Great cities have great streets. Swanston Street is the iconic spine of Melbourne, an important place for the people who live, work and visit every day.

Over the next year, new street features will be introduced that will continue to improve the safety, accessibility and character of Swanston Street for years to come.
**New Tram Stops**

Tram stops at the State Library, RMIT, Bourke Street Mall and City Square are being upgraded to provide all abilities access to trams. The tram stops will feature improved facilities for commuters including more shelters, seating and electronic next tram arrival information. For more information about Melbourne’s tram network, please visit: [yarratrams.com.au](http://yarratrams.com.au)

**Cycling in Swanston Street**

Melbourne is known for its active cycling community. Closure of Swanston Street to private vehicles, taxis and buses will improve safety and sightlines for bike riders. Each new tram stop will feature kerb separation and banded paving to support priority cyclist movements. Road rules will continue to apply throughout Swanston Street and cyclists must continue to obey traffic signals and give way to passengers boarding or alighting trams.

**Pedestrians**

Swanston Street has long been a popular arrival destination and gateway to work, shopping, dining and cultural experiences. While vehicle access is limited, it is still a street and road safety rules apply to everyone - pedestrians must continue to cross Swanston Street at signalised crossings.

**Authorised vehicles – access and parking**

From **Friday 3 February 2012** unrestricted and unconditional access to Swanston Street will cease permanently; with the exception of trams and bike riders.

For more information or if you wish to apply for an authorised access permit to Swanston Street (between Flinders Street and La Trobe Street), please visit [melbourne.vic.gov.au/parking](http://melbourne.vic.gov.au/parking)

Taxis

Taxis, unless authorised, will not be permitted access between Flinders Street and La Trobe Street and between A’Beckett Street and Franklin Street. Authorised vehicles (including taxis carrying people with disabilities) will be permitted access during nominated times of the day. To locate Safe City Taxi Ranks visit www.melbourne.vic.gov.au

Horse drawn carriages

Customer pick up locations in Swanston Street:

**Between Flinders Lane and Flinders Street** (east side only)

February 2012 to July 2012
7.00pm to 7.30am Sunday to Thursday
7.00pm to 11pm Friday and Saturday

July 2012 onwards
2.00pm to 4.00pm Monday to Sunday
7.00pm to 7.30am Sunday to Thursday
7.00pm to 11pm Friday and Saturday

**Between Collins Street and Little Collins Street** (west side only)

February 2012 onwards
7.00pm to 7.30am Monday to Sunday

*Please note that Horse Drawn Carriages are independent businesses and not a service of City of Melbourne.

Nightrider Bus

The Nightrider Bus will continue to operate Friday and Saturday nights and will be located outside St Paul’s Cathedral. Please note, this stop may be temporarily relocated during construction.

For more information and timetable visit www.metlinkmelbourne.com.au/timetables/nightrider

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There’s so much to do in the city this summer. From a river cruise to Rooftop Cinema, peaceful parks to playgrounds, you’ll find restaurants, shops, museums, bike paths and plenty of places to do nothing at all. If you want to get out of the heat, just relax by the waterfront or find a cozy cafe when Melbourne has four seasons in one day. From garden parties to the Greek precinct, lazy Sundays to crazy school holidays, there are endless nooks and crannies to discover.

You don’t really need a reason to head into the city this summer. But there are hundreds. We’ve counted 462 so far... How many will you add?

For more reasons to visit the city this summer, go to melbourne.vic.gov.au/summer