PLEASE NOTE

Disclaimer: The agencies listed below are not owned or operated by the University of Melbourne. They are independent of the University and operate as private businesses. The onus of responsibility is on each student to assess the homestay facilities as suitable for their needs. Any arrangements, financial or otherwise, are strictly between the student and the homestay provider and/or homestay placement agency. Prices are subject to change without notification. Rates may not include GST. Please contact the homestay provider or homestay placement agency for current prices and GST information.

What is homestay?

Homestay or private board is where you live with a family, couple or single person/s in their own home.

There are different types of homestay arrangements, which generally fall within one of the following categories:

Full Board
Usually consists of a furnished room, two or three meals per day and bills (except telephone and internet). Some homestay providers may even do your laundry. The cost may range from $220 to $285 per week.

Part Board
Usually includes a furnished room and bills (except telephone and internet). You have the use of the cooking and laundry facilities in the house. The cost usually ranges from $180 to $240 per week.

Board in Exchange
Provides free or low cost accommodation in return for household duties such as weekly house cleaning and/or childcare. Make sure you establish beforehand how many hours of work you will be expected to perform. Make sure the time involved in carrying out duties will balance with the cost of renting and will fit with your other commitments to study and your social life.

How to organise it

The University does not provide a homestay placement service. The private agencies listed overleaf can organise homestay accommodation for students. An administration fee of approximately $150 will be charged by homestay placement agencies for this service. Currently enrolled or offered students of the University can also search for homestay options on the University’s housing advertisement service at www.services.unimelb.edu.au/housing/accomnet/. In addition, you can search online directories such as www.melbournehomestay.org.

Further information

For further information about homestay you may wish to visit our website: www.services.unimelb.edu.au/housing/options/homestay.html
Homestay placement agencies

**Australian Homestay Network**
Tel: 1300 697 829  
Web: [www.homestaynetwork.org](http://www.homestaynetwork.org)

**Australian Student Accommodation & Placement**
Contact person: David Wood  
Tel / Fax: 9812 0761  
Mobile: 0407 554 102  
Email: davidw@studenthomestay.com.au  

**Family Stay Australia**
Contact person: Margaret Vella  
Address: 3 Midlothian Place, Glen Waverley 3150  
Tel: 9574 7473  
Fax: 9545 0268  
Mobile: 0408 659 922  
Email: familystay@bigpond.com  
Web: [familystayaustralia.com](http://familystayaustralia.com)

**Homestay Australia**
Contact person: Stefan Morgan  
Address: 9 Ellendale Street, Hughesdale 3166  
Mobile: 0400 468 658  
Email: homestay@homestay-australia.com  
Web: [www.homestay-australia.com](http://www.homestay-australia.com)

**Homestay Direct**
Contact person: Lyn Gao  
Address: Level 6 Suite 611  
343 Little Collins Street, Melbourne 3000  
Tel: 9670 3133  
Email: lyn@homestaydirect.com  

**Student Accommodation Services**
Contact person: Christine Cox  
Address: 3/259 Bell Street, Preston 3072  
Tel: 9495 0007  
Mobile: 0413 754 267  
Email: saccomm@student-accommodation.com.au  

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