

# Calendar Sport



CUP OF DREAMS: Moses Mabhida Stadium, Durban, will host World Cup games. Pictures: Getty Images



HIGH TIMES: Red Bull air race action in Perth.

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# Fast-paced fun on the agenda

SPORTS fans have plenty to entertain them in the coming months.

## Tantalising Targa

**What:** Targa Tasmania rally  
**When:** Tuesday-next Sunday  
Travellers who like a bit of rev in their holiday will need to shift into a higher gear if they want to be a part of this week's famous tarmac rally in Tassie. This international event has competitive stages on roads closed for touring over six days. The Targa celebrates its 19th year and is a beaut drawcard for car enthusiasts, especially given visitors can explore all the wonders of the Apple Isle at the same time. Entrants range from former world champions, celebrities and other well-known motorsport personalities. Check out the website below for all the information, as well as suggestions for accommodation.  
**Where:** George Town, Tasmania (starting point)  
**More info:** [www.targa.com.au](http://www.targa.com.au) or [www.puretasmania.com.au](http://www.puretasmania.com.au)

## Football fever

**What:** 2010 FIFA World Cup South Africa  
**When:** June 11-July 11  
The real countdown begins as soccer lovers from around the world focus on South Africa for this year's FIFA World Cup, regarded as the world's largest, most-watched football show. This year's World Cup matches will be held across eight provinces and nine cities, with almost half a million visitors expected for the event. This

dream holiday experience gives soccer fanatics the chance to watch the world's elite footballers strut their stuff one day, and then take in a wildlife safari the next. Better hurry, though, because time is running out.  
**Where:** South Africa  
**More info:** [www.fifa.com/worldcup](http://www.fifa.com/worldcup) or [www.southafrica.net](http://www.southafrica.net)

## Something in the air

**What:** Red Bull Air Race  
**When:** August 19-20  
If you missed the Red Bull Air Race in Perth earlier this month, there are more opportunities to catch this exhilarating event overseas in a few months' time. This one in Budapest is where it all began. Held on the holiday weekend marking St Steven's Day, there's more to this race than just men and their flying machines. Festivities include a water show, fireworks, a festive market and musical programs along both banks of the River Danube and a Joy Concert held on August 19 featuring Hungarian performers. The main event boasts 20m-high "Air Gates" that are set up between Margaret Bridge and Chain Bridge. Water levels permitting, the pilots will be faced with the added challenge of flying underneath the picturesque Chain Bridge.  
**Where:** Budapest, Hungary  
**More info:** [www.redbullairrace.com](http://www.redbullairrace.com) or [www.budapestinfo.hu](http://www.budapestinfo.hu)

## Let the Games begin

**What:** XIX Commonwealth Games (Delhi)  
**When:** October 3-14

Delhi opens its doors to the world as host of the 19th Commonwealth Games from October 3. The Games feature 17 sports on show at six venue clusters and five stand-alone venues in and around Delhi. October is one of the best times to visit Delhi, with average temperatures of 22C. But there is much more to this country than the Games - Delhi is a few hours away from one of the world's greatest love monuments, the Taj Mahal, and exotic Rajasthan is a mere hop, skip and a jump away, so opportunities for side trips are well worth considering. The official website has accommodation help for visitors.  
**Where:** Delhi, India  
**More info:** [www.cwgdelhi2010.org](http://www.cwgdelhi2010.org)

## Horsing around

**What:** 2010 Melbourne Cup Carnival  
**When:** October 30-November 6  
The race that stops a nation turns 150 this year and Victoria is planning some big celebrations, with loads of events and festivities on the drawing board for old Melbourne town. An international event, the Melbourne Cup is part of a world-class week of racing at Flemington Racecourse. There is a range of packages on offer to suit all budgets. However, this year is bound to be a little busier due to the 150th celebrations, so it would be wise to get a jump start on the rest of the field and plan your Cup adventure with time to spare.  
**Where:** Melbourne, Victoria  
**More info:** [www.melbournecup.com](http://www.melbournecup.com) or [www.visitvictoria.com](http://www.visitvictoria.com)

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