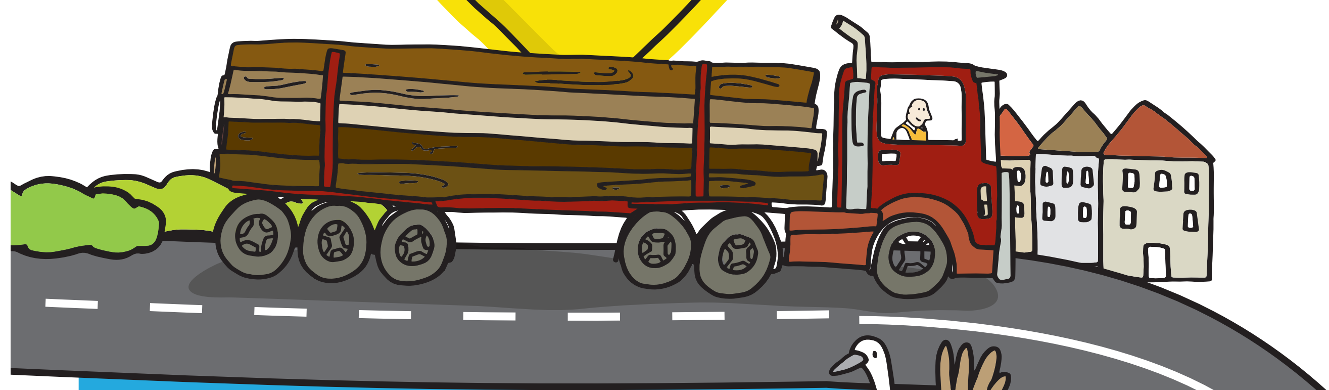
SEE TASMANIA SAFELY

Tasmania is a great place to explore. Beautiful scenery, changing landscapes, or even a visit to meet Bobbie the Bear all make for a great journey – but conditions can take visitors by surprise.

If you're visiting Tasmania and intend to drive a car or ride a motorbike while here, there are a few simple rules and tips you need to know that will help keep you and your passengers safe.

