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PLEASE NOTE

The maps contained in this brochure may not be suitable for navigational purposes for all walks. It is advised that the appropriate Parks Victoria Park Notes and /or land Victoria topographical maps be obtained prior to undertaking any of the listed walks.



Protect yourself & the environment. Be fire and severe weather ready and stay safe when visiting the park. For general park information and updates on park closures, call Parks Victoria on 13 1963 or visit parks.vic.gov.au

Safety checklist

- Let someone know where you are going before you set off
- CARRY AND KNOW HOW TO USE A TOPOGRAPHIC MAP AND COMPASS
- Use a fuel stove open wood fires are not permitted on Mt Feathertop or Mt Bogong or on any of their approaches
- Take wind and waterproof jacket and overpants, woollen (or polar fleece) jumper, hat and gloves
- Wear a sun hat and sturdy shoes / boots with good grip
- Carry sunscreen and insect repellent, a first aid kit and plenty of high energy food and water
- Take a tent, sleeping bag and fuel stove for overnight camps



GRADING INFORMATION

Walks in this brochure have been graded using the Australian Walking Track Grading System. (Grade 1 - Grade 5)



Grade 1 No bushwalking experience required. Flat even surface with no steps or steep sections. Suitable for wheelchair users who have someone to assist them.

Grade 2 No bushwalking experience required. The track is a hardened or compacted surface and may have a gentle hill section or sections and occasional steps

Grade 3 Suitable for most ages and fitness levels. Some bushwalking experience recommended. Tracks may have short steep hill sections a rough surface and many steps.

Grade 4 Bushwalking experience recommended. Tracks may be long, rough and very steep. Directional signage may be limited.

Grade 5 Very experienced bushwalkers with specialised skills, including navigation and emergency first aid. Tracks are likely to be very rough, very steep and unmarked.

MORE INFORMATION ON ALL WALKS

visitbrightandsurrounds.com.au or **1800 111 885** to talk to a Visitor Information Centre.

Please refer to our website for Important Information & Cautions before you go. Respect the traditional owners and their country as well as other visitors by aiming to leave the area as you found it.

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The Big Walk

11.3km (one way) / 4 to 5 hours (one way)

Eurobin Creek Picnic Area, at the entrance to Mount Buffalo National Park

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Following one of the original routes onto the Mt Buffalo Plateau this walk climbs 1000m in 9 km. The track begins at the Eurobin Creek Picnic Area at the park entrance and culminates at the Gorge Day Visitor Area. Walkers will pass through several vegetation zones as the altitude increases while enjoying spectacular views of the Australian Alps and the Gorge from the numerous lookouts. Adequate preparation is advisable as water is limited along the track and the weather can be unpredictable.

Mount Buffalo National Park



- Staircase

16km / 1 day

Mountain Creek Picnic Area

The track to the summit begins at the Mountain Creek Picnic Area and follows a vehicle track to the foot of the Staircase Spur, where the ascent begins. Bivouac Hut. about halfway along the climb, offers emergency shelter before the track passes through snow gums and out onto the steep rocky ridge leading to the summit plateau. The exposed treeless plain of the summit offers little shelter in poor weather. Strong

winds, fog, freezing temperature, rain and snow are all common at this altitude. Navigation can be extremely difficult so turn back at the tree line if the conditions are poor or deteriorating.

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Mount Bogong Walks - Eskdale Spur

8km (from Camp Creek Gap). 19km from Mountain Creek / 6 hours (from Camp Creek Gap)

Camp Creek Gap, or Mountain Creek Picnic Area (add approximately 5.5km walk to Camp Creek Gap)

Follow the track up Mountain Creek past the bottom of the Staircase Spur for approximately 5.5 km to Camp Creek Gap. It is also possible to access Camp Creek Gap in a 4WD vehicle along Eskdale Spur Track from Trappers Gap. The track climbs steeply up the Eskdale Spur past Michell Hut to the tree line where the track intersects with the Granite Flat Track. Once the shelter of the Snow Gums is left behind the remainder of the walk is very similar to the exposed rocky ascent of the Staircase onto the summit plateau.

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Washington Creek via Bon Accord Track 10km / 3.5 hours

Bon Accord Track

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Start the walk along Bon Accord Track. Follow the east branch of the Ovens River for 5 km to the confluence of Washington Creek. A nice place for a break before returning the way you came.

Alternatively, Bon Accord Track continues from this point and a 12km (one way) walk can also be done up Bon Accord Track, past the Bon Accord Hut ruins to join up with the Razorback. From here you walk 0.5kms to join up with the Great Alpine Road near Mount Hotham. Transport would need to be prearranged from this point, or return the same way. Please also see Mount Feathertop Walks - Bon Accord Spur, for an overnight option.

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East Ovens River Track

13km / 3.5 - 4 hours

Tronoh Dredge, Dredge Hole Ln Starting at the Tronoh Dredge, the track runs east of the Bon Accord Track along the Ovens River. Follow the east branch until the end and return the way you came. Please note there are river crossings along the track.

