

ARCADES AND LANEWAYS

Wandering through the city's historic arcades and art-filled laneways might be the ultimate way to see Melbourne on foot. Here's where to find the secret shops, tiny wine bars and iconic restaurants of the small streets.

First stop is iconic **Degraves Street** 1, across the road from Flinders Street Station.

Named after an 1851 steam-powered flour mill, today Degraves Street is a hotspot for street art and alfresco brunch. Browse handmade gifts at **Clementine's** and bite-sized treats at **Little Cupcakes**.

Across Flinders Lane is **Centre Place** 2. Pause to admire the 1928 Spanish Moorish **Majorca Building**, surrounded by street art, upstairs bars and offbeat shops.

Return to Flinders Lane and look out on your right for little **Scott Alley** 3. Stop for French crepes at **Roule Galette** or a taste of Hanoi at **Heartbaker Bun Mee**.

A little further up Flinders Lane is **Cathedral Arcade** 4, the last remaining with vaulted lead-light ceiling. The 1926 bijoux Art Deco interior is the gateway to the nine-storey vertical village of the **Nicholas Building**, filled with artists, artisans, studios and galleries.

Shop local fashion brands **Kuwaii** and **Flinders Lane Gallery** for ethically made forever pieces and turn back time at **Vintage Sole**. Stop in at tiny **Cathedral Coffee** for a freshly roasted, single-origin espresso.

Double back to **Manchester Lane** 5, named for its 1860s fabric factories. Fast-forward 160 years to find independent designers, chic shoes and limited edition streetwear.

Emerging onto Collins Street, turn left and cross at the pedestrian lights towards the **Block Arcade** 6. The 1893 glass canopy and mosaics echo the Milano Galleria Vittorio. Stock up on spices by the gram at **Gewürzhaus** and don't miss the **Art of Dr. Seuss** gallery.

Exit down **Block Place** and cross at Little Collins Street to **Royal Arcade** 7. Australia's oldest shopping arcade dates to 1870. Spot **Gaunt's Clock**, guarded by two medieval warriors. Shop boutique gifts at **Spellbox** and sweet treats at **Koko Black**.

From Bourke Street Mall, cross at the Elizabeth Street pedestrian lights and head up the hill. Turn right into **Hardware Lane** 8 for live music and outdoor dining.

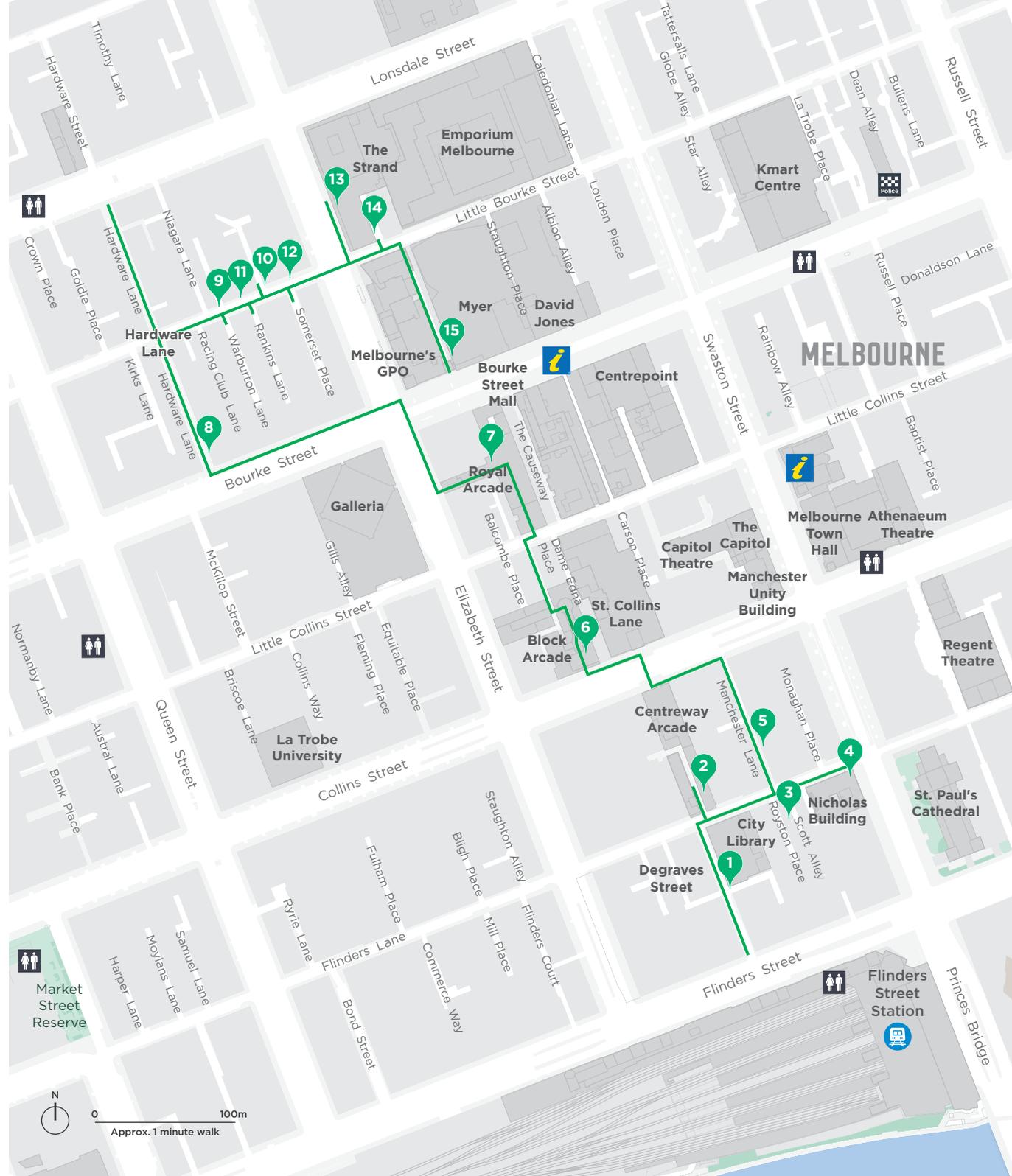
Head east down Little Bourke Street to find piano bar **Murmur**, in **Warburton Lane** 9. Then on to **Whitehart Lane** 10 for a cocktail at shipping container bar and rooftop, **Whitehart**.

