

# Victoria's High Country Horse Ride (3 Tage / 2 Nächte)

Michael and Sally Watson welcome you to an adventure experience. Horses and the magnificent High Country are both a way of life and a passion for us. Michael began riding almost as soon as he could walk, and is the second generation in his family to saddle up the horses and guide visitors deep into 'Man from Snowy River' country, including the famous jump scene from the movie. Sally also began riding as a child and is an expert polocrosse player who has represented Victoria in this sport.

## Reiseprogramm

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Michael's family have lived on a 730 acre farm adjoining the High Country for 50 years, and are close friends with the fifth generation of farming families who settled in this region in the 1870s. Michael has roamed the hills with these mountain cattlemen countless times, and developed much of his vast local knowledge from them.

Our farm is an authentic working property, complete with 80 year old house and stables, 55 horses and family dogs who welcome guests back from their ride. The farmhouse has a story of its own, as it was built by John Shanks whose uncle, Sergeant Michael Kennedy, was shot dead by bushranger Ned Kelly's infamous gang. We have three children: Rebecca, 15, who is already an avid rider, Nicholas, 14 and Max, 9 years of age.



Michael Watson

### Day 1: Melbourne – Mansfield (A)

Pick up early Afternoon from your accommodation in Melbourne and drive to Mansfield (about 2 ½ hours drive). After arrival transfer to your accommodation in Mansfield (Mansfield Motel). Explore the town at your leisure. Meet Michael Watson from Watson Trail Rides for Dinner and to discuss your horse riding itinerary .



### Day 2: Mansfield – Horse Riding – Miners Cottage (F, M, A)

Meet Michal Watson for Breakfast and transferring to riding Farm to start the horse riding. After saddling up, we set off on our 'Man from Snowy River' experience on horseback. We ride up to spectacular 360 degree views and along the way, watch out for the wildlife that often takes a look at us, including kangaroos, wallabies and Australia's largest bird of flight, the wedge tail eagle. We stop at "Dungeon Hut" for lunch enjoying a picnic lunch and then in the afternoon we traverse the bridle tracks through quiet valleys and points of rich historical interest.



### Day 3: Miners Cottage – Mansfield – Melbourne(F, M)

We enjoy a hearty country breakfast that gives you a big energy boost before we set off for "Kate Camerons Peak" where we see the perilously steep hill where the famous jump scene from the movie was filmed. We wind our way back down to the farm to complete our ride. We then drive to Mansfield Regional Produce Store for lunch before returning to Melbourne by 6.00pm



F = Frühstück, M = Mittagessen, A = Abendessen

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