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# TOODYAY'S WALKS AND WILDFLOWERS



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### **Blue Lechenaultia**

*Lechenaultia biloba*



### **Christmas Tree**

*Nuytsia floribunda*



### **Fringed Lily**

*Thysanotus tuberosus*



### **Pink & White Everlasting**

*Rhodanthe chlorocephala*



### **White Spider Orchid**

*Caladenia longicauda*



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### **Cats Paw**

*Anigozanthus humilus*



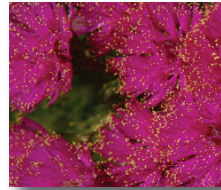
### **Cow Slip Orchid**

*Caladenia flava*



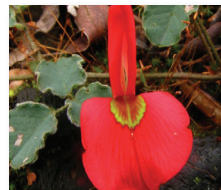
### **Pink Melaleuca**

*Melaleuca nesophila*



### **Running Postman**

*Kennedia prostrata*



### **Zig Zag Grevillea**

*Grevillea flexuosa*



## WILDFLOWERS AND THE TOODYAY REGION

Conservation and Nature Reserves throughout the Shire of Toodyay provide a unique opportunity to experience the region's natural heritage and encounter spectacular flora and fauna.

Nestled amongst magnificent hill country and the valleys of the Avon River, wildflowers are especially abundant throughout Spring each year. The diversity of habitats provide for an exquisite range of wildflowers, with some of the species listed in this guide to assist you with your discoveries.

## FLORA ROADS

Toodyay Flora Roads are sign posted and identified in this brochure. Pull-in bays offer opportunities to explore the spectacular sights, particularly during Spring. Each Flora Road is an example of excellent conservation, provides direct observation of landscapes, and is easily accessible by all vehicle types.

## NATURE RESERVES AND PARKS







There are many reserves in Toodyay, including Department of Parks and Wildlife (DPaW) reserves.

When visiting any nature reserves please remember that the lighting of fires within the reserves are prohibited year-round. Also endeavour to "Leave No Trace" and take your rubbish with you. Take special care to prevent the spread of Dieback by ensuring your boots are clean before entering any reserves. If you see any wildlife of interest, please make DPaW aware by calling 9290 6100. If you spot illegal activity such as vandalised signs or dumping of rubbish please also notify the relevant managers of the nature reserve.

For further information please visit the Toodyay Visitor Centre

### **Avon Valley National Park & Moondyne Springs**

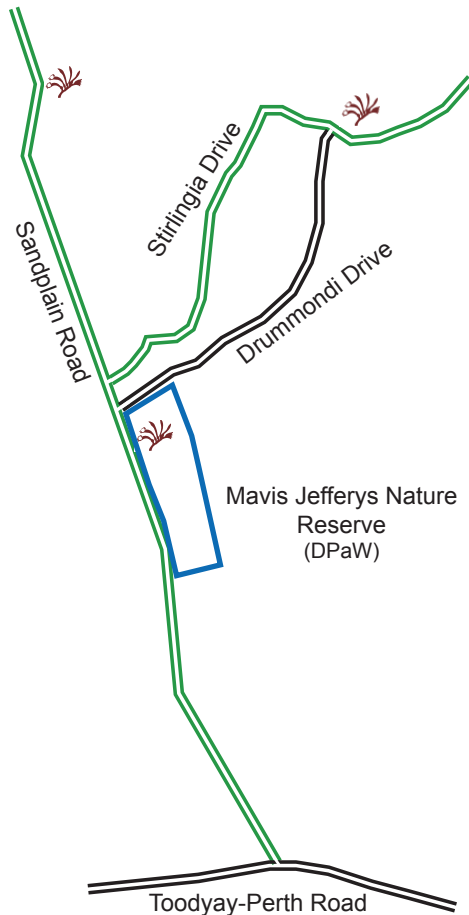
This park covers about 4,800 ha of bush reserve and is very steep and rugged with extensive granite outcrops, and many spectacular viewing points across the river valley. Further information about this park is available on the DPaW website: [www.dpaw.wa.gov.au](http://www.dpaw.wa.gov.au)

Key			
Reserve Boundary		Unsealed Road	
Walk Trail		Sealed Road	
Flora Parking Bay		Flora Road	

## Majestic Heights Flora Roads

Shire Map Ref: J7

Access both the Sandplain Road and Stirlingia Drive Flora Roads from either Toodyay Road or from Toodyay town via Racecourse Road or Folewood Roads. Stopping at Mavis Jefferys Reserve on Sandplain Road will provide an opportunity to enjoy the remarkable flora here. In spring numerous species are in flower and during summer you see spectacular displays of the vibrant orange *Nuytsia floribunda*, WA Christmas Trees.

