

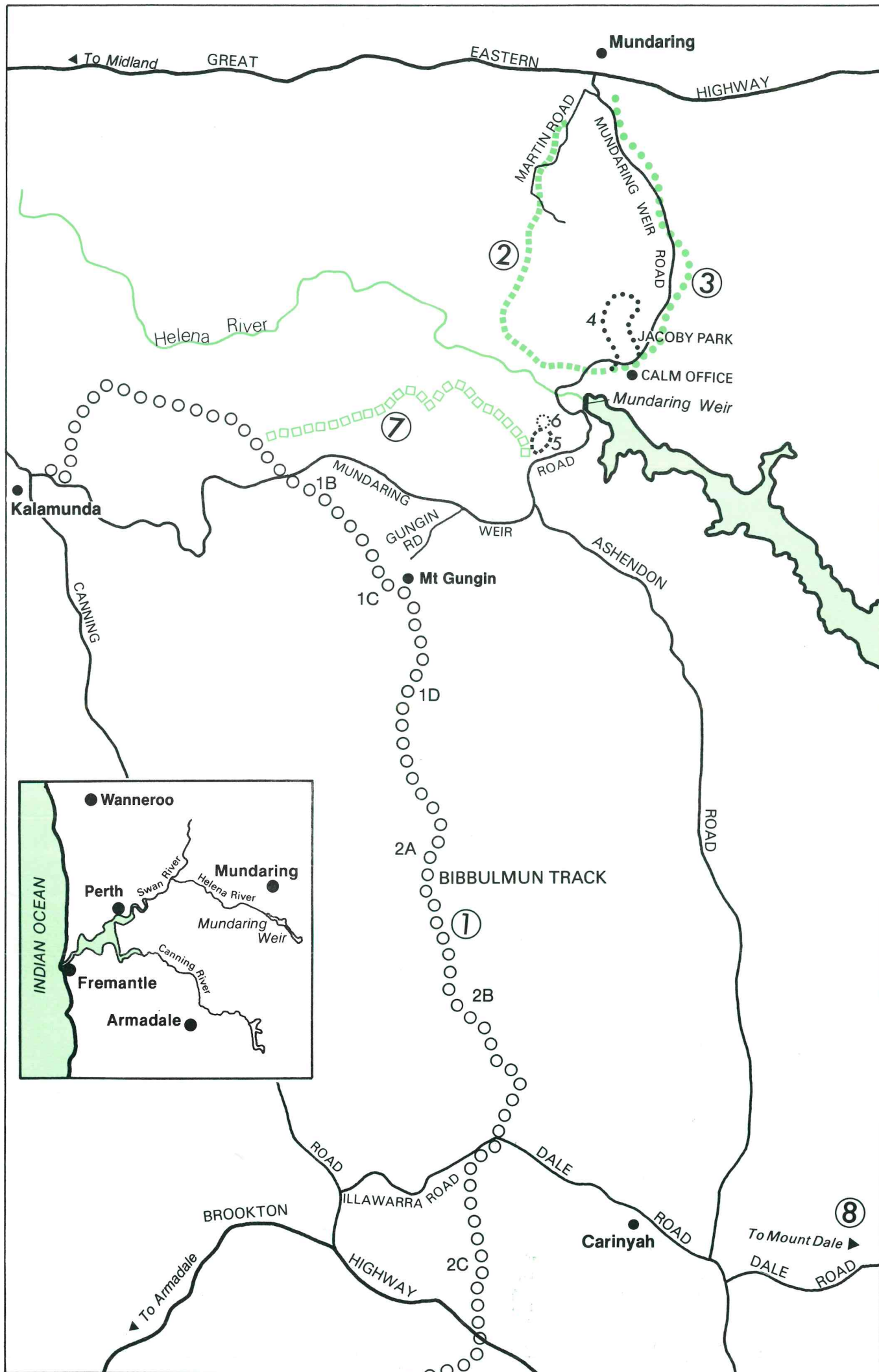
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BUSHWALKS MUNDARING DISTRICT





WELCOME TO THE FOREST

Take a walk through the extraordinary jarrah forest of the Darling Scarp, and see an ecosystem that has been evolving for more than 20 million years. These walk trails range from short rambles through beautiful or unique pieces of forest, to the 530 km long Bibbulmun Track which runs from Kalamunda to the old timber town of Shannon on the south coast. Some trails are designed to interpret what's happening in the forest for you, either by signs or through pamphlets available on site; and some are simply there for you to enjoy. Please help protect a fragile environment by keeping to the marked trails.

THE BUSHWALKS

WALK 1 ○○○○○○ THE BIBBULMUN TRACK 530 km

STAGES
1A — 1B 6.5 km
1B — 1C 3.3 km
1C — 1D 1.8 km
1D — 2A 3.6 km
2A — 2B 4.0 km
2B — 2C 6.0 km
A detailed guidebook to the Bibbulmun Track is available from offices of the Department of Conservation and Land Management.

