

### **Walkerville North South Link Track:**

½ hour return. Links the North and South settlements. Track starts past limestone kilns in Walkerville South. Visit the historic cemetery.

### **Wonthaggi East Area Trail (1.4 kms):**

Starts at Bass Highway near the end of Fincher Street, goes south behind the eastern industrial estate and comes out at Cape Paterson Road opposite the end of Garden Street (near Capeview Hardware)

### **Wonthaggi Heathlands Walk to Bird Hide and Baxter's Beach:**

3 separate walks - Heathland Map available:

1. Bird Hide, Baxter's Beach & Williamson Beach.
2. Cutlers or Near Beach.
3. South to Harmer's Haven.

### **Wonthaggi No. 5 Brace Walk to Old Rescue Station (6 kms):**

Flat wheelchair access. Inspect remains of old No. 5 Brace and Rescue Station, at the same time take in the varied flora and fauna. Look for gate and sign 100m from Caravan Park in Graham Street West. Map available at Visitor Information Centre.



#### **For further information**

#### **Phillip Island Visitor Information Centre**

895 Phillip Island Tourist Road, Newhaven

Phone: 1300 366 422

Email: [piinfo@basscoast.vic.gov.au](mailto:piinfo@basscoast.vic.gov.au)

#### **Cowes Visitor Information Centre**

Cnr Thompson Avenue & Church Street

Email: [covesinfo@basscoast.vic.gov.au](mailto:covesinfo@basscoast.vic.gov.au)

#### **Wonthaggi Visitor Information Centre**

Watt Street, Wonthaggi

Phone: 1300 854 334

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#### **Inverloch Visitor Information Centre**

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# **Walks & Bike Trails**

## **Bass Coast**

Grantville, Inverloch,

San Remo, Wonthaggi and Surrounds



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### **Bass Coast Rail Trail Walk** (16 kms 1 way)

From Wonthaggi through to Anderson, walk or ride. Brochure available at Information Centre.

### **Bald Hills Wetland Walk** (2 kms return):

Off Walkerville Tarwin Road; Bird hide and lake. Look for fantails. Great walk for the kids.

### **Cape Paterson** (1.5 kms):

Easy access. Start at playground near boat ramp and finish at surf beach near life-saving club. Several other walks along the beach. Great for inspecting the rock pools - look for the rock swimming pool in the rock near the boat ramp that was blown out by miners in 1910. Ask the Information Centre for a map of Bunurong Marine Reserve which includes Eagles Nest, The Oaks, Shack Bay, The Caves and Flat Rock.

### **French Island – 2 Walks:**

- 1 Prison Farm to Spit Point Circuit – 8 ½ km. Circuit in three hours each side of low tide. Easy.
- 2 Prison Farm to Blue Gums Return - 16 km return (Shorten to suit). Medium difficulty. Ask for map. For Ferry times ring Stony Point 9585 5730. Accommodation enquiries on French Island, contact 5678 0155

### **Inverloch Screw Creek Walk** (2.5 kms):

Undulating scenic walk over board-walk and salt-marsh up to scenic Bluff with views over Anderson's Inlet. Beautiful area.

### **George Bass Coastal Walk:**

Not for the faint hearted is a 6 km long track between Kilcunda and the southern end of Punchbowl Road. Enjoy panoramic views from a cliff top path high above the Bass Straight surf and beautiful secluded beaches as you trace the route of George Bass' coastal discovery voyage over 200 years ago.

### **Inverloch Ayr Creek Walk:**

A native bush and wetland stroll. Take the track near the bridge just past Abbott St. Follow the creek, passing the original log crossing, on your way to the bridge into Beach Ave. West. Walk up to Toorak Rd., turn left and go down past Cashin St. to pick up the track again on your right. Walk along a bush track over Royal Pde to peaceful wetlands and lots of birdlife. Wander through gum trees up to the highway, or take the track to Ullathorne Rd., or further on to Nesci Crt. Easy walking.

### **Leongatha Rail Trail:**

Walk or ride to Koonwarra store and beyond. Wheelchair access. Brochure available at Information Centre.

### **Phillip Island:**

Phillip Island offers many excellent walks etc. Ask at the Wonthaggi, Inverloch or Phillip Island Information Centres for information sheets and maps.

### **Venus Bay Anderson Inlet Walk (2 kms):**

When entering Venus Bay take a right hand turn into Canterbury Road, which merges into Lees Road. Anderson Inlet Walk begins at the end of Lees Rd. The track follows the southern

edge of Anderson Inlet east to the carpark at Doyle's Road. The track takes you along the intertidal mudflats where you can see a variety of marine plants and animals including mangroves rich with birdlife.

### **State Coal Mine above ground Walk**

Inspect this historic reserve, buildings & Mullock heaps with option to inspect the museum and go on an underground tour. (about 1km return). Enquire at Wonthaggi Mine Office for map.

### **Wonthaggi Wetlands:**

Easy walk cycle or wheelchair access. Enter off Dudley Road opposite Pony Club. Scenic walk over boardwalk. Terminates at the rear of Safeway.

### **Tarwin Lower Boardwalk:**

There is a 5 km walk/bike trail from Tarwin Lower to Venus Bay along the river. This is extended to 9kms through Venus Bay Township. Walk along the slow flowing Tarwin River. A boardwalk beside the river passes the historic hotel (built in 1917), then continues onto the riverside walk past the old Butter Factory (1929). Picnic areas and seats with river views at intervals along boardwalk.

### **Thompson Estate Walk:**

Start off at Tarwin Lower Road, Inverloch near roundabout. Flat; about 30 minutes; winds through bush to rear of tennis courts.

### **Walkerville North – Prom View Estate:**

Links the caravan park with Prom View Estate, a side track 700 metres leads to a viewing platform overlooking Waratah Bay and the peaks of Wilson's Promontory.