

Kinglake National Park



The Gums Camping Guide

The Gums Camping Area is situated close to a meandering mountain stream and is nestled amongst tall eucalypts and ferns. This tranquil area is a popular base for relaxing or exploring the northern section of the Kinglake National Park on foot. The Gums is ideal for families and small groups.



Facilities and accommodation

Camping

10 tent sites are provided and four are suitable for caravans. Each site is surrounded by vegetation providing a delightful bush setting.

Camping is only permitted on numbered sites.

Water

Be self-sufficient with drinking water. Carry it in and/or know how to make untreated water safe for drinking.

Avoid the use of detergent and soap in the nearby creek. Always wash well away from the creek.

Toilets

There are two pit toilet blocks; one toilet block has wheelchair access.

Fires

You may light a campfire for cooking and warmth provided it is not a day of Total Fire Ban and that:

- The fire is contained in an existing fireplace
- The fire is not more than one square metre
- All flammable material surrounding the fireplace and above the fire for three metres is removed before the fire is lit
- The fire is never left unattended and is completely out before you leave

- No fires, including gas and fuel stoves and barbecues may be lit on a day of Total Fire Ban
- Total Fire Ban details are available by phoning the Victorian Bushfire Information Line on 1800 240 667

Bookings and fees

Camping fees apply throughout the year. Advance bookings are required, book well in advance for holiday periods.

There is a maximum of six people per site.

Exploring the park

Walking

The Gums is a great base from which to explore the park on foot. You can spend an hour or a day discovering the bush and its many inhabitants.

Fishing

Blackfish and trout are the main fish in Island Creek and adjacent streams. Spiny freshwater crayfish and yabbies can be taken using handlines, except for females in 'berry' (carrying eggs under the tail). A carapace length of 9cm is the minimum legal size, catch limit 10 (ref. Victorian Recreational Fishing Regulations Guide). A Recreational Fishing Licence is required.

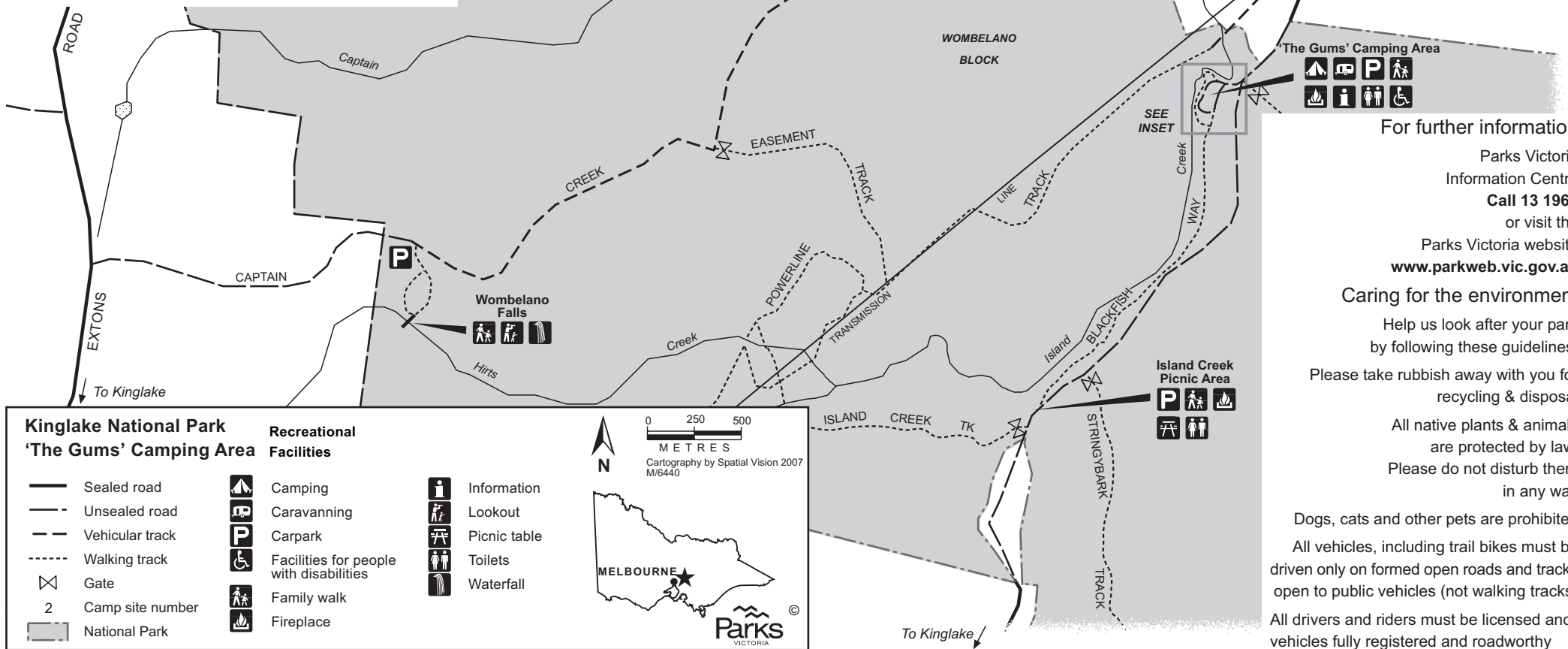
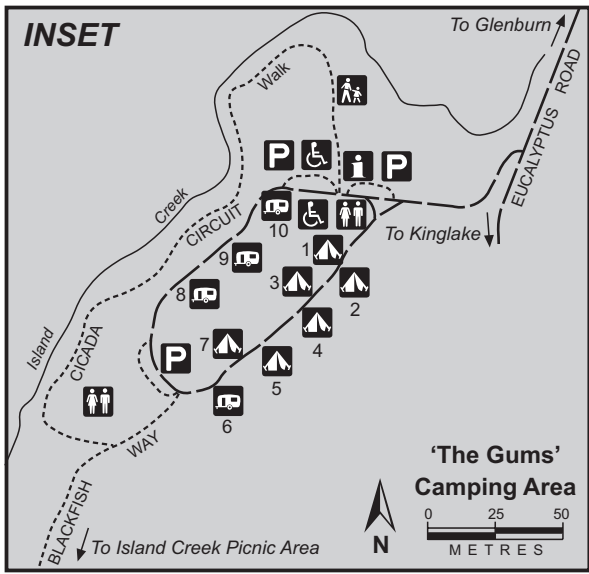
Nature study

Wildflowers bloom in spring and bird life is always in abundance. Winter is a good time to discover fungi, mosses and lichens. Bats, possums and gliders may be seen as they search for food, particularly on summer nights. Keep an eye out for koalas in the tall gums at any time of year.

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Caring for the environment

Help us look after your park
by following these guidelines:
Please take rubbish away with you for
recycling & disposal
All native plants & animals
are protected by law.
Please do not disturb them
in any way

Dogs, cats and other pets are prohibited
All vehicles, including trail bikes must be
driven only on formed open roads and tracks
open to public vehicles (not walking tracks)
All drivers and riders must be licensed and
vehicles fully registered and roadworthy