

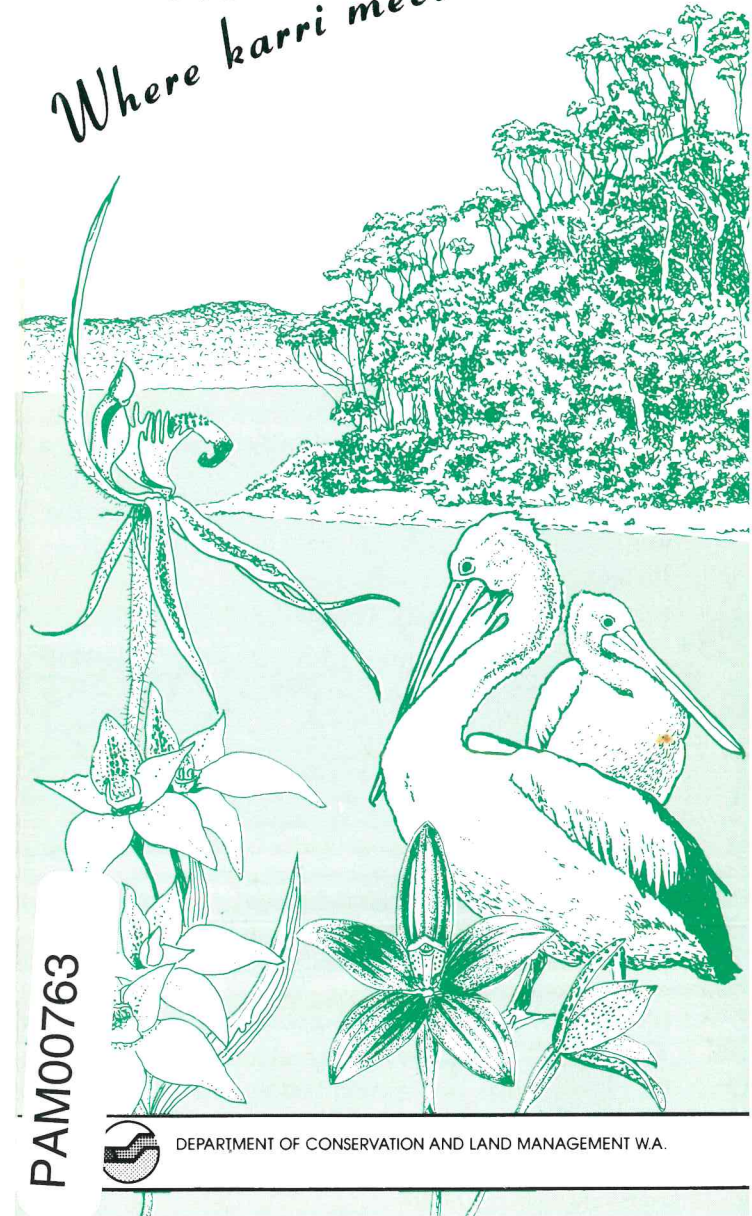
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WALPOLE NATIONAL PARKS AND FORESTS

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Where karri meets the coast



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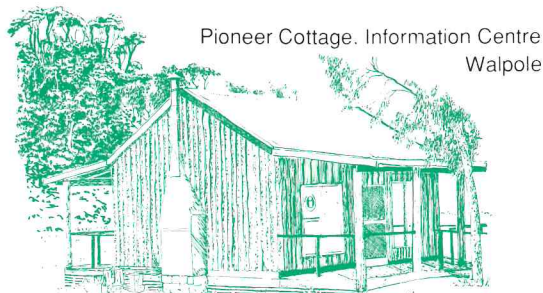
REMEMBER

BE CAREFUL; Your enjoyment and safety in natural environments is our concern, but your responsibility.

BE CLEAN; Put your litter in bins, or better still, take it with you. Bury organic waste at least 30cm deep where toilets are not provided.

