PLACES TO VISIT & THINGS TO DO

Archer's BNSH Lolly Shop—Lollies, Coffee, Gifts and Bric a Brac. PH 0423576544

Antiques and Stoof—Antiques and decorative arts. Trading weekends, and public holidays.PH 0491151086

Bertie's Cafe- Homemade food, fresh daily (gluten free and veg options). Giftware and artworks.PH 0478014667

bp Nimmitabel Roadhouse—Fuel, food and Minimart. PH 0423013323

CWA Crafty Belles—Local crafts, artworks, jams, books and much more. Markets on the second Saturday of each month. PH 0411629360

Geldmacher Museum Centre & Heritage Walk — Explore the history of Nimmitabel.

Jacky G Automotive—Rego checks, log book servicing, tyres and all mechanical repairs. PH 1400733156

Lake Williams—Picnic and rest area, fitness stations, public toilets, covered barbeque facilities with views to the Snowy Mountains.

Luv Me Again—Restored vintage furniture, collectables, jewellery and pictures. Trading weekends, public holidays and some week days. PH 0423328851

Nimmitabel Bakery—Well presented eatery and takeaway. All product baked on the premises. Famous for its pies and sweet treats. Next door to "George the Elephant". PH 64546436

Nimmitabel Country Club—Have a beer and meet the locals. Friday night raffles. PH 64546323

Nimmitabel Leather—Quality leather goods, cowhides, motor cycle clothing and accessories. PH 0488394284

Post Office & Woolly Wonders—Postal services. Local fibre creations, knitting yarns and felting needs. PH 0434374936

Sundowner Café—Located in the Royal Arms B&B. Snacks and light meals PH 0429312302

2MNO Radio—Community Radio 93.3 FM

Welcome to the Monaro High Plains

PLACES TO STAY

Federal Hotel and Nimmitabel Motel—Open 7 days. Travellers welcome.PH 0481481034 for bookings. Email info@hotelfederal.com

Kallarroo Farmstay—Comfortable & warm log cabin. 325 Higgins Road, Greenlands. PH 0414864347

Nimmitabel Caravan Park—Snowy Monaro Regional Council operated PH 0427 406 668

Old Minton Farmstay—Self contained 5 bedroom house. Only 4kms from Nimmitabel township. PH 0411392703

Royal Arms Bed & Breakfast—Historic B&B accommodation. PH 0429 312 302 www.royalarmsbnb.com.au

PLACES TO EXPLORE

<u>Fastigata Drive</u> — Travel east along the Old Bega Rd for 11kms before turning left onto Greenlands Rd. Continue for 1.5kms before turning right onto Fastigata Rd, which winds through an array of habitats including fern gullies, creeks and eucalypt forests. The road leads to the Snowy Mountains Highway at Brown Mountain. Four wheel drive access only

Steeple Flat Drive— Travel east along the Old Bega Rd for 11kms veering right onto Steeple Flat Rd. This drive has panoramic views of the Snowy Mountains to the west and the Great Dividing Range to the east. After 10 kms, Steeple Flat Rd connects with Snowy Mountains Highway just before Brown Mountain and Pipers Lookout.

Pipers Lookout—Travel southeast along the Snowy Mountains Highway to Pipers Lookout where the view of the Bega Valley will take your breath away. Stroll along the boardwalk and forest tracks to discover cool temperate rainforests and the beauty of brown barrel old growth eucalypts, some up to three metres in diameter. Crossing the Snowy—Travel west along Springfield Rd. At the 'T' intersection, head towards Dalgety. From Dalgety, cross the Snowy River and take the back road to Jindabyne via Beloka.

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Nimmitabel

Our Historic Village

ST PETERS CHURCH

JIGGER BULGARIS' GRAVE



GELDMACHER MILL—NIMMITABEL

A CENTRAL LOCATION



Nimmitabel lies to the southeast of Cooma at 1070 metres above sea level. It is a charming historic village on the Monaro plains, steeped in farming history and for over a century one of the premium fine wool growing areas in NSW.

Nimmitabel, an Aboriginal word meaning 'dividing of the waters', marks the place where southern waters flow into the Snowy River and the northern waters flow into the Murrumbidgee River. As with many other Aboriginal place names in Australia, the first European settlers struggled with the pronunciation of the name and adopted various spellings including Nimitybelle, Nimmitybell, Nimithyball, Nimity Bell and Nimoitebool!

Today, Nimmitabel is a central location from which you can discover some of the delights of southern NSW. Nestled amongst the stark beauty of the Monaro, Nimmitabel is the gateway to Wadbilliga and South East Forests National Parks.

The unusual landscape surrounding Nimmitabel leaves a lasting impression on visitors. The vast, high natural treeless plains west of Nimmitabel allow expansive 360 degree views as you wind through the basalt countryside on your way to the Snowy Mountains and Kosciuszko National Park. Monolithic granite boulders protrude like gigantic sculptures in the sparse bush landscape.







ST ANDREWS CHURCH

GELDMACHER HOUSE MUSEUM



NIMMITABEL POLICE STATION

ROYAL ARMS



NIMMITABEL HERITAGE WALK

- 1. GELDMACHER HOUSE Circa 1863— Originally a general store, it was purchased by John Geldmacher in 1902. The remaining part of the general provision store and residence is now the Nimmitabel Heritage Museum Centre. Also housing CWA & Nimmity Bell.
- **2. TOWN WELL**—Constructed of local basalt around 1900. Water from the well was used by townsfolk during drought. In 1992 it became the town's wishing well.
- **3. OLD MILL** Circa 1872/**COMMUNITY CENTRE**-The Old Mill was built by John Geldmacher and designed to be wind driven. One of two mills of its kind left in eastern Australia. The nearby Community Centre was built in 1913 with a bequest by John Geldmacher, the building was used as the Bush Nursing Home and Hospital.
- **4. UNITING CHURCH** Circa 1904— Formerly the Methodist Church, it is constructed of hand-cut local timber. The church is now deconsecrated and privately owned.
- **5. CENOTAPH-**The memorial was erected by the people of Nimmitabel and surrounding district as a tribute to our veterans after the first World War.
- **6. PIONEER CEMETERY**—Within town boundary lies the earliest recorded headstone of James Nokes(1842) & Gikas (Jigger) Boulgaris (1874)who was one of the first Greek settlers in Australia.
- **7. PUBLIC SCHOOL** The original sections of the school building and residence were built of stone and completed in 1882.
- **8. ST ANDREWS CHURCH** Circa 1856 and **ST JOSEPHS CONVENT** & **SCHOOL** St Andrews was the first stone Catholic Church on the Monaro and extensively renovated in 1916. Nearby St Josephs was built in 1902 and was the residence for Sisters of the St Josephs Sacred Heart, the order founded by Mary McKillop. The Convent School was built in 1907 & closed in 1982.
- **9. ST PETERS ANGLICAN CHURCH** The foundation stone was laid in 1878 and the building was completed in 1882. It is one of few churches on the Monaro built from black basalt rock.
- **10. ROYAL ARMS** Circa 1850s—Originally the Cobb & Co station and stables and later restored as the Royal Hotel. It appeared as the 'Australian Hotel' in the 1959 Hollywood film *The Sundowners* which starred *Robert Mitchum*, *Peter Ustinov and Debra Kerr*.
- **11. POLICE STATION & LOCKUP**—Built in 1862, the police station consists of a residence, offices, a courthouse, two stone cells and a three-stall stable.