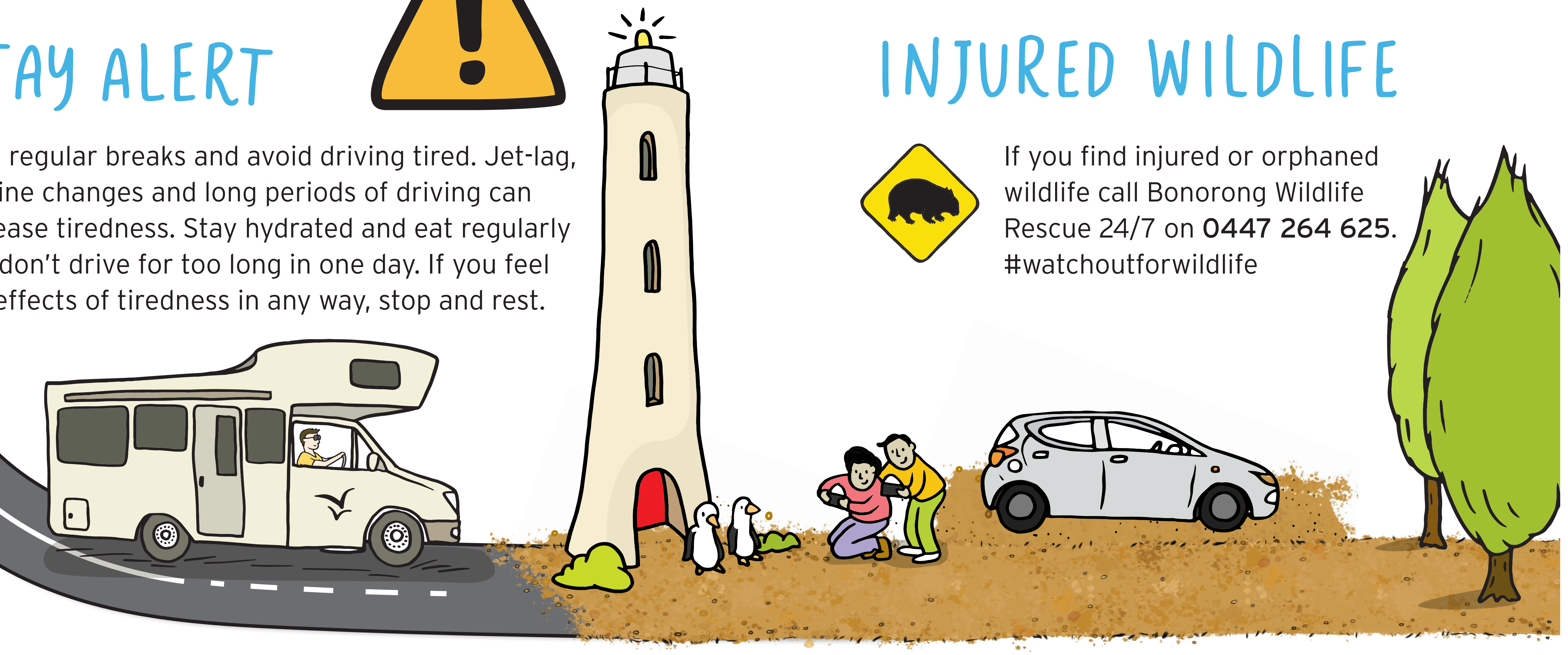


STAY ALERT

Take regular breaks and avoid driving tired. Jet-lag, routine changes and long periods of driving can increase tiredness. Stay hydrated and eat regularly and don't drive for too long in one day. If you feel the effects of tiredness in any way, stop and rest.

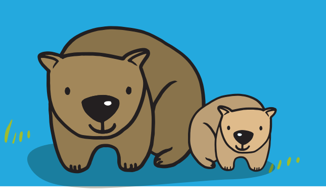
INJURED WILDLIFE

If you find injured or orphaned wildlife call Bonorong Wildlife Rescue 24/7 on **0447 264 625**. #watchoutforwildlife



LOOK OUT FOR

- Wildlife and roadkill, especially between dusk and dawn
- Gravel, dirt, rocks and soft corners
- Livestock and farm vehicles along roadsides and at property entrances
- Tree canopies covering roads, leaving them damp, slippery or wet
- Black ice and moss on the road, especially in shady areas
- Overhanging branches and fallen tree limbs
- Other vehicles cutting corners and bringing dirt and stone on the departure side
- Trucks, caravans, bicycles or machinery travelling slowly or creating a hazard



ROAD RULES

The following are important road rules and road signs:

- Always drive on the left side of the road.
- Driver and passengers must wear a seatbelt at all times.
- Never use a mobile phone while driving.
- Slow down and look out for animals on the road, especially between dusk and dawn.
- Pull off the road when stopping to take photos, enjoy scenery or read maps.
- Stop and give way in both directions.
- Slow down on winding, gravel or icy roads in bad weather.
- You must obey speed limits. In poor conditions, drive slower than the limit.
- Hazard markers warn that the road ahead is about to change direction.
- Give way in both directions.

TRAVELLING TIPS

Driving on unfamiliar roads can increase your risk of a crash. It's important to plan ahead, get to know your vehicle, become familiar with important road rules and always obey them.

- Drive with caution and always be aware of changing road and weather conditions.
- Most roads in Tasmania are single lane in each direction. Some roads can also be narrow, winding and have sharp corners. You might also encounter gravel roads, so remember to always drive to the conditions. And if you need to, pull over in a safe place to allow others to pass from behind.
- Also allow plenty of time when travelling. Travel times in Tasmania can be longer than you expect. Travelling 150km may take 2 hours, so plan on driving no more than 300km per day and take frequent breaks. Plan to stay the night in your arrival city so you're well rested before setting off the next day.

FUEL

Keep your vehicle filled up with fuel. Don't rely on fuel being available in smaller towns, particularly at night.

IF YOU CRASH

If you're involved in a crash and:

- no one is injured, and you can still drive your vehicle, you do not have to contact Tasmania Police
- someone is injured or killed, you must contact Tasmania Police on 000
- are in a rental vehicle, you should contact the rental company and they will advise you what to do