BE COOL; Don't light fires, except in BBQ's provided. Bring your own portable gas stove.

STAY ON THE ROAD; Normal road rules apply. Stay on the best formed roads in national parks and forest areas. For your own safety don't travel on logging roads.



Pioneer Cottage. Information Centre
Walpole

FURTHER INFORMATION

CALM officers are always glad to help you. Do not hesitate to contact them if you need information or assistance.



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	PICNIC BARBECUES	FISHING	SWIMMING	CANOEING	MARKED WALK TRAIL	TOILETS	DRINKING WATER	CAMPING	LOOKOUT	DISABLED	INFORMATION	BOAT LAUNCHING	SCENIC DRIVE	CAMERA
1. Fernhook Falls	●													●
2. Gladstone Falls														●
3. Burnett Picnic Site	●				●	●			●	●				●
4. Centre Road	●	●		●				●						
5. Crystal Springs	●					●	●	●						
6. Mandalay Beach		●											●	
7. Long Point		●												
8. Hush Hush Beach		●											●	
9. Nuyts Wilderness					●				●				●	
10. Mount Clare					●								●	
11. John Rate Lookout	●								●					●
12. Isle Road	●	●		●									●	
13. Sandy Beach	●	●	●		●									
14. Saw Pit					●									
15. Rest Point	●	●		●	●	●	●	●					●	
16. Pioneer Cottage	●				●						●			
17. Heritage Trail					●									
18. Coalmine Beach	●	●	●	●		●	●	●			●	●	●	
19. Knoll Drive	●	●			●				●				●	●
20. Rocky Crossing		●												
21. Hilltop Lookout									●				●	●
22. Tingle Tree					●									●
23. Circular Pool	●	●	●	●										●
24. Monastery Landing	●	●		●									●	
25. Nornalup Bridge	●	●		●										
26. Blue Holes		●												●
27. Conspicuous Cliffs	●	●				●								●
28. Nut Lookout	●								●					●
29. Peaceful Bay	●	●	●	●		●	●	●	●			●	●	●
30. Irwin Inlet	●	●	●	●								●		●
31. Giants Picnic Site	●												●	
32. Valley Giants Site	●				●	●					●		●	●
33. Caldyanup Crossing				●										
34. Mount Frankland	●				●	●	●	●	●		●			●
35. Mount Lindsay	●				●	●	●	●	●					●
36. The Gap		●												●
* Mount Pingerup					●				●					●

* Site being developed April 1989

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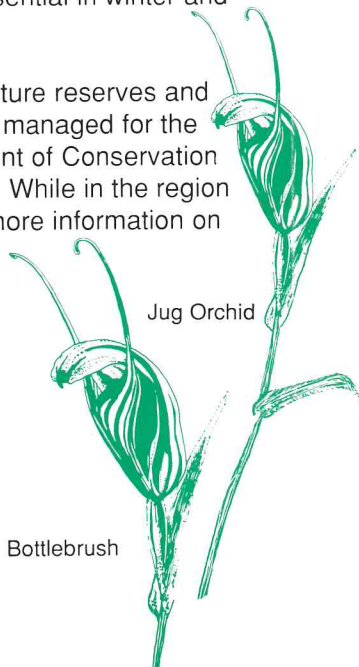
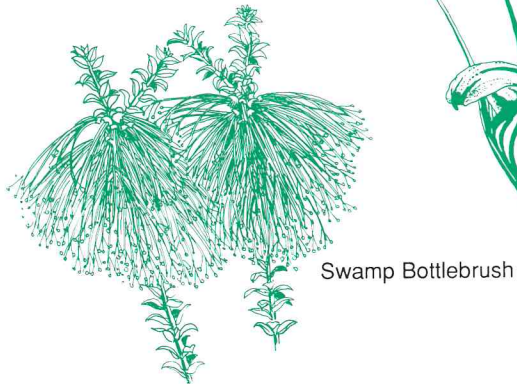
DEEP RIVERS, majestic karri and unique tingle trees, waterfalls, wildflowers, and an unspoilt coastline are some of the features of the forests near Walpole.