Beloved Melbourne artist Mirka Mora once had a studio in **Rankins Lane** 11, where balconies now overflow with greenery. Stop for coffee and bagels at **Manchester Press**.

The coffee odyssey continues at **Cartel Roasters** in **Somerset Place** 12, while **Captains of Industry** offers bespoke menswear and slick haircuts.

Cross at the Elizabeth Street lights for designer threads inside **The Strand's** 13 rainbow-lit arcade. Or go via **Driver Lane** 14. Pause to sip cocktails at **Beneath Driver Lane's** basement bar.

Last stop is the undercover **Postal Lane** 15. A lush vertical garden leads to **Ca de Vin's** lantern-lit pizzeria. From Little Bourke Street, find five floors of retail therapy at **Emporium** and walk through for more at **Melbourne Central**.





📍 Centre Place



📍 Block Arcade



📍 Royal Arcade



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MORE LANEWAYS TO LOVE

Melbourne's little laneways are bottomless treasure troves - if you know where to look. Find fresh bagels, local designers and an iconic Italian wine bar in these hidden hotspots.

BONUS Crossley Street

With 1950s Italian icon **Pelligrini's Espresso Bar** on one corner, and **The Paperback** bookshop's Georgian facade opposite, this little laneway is a must. Stop in at **Gingerboy** for Asian style street eats, or get a taste of Spain at **Crossley Street Cantina**.

BONUS Market Lane

This shortcut between Chinatown and Bourke Street showcases the city's dining spectrum. From Cantonese fine dining icon **Flower Drum Restaurant** to **Shoya's** six levels of Japanese fare and karaoke, to casual eats at **Hutong Dumpling Bar**.

BONUS Albert Coates Lane

This newer laneway within **QV Melbourne** is named after Sir Albert Coates OBE, a surgeon who served in both world wars. Check out cool local designers and international labels like **Kloke**, **APC** and **Incu**.

BONUS Katherine Place

This urban jungle is a foodie hotspot, recently revitalised through the Green Your Laneway project. Grab a coffee at hole in the wall spot **Stand Up Cafe**, or treat yourself to French toast and baked eggs at **The Hardware Societe**.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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- 📍 **Melbourne Visitor Hub at Town Hall**
- 📍 **Melbourne Visitor Booth in Bourke Street Mall**
- 📍 **Fitzroy Gardens Visitor Centre**
- 📍 **City Ambassadors**

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We acknowledge and honour the unbroken spiritual, cultural and political connection the Wurundjeri, Bunurong, Dja Dja Wurrung, Taungurung and Wadawurrung peoples of the Eastern Kulin have to this unique place for more than 2000 generations.

We are committed to our reconciliation journey, because at its heart, reconciliation is about strengthening relationships between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal peoples, for the benefit of all Victorians.

Wander through mosaic-tiled arcades and art-filled lanes for the ultimate tour on foot.



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KILOMETRES



📍 Degraes Street



📍 Hardware Lane



📍 Cathedral Arcade