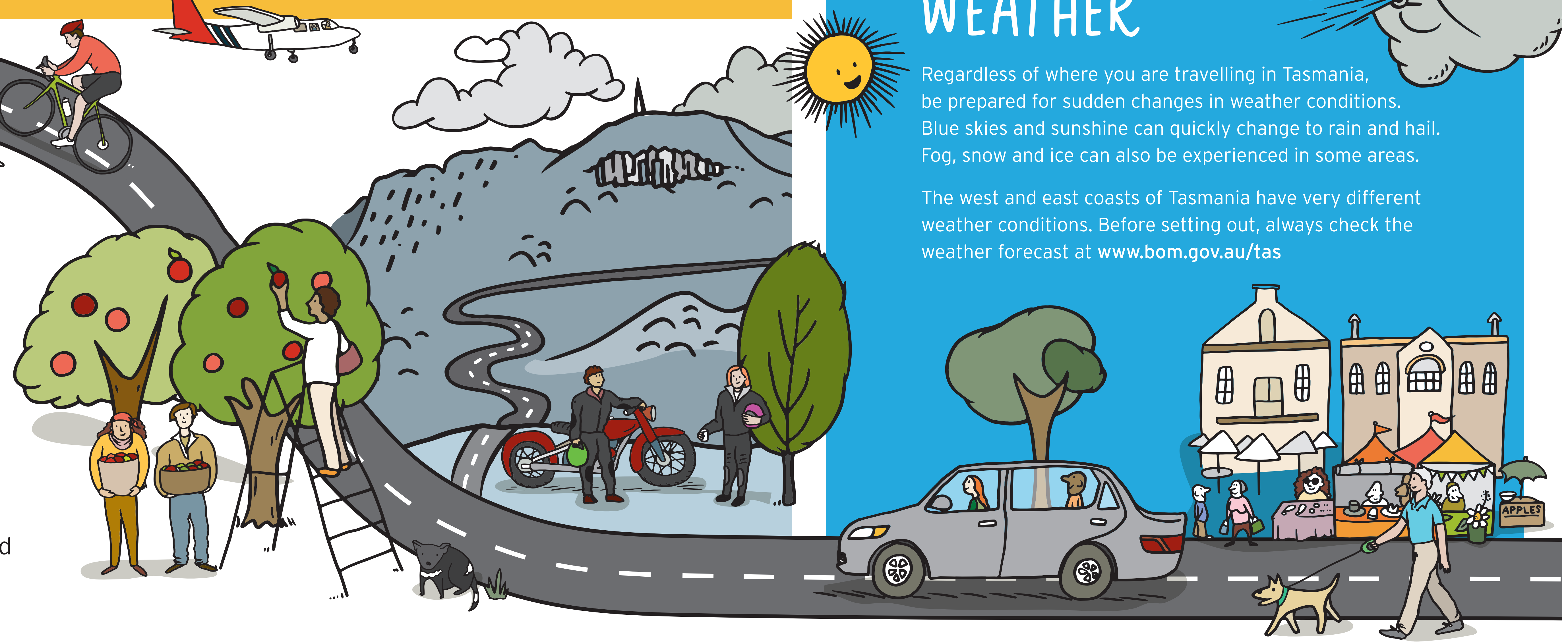
A driver involved in a crash is required to exchange details with:

- any other driver involved in the crash
- any other person involved in the crash who is injured
- the owner of any property damaged in the crash

WEATHER

Regardless of where you are travelling in Tasmania, be prepared for sudden changes in weather conditions. Blue skies and sunshine can quickly change to rain and hail. Fog, snow and ice can also be experienced in some areas.

The west and east coasts of Tasmania have very different weather conditions. Before setting out, always check the weather forecast at **www.bom.gov.au/tas**