Walpole - Nornalup National Park covers some 18,000 ha surrounding the Walpole and Nornalup inlets on the south coast. The Frankland and Deep Rivers drain the forested hinterland, emptying through the national park into the broad and sheltered waters of the inlets. Information shelters on site will tell you more about the national park and surrounding forest areas.

In spring, between September and November, the forest wildflowers are at their best. Summer, from December to February, is warm and relatively dry. Less than 10 per cent of the annual rainfall occurs during these months. Be careful with fires.

Even in summer, nights may be cool, so take warm clothes. Wet weather gear is essential in winter and spring.

National parks, State forests, nature reserves and wildlife throughout the State are managed for the people of W.A. by the Department of Conservation and Land Management (CALM). While in the region drop into one of our offices for more information on W.A.'s natural environment.



THINGS TO DO

PICNICKING

Find a tranquil spot in the forest for a picnic and a stroll. Picnic areas have basic facilities such as barbecues and tables (see grid).



CAMPING

Camping areas have basic facilities such as toilets, fireplaces and tables (see grid). A fee is charged for camping in national parks and will be collected by the ranger. There are two sites in the national park where vehicle based camping is provided: Crystal Springs and Coalmine Beach (098) 40 1026. In State forest areas where there are no facilities you may camp for a maximum of 3 nights. Take your rubbish out with you, bury organic waste at least 30 cm deep, and leave no trace of your stay.

CANOEING

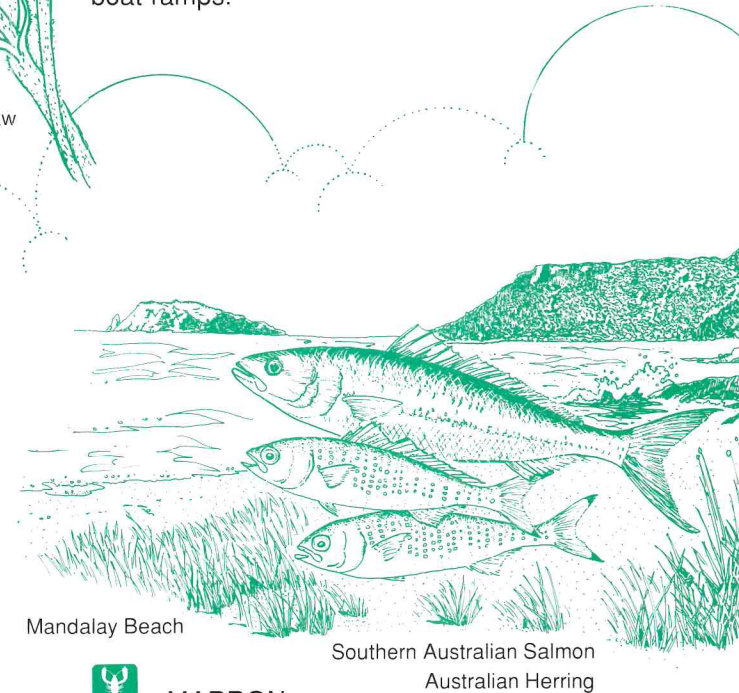
Canoeing is best in spring when water levels in the rivers are high enough for easy passage and the weather is warming up. Brochures are available from the Department for Sport and Recreation, or from CALM district offices.

BUSHWALKS

Bushwalking is excellent during spring and early summer. There are superb walks through rain forest, along riverbanks, up granite monadnocks and along the coast. Wear sturdy shoes or boots, take something to drink, and tell someone where you are going and when you intend to be back. Walks vary from long distance hikes through wild country to short strolls. Brochures about interesting walks are available from CALM offices.

