



2026 JULY - DECEMBER

EVENTS CALENDAR



JUN - JUL	FUNGI FESTIVAL From truffle hunts to mushroom feasts, this festival is a fungi lover's dream! Join art, photography and cooking classes; music performances, guided walks, science seminars and even kayaking adventures.	
AUG	FAR SOUTH FILM FESTIVAL Experience the best of regional storytelling with short and feature films from across Australia. Expect the unique, the beautiful, the moving – and maybe even the scary!	
SEP	BEGA STREETLIGHT FESTIVAL The heart of Bega comes alive and transforms the town into a dazzling celebration of light, art, music and community at this free, family-friendly event. Experience Bega in a whole new light – literally!	
OCT	REBOOT IN BERMAGUI A feel-good weekend of fitness, fun and coastal vibes! Join Tai Chi by the beach, fun runs, ocean swims, bike ride, fitness classes and outdoor activities for all ages and abilities.	
OCT	EDEN WHALE FESTIVAL Celebrate Eden's coastal spirit with a festival that honours its deep connection to whales, the sea and its timber town roots. Enjoy whale watching, live entertainment and plenty of family fun on shore.	
OCT	HEADLAND WRITERS FESTIVAL A celebration of storytelling, literature and ideas, held on Djiringanj country at the breathtaking Tathra. Bringing together writers, poets and thinkers to spark conversations, challenge perspectives and inspire audiences.	
NOV	GIIYONG FESTIVAL Giiyong means "come to welcome" – and that's exactly what this festival does. With powerful performances, workshops and cultural tours, it's a one-of-a-kind celebration!	
NOV	THE RAGING BULL MERIMBULA CLASSIC A four-day celebration of wind, waves and good vibes with kite surfing, wave sailing, SUP and foil surfing. Kick back with barbecues, local oysters and legendary Merimbula hospitality.	



TEAR-OUT CALENDAR INSIDE!

2025

SAPPHIRE COAST

events



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WHAT'S INSIDE
Experience the wonder of events on the Sapphire Coast, meet Ephemeral Festival, what's new at EAT Festival.

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The traditional owners of the Sapphire Coast are the Djiringanj and Thaua people, custodians of land, sea and waterways under three sacred mountains. As you explore Sapphire Coast events, take time to appreciate and acknowledge the deep history, connection, ancestral ties, stories and ongoing significance of the

region for its traditional owners, paying respect to Elders past and present.

CELEBRATING THE SAPPHIRE COAST

Welcome to a Wonderfully Wild 2026! This year's calendar is bursting with events that bring people together in celebration of place, culture and creativity. The beaches, forests and mountains of the Sapphire Coast set the stage for experiences that are unique to this place. This is why our events feel so alive, they are deeply connected to the land, sea and community.

Find yourself wandering through an art trail by the ocean, tasting freshly shucked oysters straight from the bay, swaying to music under star-filled skies, or being welcomed into a cultural festival that celebrates thousands of years of tradition.

EVENT SPOTLIGHT EAT FESTIVAL

The EAT Festival is the Sapphire Coast's premier celebration of food. Each March, the region comes alive with flavours of sea and land - from freshly shucked oysters to artisan produce and creative local dishes.



It's a tribute to the growers, fishers and makers who connect us to this place. Take a stroll along the lakeside and enjoy great food, live music, entertainment and a warm community spirit.



MEET MICHELLE EPHEMERAL FESTIVAL

Ephemeral is a celebration of art, community and place, transforming the Panboola wetlands into a hub of creativity and open-air galleries. Meet Michelle, founder of Ephemeral in 2017.

At its heart, Ephemeral is about connecting. Michelle hopes every visitor will feel inspired, uplifted, joyful, connected and creative.

"I love seeing what aspects of Panboola inspire the artists", Michelle says. "Seeing it all come together - the volunteers, the artists, the community - it's wonderful. The feedback, the smiles, that's what makes it worthwhile."

Michelle's vision is to grow future custodians of Panboola by encouraging people to connect with the wetlands in ways that spark joy, creativity and responsibility.

BIENNIAL EVENTS 2027



WANDERER FESTIVAL
A multi-day cultural celebration of music, art and community that brings international talent and showcases local voices in a world-class festival atmosphere.

CANDELO VILLAGE FESTIVAL

Live music, food and creativity brings the village of Candelo to life in a grassroots festival that embodies the warmth and quirkiness of the local community.



Shows + Markets

JANUARY
Pambula Show
Candelo Show

FEBRUARY
Cobargo Show

FEB / MARCH
Bega Show

MARCH
Bemboka Show

- * Bega Produce
- * Candelo
- * Merimbula Seaside
- * Pambula Village
- * Bermagui
- * Eden Community
- * Wyndham Village
- * Tanja Hall
- * Nethercote Produce
- * Bermagui Growers & Makers

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FOR MARKET INFORMATION



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JAN 31-1

BEGA CUP CARNIVAL

Celebrate country racing, Sapphire Coast style! Enjoy local food, live tunes, free kids' entertainment, cold drinks from the bar and Fashions on the Field.

FEB 27-1

COBARGO FOLK FESTIVAL

Set in the beautiful hinterland, this festival celebrates all things folk, roots and world music with some of Australia's best artists on stage. Held in the historic Cobargo village since 1996, it's a family-friendly favourite for all ages.

MAR 7-15

SCULPTURE BERMAGUI

Beneath the watchful eye of Mount Gulaga and overlooking the sparkling waters of Horseshoe Bay, Sculpture Bermagui invites you to enjoy incredible art in one of the most beautiful settings on the coast.

MAR 08

EAT FESTIVAL

Dig into paddock-to-plate and tide-to-table experiences that celebrate the food, heritage and wild beauty of our coast. A feast for locals and visitors alike!

MAR 14-15

TATHRA MULTISPORT FESTIVAL

A weekend of heart-pumping off-road action! Take on the Tathra Wharf to Waves Ocean Swim or the Trail Run Australia Tathra and join the fun on the coast.

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EPHEMERAL FESTIVAL

For one magical day, the Panboola wetlands come alive with art, performance and community spirit. Wander, watch and celebrate creativity in this stunning natural setting.

JUN 5-8

MERIMBULA JAZZ FESTIVAL

Swing into the long weekend as musicians from near and far gather on the Sapphire Coast to celebrate their love of jazz. It's all about good music, good vibes and great company.

JUN 6-8

WINTERSUN FESTIVAL

Celebrate the magic of winter in Merimbula with a festival that shines a light on our favourite playground - the beaches, lakes and creeks. WinterSun is all about community and our connection to the water.

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