

Walk Details

Walk No:	11	Tunnel Point Loop	
Day:	Saturday	Type:	Circuit
Distance (km):	13 km	AWTGS Grade:	3
Grade Description:	Medium	Total Elevation Gain:	394 m

Getting to the Start (-37.47357, 144.32128)

In Trentham turn left at Cosmo Rd and follow to Blackwood, approximately 13.2Kms. Turn, at the Blackwood Town Centre sign, which is left into Martin St, right at the Blackwood Hotel, onto Golden Point Rd and follow to the North Blackwood Rd. intersection, approximately 1.3Kms. Here, Golden Point Rd becomes an unsealed road. Follow for a further 200 meters. Parking is 'off road' on either side of Golden Point Rd. GPS Parking Point: (-37.47504, 144.32311). Driving distance from Trentham: 14 kms

Description

This loop walk starts and finishes on bush-roads but, is predominately well-maintained walking tracks in a natural bush setting. The Lerderderg river is never far from sight, whether from 80 meters above or, right at your feet. During the walk we will also get a close-up view of 'The Tunnel'. A river diversion tunnel, dug during the gold mining era of the 1855-1870.

There are two steep climbs with the remainder of the walk on often flat or undulating tracks.

There are still some signs of past storm damage but, most has been cleared.

The Tunnel Point Track is one of many tracks in the Lerderderg State Park and is popular because of the bush setting, proximity to the Lerderderg river, great views and well-maintained tracks.

Walk Notes

From the parking area walk back 200m and turn into North Blackwood Rd., the starting point. 1) After 2.2Kms turn right onto Tunnel Point Track and follow for 3.6Kms 2) Turn right joining Gribbles track and follow for 200mts. 3) Then turn right, joining Byers Back Track. 4) After 5.9Kms the track finishes and becomes North Blackwood Rd which we walk 1.0km, back to the cars.

Cautions

Walking poles can, at times of value but, are not necessarily a must have.