

# BUS STOPS FOR kunanyi/MT WELLINGTON EXPLORER BUS

## 1. BROOKE STREET PIER (Pick-up point) – Franklin Wharf, near Brooke Street intersection, Hobart

- Visit our friendly staff at the kunanyi/Mt Wellington Explorer Bus Booking Office for tour bookings, information and souvenirs. Open 7 days, 8am – 4pm (Summer) 9am – 4pm (Winter).
- Brooke Street Pier is a floating structure, both a building and a boat, which rises and falls with the tide. Find unique Tasmanian wares along with cafés and restaurants with magnificent waterside views.

## 2. TRAVEL CENTRE (Loop start) – Opposite the Tasmanian Travel & Information Centre, 4 Elizabeth Street (outside Hydro Tasmania building), Hobart

- Close to Hobart's bustling waterfront precinct, this is the starting point of the kunanyi/Mt Wellington Explorer Bus and also the Red Decker City Loop Tour.
- Extensive visitor information, maps and souvenirs are available at the Tasmanian Travel & Information Centre.
- Walk along the waterfront for a large variety of cafés, restaurants and bars.

## 3. FERN TREE PARK (400m above sea level) – Huon Road, opposite Saint Raphaels Church, Fern Tree

- A sheltered grassy area with toilets, picnic areas, wood-fired barbeques and children's play equipment.
- Visit [Fern Tree Tavern](#) for lunch, coffee and cake or a refreshing cold beverage. Open Tuesday to Sunday.
- The starting point for shaded walks through fern gullies and alongside bubbling streams.
- Take the [Pipeline Track to Silver Falls](#) (40-min return), which follows the route of the water pipeline supplying some of Hobart's water. A short, easy walk, also suitable for mountain bikes.
- Continue along the [Pipeline Track to Neika](#) (3-hr return). Look out for the Wishing Well and Twin Bridges. A half-day, easy walk, also suitable for mountain bikes.
- A moderate walk to [O'Gradys Falls](#) (2-hr circuit) where the water cascades over a moss-strewn rock wall and flows into the Hobart Rivulet, under the city, and into the River Derwent.

## 4. THE SPRINGS (720m above sea level) – Pinnacle Road, car park near North-South Track, Wellington Park

- A level picnic area with toilets, picnic tables and gas-fired barbeques. The starting point for a range of walking tracks on the eastern foothills of kunanyi/Mt Wellington.
- Visit [Lost Freight Cafe](#) for hot drinks, light meals and sweets. Open 7 days.
- The [Lookout Circuit](#) (15-min circuit) is an easy level walk for views to the summit, and out over Hobart. Includes the former Exhibition Gardens. Walk anti-clockwise for better views.
- Visit the [Springs Hotel Site](#) where a grand Federation-style hotel once stood on these flat grassy banks ([perfect for snow play in winter](#)). The hotel burnt down in the 1967 bushfires.
- Take the [Lenah Valley Track to Sphinx Rock](#) (45-min return), great views of the Organ Pipes above and Hobart and the River Derwent below. A short, easy walk through eucalypt forest

to the impressive sandstone rock platform of Sphinx Rock (caution: 10 metre cliff drop).

- The [Sphinx Rock Circuit](#) (1.5-hr circuit) continues on from Sphinx Rock to return on the North South Track. Take a short detour to the [Octopus Tree](#).
- The [Organ Pipes Walk](#) (3-hr return) is one of Tasmania's 60 great short walks. A difficult walk that follows the contour of the mountain around the base of the 120-metre-high dolerite columns of the Organ Pipes to The Chalet. Rock climbers are sometimes seen in action. Spectacular views.
- The [Organ Pipes Circuit](#) (4-hr circuit) is a difficult walk with a range of views and experiences including rocky outcrops, spectacular rock formations, diverse flora and historic cabins.
- The [North-South Track](#) is a popular route for mountain bikers, linking to the [Glenorchy Mountain Bike Park](#) in Hobart's northern suburbs.
- Walk downhill to [Fern Tree](#) (35-min one-way) on Radfords Track and Middle Track.

