

FIND YOUR SELF | **MELBOURNE'S YARRA VALLEY AND DANDENONG RANGES**

A photograph of a man and a woman walking away from the camera on a wooden boardwalk through a dense forest. The forest is filled with tall trees and large, vibrant green ferns. Sunlight filters through the canopy, creating a dappled light effect. The boardwalk has a wooden railing and a metal mesh floor. A semi-transparent green box is overlaid on the bottom left of the image, containing white text.

**YARRA VALLEY &
DANDENONG RANGES
WALKING TRAILS**

WELCOME

The majestic Dandenong Ranges and the stunning Yarra Valley offers walkers, hikers and riders beautifully scenic trails some just an hour out from Melbourne. Explore towering forests, mystical glades, mountain top views and wildlife galore on well marked tracks. From wheelchair friendly to extreme trails - and everything in between - there is sure to be a trail just for you.

This eBook is an introduction to the various tracks, both long and short, easy walking or more challenging, that are in and around the Yarra Valley and Dandenong Ranges. Bushwalkers, cyclists and horse riders are welcome to enjoy the beautiful living environment of this unique area. Visitors to Dandenong Ranges National Park who require a wheelchair, are able to enjoy trails in the park using a motorised all terrain


















wheelchair - called a TrailRider - available from Grants on Sherbrooke Cafe (bookings required on 03 9755 2888). An all terrain wheelchair is also available in Warburton through the Warburton Waterwheel (book by calling 03 5966 9600).

We hope you enjoy taking a walk along one or more of the trails in this eBook. Don't forget to keep an eye on our websites at visityarravalley.com.au or visitdandenongranges.com.au to keep up to date.


We acknowledge the Wurundjeri, Bunurong and Taungurung peoples as the traditional owners of these lands and waterways. We pay our deepest respect to their Culture.

Owing to unforeseen circumstances such as extreme weather conditions, some of the trails may not be opened. Please contact the relevant authority before you start your activity. Images used in this eBook have been provided by the relevant authorities or taken by staff.

LEGEND

-  Camping
-  Public Toilets
-  Neighbourhood Safer Places, cfa.vic.gov.au
-  Picnic area
-  Waterfall
-  ESTA emergency marker, esta.vic.gov.au
-  Look out/viewing area
-  Parking available
-  Start of trail
-  Return same way
-  End of trail
-  Trail Route
-  Bicycle/Walking Path/Rail Trail
-  2WD in dry weather only
-  4WD road
-  Forest/Bush/Scrub
-  River

Contour Heights

 Contour lines on a map represent how high or flat the land is. Each line represents a standard height above sea level.

- When contour lines are close together, this means that the gradient is steep (the closer together, the steeper the gradient becomes).
- When the contour lines are further apart, the gradient is flatter, so the further apart they are located, the flatter the ground will be.

Difficulty Grading

Easy		Intermediate		Hard	
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Maps from **Spatial Vision Innovations Pty Ltd**, spatialvision.com.au



DANDENONG RANGES

Fresh air, stunning views, amazing wildlife and spectacular gardens all make for an entirely wonderful adventure in the Dandenong Ranges, just an hour from Melbourne.



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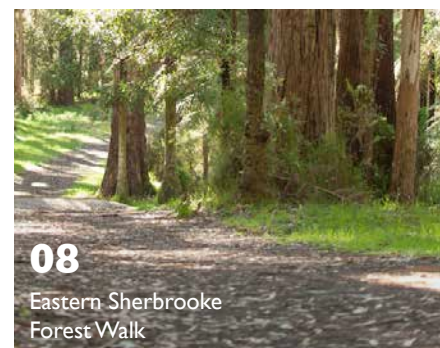
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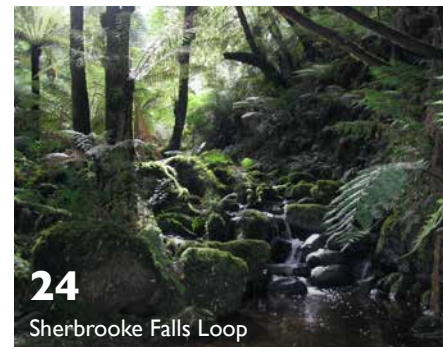
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BIRDSLAND RESERVE

