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Wellington Discovery Forest

Situated amongst the magnificent jarrah forest of the Wellington National Park, this centre offers an educational experience for young and old. Self-guided walk trails through the forest give an insight into the ecology and past management of the Jarrah forest. Eco Education excursions are offered to school groups and accommodation is available at the Wellington Mills Cottages for people who want to stay a little longer.

King Jarrah

This majestic Jarrah Tree can be found along King tree Road in the Ferguson Valley. King Tree offers a chance to view one of the area's larger jarrah trees. A boardwalk and viewing platform allows visitors to view the tree in safety. For your safety and to protect the old tree's sensitive roots, please stay on the boardwalk at all times.

Leschenault Peninsula Conservation Park



Located 20km north of Bunbury, Leschenault Peninsula offers a relaxing getaway near the beach. Buffalo and Belvidere beaches are easily accessible, with a sealed road to Buffalo Beach. Camping with your vehicle is available at the Belvidere camp ground, with The Cut offering camping areas that are only accessible on foot, bicycle or by boat. Belvidere picnic area offers gas BBQs, picnic tables, a toilet and an interpretation trail along which the history of the areas is explained. The John Boyle O'Reilly Memorial offers information, toilets and a universal access trail. Mosquito repellent is a must when visiting the peninsula.

Glen Mervyn Dam

Located 20km south west of Collie along the Collie-Preston Road, the dam is primarily used for water-skiing. Other activities include swimming, fishing and picnicking. Facilities include BBQs, picnic tables and toilets.

Harris Dam

Harris Dam is situated 15km north of Collie and was built on the Harris River in 1990 to provide drinking water to the Great Southern. Although water based activities on the dam are not allowed, there is a grassed picnic area with tables, toilets, gas BBQs, and a lookout.

Stockton

A disused open-cut mine filled with water forms an artificial lake which is often used for water-skiing. The area is also available for camping. Due to past mining activities the water in Stockton Lake is acidic. People should be aware of this if they wish to swim in the lake as the water may irritate eyes and skin.

Dogs and poison baits

The forest has been baited with 1080 fox baits for the protection of native fauna. Dogs that eat these baits become very sick and die without immediate veterinary treatment. It is therefore strongly advised that you do not bring dogs to recreation sites within the Wellington District.

Camping fees

Camping fees apply at Honeymoon Pool, Potter's Gorge, Hoffman Mill, Logue Brook Dam and Leschenault Peninsula and are collected by the ranger. The same rate applies to all sites.

\$5.00 per night per adult

\$2.00 per night per child between six and 16yrs

(Fees are cash only and are GST inclusive.)

Campfires

The lighting of campfires in other than designated areas is prohibited. Wood BBQs are provided at most sites. However, their use is prohibited on very high and extreme fire danger days.

It is a good idea to bring your own portable gas stove or BBQ.

Be clean: Put your litter in bins where provided or, better still, take it with you.

Be cautious: Follow the signs in the forest and stay on the roads marked on the map. Normal road rules apply.

Be careful: Your safety is our concern, but your responsibility.

Information: Further information can be found at www.naturebase.net

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Recreation Sites in the Wellington District



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The Wellington District (situated between Bunbury, Donnybrook, Darkan and Waroona) offers an array of recreational pursuits including camping, fishing, swimming, rafting, canoeing and bush walking.



Enjoy some of the 300 species of colourful wildflowers that grow in the district or see some of the 70 bird species. You may even spot a unique animal such as a chuditch, quenda, quokka, brushtail possum, woylie or western ringtail possum.



Crooked Brook

Situated approximately 17km south east of Bunbury, this community managed area offers a relaxing day use getaway. When visiting, you will find a walk trail, bridle trail, universal access trail, car park, toilet, information shelter and gas BBQ.

Wildflower picnic site

This secluded picnic area located on a granite outcrop provides views of the Harvey Dam, surrounding valley and coastal plain. It is renowned for its beautiful wildflowers and offers a relaxing getaway with a walk trail through the surrounding forest, BBQs and picnic tables.

Logue Brook Dam

Logue Brook hosts numerous picnic sites with camping on the far end and is accessible for skiing, boating and fishing. Toilets and BBQs are available. Logue Brook Caravan Park offers caravan and camping sites as well as cabin style accommodation and a shop/café.

Whittakers Mill

Whittakers Mill picnic site offers a relaxing atmosphere for a picnic or rest. The site is set less than one hundred metres from the Perth Bunbury Highway and is an ideal "driver reviver" stop. The site offers wood BBQs, picnic tables and a parking area.

Willowdale

Located in the forest 15km east of Yarloop, this picnic site offers a relaxing atmosphere set within a beautiful arboretum. The site has picnic tables, BBQs and a toilet.

Hoffman Mill

This old mill site offers both picnic and seasonal camping areas. The area is situated in the Stirling drinking water catchment and is therefore only open for camping between 1 November and Easter. There are walk trails, toilets, gas and wood BBQs and picnic tables. Dogs are not permitted at Hoffman Mill.

Honeymoon Pool

Situated on the Lower Collie River, this popular camping and picnic area is ideal for a relaxing weekend outing. Activities include swimming, bushwalking, picnicking, canoeing, fishing and camping. The site has gas and wood BBQs, picnic tables, toilets with universal access and group, family and individual campsites. Caravans are not permitted at Honeymoon Pool.

Lower Collie Valley

Located below the Wellington Dam wall, the Lower Collie Valley offers picturesque views and a number of sites that are suitable for swimming, canoeing, white-water rafting, bushwalking and picnicking. Picnic sites along the valley include The Rapids, Big Rock, Little Rock and Long Pool.

Potter's Gorge

Located on the shores of Wellington Dam, Potter's Gorge is a popular camping and picnic area. The site is open for camping all year round and can be accessed by cars towing caravans. Camping, picnicking, fishing, and bushwalking are popular activities in the area. The site has gas and wood BBQs, picnic tables, and flushing toilets with universal access.

Gnomesville

The next time you find yourself in the Ferguson Valley, Gnomesville is definitely worth a look. This interesting place is home to many different types of garden gnomes and seems to get larger every time you visit.

The Quarry

The Quarry, a centre of industrial activity during the dam's construction last century, today serves as a spectacular backdrop to a popular picnic site. The site offers a walk trail, sightseeing and information about the dam's construction and history of the area. Facilities include gas BBQs, picnic tables, shelters, toilets, a lookout and a café where you can purchase refreshments, local craft or even hire a canoe.



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