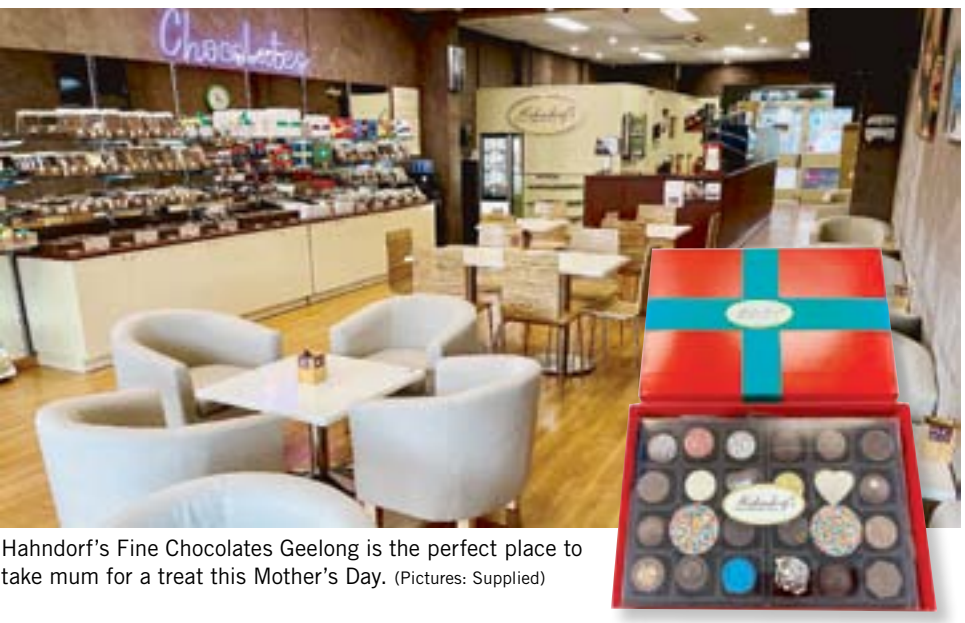

Hahndorf's Fine Chocolates Geelong is the perfect place to take mum for a treat this Mother's Day. (Pictures: Supplied)

Indulge in sweet treats

As one of nine franchises across Victoria, Hahndorf's Fine Chocolates Geelong is a combined cafe and chocolate shop.

With every hot or cold drink purchased, customers will receive a complimentary chocolate, which is a perfect accompaniment to the sweet and savory foods available at Hahndorf's.

Inspired and educated by German chocolatiers Manfred and Erica Kolerg, Hahndorf's opened its first store in late 2001.

The North Balwyn store was the first in Melbourne to offer a café style chocolate shop producing chocolate so that customers could relax, enjoy a drink and cake while sampling the chocolates. Only seven kilometres from Melbourne's city centre, it was the perfect location for the initial store.

Over time, Hahndorf's has stuck to its initial concept, increasing production and its range of products and services to suit our customers' tastes. As a result of the success of the initial store, further shops opened across Melbourne and Geelong, offering the same handmade truffles, chocolates, gift boxes and hampers to eager customers.

Due to the increase in demand from customers, Hahndorf's opened a second factory in 2004, at the base of the Dandenong Ranges just outside Melbourne, to produce over 90 products that make up the Hahndorf's range.

Today, customers are welcome to visit any of the stores to see and enjoy the ever changing creations on offer.

Hahndorf's Fine Chocolates Geelong is located at 354 Pakington Street, Newtown. Phone (03) 5229 7405 or visit www.finechocolates.com.au

Mum's gift is sorted with Coastal Hamper Designs

Torquay Lotto and Gifts' Coastal Hamper Designs is a shopping experience that will take the hassle out of gifting this Mother's Day.

Having owned Torquay Lotto and Gifts since 2014, providing a wide variety of gift choices has long been important to David and Karen Tullis.

Shoppers can purchase a premade gift box or hamper of gorgeous handmade products, or select a box from the organic gift ideas such as gourmet food items, bath and body products, and candles, as well as men's products. All customers have to do is select their gift items, their basket or box, and the ribbon of their choice. The hamper will then be put together lovingly and you can take it home to your loved one!

Stocking products from an array of artisan labels, just a few of these business are:

Charlotte's Lab – A range of handmade skincare, haircare and body products scientifically formulated by a cosmetic chemist with vitamins and natural active ingredients, resulting in skincare that really works.

Adriana's Art – Adriana's Art produces a range of artisan soaps crafted with 100 per cent natural ingredients – no nasty preservatives or chemicals – all handmade in Adriana's studio in Sydney.

Pamilli – inspired by coastal living and created with premium quality raw ingredients, Pamilli makes candles, bath soaks, soaps and body washes all featuring luxury fragrances. Based on the Mornington Peninsula, Pamilli products are long-lasting and are not tested on animals.

Handmade with Love by Nadia – Resulting from an intolerance for generic body wash products, mum-of-two Nadia began making her own cold process soap as a hobby and has since expanded this into a business, selling soaps, lip balms and lotion bars.

Pick a premade hamper or build your own with Coastal Hamper Designs. (Pictures: Ivan Kemp) 278481

Toil and Trouble Teas and Infusions – Based in Orange, New South Wales, Toil and Trouble was created by qualified herbalist and tea enthusiast Alyssa, who was fascinated by the healing properties of Mother Nature. Alyssa's teas can be enjoyed hot or cold, and are made from the best locally sourced ingredients, which are organic wherever possible. A soul-quenching cup of happiness and sunshine awaits!

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