# SHORT WALLO

## **DELORAINE RIVER WALK**

A pleasant short walk looping around the riverbank in the heart of Deloraine. The walk features a series of sculptures along both banks and the kooparoona niara Cultural Trail also follows the same path, so you will learn about the rich local indigenous culture as you follow the trail. Dogs on leads are welcome.

Look closely, there are wild Platypus living in the river.



Time: 30 min circuit

Distance: 1.5km circuit



Deloraine is located 54kms south of Devonport and 53kms west of Launceston. There is usually ample parking at the bottom of town on West Parade near the Train Park.

Ref: -41.523523, 146.658264 (type this grid reference or "Deloraine Riverbank" into Google Maps)

Retail Map: TK07 Meander Valley



There are free BBQs, sheltered picnic tables, toilets and play equipment at the Train Park.

Deloraine also has multiple pubs, cafes, restaurants, shops and accommodation options.



**Grade 1:** No bushwalking experience required. Flat even surface with no steps or steep sections. Suitable for wheelchair users who have someone to assist them.



Supervise children near the river.

This is a lovely walk along the banks of the Meander River in Deloraine, offering a uniquely diverse range of experiences. The circuit takes you over two bridges, past the heritage train and children's playground and to the exercise equipment. There is a weir and several families of wild playpus in the river.

# Gardens

The well-maintained public gardens showcase old English shrubs and specimen trees (including giant redwoods) and a picturesque rotunda. The drama of the seasons is evident from the vibrant colours of autumn to the beautiful spring cherry blossom grove and rose gardens. Depending on the season you may see the gardens covered in frost during winter or people kayaking, dragon boating and swimming during warmer weather. The force of the rapids shifts to a different level during floods in wetter months.

#### **Sculptures**

The <u>Great Western Tiers Sculpture Trail</u> is a series of hand crafted works scattered along the length of the circuit. Known to the local Aboriginal people as kooparoona niara, the region has a rich, creative, mystical tradition that can be experienced via the intriguing works to be found on the trail. Take a walk up Emu Bay Rd, the main street in Deloraine and find another 26 street sculptures.

# **Culture & History**

## kooparoona niara Cultural Trail

In addition to the sculptures, with the aid of interpretation signs you can view the mosaic wall, wander past the 'bush tucker' plants, visit the yarning circle and continue on through to the <u>Wild Wood</u> where there are regular sightings of platypus in their native environment. Information on all of the above is available from the <u>Great Western Tiers Visitor Centre</u>, phone 6362 5280.

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