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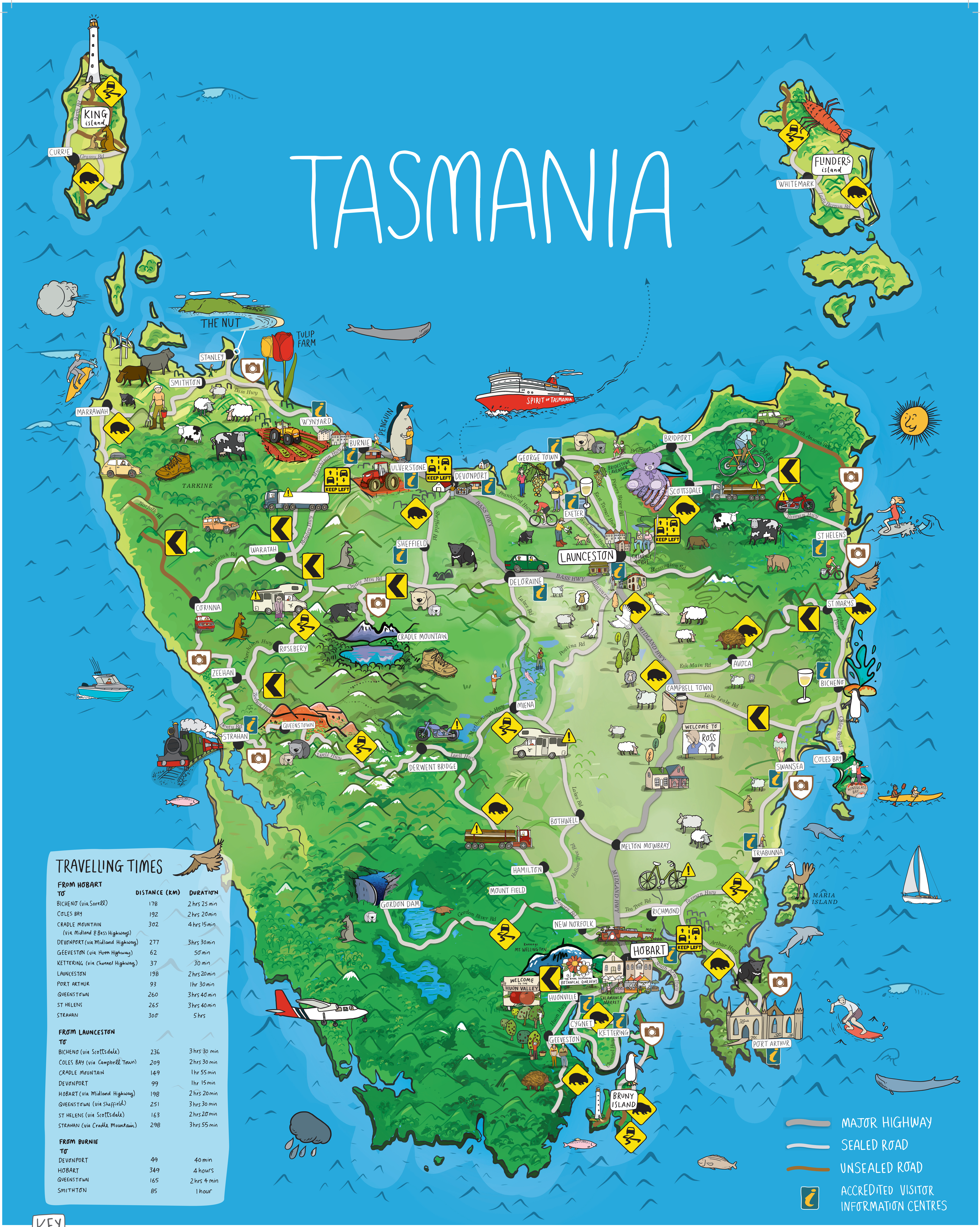

TRAVELLING TIMES

FROM HOBART TO	DISTANCE (KM)	DURATION
BICHENO (via Sorell)	178	2 hrs 25 min
COLES BAY	192	2 hrs 20 min
CRADLE MOUNTAIN (via Midland & Bass Highways)	302	4 hrs 15 min
DEVONPORT (via Midland Highway)	277	3 hrs 30 min
GEEVESTON (via Huon Highway)	62	50 min
KETTERING (via Channel Highway)	37	30 min
LAUNCESTON	198	2 hrs 20 min
PORT ARTHUR	93	1 hr 30 min
QUEENSTOWN	260	3 hrs 40 min
ST HELENS	265	3 hrs 40 min
STRAHAN	300	5 hrs

FROM LAUNCESTON TO		
BICHENO (via Scottsdale)	236	3 hrs 30 min
COLES BAY (via Campbell Town)	209	2 hrs 30 min
CRADLE MOUNTAIN	149	1 hr 55 min
DEVONPORT	99	1 hr 15 min
HOBART (via Midland Highway)	198	2 hrs 20 min
QUEENSTOWN (via Sheffield)	251	3 hrs 30 min
ST HELENS (via Scottsdale)	163	2 hrs 20 min
STRAHAN (via Cradle Mountain)	298	3 hrs 55 min

FROM BURNIE TO		
DEVONPORT	49	40 min
HOBART	349	4 hours
QUEENSTOWN	165	2 hrs 4 min
SMITHTON	85	1 hour

KEY

- SLOW DOWN on winding, gravel or icy roads in bad weather.
- PULL OFF the road when stopping to take photos, enjoy scenery or read maps.
- Slow down and LOOK OUT for animals on the road, especially between dusk and dawn.
- Hazard markers warn that the road ahead is about to CHANGE DIRECTION.
- KEEP LEFT — ALWAYS drive on the LEFT side of the road.

AND THERE ARE THINGS TO BE AWARE OF NO MATTER WHERE YOU'RE DRIVING...

- Driver and passengers must wear a seatbelt AT ALL TIMES.
- NEVER use a mobile phone while driving.
- 80 — You MUST OBEY speed limits. In poor conditions, drive slower than the limit.
- STOP — STOP and give way in both directions.
- GIVE WAY — GIVE WAY in both directions.