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Valley of the Giants Tree Top Walk

Incorporating the Walpole Wilderness

Summer holiday
activity program 2011

28 December 2011 to 20 January 2012

Book your activity now:

Valley of the Giants Tree Top Walk
Open daily from 9am. Last ticket sold 5.15pm
Ph: 9840 8263
www.dec.wa.gov.au

Walpole Nornalup Visitor Centre
Pioneer Park, Walpole
Ph: 9840 1111

Denmark Visitor Centre
Cnr Ocean Beach Road and South Coast Highway
Denmark
Ph: 9848 2055

Did you enjoy your Tree Top Walk
holiday activity?

If you'd like to comment or be on our email list,
please email ttw@dec.wa.gov.au
or write to:

DEC Interpretation Officer, South Coast Hwy
Walpole WA 6398.



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Fun for everyone!



Department of
Environment and Conservation



The Department of Environment and Conservation invites you to visit the three Walpole Wilderness Discovery sites – the Tree Top Walk, Swarbrick and Mount Frankland – where you can explore perspectives of the forest and wilderness like nowhere else.



Walpole Wilderness

The Department of Environment and Conservation (DEC) will host a number of exciting free and low-cost nature-based activities throughout the Walpole Wilderness this summer. Go with a guide to connect with nature and enjoy these fun-filled family adventures.

Forest by night

Walk the Tree Top Walk beneath a blanket of stars and explore the tingle forest by torchlight. Look for some of the elusive animals which emerge only under the cover of darkness and experience an evening you'll never forget. (90 minutes)**

Cost: \$22.50 adults, \$9.50 child, \$56.50 family (2a, 2c)

Meet: Tree Top Walk entry gate no later than 7.30pm (Please be on time as gates will then be locked)

Bookings: Essential by 4.30pm (min 10 adults)

Kids twilight antics

Take a walk through the Ancient Empire at dusk and discover the magic of the tingle forest while learning about our fascinating nocturnal animals. (1 hour)**4 years+.

Cost: \$6 child **Meet:** Tree Top Walk entry gate no later than 6.30pm (Please be on time as gates will then be locked)

Bookings: Essential by 4.30pm (min 6/max 18)

Bug hunt

Forage in the undergrowth of the tingle forest with this great fun hands-on guided adventure and learn about the vital roles our 'bugs' play in the forest ecosystem. (1 hour)* 4 years+.

Cost: Free **Meet:** Tree Top Walk ticket office

Bookings: Essential by 2.00pm (min 4/max15)

Bush detectives

Can you piece together the clues and work out which animals live in the tingle forest? (90 minutes)* 4 years+.

Cost: Free **Meet:** Valley of the Giants ticket office

Bookings: Essential by 9.30am (min 4/max18)

Meet a ranger

Meet a ranger and discover fascinating facts about our local parks. A great opportunity to have all your questions answered. (30 minutes approx.)

Cost: Free **Meet:** Tree Top Walk classroom

Bookings: Unnecessary – just turn up!

Guided bush walk

Join our experienced guide on a bush walk through the tingle forest and learn about the flora, fauna and geology that make up this amazing landscape. Approximately a three-kilometre return walk. (90min)* 6 years+.

Cost: Free **Meet:** Tree Top Walk ticket office

Bookings: Essential by 10.30am – get in early! (max 15)

Note: Sturdy shoes and drink bottle required for this activity.



Summertime making time – NEW ACTIVITY!

Enjoy a fun morning making your very own forest critters and learn about some of the unique tingle forest inhabitants. (1 hour approx). 4 years+.

Cost: Free **Meet:** Tree Top Walk classroom

Bookings: Essential by 10.00am – get in early! (max 15)

Quokka quest

Meet a top DEC researcher and learn about the habitat and fascinating life of quokkas. (1 hour)

Cost: Free **Meet:** Tree Top Walk classroom

Bookings: Unnecessary – just turn up!

Tree Top Walk by moonlight – NEW ACTIVITY!

One night only special event! Take this unique opportunity to wonder through the Tree Top Walk under the moonlight.**

Cost: \$12.50 adults, \$6.50 child, \$31.50 family (2a,2c)

Meet: Tree Top ticket office

Bookings: Unnecessary – just turn up! **Open:** 6.30–9.00pm

Kids on the beach

Join the fun and games on the beach to discover our amazing marine environment. (1 hour)* 4 years+.

