GOLDEN PLAINS XII

MARCH 10, 11 & 12, 2018
MEREDITH SUPERNATURAL
AMPHITHEATRE



LITTLE GOLDEN BOOKLET

Thankyou very much for Being Part of Golden Plains XII. The Little Golden Booklet is designed to help make your time here incredibly smooth and outrageously enjoyable. Please have a good read of it all, even if you have joined our orbit before. And bring it with you.

The forecast shows very warm, mostly sunny days followed by mild nights (especially overnight Sunday), with light showers possible on Sunday and Monday.

Important things we can't stress enough to both veterans and newcomers: bring sunsmart items – hats, long sleeves, sunscreen – as the UV will be high; bulk drinking water and refillable bottles for your campsite; a bagful of spare warm and waterproof clothes – good raincoat with hood, waterproof boots (not thongs!), socks, warm jumpers, and warm bedding (doonas, sleeping bags, etc.); put your wristband on (not too tight) as you leave home and don't remove it till you're out the gate at the end of the festival; carry photo ID, even if you are 73; get your tent/caravan/igloo out now and make sure it's in good working order; and arrive in convoy if you want to camp together

NO FIRES – it's a Total Fire Ban day and night. DON'T BRING ANY GLASS AT ALL – in order to look after the animals that call this farm home, all glass will be confiscated. Please BYO alcohol in cans or plastic only. Decant wine and spirits out of glass bottles. Transfer sauces and salsa out of glass too.

Gates open 8am Saturday and live music starts from 2pm – plenty of time to get in and set up before it happens. Plenty of spacey space as well. Why not break up your trip by visiting one of the many interesting places dotted around the Golden Plains Shire? Pubs, wineries, eateries, cemeteries, historic towns and gold mines are but some of the attractions in the region.

Although Golden Plains may feel like a sovereign dominion (her own country), the usual laws that apply outside the festival boundaries also apply within them. Likewise, the laws of the human body are no different here. So please, look after yourself and others. Everyone can access all sorts of 24 hour professional help – either in person or via our Helpdesk on 0430 091 120.

No glass, no fires, no gas bottles, no dickheads, don't come if you are unwell, wash your hands if you do, and be very well prepared for two cold nights camping out in the Victorian countryside.

Read on carefully, go to goldenplains.com.au for further info on anything, and I very much look forward to The Pleasure of Your Company.

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Aunty Meredith and the Supernatural Custodians

PLEASE FORWARD THIS ON TO YOUR FRIENDS WHO ARE COMING

BRING

GETTING THERE ESSENTIALS

- [ ] This Little Golden Booklet. Print now or save to your device for offline viewing.
- [ ] A designated driver for Saturday.
- [ ] A designated driver for Monday. Plan ahead.
- [ ] Public transport is a good option.
- [ ] A convoy plan. Reserving campsites is not permitted. Arrive together to camp together. If your friends can't turn up when you do, just make new ones.
- [ ] Your ticket. The wristband is your ticket. It gets you in, around and out of the festival. Double-check you have it now. Put it on as you leave to go to the festival. Keep it on at all times at the festival.

CAMPSITE ESSENTIALS

- [ ] No glass at all. Plastic or cans only. No bottles of any kind (including beer, wine, champagne), jars of any kind (including salsa), containers, mirrors and perfume. All glass will be confiscated and we are no longer able to return such items.
- [ ] A good tent (or caravan, campervan, etc.) – waterproof shelter, in good repair, so you can rest well in all weather conditions.
- [ ] Weights to hold down the interior corners of your tent. Keep your campsite secure from wind.
- [ ] Lots of long tent pegs, camp chair, rug or blanket and plenty of ropes to take any furniture back home. Maybe a tarp.
- [ ] Lots of warm bedding, doonas, sleeping bag, blankets – nights get cold, even if days are hot.
- [ ] Pillows, camping mattress (air pump if required).
- [ ] A mallet.
- [ ] Torch / camplight – strap-on headlamps are good. Battery-powered camp lantern.
- [ ] Tent marker – tents all look the same. A flag or similar on a pole.
- [ ] Bulk drinking water – free drinking water is available on-site but bring a big (e.g. 10 litre) container for drinking, washing, cleaning, brushing your teeth, etc.

CAMPSITE USEFULS

- [ ] A small broom or brush.
- [ ] A refillable drink container – help eradicate single-use plastic water bottles.
- [ ] Snacks – in non-glass, reusable containers.