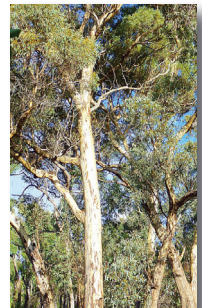


## Morangup Flora Roads

Shire Map Ref: M4

These Flora Roads combines a number of interesting features in addition to flora. You can follow the Toodyay Pioneer Heritage Trail while enjoying the wildflowers along this 14 kilometre section. The northern end is unsealed and involves a steep, winding descent to the river. This Flora Road is also an alternate scenic route to or from Toodyay and allows you to visit the nature reserves of Morangup and various points of interest along the Avon River. Be aware of heavy haulage on Morangup Road; it is recommended that you park in the designated bays.

**Parts of these roads are unsealed. Please exercise caution.**

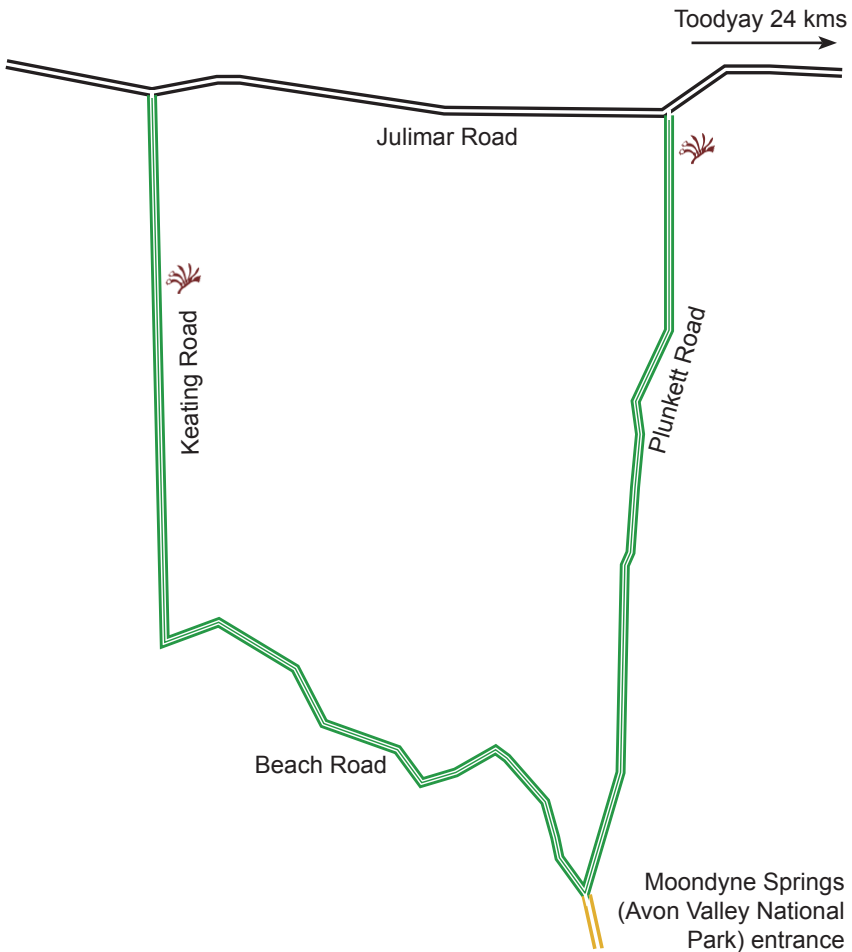


## Jumilar Flora Roads

Shire Map Ref: H1

If you're coming from Toodyay you can stop at the Dawn Atwell Reserve on Julimar Road before exploring the 12 kilometre long Plunkett, Beach and Keating Flora Road circuit. There are numerous opportunities to stop including two marked pull-in bays. Continue south along Plunkett Road past Beach Road and you can access the Moondyne Springs section of the Avon Valley National Park.

