

## Birdwood Parade Bushland

Have you seen the local pinnacles? These limestone outcrops can still be seen on the steep slopes. The bushland at Birdwood Parade has an elevated position that offers views of the Swan River, Kings Park and Perth City. The parkland areas adjacent to Birdwood Parade contain many significant habitat trees such as Marri's and Jarrahs.

## Mason's Garden

Western Long-neck Turtles, also known as Oblongs are rapidly declining in suburban lakes around Perth. Dog and raven attacks as well as declining rainfall are playing havoc with their numbers. These carnivorous creatures play an important role in controlling mosquito infestations as their hatchlings love eating the little wrigglers. Keeping dogs on leads near wetlands is one way to help to protect them.

## Claremont Park

Claremont Park, located in the Town of Claremont adjoins the Council Offices on Stirling Highway. Take a break and enjoy the shade of the wonderful old indigenous trees where birdlife abounds in the treetops. After crossing Stirling Highway, you enter the shopping precinct, and pass the Claremont Hotel. Following the markers will link you up with Rowe Park and the Yange Kep Bidi intersecting point.

## Karrakatta Cemetery

Karrakatta Cemetery first opened for burials in 1899 and has Monuments and headstones bearing many famous names. These include those of university founders, writers and historians, state premiers and other auspicious individuals. Enjoy the walk through the stately stands of cypress trees a hallmark of Karrakatta, that preside over beautiful garden areas in the historic heart of the cemetery.

## Hollywood Reserve

Originally a Dairy farm, the reserve was once planted with various foreign grasses. Large trees from World War II were felled by soldiers from the nearby hospital as part of their therapy and rehabilitation, and these can still be seen. The reserve offers an almost circular walk via the Bill Day path presenting a wonderful opportunity to view a vast array of wildflowers especially pretty during the spring.

## Noongar Significance

The Karak Bidi (Carnaby's Cockatoo Trail) includes views of the entrancing Swan River (Derbal Yarigan) Noongar translation. This highly significant river is woven into the dreaming stories and song lines of the local Aboriginal people, the Noongar. Their culture is characterised by a strong spiritual connection to 'country'. Information is shared through, art, song and dance. QR codes on interpretive signs along the trail reveal some personal Noongar reflections.



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## Karak Bidi

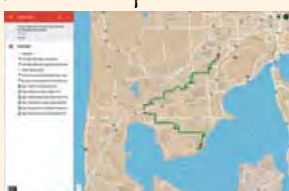
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## History of the Trail