PERSONAL ESSENTIALS

- [ ] Multiple pairs of good sensible shoes – ideally boots – and lots of socks. Thongs and sandals don't work. Pack gumboots too.
- [ ] A sturdy waterproof raincoat with hood and a big bag of spare warm and waterproof clothes and boots (jumpers, thermals, beanie, gloves).
- [ ] Any medication you need – there is no pharmacy on site. If you have a chronic condition or illness (including asthma, diabetes, epilepsy) and/or allergies, please come prepared with your medication and present to First Aid early if you are concerned or experiencing difficulty. If you suffer from hayfever, come prepared with your regular medication/pills. Carry information regarding your condition and emergency contact numbers on you at all times.
- [ ] Sunglasses, sunblock, sun hat, long sleeve shirts and long pants for sun protection.
- [ ] Photo ID – carry it at all times, even if you are 73.
- [ ] Toiletries – toothbrush, toothpaste, biodegradable shampoo, soap for hot or cold showers, condoms, deodorant, tissues, sanitary items, etc. If possible, please don't bring baby wipes.
- [ ] Towel, washcloth.
- [ ] First aid kit – bandaids, headache and hangover relief, insect repellent (with deet or picaridin to repel mozzies), lip balm, earplugs, pain relief for bites and stings, instant cold/hot pack.
- [ ] Cash. There is an ATM on site but best to bring with you.
- [ ] Mobile phone – there are no landline public phones on site. There are public phones in the town of Meredith, 10 minutes drive from the site. Coverage on the farm is improving all the time but you may have to go to the highest part of the site to get a signal. Bring a spare charged battery or solar charger if you have one.
- [ ] Save the 24 hour Helper Hotline number to your phone to call or sms for assistance – 0430 091 120. You and your guests can register your tickets and in-case-of emergency contact numbers with us – goldenplains.com.au/register.
- [ ] Download the free Emergency Plus App. The app uses GPS functionality to help festival staff and emergency services locate you.
- [ ] Maybe bring something to read, something to play – not bongos! (see banned items below)

There are some things you can't bring, including: glass, commercial signage, gas bottles, animals, and things that block views in the Amphitheatre. Banned items and the festival terms, conditions and policies are viewable at goldenplains.com.au.

CAUTION FIRE WARNING

NO FIRES, NO MATTER WHAT THE WEATHER. TOTAL FIRE BAN DAY AND NIGHT.

- Please cloak all gas bottles, gas kegs, candles, lanterns, cookers, BBQs, generators, fireworks and lasers at your nearest Helper Hut.
- Keep all internal roads clear for emergency vehicles. And by clear we don't mean kinda clear, or mostly clear. If it doesn't fit, park it elsewhere. Please do not park ANY part of your vehicle on ANY road.
- Cigarettes – ensure butts are 100% extinguished. Butt 'em out, pick 'em up, put 'em in the bin. It's real easy.
- Avoid setting up next to vehicle exhaust.
- Keep your campsite free of flammable material and rubbish.
- Don't leave your vehicle running longer than necessary.
- No gas bottles (including fridges, burners and kegs that require cylinders). No cooking/heating appliances.
- Free drinking water tanks in the food courts and campgrounds can be used for bulk water refills at campsites.

PLEASE LOOK AFTER YOURSELF AND OTHERS

We want you to have the best possible time. The time of your life. We also want your friends and the people around you to have a great time. Please don't stuff that up by being irresponsible for your wellbeing.

- If you have a viral or bacterial illness please stay at home, to keep from infecting others.
- Please wash your hands.
- Do not use drugs. But especially do not use drugs on your own. If you are feeling unwell – tell someone. If you or a friend have taken drugs and are in need of medical attention, the First Aid staff are not obliged to involve the Police and will not judge you. They are here to help. Go to First Aid and be honest with them.
- Mixing alcohol and drugs greatly increases the possibility of overdose or accidents, as does mixing two or more drugs, even if taken hours apart.
- Be careful mixing alcohol and energy drinks. The caffeine and sugar wear off before the effects of alcohol.
- Rest and rehydrate. Drink water regularly and eat well.
- Trees can, like us, break. Take care when camping under them and definitely don't climb them.
- For your safety please always stay within the festival boundaries, familiarise yourself with the festival map grid reference of your campsite, the location of your local Helper Hut and the emergency assembly areas.
- Please notify our staff if you see something you think is unsafe or might need attention.
- Have a buddy system in place with a trusted mate. Check in regularly with each other.

THE NO DICKHEAD POLICY

Is really about us showing each other common courtesies. Since the first Golden Plains it's been clear we all appreciate a lack of dickhead behaviour.



If you think you've spotted someone being a dickhead, politely let them or one of their friends know. Sometimes it's good people making mistakes. If one of your friends is being a dickhead, get them to pull their head in.

Thanking you for upholding this tradition, for the betterment of all Goldenkind.

