

Mountain Bike Riding

Arthurs Seat State Park

Arthurs Seat State Park is home to over 20kms of designated mountain bike trail within natural bushland, offering a diverse riding experience with a mixture of tight technical trails, challenging climbs, and flowing descents. The trails can be enjoyed individually, with friends or you can join the local riding club Red Hill Riders.

Access

There are three options to start your mountain bike trail experience, these are marked on the attached map.

1. **Boundary Road Carpark**, Hillview Community Reserve, Boundary Road, Dromana. Here you will find toilets, drinking water and a bike maintenance station. The start of the trails is found 400m south (uphill) of the carpark. Trail information is found inside the park boundary gate.
2. **Arthurs Seat Road Mountain Bike Carpark**, at the water tank on Arthurs Seat Rd. From here you can access the parks' eastern trails easily. There are no toilets available. Please bring your own drinking water.
3. **Seawinds Mountain Bike Carpark**, to the immediate left at the entry on Purves Road, Arthurs Seat. There are toilets, however, please bring your own drinking water.

Mountain bike shuttle services and guided tours are available. Call Parks Victoria on 13 1963 for registered service providers.

Rules of the trail

These are in place to help you and other park users stay safe and keep the park in good condition for the future:

- Wear appropriate safety gear including a helmet
- Obey trail signage and note one-way and shared trails
- Only ride on formed designated bike trails
- Don't make short cuts
- Respect the rights of other park users
- Do not disturb plants or animals
- Trails may be closed due to extreme weather and/or official events

Trail difficulty rating



Easy - Suitable for beginner riders, with firm and stable surfaces and avoidable obstacles.



Intermediate - Suitable for riders with some off-road experience. Variety of terrain, including obstacles and some steep sections.



Very difficult - Suitable for experienced riders. Challenging terrain and frequent obstacles.

At the start of each black run, safety and risk signage is located on a 'skills gate.' The skills gate is an indicator of the terrain and the trail surfacing you can expect along its length. If you are unable to safely navigate the skills gate, you should consider riding a different trail.



New to riding?

From the Arthurs Seat Road Carpark, a great first-time run is the Loop Trail (best ridden clockwise) then Wonga, followed by Slippery Gypsy. This will take you to Wombat Junction where you can ride High Roller, a cruisy flowy blue trail to the base of the park.

As you progress in skills, Rock Salt and Wombat will introduce you to roots and rocks. Riders may also choose to explore Sawtooth and Bowsaw for a new experience.

Get involved

The Red Hill Riders are a local riding club who assist Parks Victoria in maintaining this trail network. Working bees are held on Tuesdays from 4pm meeting at Arthurs Seat Road Carpark. Stay updated with their activities on their Instagram @redhillriders or redhillriders.com.au

You can join this group by visiting parkconnect.vic.gov.au

Group activities

Organised groups of more than 30 people require an Event Permit. This requires approximately four weeks advanced notice. For further information please contact Parks Victoria on 13 1963.

Be prepared and stay safe

In an emergency call 000 for Police, Fire and Ambulance. If there is a green emergency marker sign near you, read the information on the marker to the operator.

Bushfire safety is a personal responsibility. Check the Fire Danger Rating and for days of Total Fire Ban at emergency.vic.gov.au, on the VicEmergency smartphone app or call the VicEmergency Hotline on 1800 226 226. On Catastrophic Fire Danger Rating days this park will be closed for public safety. For more information visit Parks Victoria online at parks.vic.gov.au or phone 13 1963.

Mountain Bike Trails

1 Wonga (1.7km) - two-way (part shared trail)

A flowy wide adaptive trail which links you to Slippery Gypsy. Great for first time mountain bike riders. Wonga is the Bunurong name for Arthurs Seat.

2 Rock Salt (1.1km) – one-way descending

A short twisting single trail with fast descents, pinch climbs and some rock obstacles. This trail is a good test before moving onto black trails.

3 Slippery Gypsy (0.7km) – two-way

Natural surface connective trail to Wombat Junction with minimal gradients and exposed tree roots.

