

The background of the slide is a photograph of the Canberra city skyline. A prominent white arch bridge spans across a river in the foreground. The city buildings are visible in the background under a clear blue sky.

# Canberra

## FAST FACTS & TRIVIA

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# AIMS OF THE PROJECT

- To discover the fascinating world of the «upside - down» country
- to find the most interesting facts about the city

# Fast Facts

**Population:** 391 645

**Area:** 814,2 sq km

**Animals:** Koalas, kangaroos, duckbills and emus

**Happy Planet Index:** It's one of the greenest capitals in the world.

**Climate:** The winter season is from June to August. The summer is from December to February (New Year is in the middle of summer).

**Best time to go:** In the summer. It's hot and sunny.

# Introducing Canberra

**Canberra** has beautiful nature resorts, amazing animals and courageous people. You can walk in the bushes, go bird-watching and flower-watching in the **Commonwealth Park**, swim or go ride regattas in **the Molonglo River**. A lot of tourists visit this wonderful Australian city every year and **Canberra** is the world's best place for eco-tourism with lots of national reserves, Parks and botanic gardens. There are no plants in the capital.

# Background

The name  
*“Canberra”* comes  
from the Aboriginal  
word *“kamberra”*  
meaning *“meeting  
place”*.



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In 1901, when it was decided to build a national capital, two cities – Melbourne and Sydney rivaled. To settle this argument a new capital Canberra was built roughly between the two states – New South Wales where Sydney is and the state Victoria where Melbourne is.

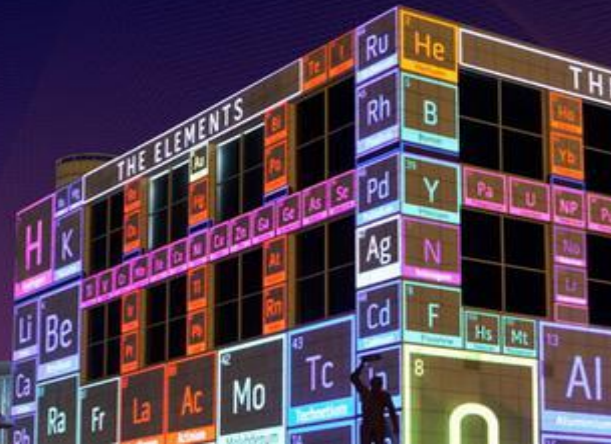
Previous capital of Australia was Melbourne. And the government moved to Canberra in 1927.

# Top Tourist Attractions

**Canberra** is a very Australian city with amazing places of interest and bright sun. In this city you can always dive into the world of museums, theaters, festivals and galleries, or choose among thousands of fantastic restaurants and bars which are open round the clock.

**Canberra** is world famous for its architecture

**QUESTACON**  
THE NATIONAL SCIENCE  
& TECHNOLOGY CENTRE



# Australian War Memorial



It is Australia's national memorial to the members of its armed forces and supporting organizations who have died or participated in wars involving **the Commonwealth of Australia**. The memorial includes an extensive national military museum.



# National Carillon

A tall, slender, grey concrete tower with a central vertical opening and a smaller opening near the top. The tower is set against a blue sky with white clouds. In the foreground, there is a green lawn and some trees. The tower is the National Carillon in Canberra, Australia.

It is an architectural landmark of **Canberra**. It was a gift from the British government to the people of Australia to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the **National Capital**. The **National Carillon** has **55** bells, each bell weighs between **seven** kilograms and **six** tones.

# Questacon

A photograph of the Questacon building at dusk. The building is a modern, multi-story structure with large glass windows and a prominent white pillar. The interior lights are on, and the building is illuminated from within. In the foreground, there are several large, dark, teardrop-shaped sculptures on a pedestal. A red bus is visible on the left side of the image. The sky is a deep blue, and the overall atmosphere is serene and modern.

