

LOCAL STUFF

WEATHER

Expect plenty of rainbows, with everything that implies. It will be chilly sometimes, and unpredictable. It is very Hobart to sit outside at cafes and pubs, in slight denial of prevailing conditions. If you are freezing, "Kathmandu" will sell you a puffa jacket— you cannot get a more authentic Tassie souvenir than that.

BOOKSHOPS

"Man doth not live by food alone." Hobart Bookshop is excellent.

FOODSTUFFS AND ESSENTIALS

"Salamanca Fresh" has everything you need (7:00–19:30), including Tassie wines. "Wursthaus" just around the corner is an excellent deli and T/A (business hours). For full selection of beers and wines including big Aussie reds, "St. Ives" is good. Pubs also used to sell cartons of take-away beer, at a mark-up; don't know if still true.

PURE COFFEE

"Park Lane", "Kombi", and "Dr Coffee" are all very good— basically T/A, with limited seating and/or food. Coffee quality at other places varies from good to not-so-good.

CATERING ARRANGEMENTS

Food is important to me.

All-day tea/(filter-)coffee, and mid-morning snackeroos, are provided. Everything else is up to you.

There are zillions of options very close by Lenna/CSIRO, both Take-Away and sit-down— see below. The CSIRO canteen does very decent food in its own right, and is also a good place to eat T/As (there's microwaves) and that is likely where many people will head to. Lots of parks etc to eat your T/As outside if weather permits. Plus there are lots of sit-down cafes, which I encourage you to check out.

Be warned that if 18 or 12 people all descend on one eatery (other than the canteen), you will exceed local carrying capacity, and the last person to order may not get time to eat. Breaking into small groups to forage, is a good strategy.

TAKE-AWAYS

Wursthaus: soups, deli stuff; really good. They'll heat things up for you.

Sushi next to Dr Coffee: as the name suggests

Jackman&McRoss: good sandwiches

Banjos: not fancy, but under-rated IMO: good for muffins, mini-rolls

Daci&Daci: good stuff

SIT-DOWN CAFES & LUNCHERIES

Machine:: best large-light-lunch food, gotta sit outside really

Cibo e Vino:: best "proper" lunch, best coffee (let them know you have to be back by 13:30)

Tricycle:: equal best ambience

Ozus:: equal best coffee, gotta sit outside really

Daci & Daci:: equal best ambience, good food

Jackman & McRoss:: best pies

Vietnamese next to Wursthaus:: decent noodles etc; max quantity, min ambience

RESTAURANTS

There are literally two zillion restaurants between about Hampden St and the end of the waterfront around Henry Jones IXL (15 mins walk). "Monsoon" merits a mention, as insanely close to Lenna and very good. "Ti Ama" is good pizza. All 4 nearby Japanese places were good when I last checked. "Saffron" at the end of waterfront was the best Indian in my recent recollection, but others may be fine too. Best fish'n'chips (with Sauv Blanc of course) might be "Fish Frenzy", but it's doubtless hotly contested. I could name many more. North Hobart (about 45mins walk) is the more authentically-local restaurant zone these days; take your puffa jacket.

Fanciest nearby restaurants include "The Glass House", "Old Wharf", and "Peacock and Jones", all on waterfront. All very good when I last checked (not often).

PUBS

Yeah we got them too. Along Salamanca, "The Den", "Grape", and "Jack Greene's" are CSIRO favourites, but there's several other nice ones too. Further afield just beyond the end of the waterfront (20mins), "Hobart Brewing Co" (Tue-Fri) has authentic industrial-noir techno-gothic vibosity— good leg-stretch destination.