FISHING

Normal fishing regulations apply in national parks and State forests. Coastal fishing is excellent all year round. For information on access and coastal hazards in a national park, contact the ranger. See map for boat ramps.



MARRON

These delicious freshwater crustaceans are common throughout the region, but are not as easy to catch as they once were. A licence is necessary. There is a closed season, a legal minimum size and a bag limit. Contact the Fisheries Department.

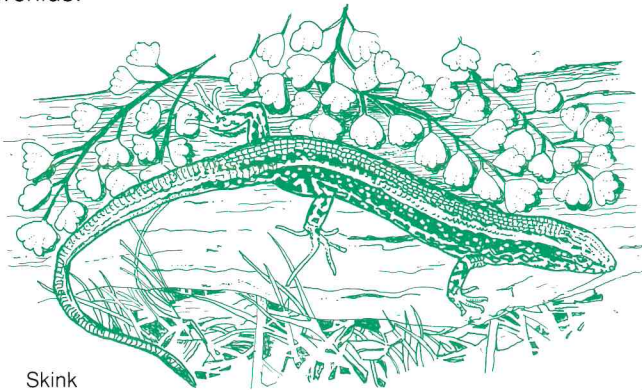
PLACES TO SEE

Take in the VALLEY OF THE GIANTS. A 400 m walk trail winds through this rare forest of red tingle trees. Signs and an information shelter on site will tell you more about the tingle forest.

MOUNT FRANKLAND offers sweeping views of the surrounding karri, tingle and jarrah forests. A walk trail leads around the base of this granite monadnock, through karri forest, and branches off to climb the steep path to the top of the Mount. Exceptionally good for forest wildflowers in late spring.

WALPOLE - NORNALUP NATIONAL PARK features pristine tingle forests, spectacular coastal scenery, the Frankland and Deep Rivers, Walpole and Nornalup inlets, and the Nuyts Wilderness Area.

NUYTS WILDERNESS is your chance to enjoy the beauty of a truly wild environment. Situated in the most rugged part of the national park, the wilderness area includes high rock-capped hills, coastal dunes, a deep forested gorge, and a spectacular rugged coastline, all of which are home to a wide variety of wildlife and plant communities, including many species of orchids.



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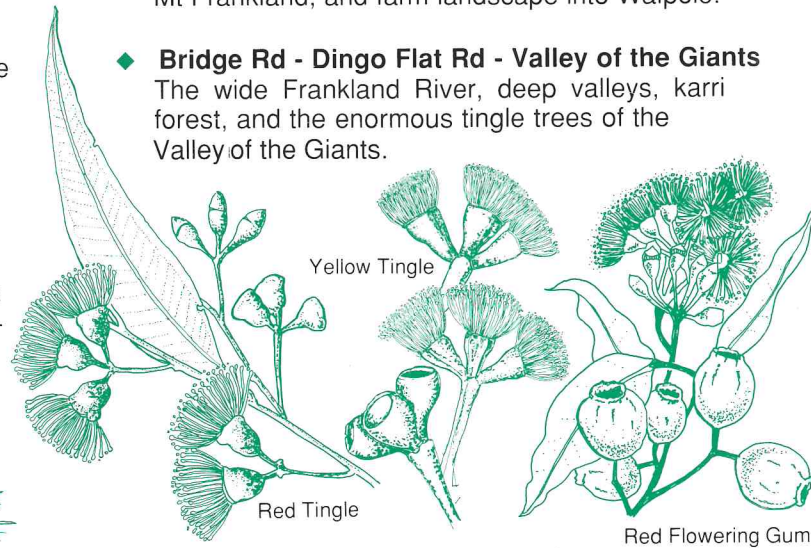
Vehicles are not permitted in the wilderness area. Access is by a small footbridge which crosses the Deep River near Tinglewood Lodge. A book to register walkers is provided. Please leave no trace of your visit. Pets and fires are not permitted in the wilderness area.

