

Bush Walking

The extensive network of tracks on the eastern face of kunanyi / Mount Wellington provides a range of walking opportunities.




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► CHOOSE THE RIGHT ROUTE

The table below presents 6 walks of varying difficulty with colour coded lines on the map inside. Choose a route to suit your ability. Visitors can also obtain walking information from the Lost Freight café at The Springs, or plan their activity online at greaterhobarttrails.com.au. Most tracks in the Park are well marked and easy to follow; however, some tracks

are rough and sometimes wet under foot. Navigation skills may be required on some remote and higher altitude routes, especially during poor visibility. On longer walks visitors should carry the Wellington Park Recreation Map, published by TasMap and available for purchase in digital or paper form. The Recreation Map shows all walking tracks and fire trails, and includes valuable information about the whole Park.

kunanyi / Mount Wellington suggested walks (see map)

| | DESTINATION | DEPARTURE | VIA | DISTANCE | TRACK CONDITION | DIFFICULTY |
|---|--|---|---|------------------|---|------------|
| 1 | Sphinx Rock | The Springs | Lenah Valley Track | 1.4km one way | Well formed gravel surface with some easy climbing. Exposed cliff top lookout. | Easiest |
| 2 | Silver Falls loop | Fern Tree Park (opposite Tavern) | Pipeline Track, Fern Tree Bower, Silver Falls Track, Fern Glade Track. | 2km | Slightly uphill to Silver Falls, some steps, occasional rocky and uneven surfaces. | |
| 3 | O'Gradys Falls Loop | Fern Tree Park or Fern Glade Car Park | Pillinger Drive Track, Bracken Lane Fire Trail, O'Gradys Falls Fire Trail, Woods Track, Fern Glade Track. | 3.5km | Some climbing after O'Gradys Falls, generally even track surface with some rough sections and some steps. | |
| 4 | The Springs | Fern Glade Car Park (80m north along Huon Rd) | Fern Glade Track, Radfords Track. | 1.6km one way | Some significant climbing, some steps, rocky and uneven surface on Radfords Track. | |
| 5 | Organ Pipes  (Great Short Walk) | The Springs | Pinnacle Track, Organ Pipes Track | 3.8km one way | Well formed, rocky and uneven surface with some steps and some significant climbing. | |
| 6 | kunanyi / Mount Wellington Summit | Fern Tree Park (opposite Tavern) | Pillinger Drive Track, Fern Glade Track, Radfords Track, Pinnacle Track, Zig Zag Track | 4.7km one way | Significant climbing, steps and uneven surfaces | Hardest |

Wellington Park

Bushwalking on the eastern face

LEGEND

Roads: major, minor

Fire trail

Walking track, Route

Shared use track (bike/walk)

Suggested walk route

Wellington Park boundary

Major trackhead

Great Short Walk

Café

Altitude marker

Parking, Toilets

Information, Picnic area

Bus stop: to Fern Tree, to City

Shuttle bus stop (private operator)

Lookout, Waterfall, Tank

Hut, Building, Interest point

Other Park entry points

Road number

1000m

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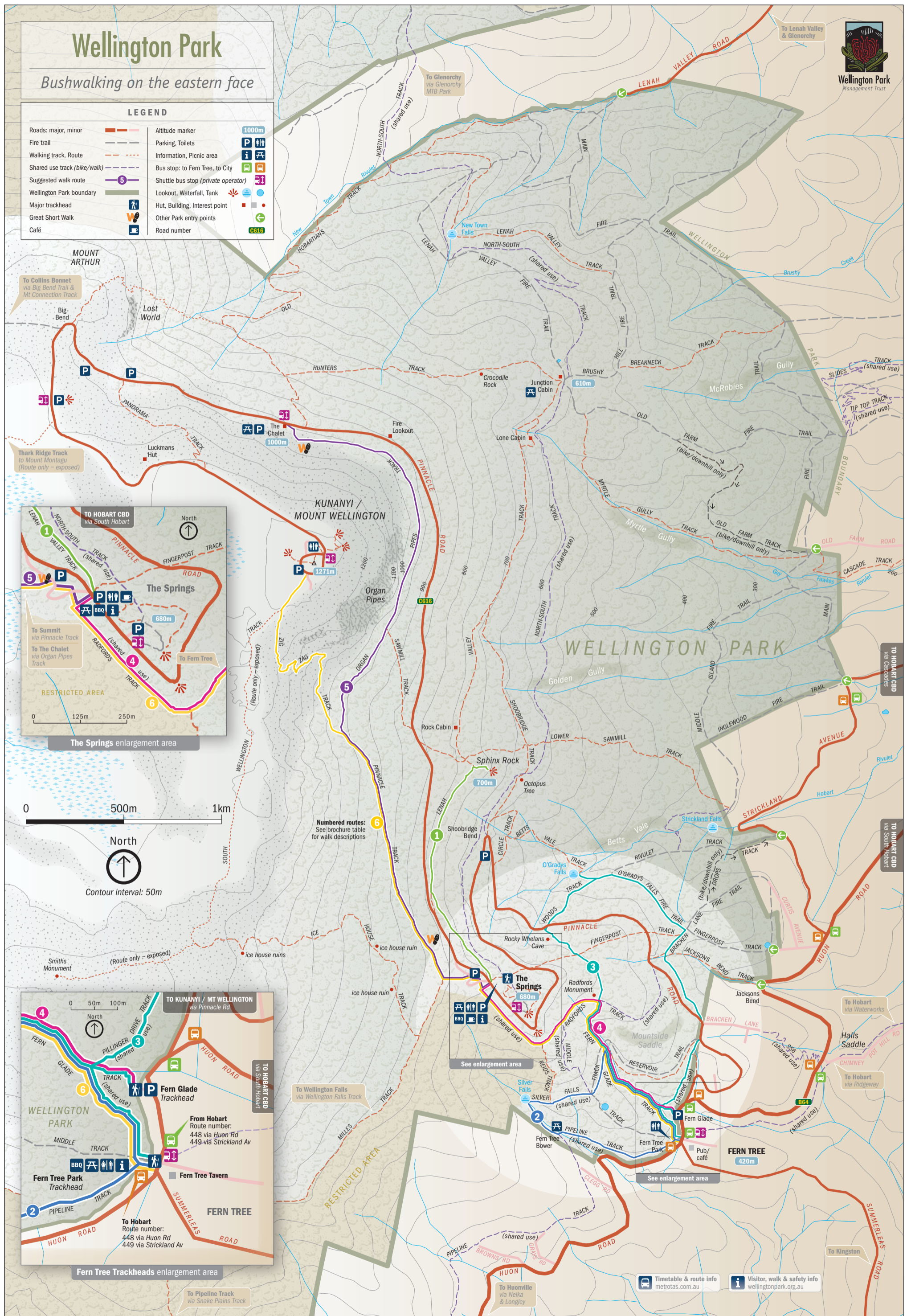
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Timetable & route info
metrotas.com.au

