



Things to see

The assemblage of species and design of the gardens at the caravan park show style characteristics of Baron Von Mueller and William Guilfoyle who were instrumental in the design of many notable gardens in Victoria including the Royal Botanic Gardens in Melbourne. Over the years many trees have been lost to drought, old age and disease and have been removed, though the formal layout is still evident in the surviving specimens and cut stumps. Loddon Shire implemented works to improve the health of the remaining trees in 2008.

During the walk keep an eye out for fauna such as kangaroos, echidnas, lizards, frogs, water birds and a variety of bushland birds. Wildflowers provide a stunning display of colour in the right season.

As always in this region, keep your eyes peeled for any precious nuggets that may have been missed by all the fortune seekers that have trodden here before you.

Advice for walkers

This is a Grade 2 track; no bushwalking experience is required. The walk is an easy loop that may be completed in as little as 15 minutes but a more casual amble will provide a more enjoyable experience. You may encounter snakes, insects, fallen tree limbs, wire and glass.

Temperatures can be very high in the summer: be sure to carry water, wear a hat and apply sunscreen. Beware of vehicles on the roads and caravan park tracks. Swimming is not permitted in the reservoir and care should be taken on the steep embankment of the dam wall. Toilets are available at the rest area in the town centre; those located at the caravan park are for patrons only.



National Standards

easy Cyclists

Reservoir Track

Nardoo Link



Water



Picnic Facilities



Public Toilet



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HISTORIC GARDENS



WEDDERBURN CARAVAN PARK



NANCY STOKES COTTAGE

1.13km Loop

560m

190m

380m

TANTALLA St

THOMPSONS GULLY

HOSPITAL St





The Reservoir Track winds around the grounds of the caravan park before circling the reservoir and returning across the dam wall.

Gold mining operations required a reliable supply of water and the reservoir would have provided security of supply in the busy gold mining period of the late 1800's. In low rainfall areas catch drain reservoirs such as this one maximise flows into the dam. It was upgraded in the 1880's to provide fresh water for the town but today is used to water recreation facilities. Supply is augmented via a channel from Skinner's Flat Reservoir north of town.

The caravan park was formerly the crown reserve 'camp' during the gold rush and contains many exotic and native specimen trees that correspond to a garden established at the site as early as 1869. The area was declared a Public Gardens Reserve in 1934. The track is quite short at only 1.1km and is ideal to tackle in combination with the Nardoo Trail along the creek or as an easy, pleasant stroll on its own.



For further information

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