SCENIC DRIVES

See a giant tingle tree, travel through big karri and take a climb to the top of the world. Stop beside a waterfall and have a picnic. Smell a wildflower and watch a Rufous Treecreeper. There are many scenic drives near Walpole for you to enjoy. Here is our pick of them.

◆ **Beardmore Rd - Mt Frankland - Nth Walpole Rd**
Thousands of wildflowers on the flats, magnificent Fernhook Falls cascading over a granite bar, shady karri forest, panoramic views from Mt Frankland, and farm landscape into Walpole.

◆ **Bridge Rd - Dingo Flat Rd - Valley of the Giants**
The wide Frankland River, deep valleys, karri forest, and the enormous tingle trees of the Valley of the Giants.



◆ **Nut Rd - Ficifolia Rd - Conspicuous Beach Rd**
Unique red flowering gum and views of the coastline.

◆ **Coalmine Beach - Knoll Drive**
Views over the inlets, karri forest down to the water's edge, fishing spots, wildflowers on the flats, and for those tough enough, swimming.

◆ **Hill Top - Circular Pool**
Great views of Nornalup Inlet from Hilltop Rd, drive through magnificent tingle and karri forest to a giant hollow tingle growing amongst pristine sheoak forest. Then on through the blackboy flats to Circular Pool.

PASSING THROUGH?

What to do with your day

Walpole has special places, everywhere. Half a day sightseeing can only brush the surface. Below is a suggested route for people passing through, who have limited time but want a quick introduction to the treasures of Walpole (please reverse the order if travelling from Manjimup to Denmark/Albany).

Coming from Albany/William Bay National Park:

- ❖ Turn at Bow Bridge - Valley of the Giants (Rd)
Tingle, karri forest
- ❖ Conspicuous Beach (Rd)
Southern Ocean, beach
- ❖ Pioneer Cottage (Walpole townsite)
History, local information.
- ❖ Knoll Drive (Coalmine Beach)
Inlets and karri
- ❖ Mt Frankland (North Walpole Rd)
Farms, forests & views.
- ❖ Fernhook Falls (Beardmore Rd)
River valley
- ❖ Turn at S.W. Highway/Beardmore Rd junction, continue along highway to the Shannon National Park.

Perhaps a quick trip today will inspire you to start planning a return visit tomorrow.

For those with more time to explore this place of inlets, rivers, oceans and forests use the scenic drives section and the map and grid reference for recreation facilities and activities, to plan your travels. Perhaps you can organise your time to explore the coast one day and the forests, wilderness or historic sites the next.

Maybe all you need is a day at the beach, a vigorous bushwalk or doing what most locals do in their spare time - fishing.

