adventure

AVOCA • ROYAL GEORGE • ROSSARDEN • FINGAL • MANGANA • MATHINNA • UPPER ESK • CORNWALL • ST MARYS

This map was produced by the Avoca Museum and Information Centre with the assistance of the previous Greater Esk Tourism information.





At Avoca the Old School building in Boucher Park was restored by locals and opened on Australia Day, 26<sup>th</sup> January 2012 as the **Avoca Museum and Information Centre** showcasing the history of this area where many families still carry the names of early European settlers.



Tranquil Tarn Ben Lomond



Stunning view of Ben Lomond from Rossarden



Hardings Falls off the M Road, 6 km east from the Old Coach Road

Visitors to Avoca are invited to take an alternate route to Fingal and enjoy the tall cool trees as they drive up the southern slopes of Ben Lomond to the once thriving mining town of Rossarden where fallow deer roam the streets and the **Best Tasting Water in the World** can be found.

The views of Ben Lomond are stunning. 5km further on is Craggy Peaks with its 16 luxurious cabins.

Eager mountain climbers can climb the southern slopes of **Ben Lomond** from either Storys Creek to Tranquil Tarn and Stacks Bluff, or approx 5km past Craggy Peaks turn left to commence the Bent Bluff climb.

After descending Pepper Hill explore the beautiful valley village of Mangana and then travel on to either Mathinna and the **Evercreech Forest Reserve** where the 'White Knights', the tallest white gums in the world can be found on an easy five minute walk from a delightful picnic ground, or turn right and over the bridge to Fingal.

Or, the Old Coach Road from Avoca will take you via Royal George to the coast, with side trips to **Hardings** or **Meetus Falls**; adventures to be enjoyed. The Old Coach Road is a reasonably good gravel road from a few kms past Royal George to the coast road.



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'The Cathedral of the Valley' Mangana



Evercreech White Gum Board Walk



Fingal Convict lock-up