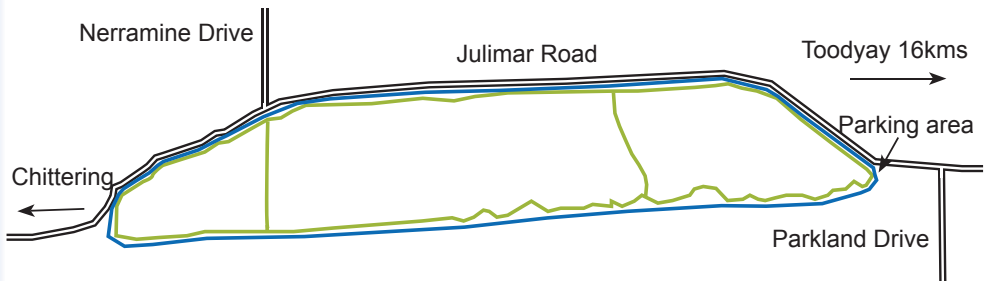
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## Dawn Atwell Reserve

Shire Map Ref: H4

Named after a Toodyay Naturalists' Club founding member this beautiful, Shire managed reserve has a special community history. The Club successfully campaigned for the reserve to be vested for nature conservation. The reserve now protects a range of pristine native vegetation from Banksia Woodland in the sandy eastern part through to Jarrah, Marri and Powderbark Wandoo. The reserve is easily accessed from Julimar Road with a parking area, picnic table and interpretive signage near the corner of Parkland Drive. The fire breaks and tracks are ideal for walking and the terrain is relatively flat. This reserve is renowned for its wild flowers with over a hundred species recorded there from the endangered Star Sun Orchid *Thelymitra stellata* to the spectacular *Banksia menziesii*, Fire Wood Banksia. Some 33 bird species have been observed here.



**Length:** 5.5kms around perimeter

**Area:** 85 ha.

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Trail signposted:** No

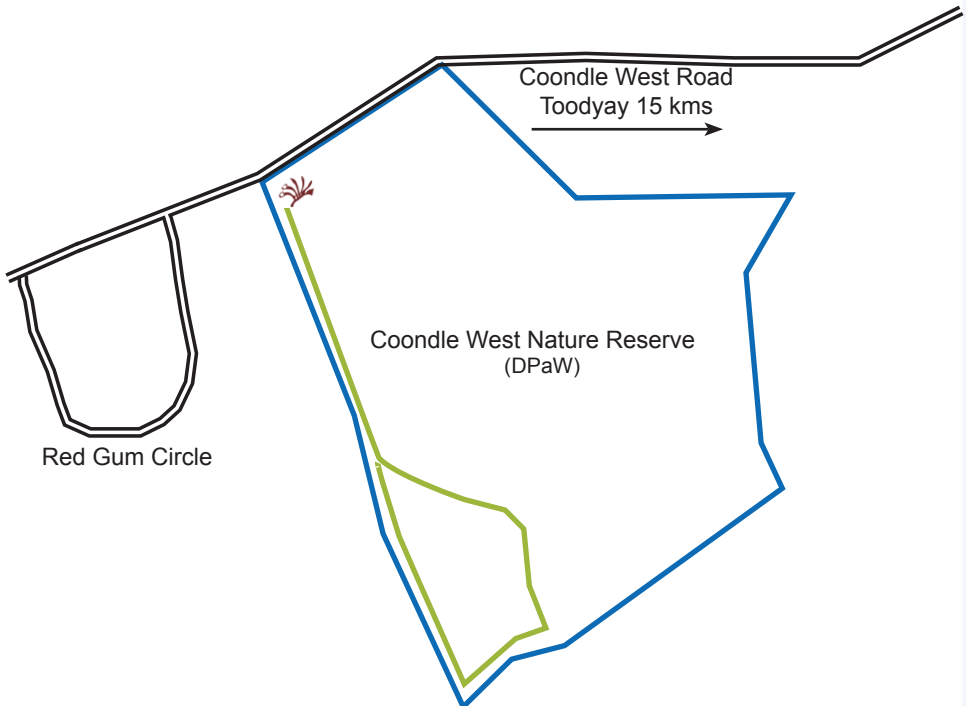
**Terrain:** Dirt tracks and fire breaks

## Coondle West Nature Reserve

Shire Map Ref: G6

Start the walk from the sign posted Flora Road parking bay and follow the western boundary fire break south for just over a kilometre. Turn east and enjoy the views from the high laterite ridge before making your way back to the parking area via the magnificent Wandoo Powdebark woodland.