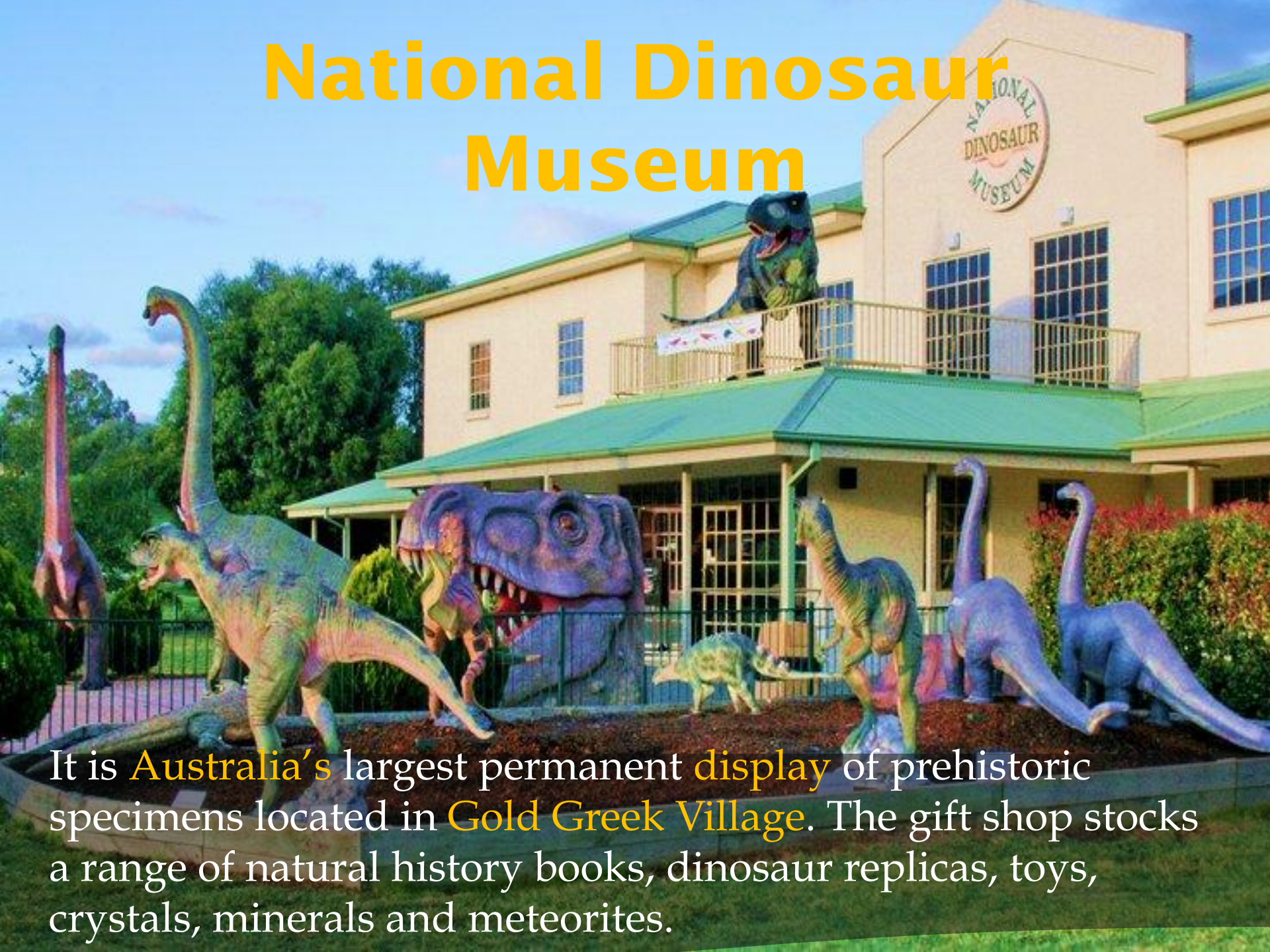
“The **Questacon**” was opened in 1988 at Ansile Primary School. It was the first interactive science centre in **Australia**. It was developed by **Professor Mike Gore**, a physics lecturer from the **Australian National University**. Questacon's current building was **Japan's** gift to Australia.