To Manjimup 90 km
To Shannon 30 km

To Muirs Hwy 42 km

LEGEND

Sealed Road Gravel Road Walk Trail

Scenic Drive

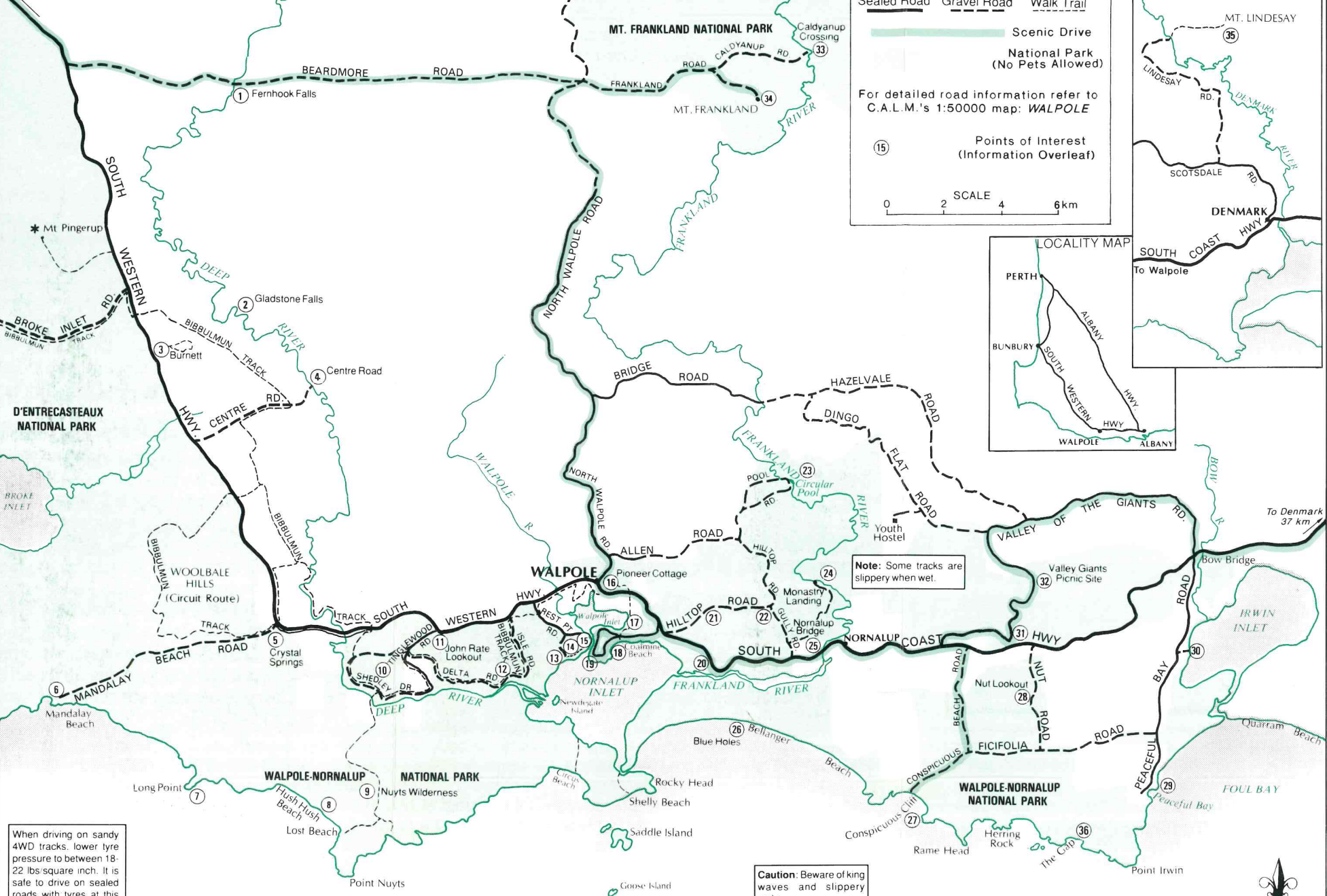
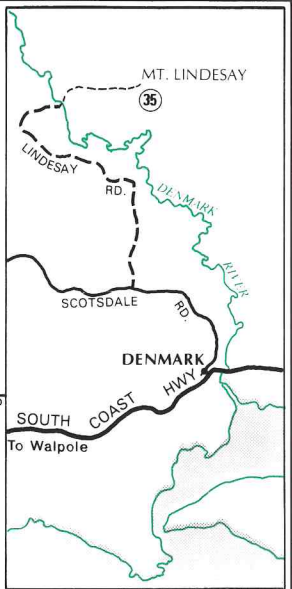
National Park (No Pets Allowed)

For detailed road information refer to C.A.L.M.'s 1:50000 map: **WALPOLE**

Points of Interest (Information Overleaf)

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SCALE



Note: Some tracks are slippery when wet.

Caution: Beware of king waves and slippery rocks.

When driving on sandy 4WD tracks, lower tyre pressure to between 18-22 lbs/square inch. It is safe to drive on sealed roads with tyres at this pressure. Inflate them again A.S.A.P.

SOUTHERN OCEAN