WETLANDS WALK



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WETLANDS WALK

📍 2.8 KMS

🕒 1 HOUR

🏃 RETURN

📶 GRADE 1

Start Mt Morton Road, Belgrave

Finish Mt Morton Road, Belgrave

GPS Start Lat: -37.925966 | Long: 145.343219

GPS Finish Lat: -37.925966 | Long: 145.343219

Max Elevation 59m

Melways 84 A2

Dogs Allowed Yes, on leash only

Contact Yarra Ranges Council, 1300 368 333

Flora Riparian vegetation, native orchids, Spreading Roperush, Cinnamon Wattle, Stiff Sword-sedge

Fauna Wedge Tailed Eagle, Powerful Owl, Platypus, Echidna, Honeyeaters, Laughing Kookaburra, Sulphur-crested Cockatoo, Australian King Parrot

Facilities BBQ, picnic tables, toilets (+accessible), car parking

TRAIL NOTES

Easy, level track, suitable for wheelchairs and prams.

Over 130 different native birds have been identified in the reserve including the Wedge Tail Eagle and Powerful Owl.



DID YOU KNOW?

The Dandenong Ranges are the remains of an extinct volcano last active 373 million years ago!

BUNYIP PARK

4 BROTHERS ROCK SCENIC WALK



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4 BROTHERS ROCK SCENIC WALK

15 KMS

4 HOURS

RETURN

GRADE 4

Start Mortimer Picnic Ground

Finish Mortimer Picnic Ground

GPS Start Lat: -37.984425 | Long: 145.594852

GPS Finish Lat: -37.984425 | Long: 145.594852

Max Elevation 418m

Melways n/a

Dogs Allowed No

Contact Parks Victoria 13 19 63

Flora Silver Wattle, Mountain Ash, Snow Gum, Balm Mintbush and Daisy Bush

Fauna Lace monitor, Koala

Facilities BBQ, picnic tables, toilets (+accessible), car parking at Mortimer Picnic Ground

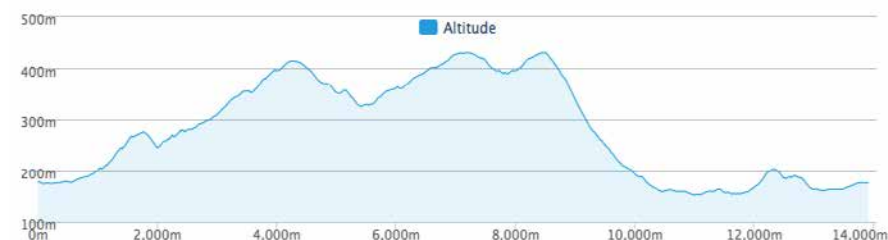
TRAIL NOTES

Maintained fire trails, steep in parts, follows the old Hacket Track

Starting from Mortimer Picnic Ground, the Four Brothers Rocks hike follows the old Hacket Track to the Four Brothers Rocks, a collection of large, granite rocks offering sweeping views across the park.