**Length:** 2.5kms  
**Area:** 93 ha.  
**Difficulty:** Medium  
**Trail signposted:** No  
**Terrain:** Dirt track

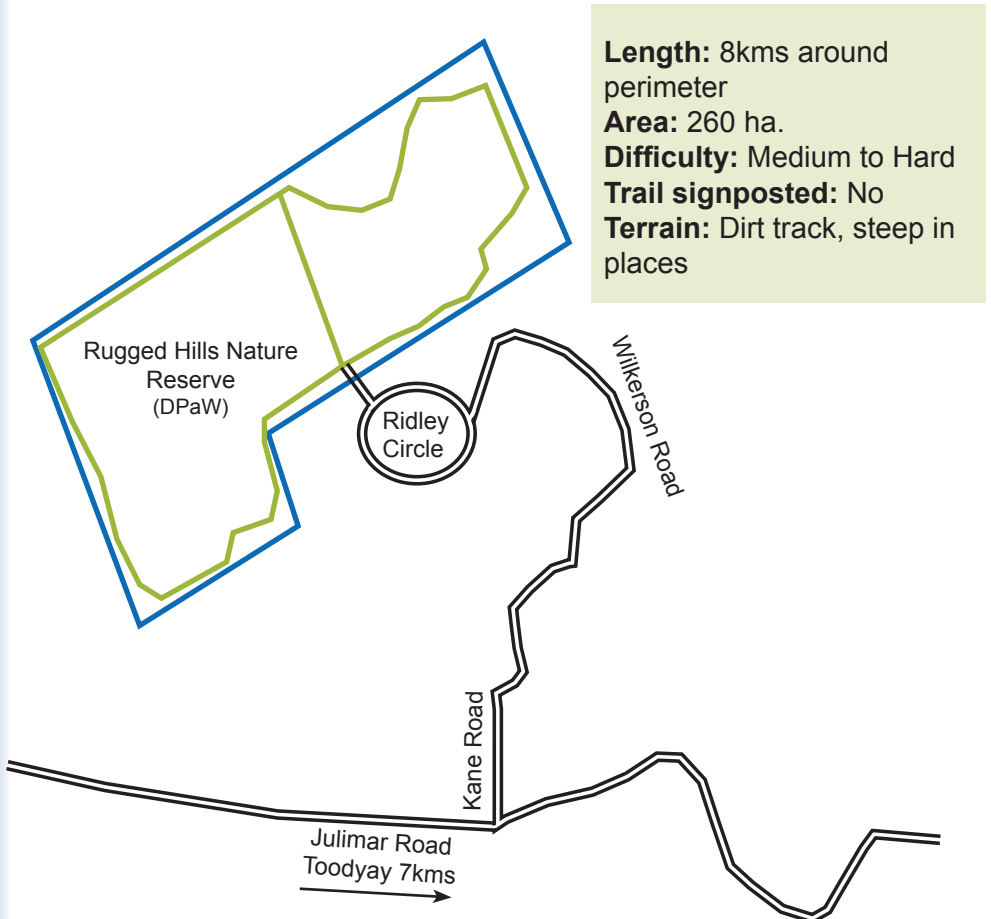


## Rugged Hills Nature Reserve

Shire Map Rf: H6

Access to this reserve is via Ridley Circle. The perimeter walk is approx. 8 kms but you can shorten it by taking the fire break that runs through the middle of the reserve.

There are some steep hills that take you to beautiful views, especially from the eastern end of the northern boundary. Varied vegetation with Wandoo, Jarrah and Marri. Lots of wildflowers in spring. Plenty of bird life and good chance of seeing the elusive Black-gloved Wallaby and Euro.



## Wongamine Nature Reserve

Shire Map Ref: H11

Historically used as a watering/stopping place, and for timber and gravel extraction, Wongamine Reserve is now used for conservation purposes. With its northern extension and Shire managed adjoining western portion the reserve boasts a range of diverse vegetation.

