

AN INTRODUCTION TO THE QUEEN VICTORIA MARKET

The Queen Victoria Market was officially opened on 20 March 1878; a range of markets had operated from the site prior to that date.

How old is the Queen Victoria Market?

Melbourne was founded in 1835, 47 years after European settlement of Australia.

Governor Richard Bourke named Melbourne in 1837, in honour of British Prime Mr William Lamb, the 2nd Viscount Melbourne.

Queen Victoria officially declared Melbourne a city in 1847. In 1851 Melbourne became the capital city of the newly created colony of Victoria.

Where is the Market located?

[Link to Market Map](#)

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Before the arrival of European settlers, hunter-gatherers from three indigenous regional tribes occupied the area for an estimated 70,000 years: the Wurundjeri, Boonwurrung and Wathaurong.

What is the history of the land that the Market is now situated on?

An historic site, the Queen Victoria Market is an open-air market, best known for its huge variety of fresh produce, including fresh fruit and vegetables, meat, chicken, seafood and delicatessen products.

List the purpose of the land now.

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This area was an important meeting place for the clans of the Kulin nation alliance, as well as a vital source of food and water

What are the main similarities of land use?

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