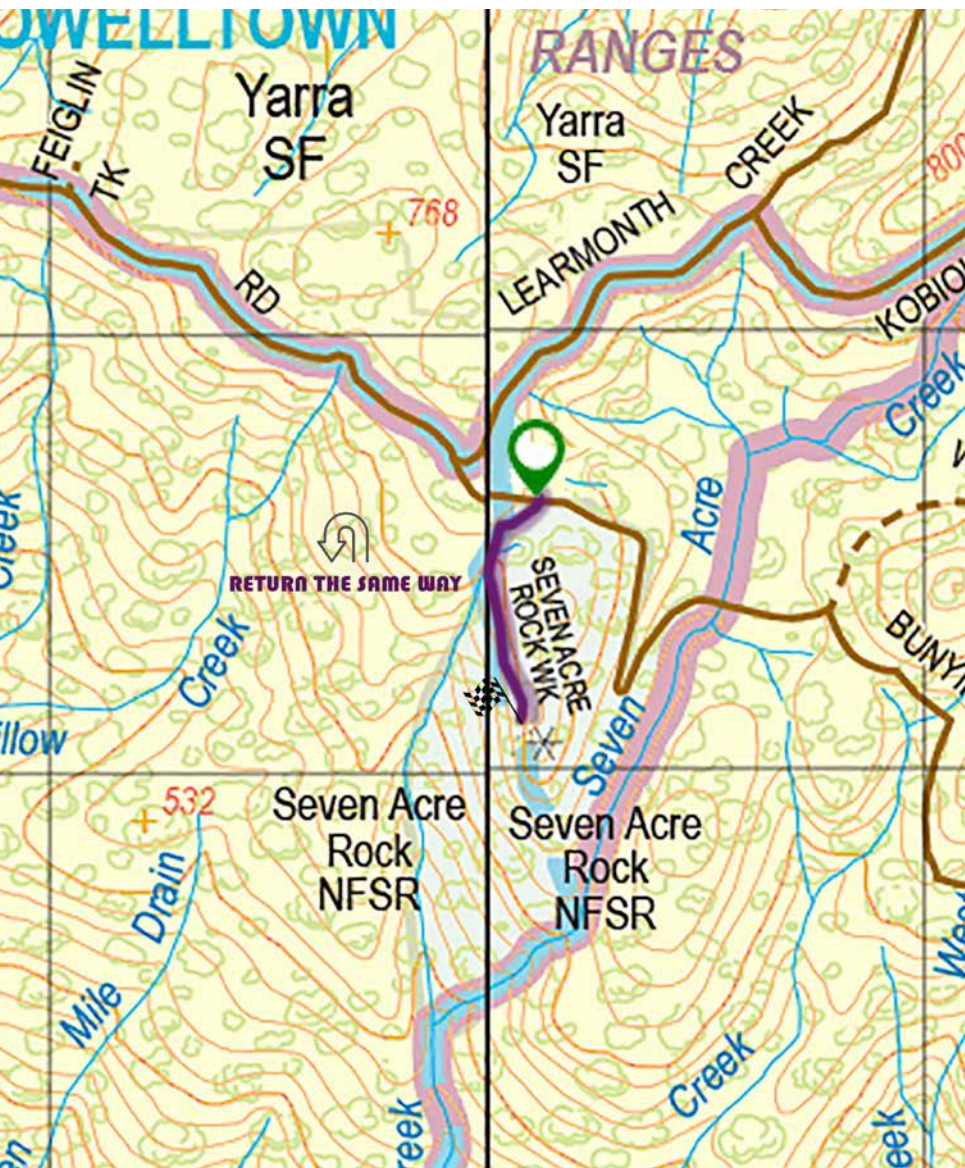
Approach via Gembrook-Tonimbuk Road which is unsealed but suitable for 2WD vehicles.

Please check with Parks Victoria before tackling this trail.



BUNYIP PARK

SEVEN ACRE ROCK



BUNYIP PARK

SEVEN ACRE ROCK

600 M

30 MINS

RETURN

GRADE 2

Start Seven Acre Picnic Ground

Finish Seven Acre Picnic Ground

GPS Start Lat: -37.910552 | Long: 145.749411

GPS Finish Lat: -37.910552 | Long: 145.749411

Max Elevation 600m

Melways N/A

Dogs Allowed No

Contact Parks Victoria, 13 19 63

Flora Silver Wattle, Mountain Ash, Snow Gum, Balm Mintbush and Daisy Bush

Fauna Superb Lyrebird, Laughing Kookaburra, Crimson Rosella and Yellow-tailed Black Cockatoo, Wombat, Swamp Wallaby

Facilities BBQ, picnic tables, toilets, car parking at Seven Acre Picnic Ground

TRAIL NOTES

Seven Acre Rock is a large rocky outcrop that provides some of the most spectacular views of the Yarra State Forest, Bunyip State Park and adjoining farm land. On a clear day, it is possible to see Western Port Bay and Port Phillip Bay.

