

# Malmsbury Youth Training Centre

1965 – 2023

**Other Names:**

- Malmsbury Juvenile Justice Centre
- Malmsbury Youth Justice Centre
- Malmsbury Youth Justice Precinct

## Details

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The Malmsbury Youth Training Centre was established by the state government in 1965. In 2018, it was known as the Malmsbury Youth Justice Precinct. Malmsbury was primarily for males aged 18 to 20 serving a Youth Justice Centre order. Malmsbury Youth Justice Centre closed in December 2023.

During the mid 1970s the dormitory style accommodation at Malmsbury was converted to smaller units with bedroom accommodation. This increased the options for treatment available in the Centre.

When the Langi Kal Kal youth training centre was closed in March 1993, Malmsbury became Victoria's main Youth Training Centre for 17 to 20 year old offenders.

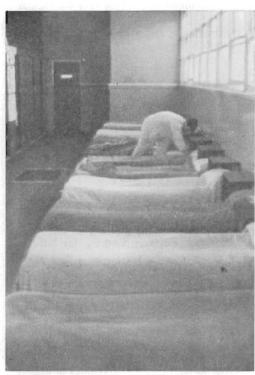
In 1994 a major redevelopment of Malmsbury commenced. The redevelopment improved the centre's safety, security and program capacity for 17 to 21 year old young male offenders. The new 75 bed centre at Malmsbury was opened in December 1997.

The Malmsbury Youth Justice Centre closed in December 2023. Young people were moved to Parkville Youth Justice Centre and Cherry Creek Youth Justice Centre (which opened in August 2023).

The Victorian government announced the impending closure in June 2023. One news article reported that: "After a deeply troubled history, the centre's last months were marred by serious violence against staff and young people" (ABC News, 22 December 2023).

## Gallery

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### Dormitory - Malmsbury Youth Training Centre

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Dining Room—Malmsbury Youth Training Centre.

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Youth Training Centre—Malmsbury

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Staff residences—Malmsbury Youth Training Centre.

### Staff residences, Malmsbury Youth Training Centre

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Education block—Malmsbury Youth Training Centre.

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## More info

### Related Entries

#### Run by

- [Department of Human Services, State Government of Victoria \(1995 - December 2014\)](#)  
Date: 1995 - 2014
- [Social Welfare Branch, State Government of Victoria \(1960 - 1970\)](#)  
Date: 1965 - 1970
- [Department of Health & Human Services, State Government of Victoria \(January 2015 - 2021\)](#)
- [Social Welfare Department, State Government of Victoria \(1970 - 1978\)](#)  
Date: 1970 - 1978
- [Department of Community Welfare Services, State Government of Victoria \(1978 - 1985\)](#)  
Date: 1978 - 1985
- [Community Services Victoria, State Government of Victoria \(1985 - 1992\)](#)  
Date: 1985 - 1992
- [Health and Community Services, State Government of Victoria \(1992 - 1995\)](#)  
Date: 1992 - 1995

#### Related Organisations

- [Langi Kal Kal \(1965 - 1993\)](#)

When the Langi Kal Kal youth training centre was closed in March 1993, Malmsbury became Victoria's main Youth Training Centre for 17 to 20 year old offenders.

- [Melbourne Youth Justice Centre \(1993 - current\)](#)

Most residents of Melbourne Youth Justice Centre are transferred to Malmsbury Youth Justice Centre when they turn 18.

## Resources

- [\*Malmsbury Youth Training Centre \(1965 - 93\)\*](#), Finding Records, No date. *Relevance:* See the 'List of records held by the department' section for information about records relating to Malmsbury Youth Training Centre
- Savidis, Penny, [\*Sex abuse Royal Commission urged to hold public meetings in regional Victoria\*](#), Ryan Carlisle Thomas Lawyers, 2014

## Records

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For more information and to access your records, follow the links below:

### Records

- [\*Child Information and Departmental Administration records, Turana, Baltara Reception Centre, Langi Kal Kal and Malmsbury Youth Training Centres, Melbourne Youth Justice Centre \(c. 1950 - c. 2005\)\*](#)
- [\*Malmsbury Youth Training Centre records \(c. 1967 - 2001\)\*](#)
- [\*Victorian Government Wardship and/or Out of Home Care Records \(1864 - current\)\*](#)

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