

IT'S COMING



Hon Jacinta Allan MP
Premier

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THANKS, VICTORIA! FREE PT EVERY WEEKEND THIS SUMMER

Come and see the Metro Tunnel over the weekend this summer...

It will be free for you to travel anywhere on the public transport network.

From the day the Metro Tunnel opens in early December for its Summer Start, **public transport in Victoria will be free for everyone, everywhere, every weekend until February 1.**

That means every tram, every bus, every Melbourne train, every regional train, for every passenger – from the first service on each Saturday to the last service on each Sunday.

Premier Jacinta Allan and Minister for Transport Infrastructure Gabrielle Williams today met with Metro Tunnel workers at State Library Station to announce the free PT bonanza during the Metro Tunnel's Summer Start.

It's all about celebrating the opening of the Metro Tunnel and thanking Victorians for their patience while thousands of workers built it.

Transport gates will open every Saturday and Sunday during the Summer Start period, which begins from the opening of the Metro Tunnel in early December until the Big Switch to the new statewide timetable on February 1.

You won't require a valid ticket or Myki to travel on these days. Passengers will not be required to tap on or off with their myki. If a passenger accidentally taps on or off, they will not be charged for their travel. Some regional services will continue to require a reservation at zero cost, in line with existing requirements.

The Summer Start is when we open the Metro Tunnel in early December with 240 new services a week.

The Big Switch on February 1 is when every train on our two busiest train lines run through the Metro Tunnel – and that means 1,000 new services and a new timetable for everyone.

To see more about the Summer Start, how it works and when you can jump on a Metro Tunnel train from early December, visit bigbuild.vic.gov.au/use-metro-tunnel/prepare/opening

Quotes attributable to Premier Jacinta Allan

"We're saying thank you Victoria – with free PT every weekend this summer."

"Everyone, everywhere, every weekend, free until Feb 1. The biggest free transport bonanza in Victoria's history."

"The Metro Tunnel will cut congestion and get you to work, uni and home sooner – and it opens in early December."

Quote attributable to Minister for Transport Infrastructure Gabrielle Williams

"The Summer Start is how we're opening the tunnel safer, smoother and sooner."

"This is our way of saying thanks to everyone for their patience while we built the Metro Tunnel – and to celebrate this huge moment in the history of our state."

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