# Questacon



The centre involves both children and adults into scientific research. Everything here is based on experiments and games.

# National Dinosaur Museum



It is **Australia's** largest permanent **display** of prehistoric specimens located in **Gold Greek Village**. The gift shop stocks a range of natural history books, dinosaur replicas, toys, crystals, minerals and meteorites.

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# Commonwealth Park



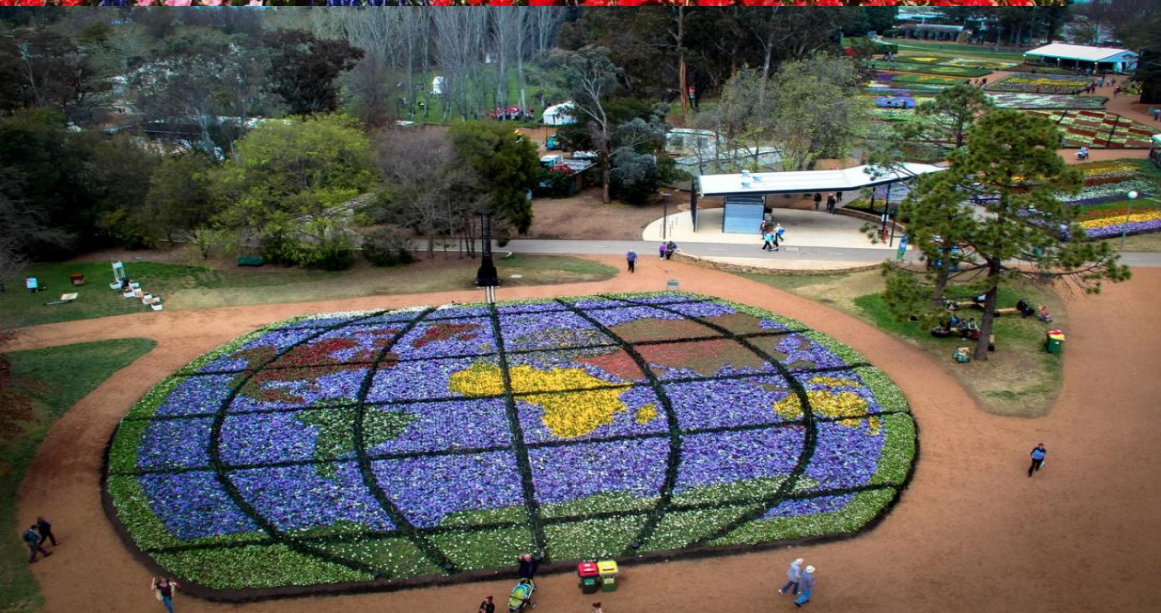
This park has got many small ponds and water features, walking trails, bike paths and sculptures. Its area is 34.25 hectares Regatta Point and has a view of the National Gallery.

