

# JAMIESON Historic Walk

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**Start at the corner of Bank St and Chenery St.** Just north of this intersection, along Bank St is:

**1. Ridge's Cottage** on the right-hand side of the road. The cottage was built c.1864 by Michael Ridge, one of the area's early settlers. It was a Blacksmiths and Wheelwrights for over 50 years.

**Head south along Bank St.** On the left-hand side are:

**2. Diggers Exchange Hotel** - built in the late 1870s, closed by 1911- one of only three hotels still operating at the end of the 19th century.

**3. Matthew's Cottage** - c.1900 - was the home of John Cole Matthews, a councillor and businessman who ran the coach service between Mansfield and Woods Point from 1899 to 1914.

By the Perkins St intersection, **4. The Duck Inn**, which was built in 1867 as the Colonial Bank and manger's residence for the first bank manager, Edwin Fitzroy Lusignan.

**Cross Perkins St.** To the right is **5. Townsend's Cottage** - c.1860s - one of the town's original buildings, once a butcher's residence, having the butchery next door.

To the left, at the Cobham St intersection, is **Hoskin's Cottage** - late 1860s.

Stay on the same path, crossing Cobham Street.

On the right, on the northern side of the Jamieson River, just before the bridge, is **6. The Old Hibernian Brewery site** - built in 1862 by Daniel Flinn.

**7. Finns Bridge** - opened in 1990 - the new bridge is the most recent bridge to have been erected in the vicinity where over the years several bridges have been destroyed by floods.

**8. The Island** - where the Jamieson and Goulburn rivers meet - quite a picturesque place. The apple trees are remnants of an orchard established by the town's first doctor who owned the land at one time. This is a good area for picnicking, fishing and walking.

**Turn left into Cobham St.** At the end of the road, to the right, is

**9. Juddy's Hut** - built in the 1850s - a good example of an early miner's cottage, built for "Juddy" Hampton.

**Return along Cobham St, taking the first right into Brown St.**

To the left are **10. The police stables** - built in 1862 as part of the original police camp. The Canadian Redwoods were planted in the 1860s.

**Cross over Perkins St.**

To the right is **11. McQuilten's Cottage**, built in the early 1890s at Ten Mile on Sailor Bill's Creek, on the road to Woods Point. It was transported after it survived the 1939 bushfires, which destroyed the rest of the town.

**12. Brewery Bridge** - built in 1864 by William Grene Power - has retained the name of the original Chenery Street bridge.

**13. The Cemetery** - approx 1 kilometre from the centre of the township, with headstones marking the final resting place of the area's early settlers and pioneers.

**Turn left into Chenery St.** On the other side of Nash St is **14. Jamieson Primary School**, Common School 814, built in 1878. The original school was built in 1867.

To the rear, adjacent Laidlaws Rd, is **15. the teacher's residence** - built in 1891, 16 years after the first request for a residence was made.

**16. The Arboretum** - a picturesque addition planted by members of the Jamieson community in 1989 on the old plantation site.

Laidlaws Rd will take you up the Jamieson Valley. A track, which branches off behind the school residence, will take you up **School Hill**. It is very steep but the views are outstanding.

**Alternatively, walk south along Nash St.**

To the left are **17. Mountford's Cottage** - built c. 1890 - once the residence of Charles William Mountford, owner of the Mountain Brewery and cordial factory at Raspberry Creek.

**18. 'Siberia'** - built as extra accommodation for the Courthouse Hotel.

**19. St John's Catholic Church** - opened 1900 - replaced a small timber chapel built in 1863 to the left of the current site.

**Cross Perkins St.** To the left is **20. Jamieson Courthouse**, built of local hand-made bricks in 1864. The building served as a County Court, Court of Mines and Court of Petty Sessions. It now houses local archives and material pertaining to local history and is open on weekends and public holidays between November and Easter from 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m., or by appointment, tel: (03) 5777 0592.

**21. Courthouse Hotel** - the original building was built in 1872, was double-storey, timber and had a shingle roof.

**Head west along Perkins St to the Grey St corner.** To the left is the **22. Jamieson Post Office** - built in 1872 of handmade bricks. To the right is the **23. Memorial Hall** - built in 1883 - used as the town hall and Howqua Shire Offices until amalgamation in 1919.

**Turn right into Grey St.** On the right-hand side of the road is **24. 'Wywurri'** - c.1860s- With its pole-type construction, canvas walls and dirt floor, it is considered a typical early building. It was once the grain store for a local hotel. The mud-brick extension is of later vintage.

Just past it is **25. St Peter's Anglican Church**. Built of local bricks in 1865, it is surrounded by oak trees planted over 100 years ago. The porch and vestry were added later. The church was inaugurated on 28 September, 1865.

