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## Fernhook Falls

Fernhook Falls is a secluded bush camping and picnic spot on the Deep River. Deep River is one of the few rivers in the south-west with an almost completely forested catchment. As a result, although heavily loaded with organic tannins, the water is of a high quality. The falls are spectacular in winter when the water flows in heavy torrents that roar and tumble over the granite rocks into Rowell's Pool.



### Must see

Wheelchair-accessible walk trails and boardwalks have been designed to give you the best views of the cascading falls and pristine forest. The boardwalks also protect the vegetation around the pool and allow native fauna to move naturally through the forest.

### Getting there

From Walpole: drive west on the South Western Highway for about 35km, turn right on to Beardmore Road. Fernhook Falls is about 6km east on Beardmore Road. Alternatively, drive north from Walpole on North Walpole Road for 20km, turn left onto Beardmore Road, Fernhook Falls is 11km west. Both routes involve some driving on gravel roads.

### Travelling time

From Walpole: about 35 minutes by car via either route.

### What to do

Fernhook Falls is well set up for campers although it is not suitable for caravans. The campground has tent sites, picnic tables, toilet facilities and a shelter with free gas barbecues. There are also two cosy huts that have wooden slat beds and a wood heater to make your stay more comfortable. As these huts are popular please limit your stay to three nights.

Follow the path that runs along the Deep River and explore the falls and surrounding forest.

In summer the river is a peaceful series of rocky pools and in winter the water cascades over the falls and rushes downriver in a frothy torrent.

Fernhook Falls is a great base for exploring the surrounding area. Visit Mount Frankland for a barbecue and to enjoy spectacular views over the Walpole Wilderness from the Mount Frankland Wilderness lookout. There are several walk trails of varying difficulty at Mount Frankland. Mount Burnett and Swarbrick Art Loop are also close to Fernhook Falls.

### Leave No Trace

**Plan ahead and prepare.** Remember your safety is our concern but your responsibility. Supervise children carefully near the water.

**Travel and camp on durable surfaces.** Help us to protect this fragile environment by keeping to the path and established campsites.

**Dispose of waste properly.** Take your rubbish with you.

**Leave what you find.** This area is home to many species. Respect this unique environment and leave it as you found it.

**Minimise campfire impacts.** Campfires are permitted only in Parks and Wildlife Service-supplied fire rings except during the bushfire season when fires are not permitted at all. Please bring your own firewood.

**Respect wildlife.** Pets are not permitted.

**Be considerate of other visitors.**





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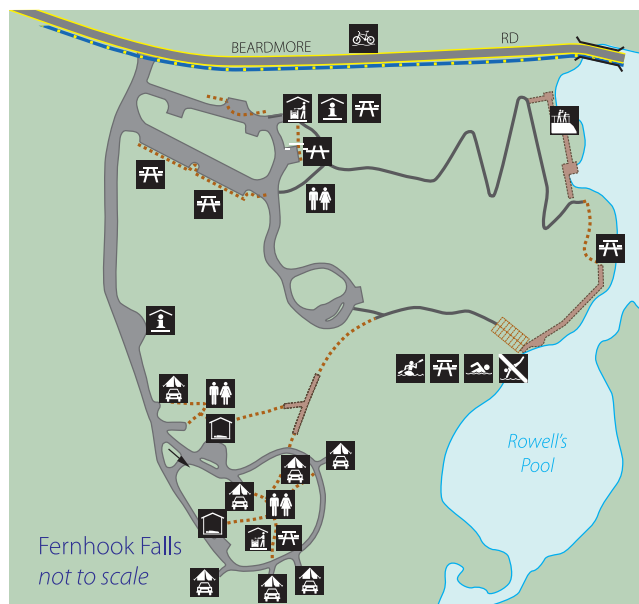
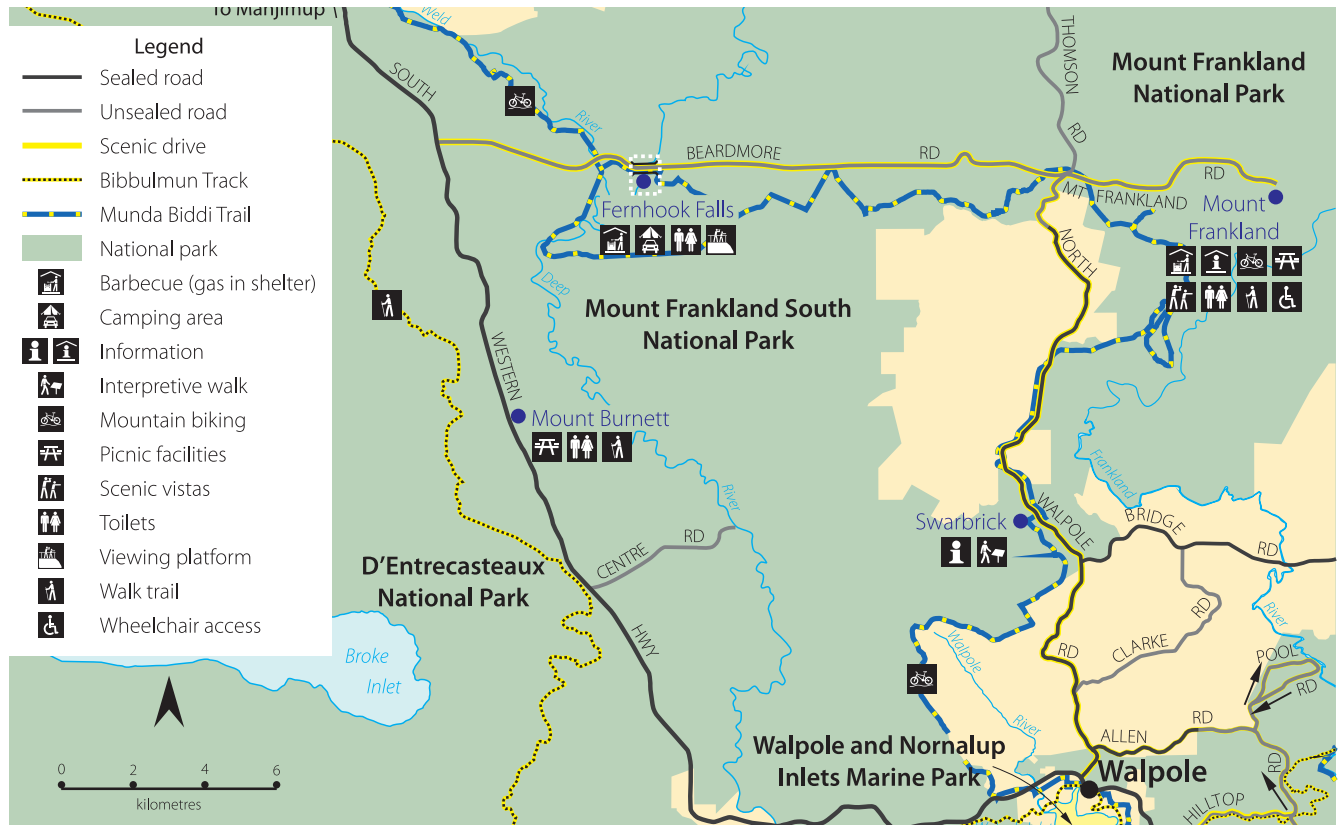


## Fees

Camping fees apply at Fernhook Falls. Please refer to the *Park visitor fees* brochure. These fees contribute to the provision and maintenance of recreation facilities and visitor services in this park.

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