Species include the Mottlecah which has the largest Eucalypt flower in the world, Brown Mallet, Drummond's Gum and fine examples of Salmon Gum in the Toodyay Shire. In spring wildflowers of all kinds abound. Walking access in the reserve is facilitated by the many fire breaks. Forest Rd is a designated Flora Road with a sign-posted pull in bay.

Take care when exploring the reserve as it has gravelly slopes and steep gullies.

**Length:** Various  
**Area:** 330 ha.  
**Difficulty:** Medium  
**Trail signposted:** No  
**Terrain:** Dirt tracks  
and fire breaks



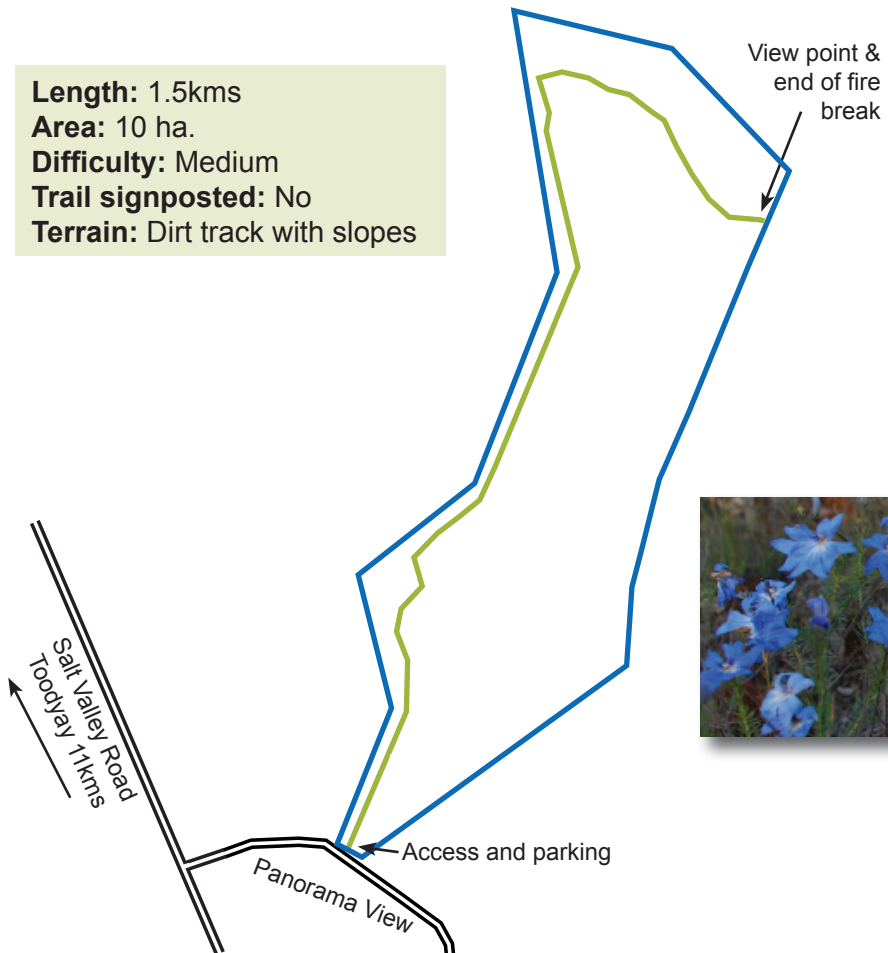
## Panorama Reserve

Shire Map Ref: L8

Access to this hidden reserve is from Panorama View off Salt Valley Road. The entrance is very narrow but there is room for parking. Follow the fire break on the western boundary around until it terminates overlooking the historical Clackline Railway line and enjoy the view from here.

The reserve abounds in spring wildflowers and provides important habitat for many bird species. Salt Valley Road also has a great display of wildflowers during the Spring season.