WALK 2 ■■■■■■ SOUTHELL TRACK 7 km

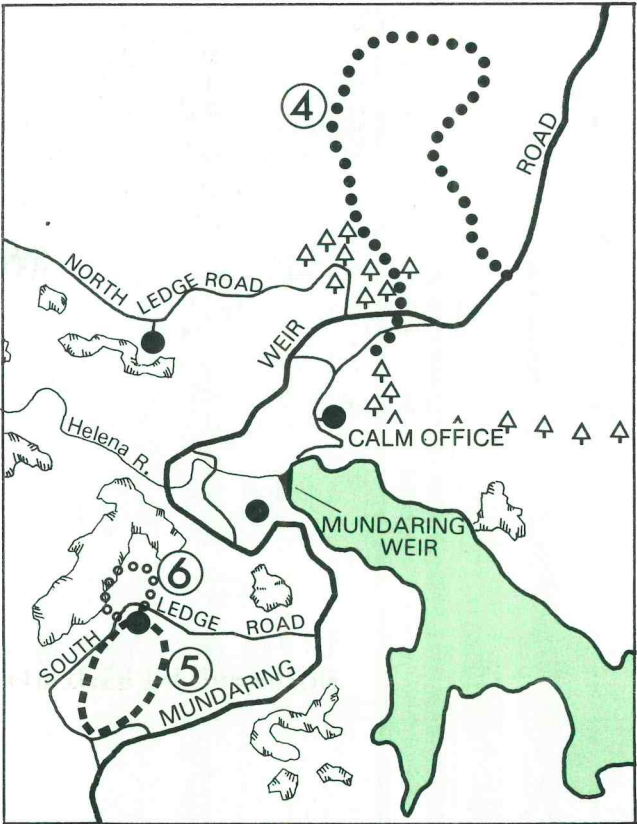
Beginning at Martin Road in Mundaring, the Southell Track crosses State forest to North Ledge. Magnificent views of the lower Helena Valley, and Mundaring Reservoir emerge as you travel along the ridge top. The track then passes through the Devenish Pine Plantation and finishes at the picnic area in Jacoby Park.

WALK 3 ●●●●●● PORTAGABRA TRACK 5.5 km

The Portagabra Track serves as a return loop to the Southell Track, following the path of the old railway from Jacoby Park to Mundaring. At the town the track links up with a walktrail established by the Mundaring Shire and a bridle path which follows the original Great Eastern Railway from Bellevue to Chidlow. Portagabra was the original name of the property (once a vineyard) now called Jacoby Park.

WALK 4 ●●●●●● KATTAMORDO TRACK 3 km

Beginning and ending at Jacoby Park, the trail crosses a small gully surrounded by white-barked wandoo, then passes through jarrah forest from which the larger trees have been removed by selective logging some twenty years ago. The trail then winds steadily uphill through young jarrah regrowing on an area where the original forest was largely felled by timber getters, passes through the Devenish Pine Plantation, and returns to Jacoby Park. The name Kattamordo is derived from two aboriginal words meaning head or top, and hill. The Aborigines of the Upper Swan Valley are thought to have named the Darling Range "Kattamordo".



WALK 5 ■■■■ FARRELL GROVE 1.5 km

A short circuit track connecting picnic areas at Farrell Grove and South Ledge.

WALK 6 ○○○○○○ FALLEN LOG 1 km

A short circuit which leads into the Helena Valley from South Ledge. The track winds down to a look-out on a granite outcrop overlooking the Mundaring Weir wall, and returns up a steep slope to its starting point. Steps have been inserted on the steepest sections to assist walkers and help prevent erosion.

WALK 7 □□□□□ SOUTH LEDGE 6 km

Beginning at Farrell Grove this trail meanders through jarrah bush along the boundary of the lower Helena Catchment area, eventually joining the Bibbulmun Track near Kalamunda National Park. Yellow triangular trail markers show the route.

WALK 8 MOUNT DALE 1.5 km
A short trail, beginning and ending at the picnic site, which encircles the summit of Mount Dale. In spring a profusion of wildflowers fills the forest. Panoramic views of the country from Mount Bakewell near York in the east to the coastal plain south of Perth in the west can be seen from the track. There are some short steep sections on the track and a steady uphill gradient for about one-third of the distance. Mount Dale is 10 km east of Ashenden Road along Dale Road. The turn off from Ashenden Road is approximately 5 km north of Lesley picnic site on the Brookton Highway, or about 2 km from Carinyah. The road is sometimes badly corrugated.

FURTHER INFORMATION
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PUBLICATIONS
A Guide to the Bibbulmun Bushwalking Track (1985)
Camping in State Forests (1984)
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The Northern Jarrah Forest: Recreation Guide (1985)
John Forrest National Park (1984)