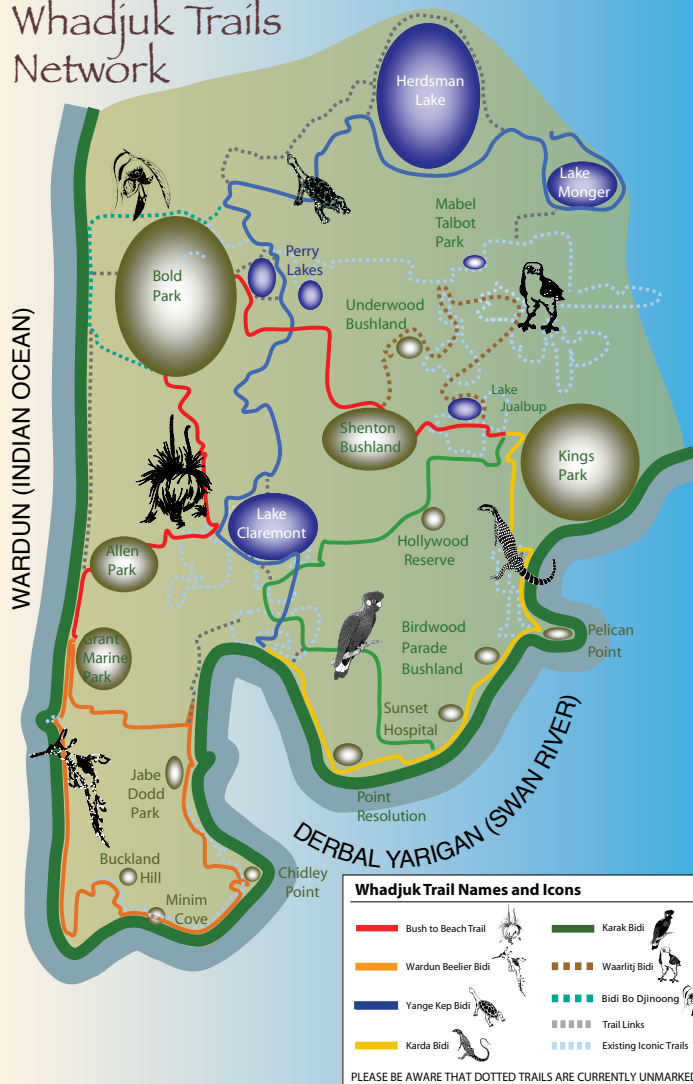
Western Suburbs bushland walks were initiated in 2002 by Friends groups to link remnant bushlands in Perth's Western Suburbs. It was their vision to run a series of annual walks along sections of the trails to encourage the community to use and appreciate their local bushland areas. The Karak Bidi is 11.3km and links parks and bushland areas with the Swan River, Iconic and Heritage Trails. Due to numerous access points, the route can be walked in sections, allowing all to enjoy the diverse landscape.

## Map Options

- A free APP is available for download for iPhone or Android providing a clearly-mapped off-line route.
- Great audio guides are available with QR codes on your smart phone.
- A Google map option is available for a large variety of phones, or can be printed from the webpage.
- Trails are marked with triangular directional signage inserted into paths and bollards.



## Whadjuk Trails Network



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## Karak Bidi



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## Part of the Whadjuk Trails

Karak Bidi links bushland across local Government areas of; Subiaco, Nedlands and Claremont including the iconic Kings Park with views of the picturesque Swan River.







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## Karrakatta Cemetery

Enjoy the beautiful avenues of old trees and carefully manicured gardens as you pass the American Memorial.



Photo: Sally Wallace

## College Park

Offers a lovely pathway around the perimeter, however the old grader was deemed unsafe as a toy and was relocated to a museum in 2004.

## Guide to Symbols

WESROC trails are free. They are dog and mostly cycle and wheelchair friendly.

-  Bushland Areas
-  Car Parking
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-  Noongar Significance
-  Public Toilets
-  Public Transport
-  Water Fountains
-  Wheelchair Access  
- refer to website for details

WESROC trails are free and dog friendly with cycling permitted throughout this trail.

## Hollywood Reserve

This remnant bushland contains a mixture of non-indigenous and native species offering a stunning array of wildflowers. It is home to wildlife including Black Cockatoos and Monitor Lizards.



Photo: Sally Wallace

## Rosalie Park

Listen for the noisy Red-eye Wattle with its definitive red wattles. This is the largest of the honey eaters. Poorly built nests result in high infant mortality.



Photo: Joyce Rubelli



## Mason Gardens

Many Oblong Turtles live amongst native sedges in the ponds here. Enjoy exploring the enchanting gardens and playground and following an art trail.



Photo: Shutterstock

## Birdwood Parade Bushland

This urban bushland has stunning views of the Swan River and includes the historic Gallop House and Gunners Memorial. Enjoy the wild flowers in late winter.



Photo: Sally Wallace

## Additional Information

**Transport:** [www.transperth.wa.gov.au](http://www.transperth.wa.gov.au)

### Bushland Friends Groups

#### Hollywood Reserve:

<http://hollywoodreserve.weebly.com/index.html>

#### Noongar Information:

<http://www.noongar.org.au/new-page-11/>



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Further information available online [www.whadjukwalkingtrails.org.au](http://www.whadjukwalkingtrails.org.au)

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