

F R Berry

WALK TRAIL



The F R Berry reserve was recognised for its high conservation values in the early 1960's and covers an area of 214 hectares (529 acres) and is the largest of the City of Swan's nature reserves.

The F R Berry Reserve has been included in the Department of Conservation's Land for Wildlife Scheme.

Several vegetation communities exist at F R Berry Reserve including Jarrah, Marri and Wandoo woodlands, Melaleuca (Paperbark) fringed creek lines and granite outcrops containing a great diversity of species. The area also provides a valuable habitat for a wonderful variety of our West Australian fauna including the Honey Possum, Mardo, Gould's Monitor, Bobtail,

Western Green Tree Frog, Weebill, Splendid Fairy Wren, the migratory Rainbow Bee Eater and the endangered Carnaby's Cockatoo.

The reserve is also home to several species of rare and priority flora, some of which are unique to this place and do not occur anywhere else in Western Australia or in the World.

Along the trail are photos of some these fauna species that you may be fortunate enough to view on your walk.

**Please note that it is the responsibility of individuals to be aware of fire bans in place.
Please call 9267 9326 or visit www.swan.wa.gov.au for further information.**

For other City of Swan Walk trails or additional tourism information

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Web: www.swanvalley.com.au or www.swan.wa.gov.au

Open seven days between 9am and 4pm.



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Walk Trail Key

The walk trail starts from the picnic facility and car park area. Follow the direction of the arrow on the trail head totem back down the access road to the white boom gate and enter the walk trail here (please note that the numbered trail markers start just after the boom gate).

- 1 Follow the indication arrow straight ahead through Wandoo trees and across the winter creek to sign number two.
- 2 At this point, take the track to the right as indicated by the top arrow. This takes you into open Jarrah/Marri forest on your left, with creek line vegetation associated with the Woorloo Brook on your right. (Please note that on the return walk you can take the alternative route, indicated by the lower arrow on this totem, back to the picnic area and car park if you feel like a longer walk).
- 3 If you walk straight ahead you will come to the Woorloo Brook. Notice the change in vegetation here to Freshwater Paperbark (*Melaleuca*) and Swamp Banksia associated with the stream environment. The main walk trail continues to the left at this arrow.
- 4 You will by now have passed many magnificent granite outcrops to the left with a diverse array of wildflowers surrounding them during the season.
- 5 Rest here for a moment under the magnificent Marri tree and enjoy the view to the Woorloo Brook and granite outcrops to the north.
- 6 Head back onto the main track towards the waterfall.
- 7 Pass the One-sided Bottlebrush (*Calothamnus*), very popular with insects and birds because of their nectar-rich flowers. **!** CAUTION: The trail ahead is quite steep and can be slippery - please be careful.
- 8 This is the end of the walk trail - rest here for a while and enjoy the spectacular lookout over the waterfall, a real feast for the eyes in any season. During the right season, Vanilla Sun Orchids may be seen amongst the Borya (Pin Cushion). Now you will need to turn around and retrace your steps to signpost 2. At this point you can continue back to the picnic ground the way you came or take the alternative (and longer) route back to the picnic ground. Follow the markers uphill to point 10.
- 9 Continue on enjoying the wildflowers that form an understorey to the Wandooos and Jarrahs along the track.
- 10 You have now passed a tributary to the Woorloo Brook, continue straight ahead to return to the picnic area.

F R Berry Walk Details

Location	Located at Reen Road, off Toodyay Road in Gidgegannup. Travel 8.5km down Reen Road and the F R Berry Reserve is signposted on the left.
Length	2.7km.
Grade	Generally flat, however, there are some steeper sections with gravel surface.
Walk time	45 minutes.
Facilities	Picnic Tables, toilet, wood BBQ.
On site info	Totem markers are located on the trail.
Best season	Mid-Autumn to late Spring.