HOW TO GET HELP

EVERYONE CAN ACCESS APPROPRIATE PROFESSIONAL HELP 24 HOURS DURING THE FESTIVAL

Victoria Police, Ambulance Victoria, Doctors, Welfare Officers, Helpers, Private Security and Public Safety Officers are available on-site. Together our priority is to listen without judgement and encourage appropriate professional help for immediate and ongoing care.



HOW TO ACCESS HELP: IN PERSON

- Your local Helper Hut. There are 14 Helper Huts staffed 24 hours. Volunteer Helpers and private security also rove the campgrounds and Amphitheatre. They can help too.
- INFO - located to the right of the stage, available 24 hours.
- The on-site Police Station and on-site Medical Centre - located to the right of the stage, available 24 hours.

HOW TO ACCESS HELP: OTHER OPTIONS

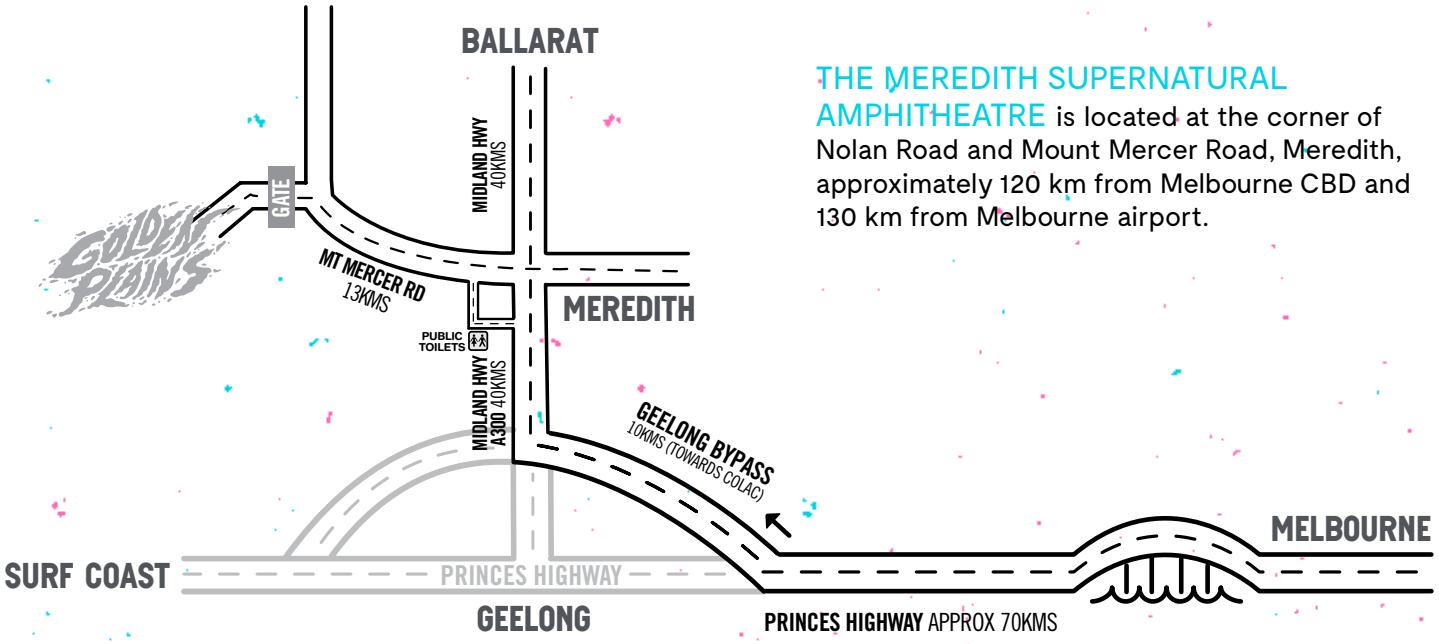
- Call or text the Helpers directly on 0430 091 120, available 24 hours.
- Email auntym@mmf.com.au, available 24 hours.
- Call 000 (or 112 if you do not have mobile reception). Emergency Services request not to use social media to report an incident or emergency.
- Download Festival Safety Information from the website, which includes contacts for off-site support.

Want to let us know something and remain anonymous?
Complete the survey (survey.goldenplains.com.au). Responses are read during the festival.

Look after yourself and others. If you see someone who is obviously unwell - please alert us immediately.

HOW TO GET THERE

GATES OPEN AT 8AM ON SATURDAY.
PLEASE DON'T COME EARLIER - ROADBLOCKS ARE IN PLACE.



THE MEREDITH SUPERNATURAL AMPHITHEATRE is located at the corner of Nolan Road and Mount Mercer Road, Meredith, approximately 120 km from Melbourne CBD and 130 km from Melbourne airport.

DRIVING FROM MELBOURNE

From Melbourne, take the Princes Highway to Geelong.

As you approach Geelong, veer right onto the Geelong Bypass following the signs to Colac.

