

Walk 12. WARBY FALLS HERITAGE TRAIL (Warby Ovens National Park)

Saturday and Sunday, Circuit AWTGS: 3-4 8.5 km (5 hours) 256m ascent/descent

A loop hike in the glorious natural beauty of the Warby Range, exploring the pioneering farming history of Ben Warby's family with wildflowers, flowing creeks and waterfalls as well as an historic saw mill, weirs and sheep washes,. At walk's end, an option for a glass of wine or craft beer under the magnificent Port Jackson fig at Booths Taminick Cellars.

Notes: First 2km overgrown, wombat holes are a hazard. The gradient is gentle at the beginning and end, but steep in the middle, with multiple obstacles and undulating terrain. A high level of fitness is required

Getting To The Start

(-36.374, 146.184) -- 30 kms from Wangaratta. 30 minutes.

Leaving Wangaratta Showgrounds, travel on Evans St/Yarawonga Road for 2kms, turn left into Wangandary Road, a further 1km left into Christensen Lane, travel to T intersection, right into Lindners Road for a further 2kms turn left into Warby Range Road. Travel approx. 5kms to turn right into Taminick Gap Road, continue over Gap and turn right at Black Dog Brewery sign. Follow the signs to the Brewery and Booths Taminick Cellars stopping at their carpark. **Caution:** 3kms of winding road over Taminick Gap and the last 12kms is on a good dirt road.

WALK NOTES

From the Cellars' carpark, walk through the farming equipment area, turn left onto the Track and over the bridge which crosses the creek. The track initially follows the creek and winds gently upward with some steeper sections. Great gully views are obtained from a scenic waterfall before the track veers left into more open woodland. Reaching Booths Road, turn right and continue for approx. 500m to take a further right into Spotmill Track, which becomes Cellar Track and leads us back to the carpark. The last half of the walk is on open woodland tracks.