



# TULLIS WALK TRAIL

A circular walk trail through bushland and returning along the banks of the Hotham River.



**TYPE**



Grade 2

**DISTANCE**



3km Return

**TIME**



45 mins

## LEGEND

Road

Hotham River

Parking

Tullis Walk Trail

Pumping Station

Toilets

Starting point

Directional Sign

Seating Area

Dogs Allowed

**ENQUIRIES & INFORMATION**

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# DIRECTIONS

Tullis Bridge is located approx. 9 kms out of Boddington and is the start of the Tullis Bridge Walk..

The drive, via Farmers Avenue, Robins Road and Morts Road provides some magnificent vistas, taking you past South32 Bauxite Mine, Marradong Reserve, olive groves and orchards.

Alternately, park at the Boddington Lions Rodeo Grounds off Hakea Road. The Tullis Rail Trail starts near the creek and is signposted. This 8 km walk will take you to Tullis Bridge and the start of the Tullis Bridge Walk.

# TRAIL INFORMATION

## TULLIS BRIDGE WALK

The Tullis Bridge Walk starts at Tullis Bridge; the end of the Tullis Rail Trail. Vehicular access is via Farmers Avenue, Robins Road, and Morts Road, and pedestrian access is via the Tullis Rail Trail.

Tullis Bridge Walk is a clearly marked easy walk, under 3 km. It meanders through bushland and returns along the Hotham River to the bridge site and picnic area with picnic tables, shady trees and public toilets.

The drive to Tullis Bridge provides some magnificent vistas, taking you past South32 Bauxite Mine, Marradong Reserve, olive groves and orchards.

## TULLIS RAIL TRAIL

The Tullis Rail Trail links Boddington to Tullis Bridge along the Tullis Rail Reserve. The 16km return trip, follows alongside the beautiful Hotham River, through open paddocks and timber reserves.

From the start at the Boddington Lions Rodeo Grounds, follow the trail markers westward to Tullis Bridge. The trail travels through urban bushland, bypasses light industry, weaves through farmland, and into bushland for the final approach to Tullis Bridge on the Hotham River.

Here the Tullis Rail Trail joins the Tullis Bridge Walk, a 3km loop through bushland and back along the Hotham River to the bridge site, picnic area and public toilets.

Return by the same way OR walk via Morts Road, Robins Road, and Farmers Avenue back to Boddington.

Another option is a picturesque drive to Tullis Bridge, doing the Tullis Bridge Walk and then following the Tullis Rail Trail east toward Boddington to the farmland and back to Tullis Bridge.

# POINTS OF INTEREST

Built in 1912 **Tullis Bridge** was a wooden trestle style, linking Pinjarra and Narrogin, primarily for hauling timber. Rejuvenation work in 1969 provided pedestrian crossing of the Hotham River. It was named after Tullis Mill which was the centre for a small mill town until the 1950s.

A campfire lit on the bridge during Easter 2009 destroyed it. Tullis Bridge is now two separate structures on the river banks.

**Farmers Farm** - The original farm settled in 1854 by Thomas Farmer and Eliza Farmer (nee Hancock). Descendants still own and work the land today.

**Farmers Crossing** - This railway siding on the west side of Tullis Bridge was used before the line to Boddington was completed. The Hotham Railway terminus, originally known as the 97 mile stop was located on private property with access to the siding by permission of the owners.

**Federation Crossing** - An historic stone crossing situated east of Tullis Bridge, where early settlers crossed the Hotham River.

Local attractions include:

- **Bacchus - Lord of the Grapes statue** at the corner of Kalimna Way and Gold Mine Road.
- **Hotham River Foreshore** in Boddington.
- **Long Gully Bridge** on Lower Hotham Road.
- One of the **world's largest gold producing mines**.
- **The Bibbulmun Track**.

Boddington is an excellent base from which to go hiking, wildflower sighting, bird watching or picnicking. The world class Bibbulmun Track (1,000 km walking trail) also passes through the district.

# CODE OF PRACTICE

- Be courteous to other trail users.
- Carry adequate food and water for your walk
- Leave no trace. Take all your rubbish home.
- Dress appropriately for the trail and weather conditions
- Stay on the trail and avoid sensitive natural areas
- Sunglasses, sunscreen (30+) and insect repellent

# USEFUL CONTACTS

Shire of Boddington	<a href="http://www.boddington.wa.gov.au">www.boddington.wa.gov.au</a>
Shire of Boddington Rangers	9883 4999
Boddington Community Resource Centre	9883 8246
Boddington Police Station	9883 8002



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