## 5. THE CHALET (1000m above sea level) – Pinnacle Road, near Organ Pipes Track, Wellington Park

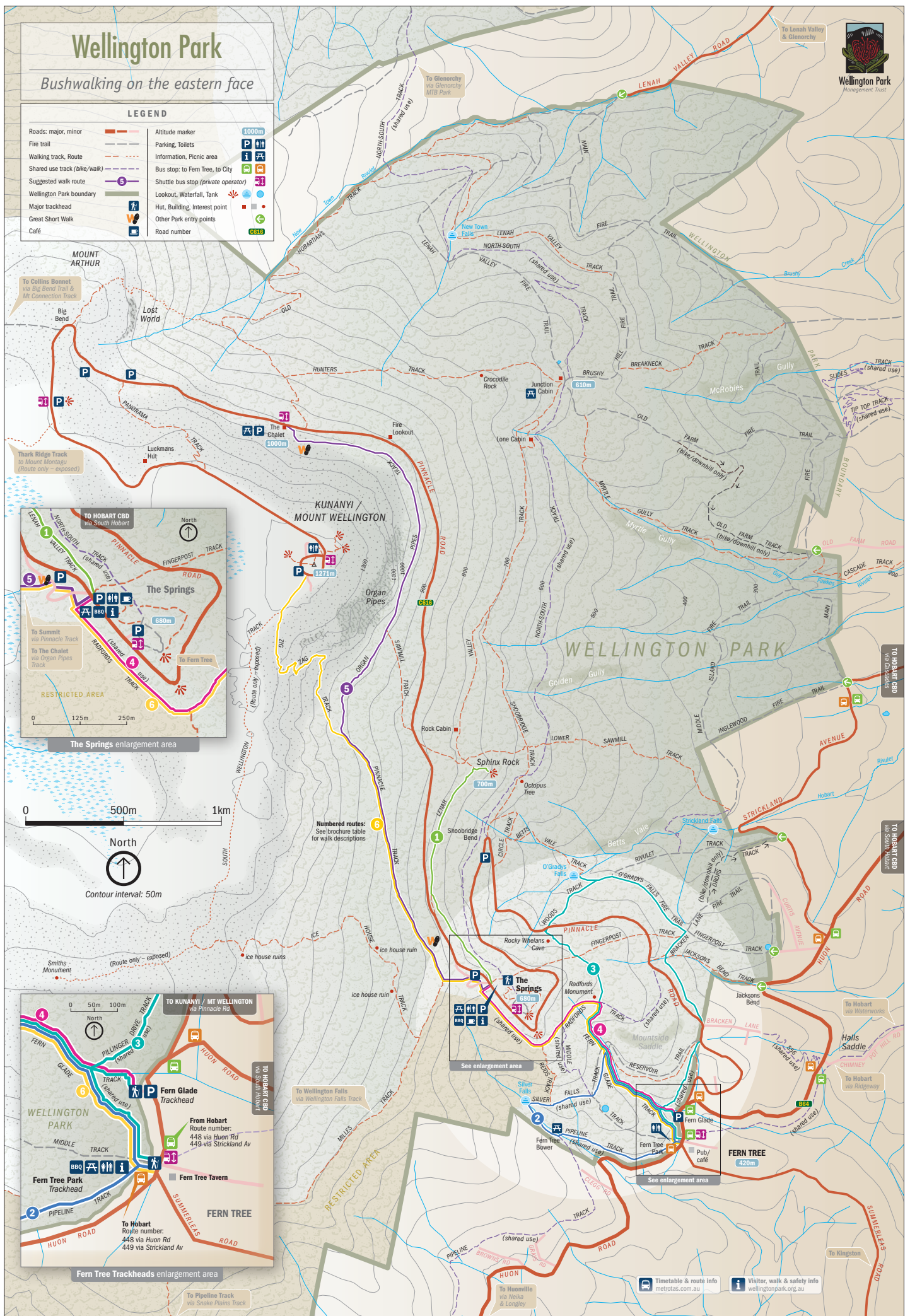
- A shelter amongst the snow gums and waratahs with basic picnic tables, gas-fired barbeque and benches.
- A rough mid-way point for the difficult [Organ Pipes Walk](#) (3-hr return) and [Organ Pipes Circuit](#) (4-hr circuit). Return to The Springs on the Organ Pipes Track or the Hunters Track and Lenah Valley Track. A range of views and experiences.

## 6. BIG BEND (1100m above sea level) – Pinnacle Road, 500m above Big Bend Trail, Wellington Park

- A lookout area with wide-open views out over Hobart and beyond ([great for snow play in winter](#)).
- A moderate walk along the [Lost World Track to Lost World](#) (45-min return) to view the dolerite cliffs of Mt Arthur and an expansive boulder field with views over Hobart.












## 7. THE PINNACLE (1270m above sea level) – Pinnacle Road, near pathway to Observation Shelter, Wellington Park

- The summit of kunanyi/Mt Wellington features a sheltered observation area with interpretive signage, multiple lookouts and toilets, including disabled access toilets.
- Experience spectacular views over Hobart and the east coast, and to the west, looking over the World Heritage Area of Southern Tasmania.
- Take the [Zig Zag Track across the plateau to a lookout](#) (20-min return), taking in spanning views of Tasmania's alpine environment. A short, easy walk.
- Take a short, difficult walk downhill on the steep stepped [Zig Zag Track and Pinnacle Track to The Springs](#) (1.5-hr one-way). Great views of the Organ Pipes and Hobart and the River Derwent below. Can also walk from The Springs uphill to The Pinnacle (1.5-hr one-way).
- A challenging [walk downhill to Hobart](#), via Cascade Brewery (3+hrs one-way).
- Follow Pinnacle Road down the mountain for an exhilarating [bike ride back to Hobart city](#) (1-hr one-way).


