4 Wombat (1.7km) – one-way descending

Natural surface trail with minimal gradients and exposed tree roots. This introduces small rock gardens and more technical cornering.

5 East Link (1.0km) – two-way

Natural surface trail providing connectivity across the landscape. This trail has wide open views of Port Phillip.

6 Pine Climb (0.8km) – one-way ascending

A technically challenging climb with narrow single trail, tight switch backs and exposed tree roots. For an added challenge, attempt this entire climb without putting a foot down.

7 High Roller (1.2km) – two-way

A fast, fun trail with some flowy berms and short rock features. This trail is a good introduction to blue trails.

8 Pins & Needles (0.8km) – one-way descending

A tree lined single track with fast paced root challenges. A large gap jump greets you at the base of the trail.

9 Fall Line (0.7km) – one-way descending

A fast and challenging trail with natural flow, berms, elevated dirt mounds and rock armoring. This is the easiest of the black trails in the park.

10 Deadwoods (0.7km) – one-way descending

A tight technical trail with roots, rock drops and steep chutes. This is very raw riding terrain requiring commitment to each drop.

11 Crits (0.6km) – one-way descending

A short, fast descending trail dropping quickly over a rocky rutted surface similar to trails in the You Yangs.

12 Loop Trail (1.8km) – two-way

Easy riding on a wide trail like Wonga. This trail is suited to a cross country style rider. This trail is best ridden in a clockwise direction, but it is up to you.

13 Charlottes Pass (1.7km) – one-way descending

One of the oldest trails on the hill, Charlottes Pass is a rocky, technical trail with staircases, the 'rock drop' and multiple tight corners.

14 Link (0.4km) – one-way descending

A short section of fast, natural trail leading riders towards Boundary Road Carpark. This trail is only accessible via Wombat.

15 Crusher (1.1km) – one-way descending

A tree lined single track with various bridges, drops, jumps and technical root covered corners. Don't be fooled by the top section's flow as this trail progressively gets more difficult the further you travel.

16 Sawtooth (2.8km) – one-way descending

Natural surface single track with berms, roots, switchbacks, finishing at the picturesque McLarens Dam. This trail combines a cross country and downhill riding experience.

