



King Jarrah Track

Lane Poole Reserve

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Length: 18 kilometres loop

Grade: 3

Walk time: 5 hours

The highlight of this walk is the 'king' jarrah, a 250-year-old tree. Much of the track runs along the Murray River, and for those wishing to take their time and make a weekend of the walk, there is a campsite roughly mid-way along the track.

- 1 The track begins at the old Nanga Mill townsite. A campsite has now been established there in a grove of tall pines.
- 2 A detour off the track takes you to the Stringers, a small picnic and camping site by the Murray River with canoe-launching facilities and swimming holes. Some old bridge stringers are visible in the water.
- 3 An old logging railway formation with cuttings and old bridge sites.
- 4 Here, various reference trees (numbered trees to allow foresters to accurately locate their position in the bush) can be seen.
- 5 Remains of an old railway bridge.
- 6 Campsite with barbecue rings and toilet is approximately 200 metres off the track to the south.
- 7 A log bridge takes you over Big Brook.
- 8 The 'king' jarrah tree.
- 9 Dawn Creek - has good water in winter and spring.
- 10 A very large, old axe and crosscut stump with evidence of board notches is visible here.
- 11 A large burnt-out, hollow jarrah tree.
- 12 Here, the track skirts a large dieback-infected area. Some trees along the track have been blown over, exposing the underlying rock.
- 13 The track passes through dense prickly thickets of waterbush.
- 14 Christmas Creek is a small seasonal creek. Birdsong and frog calls can be heard at appropriate times of the year.
- 15 An even-aged regrowth forest with numerous large stumps and old logging debris.
- 16 A very colourful acacia grows here and flowers in the spring.
- 17 Just before returning to Nanga Mill, the trail passes through a very badly affected dieback area.

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