

Mawallok Open Garden and Ballarat Lunch

Mawallok is one of Australia's great gardens and is listed on the Heritage Register for both its aesthetic and historical significance. The garden was designed by William Guilfoyle in 1909 after laying out the Royal Botanic Gardens in Melbourne over 36 years. The seven acres of Mawallok is considered the best remaining example of his work in private hands. The dominant feature of the garden is the main vista which extends from a raised terrace in front of the Arts & Crafts style house, over the lawns and ha-ha wall across a six-hole golf course, the lake (designed by Sir John Monash) and grazing land to the Pyrenees Ranges and Mt Cole. The garden has been described in many garden books and magazines over the years including "1001 Gardens to See Before You Die". One of the highlights are the spectacular views from the ha-ha to the Pyrenees and Mount Cole. If you are free this weekend this garden is well worth a visit

The Mawallok house and garden is approx 140 km from the CBD. Lunch will be held in Ballarat.