17 Bowsaw (2.8km) – one-way ascending

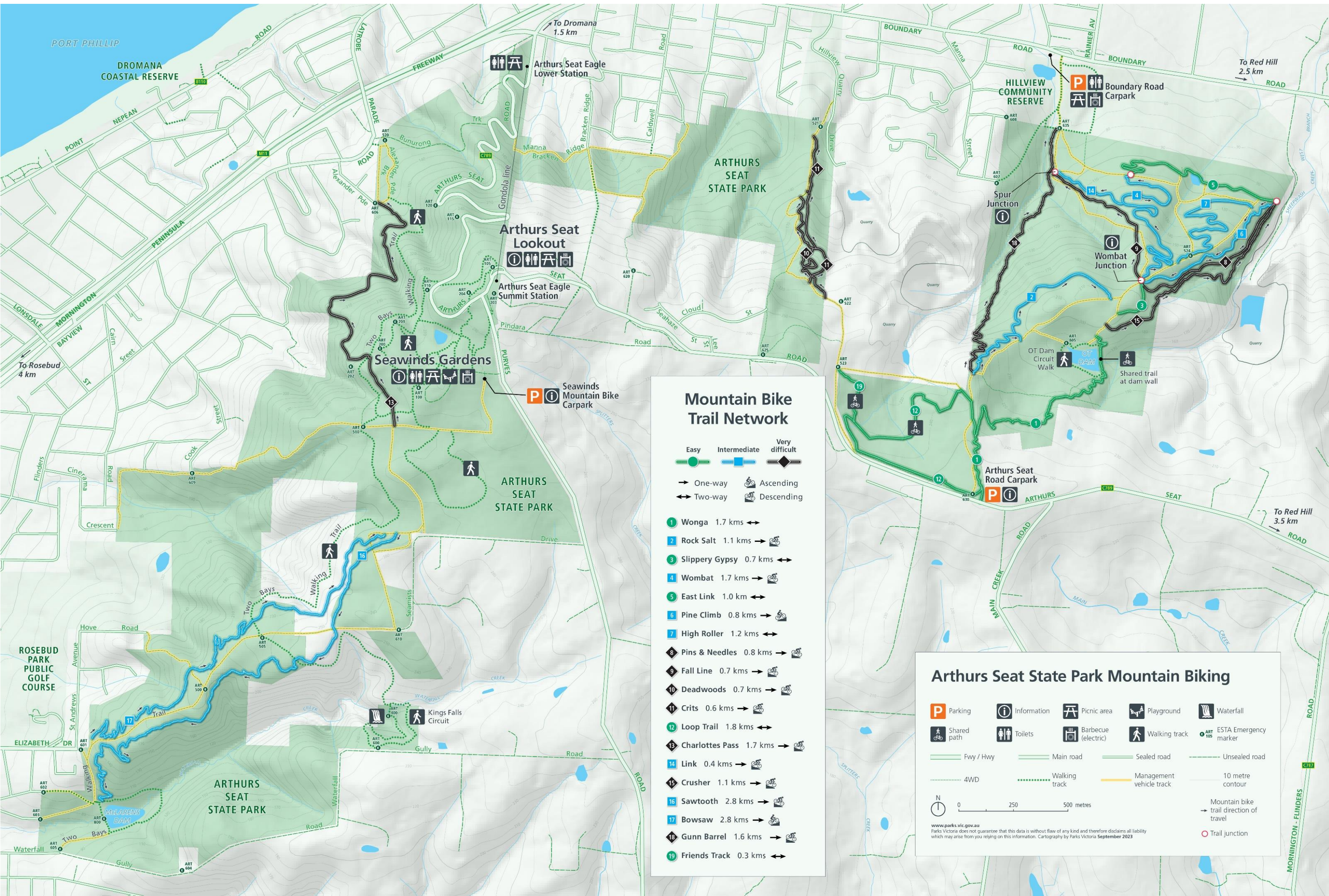
Enjoyable climb (after descending Sawtooth) returning you to the Seawinds area. Rest along the way and take in the bay views.

18 Gunn Barrel (1.6km) – one-way descending

A competition level downhill trail with steep rocky drops, jumps and fast flow to reward you at the end. Not for the faint hearted.

19 Friends Track (0.3km) – two-way

Natural surface trail providing connectivity to Deadwoods and Crits via the Loop Trail. Can you spot the old run-down chimney in the bush as you ride past?



Mountain Bike Trail Network

- Easy Intermediate Very difficult
- One-way ↺ Two-way
- Ascending Descending

- 1 Wonga 1.7 kms ↔
- 2 Rock Salt 1.1 kms →
- 3 Slippery Gypsy 0.7 kms ↔
- 4 Wombat 1.7 kms →
- 5 East Link 1.0 km ↔
- 6 Pine Climb 0.8 kms →
- 7 High Roller 1.2 kms ↔
- 8 Pins & Needles 0.8 kms →
- 9 Fall Line 0.7 kms →
- 10 Deadwoods 0.7 kms →
- 11 Crits 0.6 kms →
- 12 Loop Trail 1.8 kms ↔
- 13 Charlottes Pass 1.7 kms →
- 14 Link 0.4 kms →
- 15 Crusher 1.1 kms →
- 16 Sawtooth 2.8 kms →
- 17 Bowsaw 2.8 kms →
- 18 Gunn Barrel 1.6 kms →
- 19 Friends Track 0.3 kms ↔

Arthurs Seat State Park Mountain Biking

- P Parking I Information Picnic area Playground Waterfall
- Shared path Toilets Barbecue (electric) Walking track
- ESTA Emergency marker
- Fwy / Hwy Main road Sealed road Unsealed road
- 4WD Walking track Management vehicle track 10 metre contour
- N 0 250 500 metres
- Mountain bike trail direction of travel
- Trail junction

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