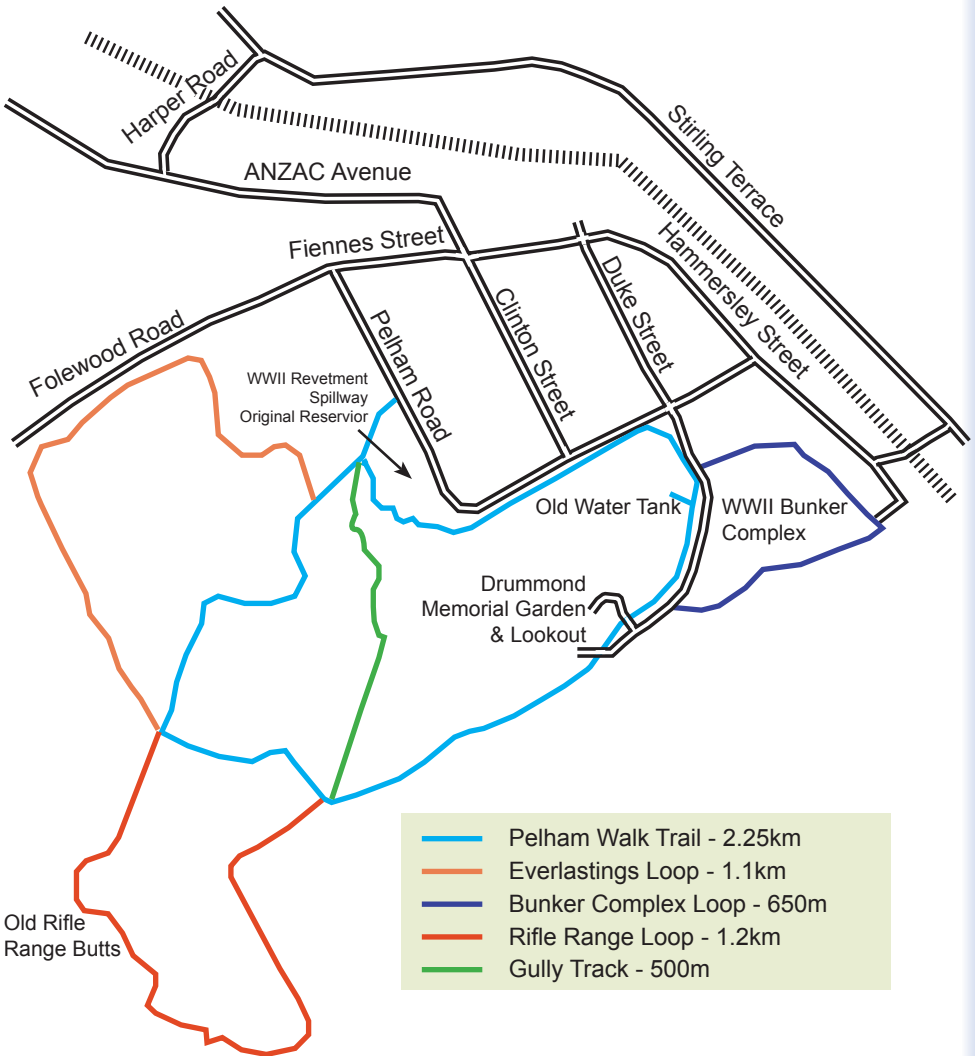
**Length:** 1.5kms  
**Area:** 10 ha.  
**Difficulty:** Medium  
**Trail signposted:** No  
**Terrain:** Dirt track with slopes