# WALKING TRACKS & BIKING TRAILS (CONTINUED)

DESTINATION	START/FINISH	TRACKS	DESCRIPTION	DIFFICULTY	TIME	ACCESS
<b>Silver Falls</b>	S: Fern Tree Park F: Fern Tree Park	Pipeline Track	Follow the route of the water pipeline supplying some of Hobart's water. Fern Tree Bower was a popular picnic spot in the 1860s - 1930s. Beautiful cool area shaded by tall, soft tree ferns that frame your view of the historic waterfall. Its waters run into Browns River and meet the Derwent Estuary at Kingston. Follow the same route to return.	 EASY	40-min return	 
<b>Silver Falls Loop</b>	S: Fern Tree Park F: Fern Tree Park	Pipeline Track, Fern Tree Bower, Silver Falls Track, Fern Glade Track	Slightly uphill to Silver Falls, some steps occasional rocky and uneven surfaces. Shady forest, towering tree ferns and lush moss make this an enjoyable walk in warmer weather.	 EASY	50-min circuit	
<b>Neika</b>	S: Fern Tree Park F: Fern Tree Park	Pipeline Track	A good option for a hot summer's day. A level, shady track featuring towering tree ferns, small clear water creeks, plus the remains of the historic water supply pipeline. Stop along the way to make a wish at the Wishing Well and look out for the Twin Bridges. Follow the same route to return.	 EASY	3-hr return	 
<b>O'Gradys Falls</b>	S: Fern Tree Park F: Fern Tree Park	Pilinger Drive Track, Bracken Lane Fire Trail, O'Gradys Falls Fire Trail, Woods Track, Fern Glade Track	A short walk through open bushland to an attractive waterfall. Lush green ferns and mosses surround O'Gradys Falls (best viewed from the middle of the bridge). The cold clear water flows into Hobart Rivulet, under the city and then into the Derwent River. Some climbing after O'Gradys Falls, generally even track surface with some rough sections and some steps. View colourful wildflowers in summer, plenty of birds and good views of the Organ Pipes. Ideal in winter with lower elevation and a sunny aspect.	 MODERATE	2-hr circuit	
<b>Lookout Circuit (including former Exhibition Gardens)</b>	S: The Springs F: The Springs	Lookout Circuit	Short, level walk with views up to the summit, and out over Hobart. Originally established in the 1930s, the track borders the former Exhibition Gardens, a public showcase of Tasmania's native flora. Suitable for all ages and people with limited mobility. Walk anti-clockwise for better views.	 EASY	15-min circuit	
<b>Sphinx Rock</b>	S: The Springs F: The Springs	Lenah Valley Track	A good family walk. A level, gravel track through eucalypt forest to the impressive sandstone rock platform of Sphinx Rock. Great views of the Organ Pipes above and Hobart and the River Derwent below. Follow the same route to return. (CAUTION: 10 metre cliff drop).	 EASY	45-min return	

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DESTINATION	START/FINISH	TRACKS	DESCRIPTION	DIFFICULTY	TIME	ACCESS
<b>Sphinx Rock Circuit</b>	S: The Springs F: The Springs	Lenah Valley Track, Sawmill Track, North-South Track	Continue on from Sphinx Rock to return to The Springs on the North-South Track. Take a short detour to the Octopus Tree – an enormous eucalypt whose bare roots stretch over a large boulder. Displays of wildflowers in late winter - early spring. Ideal in winter with a sunny aspect.	 MODERATE	1.5-hr return	
<b>Organ Pipes Walk</b> <i>(One of Tasmania's 60 Great Short Walks)</i> 	S: The Springs F: The Springs	Pinnacle Track, Organ Pipes Track	One of Tasmania's 60 great short walks that follows the contour of the mountain around the base of the 120-metre-high dolerite columns of the Organ Pipes to The Chalet. Spectacular views. Well formed track, rocky and uneven surface with some steps and some significant climbing. Rock climbers are sometimes seen in action. Follow the same route to return.	 DIFFICULT	3-hr return	
<b>Organ Pipes Circuit</b>	S: The Springs F: The Springs	Lenah Valley Track, Hunters Track, Organ Pipes Track & Pinnacle Track	A range of views and experiences including subalpine woodland, tall eucalypt forest and rocky outcrops, spectacular rock formations (Organ Pipes and Crocodile Rock) and historic cabins (The Chalet, Junction Cabin, Lone Cabin and Rock Cabin). During early summer, bright red waratah flowers light up the bush along this track.	 DIFFICULT	4-hr return	
<b>North-South Track</b>	S: The Springs F: Glenorchy Mountain Bike Park	North-South Track	A purpose built shared-use track for both mountain bike riders and walkers. The track construction includes dry-stone walls, log rides, jumps and the impressive clapper bridge which crosses the New Town Rivulet. Suitable for mountain bike riders of moderate ability (with some more challenging features located on side loops). Good sight lines enabling riders and walkers to easily see each other.	 MODERATE	1-2hr one-way on bike	
<b>Fern Tree Park</b>	S: The Springs F: Fern Tree Park	Radfords Track, Fern Glade Track, Piling Drive Track	Ferns, mossy gullies and the sound of water running downstream along the Fern Glade Track.	 MODERATE	45-min one-way	
<b>Lost World</b>	S: Big Bend F: Big Bend	Lost World Track	The Lost World can be found on the eastern slopes of Mt Arthur, on the last big bend in the road on the way up to the summit of kunanyi/Mt Wellington. The Lost World features dolerite cliffs, similar in appearance to The Organ Pipes, but on a smaller scale. You'll also find an expansive boulder field to explore and stunning views over Hobart. Some sections of this track will require careful footing and hand holds. Follow the same route to return.	 MODERATE	45-min return	