Visitor, walk & safety info
wellingtonpark.org.au

► SAFETY IN WELLINGTON PARK

Be prepared and stay safe

Ensure you are well prepared for the walk you choose.



Detailed walk information is available at:
wellingtonpark.org.au/bushwalking/



Check the weather at:
bom.gov.au/tas/forecasts/mtwellington.shtml



Conditions can change quickly. Icy winds, snow, low cloud and heavy rain can occur at any time of year. Temperature drops 1 degree for every 100m you climb.

On longer and higher altitude walks you must have adequate clothing. Do not attempt walks in snow conditions or poor visibility unless you are very experienced, well prepared, and in the company of others. Low cloud can reduce your visibility to a few metres. All tracks can be slippery when covered in snow and ice. Be prepared to turn back.

WHAT TO BRING



Hiking Shoes



Waterproof Jacket



Warm Jacket



Warm hat



Sun hat & sunscreen



Water & food



Map



Phone



Leave a plan

Tell someone reliable where you are going and your anticipated return time. This will help us find you in an emergency.



Phone coverage

Mobile phone reception is variable. Install the Emergency+ app on your smartphone and know how to use it: emergencyapp.triplezero.gov.au

Bushfires

On days of EXTREME or CATASTROPHIC fire danger Wellington Park will be closed and visitors must exit immediately. During the fire danger period please check the Tasmanian Fire Service website fire.tas.gov.au before entering.

Take precautions during days of High, Very High and Severe fire danger. Under these conditions walks in remote areas of the Park should be carefully planned and include a strategy for safely exiting the Park. Visitors should take a charged mobile phone with them. In the event of a bushfire in the Park, exit immediately via the safest route.

Lighting fires is prohibited except in designated fireplaces at Fern Tree Park, The Springs, Junction Cabin and The Chalet. It is an offence to light any fire during a Total Fire Ban. Non-emergency firewood must not be collected from the Park.

► SHARING THE TRACKS

Be aware that some tracks are shared use **for walking and bike riding**. Check track signage and obey the Track Users Code. Read the full Code at: wellingtonpark.org.au/bikes/

Bicycles are permitted on roads, most fire trails, and selected tracks. Refer to the map and signage. Please report any illegal track use e.g. trail bikes, to the Ranger on 0408 517 534.

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.

2 RESPECT THE TRACK

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

3 RESPECT THE PARK

- Respect heritage, including the historic tracks.
- Allow others quiet enjoyment of the Park.
- Follow Leave No Trace principles – Took it in? Take it out.
- Do not disturb flora and fauna.
- 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.

► REDUCE YOUR IMPACTS

- Ensure equipment (footwear especially) is clean upon entering the Park to prevent the spread of weeds and plant diseases.
- Use toilets provided when possible. If there are no toilets, walk 100m away from any water and the track and dig a 15cm hole. Bury any waste and toilet paper.
- More information on minimal impact bush recreation can be found at wellingtonpark.org.au/minimal-impact or on the 'Leave No Trace' page at parks.tas.gov.au

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON WELLINGTON PARK CONTACT:

wellingtonpark.org.au | tasmap.tas.gov.au | greaterhobarttrails.com.au | Tasmanian Travel and Information Centre: 03 6238 4222