

## **HIGH COUNTRY ADVENTURE TOURS**



## THE GAP GETAWAY MCADAMS GAP

The concept for this venue came about more than 20 years ago, when the owner Brian Prothero originally bought the property as somewhere to go for a BBQ after work. The building started off as just 6 poles and a roof to cover the BBQ with no walls. As the gap is approximately 1300m above sea level (ASL) the wind became an issue always blowing things away and it became bitterly cold in the winter—with help from mates they built the bar and closed it all in.



The bar itself is made out of a tree that was left on the site of the old Gaffney Creek Pub that was destroyed by fire in 1993. Two prisoners, Archie Butterley and Peter Gibb escaped from the Melbourne Remand Centre, and prison guard Heather Parker who assisted them to escape drove to Gaffney's Creek to hide out. They stayed at the Gaffney's Creek Hotel and on the morning of March 12, to cover their tracks they started a fire in their room which resulted in the hotel being completely destroyed.

See website <u>here</u> for more info on prison escape





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The dorm style building that you see in the images came from Portland –they were originally 4 separate units. Brian thought he only had enough money to buy one lot but turns out he enough to buy the lot. A mate from Warburton brought them up one by one on the back of a truck. The Dorm style building is made up of 10 rooms each with 2 single beds, bedding and electric blankets. There is a bathroom and toilet for both male and female. At the end of the main dorm there is a room that runs the width of the building that will sleep another 6/7 people in single beds. this is accessed internally from the main dorm





Brian and Heather are very down to earth people. Wonderful hosts who will look after you and make you feel very welcome at your stay at The Getaway with good old fashioned country hospitality