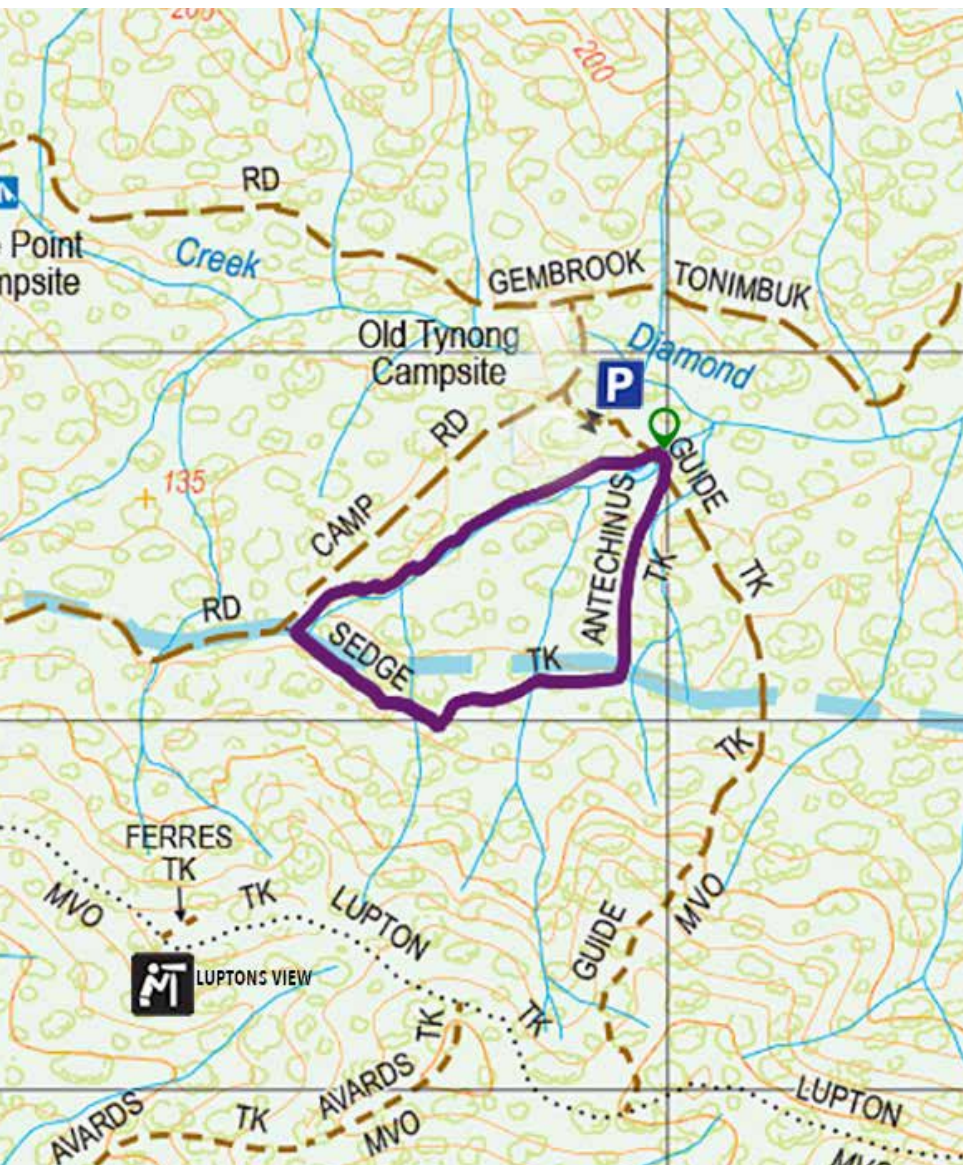
Easy grade track, with a slight climb at the end. May be slippery when wet. Please check with Parks Victoria before tackling this trail.

DID YOU KNOW?

The Wurundjeri people considered mountain areas as resting places for various spirits.

BUNYIP PARK

BUTTONGRASS NATURE TRAIL



BUNYIP PARK

BUTTONGRASS NATURE TRAIL

📍 3 KMS

🕒 1.5 HOURS

🔄 RETURN

⚡ GRADE 2

Start Camp Road, Tonimbuk

Finish Camp Road, Tonimbuk

GPS Start Lat: -37.984830 | Long: 145.642254

GPS Finish Lat: -37.984830 | Long: 145.642254

Max Elevation 160m

Melways N/A

Dogs Allowed No

Contact Parks Victoria 13 19 63

Flora Silver-leaf Stringybark, Narrow-leaf Peppermint, Hakea, Coral-fern, Springybark, wattles

Fauna Honeyeaters, Southern emu-wren

Facilities BBQ, picnic tables, toilets (+accessible), car parking at Mortimer Picnic Ground, approx 5km away

TRAIL NOTES

Along this self-guided walk you can see a variety of flora including hakeas, wattles, tea-trees, mistletoe, swamp bush pea and button grass.

Easy, mostly level walk through woodland and magnificent swampy heathland.



DID YOU KNOW?

The Bunyip is an Aboriginal mythical creature that was believed to live along the Bunyip River, which flows through Bunyip State Park.