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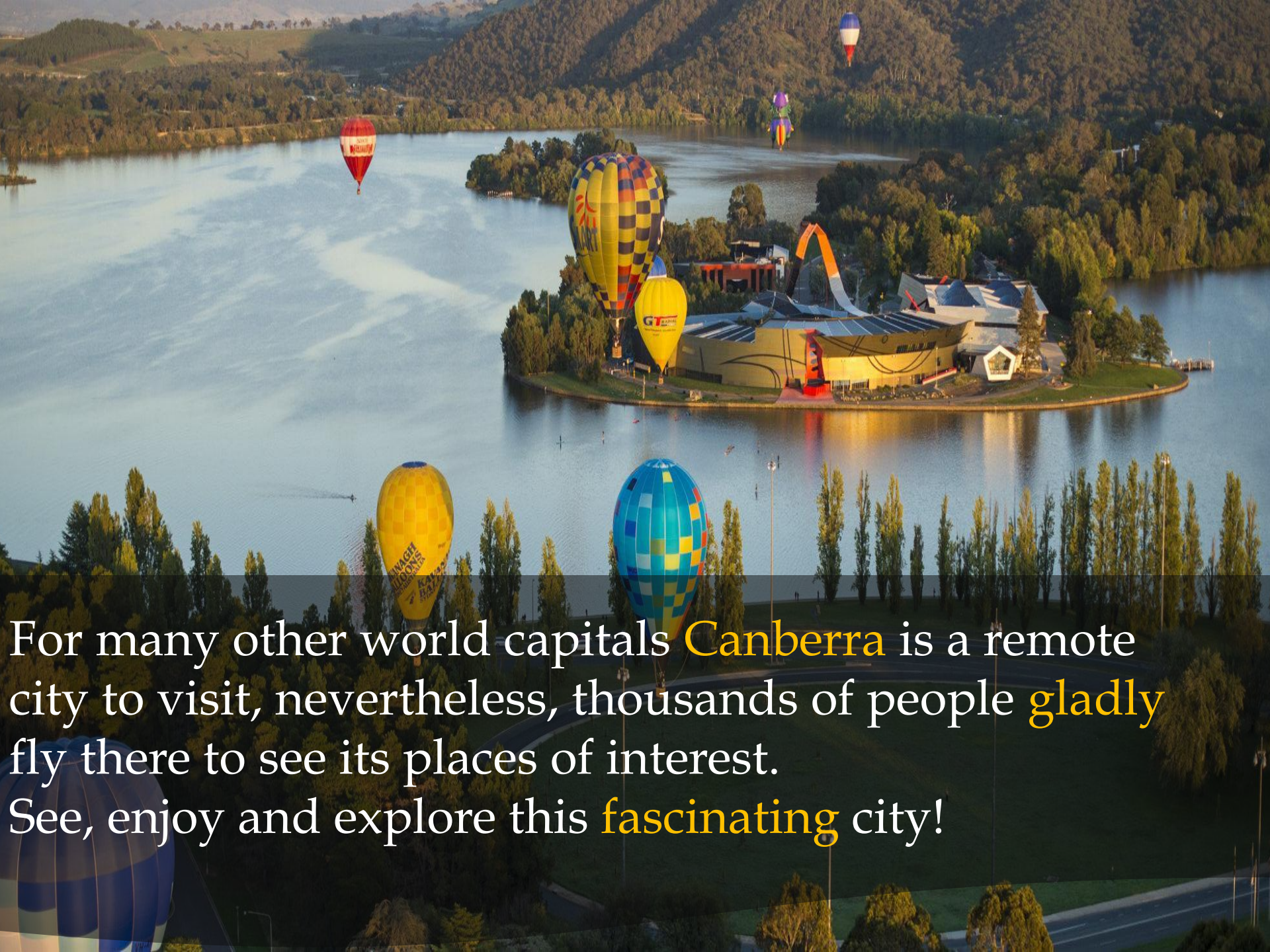
A vibrant scene at Commonwealth Park. In the foreground, there are large, colorful flower beds with yellow and red flowers. In the background, a large Ferris wheel is visible, along with a colorful playground structure and tall trees under a clear blue sky.

The annual  
spring  
**Floriade**  
festival is  
held in the  
park.

# Floriade Festival





An aerial photograph of a hot air balloon festival. In the center, a large, modern building with a curved roof and a roller coaster track is situated on a small island in a lake. Several colorful hot air balloons are visible, including a large yellow and blue checkered one, a yellow one with 'KAYAKS' written on it, and a blue and yellow checkered one. The background shows a forested hillside under a clear sky.

For many other world capitals **Canberra** is a remote city to visit, nevertheless, thousands of people **gladly** fly there to see its places of interest. See, enjoy and explore this **fascinating** city!

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