Cost: Free **Meet:** Green's Pool – next to access steps

Peaceful Bay – next to the shire toilets

Coalmine Beach – next to picnic area

Bookings: Unnecessary – just turn up! (min 6)

Inaugural Art Prize – artists at work

Come along and enjoy this opportunity to observe the competing artists at work.

Cost: Free **Meet:** Tree Top Walk

Bookings: Unnecessary – just turn up!

Estuary explorers

Get up close and personal with some of the tiny creatures that make this ecosystem function and indicate the health of our estuary. (90 minutes)* 6 years+.

Cost: Free **Meet:** Coalmine Beach picnic area **Bookings:** Call the Department of Fisheries 9845 7400 or just turn up!

Note: This activity is run in partnership with the Department of Fisheries.

Bare bones science

Science is the foundation to sound fisheries management. Experience a fish dissection and try your hand at determining the age of different fish. (1 hour) 5 years+.

Cost: Free **Meet:** Coalmine Beach **Bookings:** Call the Department of Fisheries 9845 7400 or just turn up!

Note: This activity is run by the Department of Fisheries.

Sensational snakes

Prepare to change your perception of these often misunderstood creatures in this close encounter of the scaly kind!

Cost: All ages \$5 (under 3 free) **Meet:** Tree Top Walk classroom

Bookings: Unnecessary. Buy your ticket at the Valley of the Giants then come and go as you please or enjoy one of the hourly presentations.

Walpole Sunset Cruise (WOW Wilderness EcoCruises)

Unwind as the sun sets and enjoy an entertaining voyage of discovery through the Walpole and Nornalup Inlets Marine Park. Cheese and biscuits provided. (2.5 hours)

Cost: \$40 adults, \$15 child U/15 (under 5 free)

Meet: WOW Wilderness jetty, Walpole

Bookings: Essential only by calling 9840 1111

We dig dinosaurs

Dig, chisel and discover hidden fossils. Learn how to survey a grid and identify your finds. Graduate as a junior paleontologist. (90 minutes) 4 years+.

Cost: \$5 child

Meet: Tree Top Walk classroom

Bookings: Essential by 9.30am (min 4/max 20)

Note: This activity is run in partnership with the Albany Museum.

Merinj for coolangar

Learn about Aboriginal culture while making your own tools and discover how Minang children learnt about lore, hunting skills and the six seasons. (90 minutes) 5 years+.

Cost: \$5 child **Meet:** Tree Top Walk classroom

Bookings: Essential by 9.30am (min 4/max 20)

Note: This activity is run in partnership with the Albany Museum.

Bush survival skills for kids

Lost in the bush? Don't panic! Join our guide to learn what to do if the worse happens in the bush. (90min)* 5 years+.

Cost: \$5 child **Meet:** Annie Harrison Park, Denmark

Bookings: Essential only by calling Out of Sight Tours 9848 2814

Please note: A parent or guardian is required to accompany children under 16 years old on all activities.

NB: *Bring hat, sunscreen and water to all outside activities. Sturdy shoes are required for forest activities. **Bring sturdy shoes, warm clothes and one torch per family for evening activities.

Valley of the GIANTS Summer activity program 28 December 2011 to 20 January 2012

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
<p>2 Public Holiday 10.00am-4.00pm Sensational snakes (TTW)</p>	<p>3 10.00am-4.00pm Sensational snakes (TTW) 10.30am Kids on the beach (CB)</p>	<p>28 10.30am Guided bush walk (TTW) 10.30am Summertime making time (TTW) 11.00am Bush survival skills for kids (AHP) 7.45pm Forest by night (TTW)</p>	<p>29 11.00am Meet a ranger fire special (TTW) 2.30pm Bug hunt (TTW) 6.45pm Kids twilight antics (TTW)</p>	<p>30 10.30am Bush detectives (TTW) 1.00pm Quokka quest (TTW) 7.45pm Forest by night (TTW)</p>	<p>31 10.00am-4.00pm Sensational snakes (TTW) 10.30 Guided bush walk (TTW)</p>	<p>1 10.00am-4.00pm Sensational snakes (TTW)</p>
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