



TESSELAAR TULIP FESTIVAL A CELEBRATION OF COLOUR AND CULTURES RETURNS THIS SPRING

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The celebrated Tesselaar Tulip Festival returns this Spring from Saturday 14th September through to Sunday 13th October to enchant visitors with a spectacular showcase of over one million vibrant blooms alongside rich and varied cultural and family festivities. Held annually in stunning Silvan in Melbourne's Dandenong Ranges, this year's festival promises to be a celebration of colour, community and natural magnificence.

In addition to the breathtaking floral displays, the festival offers a diverse program of events and activities for all ages and interests. Highlights include:

- **Cultural Performances:** Experience live music, traditional dance performances, and cultural demonstrations that celebrate Dutch culture and foods.
- **Family Fun:** Live shows from Sesame Street – Elmo and Friends, Peppa Pig, Interactive Australian Wildlife Show, Fairy Story telling, Face Painting, Tractor Rides, Dance Workshops and more
- **Gastronomic Delights:** Indulge in a variety of culinary delights from food stalls offering both international flavours and local favourites.

Paul Tesselaar, third-generation flower farmer, expressed his excitement for this year's event: "Last year's Tulip Festival was a tremendous success as visitors flocked to our farm to soak up the fields of beauty and wonder we pour all our care in to".

"We love welcoming guests to not only enjoy the magic of the tulips but to celebrate the enduring legacy established by our grandparents nearly seventy years ago and enjoy those brilliant Dutch traditions and experiences. We've curated an exceptional program that promises something special for everyone and with family budgets under pressure more than ever, provide an accessible activity with children 16 and under always free."

2024 Tulip Festival schedule

Turkish Weekend September 14-15th September

A colourful and exciting weekend where we celebrate the origin of the tulip and Turkish culture.

Spring Fever Week 16-20th September

This is a great time to enjoy a day out in the tulips without the rush of school holidays. Need another reason? Enjoy the tulips and save with off peak, discounted tickets.

Dutch Weekend September 21st-22nd September

Grab your clogs and come out to the Tesselaar Tulip Festival to see it transform into a mini Holland with historical demonstrations and clog dancing.

Children's Week's (School Holidays) September 23rd – 26th September and 30th September – 4 October

We have an awesome line up of family fun, including Live shows; **Sesame Street - Elmo and Friends** Week One of the holidays and Week Two, **Peppa Pig** comes to visit. We have our Fairy with intriguing tales in our Fairy Garden. You can touch and learn about Australian wildlife from Black Snake Productions. Free Dance Workshops. There are a variety of craft workshops on offer for a small fee. Children can test out their powers of observation on our Treasure Hunt, or participate in some fun Dutch and garden games, ride on our Tulip Train, indulge in traditional Dutch foods and other treats, see market stalls, visit our clog shop, and of course be amongst the sensational tulips

Food, Wine and Jazz Weekend September 27th – 29th September

The festival will be open over the long weekend, so come tap your toes to music while indulging in delicious Yarra Valley and Dandenong Ranges foods and beverages.

Rock The Fields Weekend 5-6th October

Put your dancing shoes on and enjoying some rocking tunes in the blooms, with live music from the 50's and 60s and delicious, funky food trucks.

Irish Weekend 12- 13th October

It is time to get out and enjoy spring while the tulips continue to bloom! As you sit back and enjoy a Guinness or Kilkenny, the festival will have top musical entertainment on two different stages alongside Irish Dancing, Pipers and Leprechauns.

For more information, including ticketing details, event schedules, and directions, please visit tulipfestival.com.au

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