

# Acheron Youth Training Centre

c. 1966 – 2008

**Other Names:** • Acheron Bush Camp

## Details

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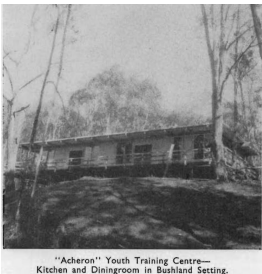
Acheron Youth Training Centre at Buxton was established in the mid 1960s as a facility for young people in Victoria's youth training centres, particularly Turana.

Acheron provided 'adventure camp facilities' and other training programs and a 350 acre minimum-security camp near Buxton. Approximately 300 'trainees' a year went to Acheron in work groups. These trainees received instruction in building and grounds work as part of their treatment program. An additional 1500 trainees a year attended adventure camps at Acheron. From 1970, girls from Winlaton were also using the camp.

In 2003, Acheron was part of the Melbourne Juvenile Justice Centre, providing an 'alternative custodial option' for young men aged 17-21.

## Gallery

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### "Acheron" Youth Training Centre - Kitchen and Diningroom in Bushland Setting

**Description:** This is an image of the kitchen and dining room at Acheron Youth Training Centre. It was published in the 1973 Annual Report for the Victorian Social Welfare Department.

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- [Department of Human Services, State Government of Victoria \(1995 - December 2014\)](#)  
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- [Social Welfare Branch, State Government of Victoria \(1960 - 1970\)](#)  
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- [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 - 1982

- [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
- [Department of Health & Human Services, State Government of Victoria \(January 2015 - 2021\)](#)

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