## Pelham Reserve

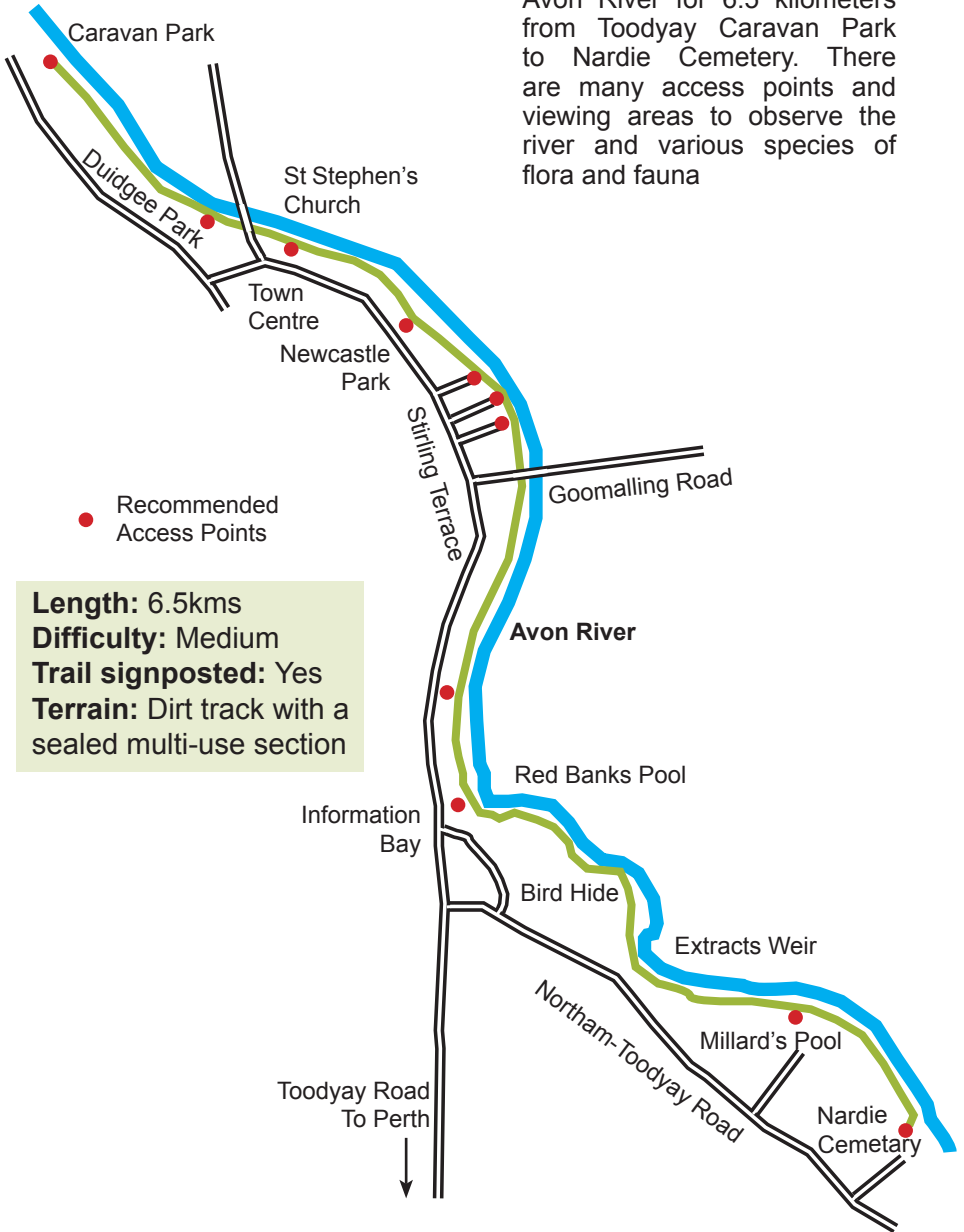
Town Map Ref: K7. Area: 50ha.

Rising up the slopes, overlooking the town is Pelham Reserve. The majority of this Reserve is York Gum and Jam Woodland with Wandoo Woodland in the southern corner. Wander through the 6 kilometres of walking tracks to discover the various historical points of interest, and vast stretches of everlastings.



## Bilya Walk Track

The Bilya Walk Track follows the Avon River for 6.5 kilometers from Toodyay Caravan Park to Nardie Cemetery. There are many access points and viewing areas to observe the river and various species of flora and fauna



**Length:** 6.5kms  
**Difficulty:** Medium  
**Trail signposted:** Yes  
**Terrain:** Dirt track with a sealed multi-use section

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## Notes

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Please take extreme care when travelling on country roads. Gravel roads can be slippery, particularly when wet, and wildlife may unexpectedly appear. Please note that mobile phone coverage is limited outside the Toodyay town site, so please be prepared if you are driving or walking into the reserves. Be aware that wildfires and fuel reduction prescribed burning can occur throughout most of the year. Please call DPaW on 9290 6100 to check if there are any scheduled.

The information contained within this brochure is intended as a guide only. Not all tracks are signposted. Please be prepared if you intend to go bush walking in natural areas; suitable footwear & a hat are a must, always carry adequate water and be aware of hazards.

Located at 7 Piesse Street Toodyay, the Visitor Centre also stocks a large range of wildflower reference books and souvenirs and is the ideal place to start your journey of wildflower discovery. The friendly staff are happy to assist you in planning your visit to our spectacular region.



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