

Grampians (Gariwerd) National Park Information and Access Update

18 September 2026 (Spring Edition)



Information Updates

Junior Ranger Program

Looking for something to do this school holidays? Join a Ranger on free Junior Ranger activities held at Halls Gap Botanical Gardens. Learn about the special plants and animals that call the Grampians (Gariwerd) National Park home.

Tuesday 22 September 10am-11am

Flora Explorer

The Grampians (Gariwerd) National Park has amazing native plants. Learn how to identify plants, discover some of the special plant species found in our parks and find out why plants are way cooler than humans!

Thursday 1 October 10am-11am

Wallaby Wonders

Explore the secrets of the Grampians (Gariwerd) National Park's endangered Brush-tailed rock-wallabies through stories and play. Learn about challenges wallabies face and how you can help protect them.

Bookings are essential – book your tickets here:

www.parkconnect.vic.gov.au/junior-ranger



Brush-tailed rock-wallaby

Greater Gariwerd Bird Survey Spring 2026

RSVPs are now open for the Great Gariwerd Bird Survey (GGBS) Spring 2026. The official survey weekend is **17-18 October with a flexi-period from Saturday 10 October to Sunday 25 October 2026**. The GGBS provides valuable citizen science data for long-term bird monitoring with Parks Victoria. For more information on volunteering,

please contact Jen Gao at Parks Victoria, Halls Gap
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Volunteers participating in the Autumn 2026 GGBS.



Roads and 4WD Tracks

The Grampians (Gariwerd) National Park has several roads temporarily closed for repair works and upgrades.

Key Road Closures

- Redman Rd is closed from the Redman Trailhead through to the eastern park boundary
- Sawmill Track from Glenelg River Rd to Victoria Range Track
- Syphon Rd

Please visit the link below to access the full Road Report (including Seasonal Tracks) Update.

<https://www.parks.vic.gov.au/places-to-see/parks/grampians-national-park#change-of-conditions>



Campgrounds

Strachans Campground will be temporarily closed for major upgrade works until **29 October 2026**.

Alternative campgrounds can be booked at

<https://bookings.parks.vic.gov.au/book> or call 13 6393



Day Walking and Visitor Sites

Mackenzie Falls (Migunang Wirab) Revitalisation

This key visitor site **closed** for significant upgrades. These works include a new viewing platform at the base of the falls, safety improvements to reduce the risk of falling rocks, upgrades to the Bluff Lookout track, increased car parking capacity and improved traffic flow, and installation of wayfinding and interpretative signage.

Closures are scheduled to be in place at the main visitor precinct until late 2026. There is **no access** to Mackenzie Falls from the main visitor area or via the Mackenzie River Walk from Zumsteins to the base of the falls until all construction work is completed.

A popular alternative walk is Zumsteins Picnic Area to Fish Falls – 1.5-to-2-hour return walk (Grade 3). Further information on the revitalisation project is available at <https://www.parks.vic.gov.au/projects/western-victoria/mackenzie-falls-revitalisation>

Key Walking Track Closures

- Mafeking Picnic Area and Brownings Loop historic walk
- Chimney Pots, Fortress and Hut Creek walks
- Billimina Rock Art shelter
- Red Gum walk

Wildflower Season

Spring is wildflower season in Gariwerd. The Grampians (Gariwerd) National Park supports over 975 native plant species including more than 75 orchids. Some short walks in the park, noted for good wildflower viewing include: The Piccaninny (Bainggug), Heatherlie Quarry, Turret Falls and Hollow Mountain.



Green-comb orchid (*Caladenia tentaculata*)



Grampians Peaks Trail

Spring is a great time to plan a hike on the Grampians Peaks Trail (GPT), stretching from Mt Zero (Mura Mura) Trailhead in the north to Mount Sturgeon (Wurgarri) in the south of the park, finishing at Dunkeld.

Book online prior to arrival and for more information on preparing for the GPT refer to the 'Plan and Prepare Guide' on the Grampians Peaks Trail webpage before setting off on your hike.

www.parks.vic.gov.au/places-to-see/parks/grampians-national-park/things-to-do/grampians-peaks-trail



Rock Climbing

Currently closed Rock-climbing and Bouldering Areas

The following designated rock-climbing areas are closed due to bush fire impacts:

- Mt William (Duwul/Serra Range) 117-119
- Billawin South 101

For detailed information regarding rock-climbing and bouldering sites in Grampians (Gariwerd) National Park, visit

<https://www.parks.vic.gov.au/places-to-see/parks/grampians-national-park/rock-climbing-in-gariwerd>



Further Park Information

Visitor Safety Tips

Stay safe and get the most out of your park visit by preparing for natural hazards and other outdoor risks in Victoria's parks. You are responsible for your own safety and the safety of those in your care.

Make sure you have an enjoyable experience by following some simple visitor safety tips listed here <https://www.parks.vic.gov.au/get-into-nature/safety-in-nature/visitor-safety-tips-in-parks>

Brambuk the National Park and Cultural Centre

While the Aboriginal cultural centre building is closed for refurbishment, the information centre and gift shop is open 9am to 4pm, 7 days a week. Contact us on (03) 8427 2258 or email brambuk@parks.vic.gov.au