

# PORT SORELL

## *”Port of Golden Beaches”*

Port Sorell, Shearwater, Hawley and Squeaking Point offer extensive foreshore reserves with golden beaches, native reserves, walking/bike tracks, facilities for fishing, water sports and a lifestyle to suit all ages.

Situated east of the city of Devonport it is only a 10 minutes drive from the Devonport airport and 15 minutes drive from the Spirit of Tasmania I and II vehicular ferry terminal.

Port Sorell’s location makes it ideal for all types of recreation. Bring your boat, fishing tackle, bicycle, sail board, skate board, golf clubs or tennis racquet and mingle with the locals as you enjoy just being yourself.

The estuary and river are popular for fishing throughout the year from the shore or boat. Boat fishing is unlimited in the Rubicon Estuary and Bass Strait. Boat ramps are available at Port Sorell, Hawley and Squeaking Point.

The flat terrain reserves surrounding the estuary are protected by hills, have a northerly aspect and are covered with a great variety of native European trees. The district enjoys a particularly mild climate for most of the year, a low rainfall, a high average of sunshine and provides facilities for walking, picnicking, camping and caravanning.

Freers Beach and Hawley Beach offer superb clean, safe swimming beaches and delightful secluded coves. They have now become a favourite destination for sailboarders. The area has a fully protected wildlife sanctuary, is rich in bird life, home to numerous mammals and is a popular destination for field naturalists, bushwalkers and beachcombers.

Port Sorell township, on the Rubicon estuary, is a quiet, friendly hamlet, a place of yesteryear rich in history and free from all the pressures of modern life. Life here is simple – time is unlimited and the activity is determined by the gravitational pull of the moon.

Pure sea air stimulates the appetite and Port Sorell has eating places of a standard to satisfy your every requirement. Shearwater is the main business centre where shops provide all the essentials including medical centre, pharmacy, post office and ATM. There is a wide range of accommodation available from 4 star-plus hotels, motels, guesthouses and bed and breakfast facilities to very good caravan parks and camping grounds. Established sporting venues are the Port Sorell Bowls Club, Port Sorell Golf Club, Thirlstane Golf Club and the Port Sorell Tennis Club.

Situated on the Rubicon River’s eastern shore is one of Tasmania’s most ‘people friendly’ and easily accessible national parks - Narawntapu National Park. It includes a historic farm, beaches, inlets, islands, headlands, dunes and lagoons, all with an amazing variety of plants and wildlife. Wombats, wallabies and forester kangaroos will be seen grazing during the day and at dusk. There is also an easy nature trail where one can observe the wetland birds in their natural habitat. The long curve of Bakers Beach is a popular recreation area with camping facilities. The state fee for entrance to national parks applies.

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