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DESTINATION	START/FINISH	TRACKS	DESCRIPTION	DIFFICULTY	TIME	ACCESS
<b>Zig Zag Viewing Point</b>	S: The Pinnacle F: The Pinnacle	Zig Zag Track	A short walk across the plateau to take in spanning views of the alpine environment and views over Hobart. Follow the same route to return.	 EASY	20-min return	
<b>The Springs</b>	S: The Pinnacle F: The Springs	Zig Zag Track, Pinnacle Track	A steep, stepped downhill track with uneven surfaces. Walk from alpine boulder fields to eucalypt forests. Great views of the Organ Pipes, Hobart and the River Derwent. Can also walk from The Springs uphill to The Pinnacle. During early summer, bright red waratahs and other wildflowers light up the bush along this track.	 DIFFICULT	1.5hr one-way	
<b>Hobart (walk)</b>	S: The Pinnacle F: Hobart	Zig Zag Track, Pinnacle Track, Lenah Valley Track, Myrtle Gulley Track, Cascade Track, Hobart Rivulet Track.	Descending approximately 1270m, this is a challenging downhill walk. A steep, stepped downhill track with uneven surfaces. Varied landscapes including boulder fields, eucalypt forests, fern-filled gullies and urban outskirts of the city. Stop at Cascade Brewery for refreshments. <i>(Shorter option: Take a 2hr walk along the Zig Zag Track and Pinnacle Track and continue onto Fern Tree to catch the local Metro Tas bus service back to Hobart).</i>	 DIFFICULT	3+ hrs one-way	
<b>Hobart (bike)</b>	S: The Pinnacle F: Hobart	Pinnacle Road, Huon Road, Macquarie Street (or Strickland Avenue, Rivulet Track)	Descending approximately 1270m, this is an exhilarating downhill bike ride back to Hobart city. Stop along the way to take in the views. Strickland Avenue and the Rivulet Track offer less vehicle traffic.	 MODERATE	1hr one-way on bike	



# Track Users Code

*Remember the 3 respects:*

1

## RESPECT EACH OTHER

- Expect walkers, riders, runners, dogs and wildlife.
- Listen and look out for each other.
- Give way to slower track users.
- Be cautious near corners and blind spots.
- Be mindful of vulnerable track users with different levels of mobility, vision and hearing, particularly the elderly and the very young.
- Keep devices and headphones at low volume.

### Walkers/Runners

- Expect riders, runners and dogs.
- Be mindful of other track users approaching, especially from behind.
- Keep to the left where possible.

### Riders

- Expect walkers, riders, runners, dogs and wildlife.
- Alert other track users when approaching, especially from behind.
- Slow down and be prepared to stop when passing other users.
- Do not ride on walking only tracks.

### Dog walkers

- Expect riders, runners, other dogs and wildlife.
- Dogs not allowed on all tracks. Check track signage.
- If in dog walking area, use <2m lead.
- Clean up after your dog. Penalties apply.

2

## RESPECT THE TRACK

- Keep to the formed track.
- Don't modify tracks or make new ones.

3

## RESPECT THE PARK

- Leave No Trace. Took it in? Take it out.
- Do not disturb flora and fauna.
- Respect heritage, including the historic tracks.
- Allow others quiet enjoyment of the Park.
- Start with clean boots and bikes.
- Have a plan and tell someone where you're going.
- Be prepared for the conditions and the weather.
- Be prepared for emergencies.
- Do not enter restricted areas in drinking water catchments.



Report issues to the Trust Ranger: 0408 517 534



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