Travel on the Geelong Bypass for about 10 km and then take the Ballarat Exit A300.

Turn right onto the Midland Highway (A300) and head towards Ballarat for about 40 km until you get to Meredith.

At Meredith, turn left after the service station. This is Mount Mercer Road.

The Festival is approximately 13 km along this road.*

DRIVING FROM GEELONG AND SURF COAST

From Geelong take the Midland Highway (A300) and head towards Ballarat for about 40 km until you get to Meredith.

At Meredith, turn left after the service station. This is Mount Mercer Road.

The Festival is approximately 13 km along this road.*

DRIVING FROM BALLARAT

From Ballarat take the Midland Highway (A300) and head towards Geelong for about 40 km until you get to Meredith.

Turn right after the corner pub in Meredith. This is Mount Mercer Road.

The festival is approximately 13 km along this road.*

*On the Saturday of the festival this might take up to 60 minutes as there are holding bays to ensure safe and steady traffic flow.

BE GOOD IN TOWN

Please respect the fine township of Meredith which graciously hosts the festival and be good if you stop in town. Observe traffic rules – don't overtake. Don't litter, swear, have a sneaky wee on a fence, etc. You know, don't be a dickhead.

GET THERE AND BACK SAFELY

We respect the work of Victoria Police who set up Booze and Drug Testing Buses before and after the festival. Get here and back safely. Never drive under the influence. ALWAYS designate a driver. On Monday, the TAC will be providing FREE breath tests at all the Helper Huts in the campgrounds, at Info and at Reception. Get a breath test before getting behind the wheel.

REMEMBER

- There is no reserving campsites, so if you want to camp together arrive together in convoy.
- Put your wristband on (not too tight) as you head to the festival, and leave it on for the duration until you are out the gate at the end.
- Anyone without a valid Festival Wristband will be regarded as a trespasser and handed over to the Police. Trespassers will be charged and subject to substantial fines. All occupants of any vehicle assisting a trespasser will be refused entry. Anyone wearing a forged or invalid Festival Wristband will be regarded as trespasser and handed over to Police.

DRIVERS

While at the festival, NEVER REVERSE. Always check under and around your vehicle before moving it. Do not drive during the festival. If you need to leave early, park in the public car park (near Reception). Take the festival shuttle to town and back, or check out Heaven Eleven (next to the Info Centre) – they sell things you forgot. Zero Tolerance for dickheads behind the wheel.



SATURDAY

1:55 – 2:00PM	OPENING CEREMONY
2:00 – 2:40	TROPICAL FUCK STORM
3:00 – 3:40	BATPISS
4:00 – 4:40	THUNDERCAT
4:45	HOUSEKEEPING
5:05 – 5:45	PERFUME GENIUS
6:10 – 6:55	KING KRULE
7:20 – 8:15	KAMASI WASHINGTON
8:20	HOUSEKEEPING
8:45 – 9:45	MOGWAI
10:05 – 10:45	THE PREATURES
11:15 – 12:15AM	THE AVALANCHES
12:30 – 1:30	MZRIZK
1:45 – 2:45	FLOATING POINTS (SOLO LIVE)
3:00 – 5:00	TONI YOTZI
5:00 – 10:00AM	SILENCE IS GOLDEN

SPECIAL GUEST MC:
EMMA BUCKLEY LENNOX

INTERSTITIAL SOUNDTRACK:
EMERALD & SAM GILL

SUNDAY

10:00 – 10:40AM	LEAH SENIOR
11:10 – 11:40	WATERFALL PERSON
12:00 – 12:35PM	WET LIPS
12:55 – 1:30	KAIIT
1:35	HOUSEKEEPING
1:50 – 2:30	ROCKET SCIENCE
2:50 – 3:30	JEN CLOHER
3:50 – 4:50	ADRIAN SHERWOOD
5:15 – 6:00	ATA KAK
6:30 – 7:15	LEE FIELDS & THE EXPRESSIONS
7:20	HOUSEKEEPING
7:40 – 8:25	THE BLACK ANGELS
8:55 – 9:45	GRIZZLY BEAR
10:05 – 10:35	BAKER BOY
11:00 – 12:00AM	BIG BOI
12:15 – 1:45	DJ MANCHILD
1:50 – 2:40	BARBARA TUCKER
2:45 – 4:30	MERVE
4:30 – 7:00	OBJEKT
7:00AM	SILENCE IS GOLDEN
MONDAY 1:00PM	GATES CLOSE

SPECIAL GUEST MC:
NELLIE & ETTA

INTERSTITIAL SOUNDTRACK:
STEVE CROSS, COLETTE & MAX CRAWDADDY

Please be aware at any time these playing times could change due to circumstances beyond our control.