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Mount Feathertop Walks

- The Razorback 22km / 8 hours plus

Diamantina Hut, Great Alpine Road,

2.5km on the Harrietville side of Hotham Village

The Razorback walking track begins at the Diamantina Hut, 2.5 km on the Harrietville side of the Hotham Village. The Razorback is a high ridge linking Mount Hotham (1861m) and Mount Feathertop (1922m). The route is generally above the tree line so excellent views are available for much of the walk, however, as the ridge is very exposed it should be not be crossed in unsettled or bad weather. The Razorback intersects with the Bon Accord Spur track about 1 km from the start and then intersects the Bungalow Spur Track 1.5 km from the summit of Mount Feathertop at a site called The Cross. The final climb to the top is steep but well worth the effort. Return by the same route or, if you have made suitable transport arrangements, walk down to Harrietville via the Bungalow Spur Track. Ensure you are well prepared for this walk, as the weather can be unpredictable.

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Mount Feathertop Walks - Bungalow Spur Track

22km / 8 hours plus

Feathertop Track, Harrietville

Starting at Feathertop Track, off the Great Alpine Road, the Bungalow Spur Track takes you to Mount Feathertop via Federation Hut and is the most popular approach to Mount Feathertop. It is well graded and sheltered

for most of its length. Near the intersection with Razorback walking track, Federation Hut provides emergency shelter, toilets and tent sites.

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Mount Feathertop Walks - Bon Accord Spur

45.7km / 2-3 days

Bon Accord Track, Harrietville

Starting on Bon Accord Track, follow the east branch of the Ovens River for 5 km to the confluence of Washington Creek where the steep climb up the spur starts. The Bon Accord Hut ruin is 9.5 km from the start of the track. From here it is 2 km up to the Razorback. At this point follow the Razorback out to a site called The Cross. From here you can do the 1.5km hike to the Summit, or short walk down to Federation Hut camping area. Federation Hut provides emergency shelter, toilets and tent sites. Return the way you came. An alternative is Mount Feathertop Walks - Bungalow Spur Track. Ensure you are well prepared for this walk as the weather can be

unpredictable. **Alpine National Park**



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Crossing 37 km / 3 day, 2 nights

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Heathy Spur carpark, Falls Creek, or Loch carppark, Mount Hotham

One of Victoria's iconic walks, offering a rewarding hiking challenge with spectacular views the whole way. It winds its way along alpine ridges, through snowgum woodlands and snow grass plains, over rocky summits and past historic huts. The Falls to Hotham Alpine Crossing is a point to point walk, accessible for hiking from November to April. The track can be walked in either direction. There are two campsites on the Falls to Hotham Alpine Crossing: Cope Hut Campsite and Dibbins Hut Campsite. A permit is required to camp at the Falls to Hotham Alpine Crossing Campsites. This walk can be done as a 2 day/ overnight hike from Cope Hut to Mt Loch carpark, stopping overnight at Dibbins Hut Campsite **Alpine National Park**

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9km / 3 hours Dinner Plain Hut, Dinner Plain

to Slippery Pinch. Cross back the Dinner Plain Track

Dinner Plain



Tabletop Walk

14km / 5 hours Alpine National Park

Mount Tabletop is a distinctive flat plateau linked to the Great Dividing Range by a low ridge. From JB Plain follow the old fence line south across the plains for 0.5 km. From here the route is marked. After crossing the snow plains and snowgum woodland, the route drops down to Tabletop Creek and then follows a long ridge up the plateau. The track is marked to a rocky outcrop just below the summit. Return via the same route.

Dinner Plain



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Cross to the northern side of the Great Alpine Road and head east along the Montane Walking Track for 3.3 km through State Forest to the southern side of the road through a small gate in the fence. The track then meanders through snow gum woodlands along the top side of some old cattle yards before dropping down to sub-alpine grasslands and the Victoria River. Cross the grasslands and follow the edge of the Victoria River before crossing it at a timber bridge. Head back into the sub-alpine woodlands through the picturesque river valley then up to the drier side of the mountain. A short side walk south to Precipice Plain Lookout is well worth the trip before making the easy 2.6 km walk back to the village along

JB Plain Hut, Great Alpine Road,

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9km / 3 hours Dinner Plain Hut, Dinner Plain

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Walk or bike along the Dinner Plain 4WD track to a lovely natural lookout across the remote Dargo Valley. Precipice Plain is a unique geological feature which lies 4km south of Dinner Plain. The western edge of Precipice Plain drops almost vertically to a narrow valley below, offering sweeping views of the Dargo catchment. A great place to enjoy sunset in the high country. **Dinner Plain**



13 **Brabralung Trail**

26km / 8 hours

Dinner Plain Hut, Dinner Plain

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Walk or ride this multi-use trail that runs through the Alpine National Park, linking Dinner Plain to Hotham Alpine Resort. This trail will take you through woodland to alpine plains that give the High Country its unique scenic views. There are numerous areas to rest and picnic. A location not to miss is the old cattlemen's post, JB Hut, where you can also camp. A side walk - 2 km return - to Paw Paw Plain is a must for views of Mount Tabletop and the remote Dargo River Valley. **Dinner Plain**

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Over 3 hours (8kms plus), including overnight hikes

For more walks see our short and medium walks gui

