

# Media Release

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## WAKE UP TO THE WAVES IN NEW INVERLOCH ACCOMMODATION

A new resort expansion is on its way to Inverloch, bringing a new wave of visitors to the Gippsland region – thanks to the Allan Labor Government.

Minister for Tourism, Sport and Major Events Steve Dimopoulos today announced the commencement of works on 36 premium ocean view rooms at RACV Inverloch Resort thanks to support provided by the Regional Tourism Investment Fund.

Overlooking Bass Strait and the entrance to Andersons Inlet, this project will help bring more visitors to the area, support local tourism operators and boost capacity to deliver large-scale conferences and events in the Bass Coast and Gippsland regions.

The project will also deliver additional car parking, the relocation of an existing villa, and a new wastewater detention storage system, with the new accommodation expected to welcome its first guests by December 2026.

RACV Inverloch Resort attracts an estimated 55,000 overnight visitors to the region annually, with accommodation booked to near-capacity months in advance. The expansion is estimated to raise that number to around 75,000 annual visitors.

This will provide a massive boost to Gippsland's tourism economy which in 2024 welcomed 6.13 million visitors who stayed 7.39 million nights and spent \$1.44 billion.

The RACV Inverloch Resort expansion will help increase visitation to the region ever further, while also creating 120 jobs during construction and 15 additional ongoing positions once operational.

For more information about RACV's Inverloch Resort, visit [www.racv.com.au/travelexperiences](http://www.racv.com.au/travelexperiences).

### **Quotes attributable to Minister for Tourism, Sport and Major Events Steve Dimopoulos**

*"This expansion is giving more visitors the chance to experience one of Victoria's favourite coastal weekend getaways, and it's only 1.5 hours from Melbourne."*

*"We're proud to support this project through the Regional Tourism Investment Fund to keep Victoria as a world-class tourist destination, with more options than ever to help our regional tourism to thrive."*

### **Quote attributable to Member for Bass Jordan Crugnale**

*"This exciting expansion will bring more visitors, more jobs and more opportunities for local businesses right across Inverloch and the Bass Coast."*

*"This project is a fantastic boost for our region that will help showcase everything our stunning coastline has to offer."*

### **Quote attributable to RACV Executive General Manager Leisure Craig Peachey**

*"With regional tourism booming post-pandemic, these new premium rooms will help address a significant market gap while elevating Inverloch's status as a premium destination."*

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