

## Walk Details

<b>Walk No:</b>	10	<b>Yankee Mine Circuit</b>	
<b>Day:</b>	Saturday / Sunday	<b>Type:</b>	Circuit
<b>Distance (km):</b>	16	<b>AWTGS Grade:</b>	3
<b>Grade Description:</b>	Medium	<b>Total Elevation Gain:</b>	352 m

### Getting to the Start (-37.47357, 144.32128)

From Trentham muster point turn right onto Falls Rd, and drive 750m to the intersection of Cosmos Rd, then turn right. Drive for 13.2 kms to Blackwood, then turn right onto Simmons Reef Rd. After 200m veer Right onto Recreations Rd and continue to the Recreation Ground. **Driving distance from Trentham via Blackwood: 15.0 kms.**

### Description

A circuit walk along tracks north east of Blackwood, going past the historic Yankee Mine

### Walk Notes

From the Recreation Reserve return along Recreation and Simmons Reef Rds to Greendale-Trentham Road, then NE 50m to Martin Street on the Right. Proceed Right (NE) into Martin Street, passing the Hotel and Post Office. After 250m, ignore Whalebone Road on the right and continue on Martin St to cross Nuggety Creek on a concrete bridge, then swing East until you meet a private property on your right. Proceed north for 700m on Old Blackwood Road with a steep gully on your left. After about 3.0 km along Old Blackwood Road, take the Right track at the Y junction to Yankee Road. Head North on Yankee Road for 1.0 km then swing South and Cross the concrete bridge. Swing Left (North), to the abandoned Yankee Mine, which is visible from the road. Have lunch in a clear area nearby.

After lunch head South then East, turning Right (South) at the Yankee Mine Track. Follow this track South then NE for 1.9 kms to North Blackwood Road. Turn left and meet Chettle Road after 50m, turn into Chettle Road then proceed South down Hayden Track for 2.3 kms to Ruth Track. Turn Right (NW) then SW along Ruth Track for 1km to North Blackwood Road. Follow the road for about 300m, then turn right and left and follow the walking track SW parallel to North Blackwood Road (on the Right) for about 900m to join Shaws Lake Road. Take Shaws Lake Road, then for a further 900m, then turn Left (South) onto a walking track. Follow this track for 400m turning hard Left (East) along the river for 600m to join North Blackwood Road. Turn Right, cross over the bridge, veer left, and turn Right (West) onto Golden Point Road. Follow this road West 800m, then turn Left onto Old Golden Point Rd and walk a further 300m – and turn Right into Bates Rd. Follow this road for 400m to the cemetery and turn Right onto Byers Rd. After 100m, turn Left into Terrill St, then cross the main rd onto Simmons Reef Rd to Recreation Rd and back to the start.

### Cautions

Very long, steady climb of 200m for first half of this circuit. The walk involves two creek crossings on bridges that may be flooded after excessive rain.