

## History of the Trail

The Whadjuk Trails were initiated in 2002 by local Friends groups to link remnant bushlands in Perth's Western Suburbs. It was their vision to run a series of annual walks along sections of the trail network to encourage the community to use and appreciate their local bushland areas.

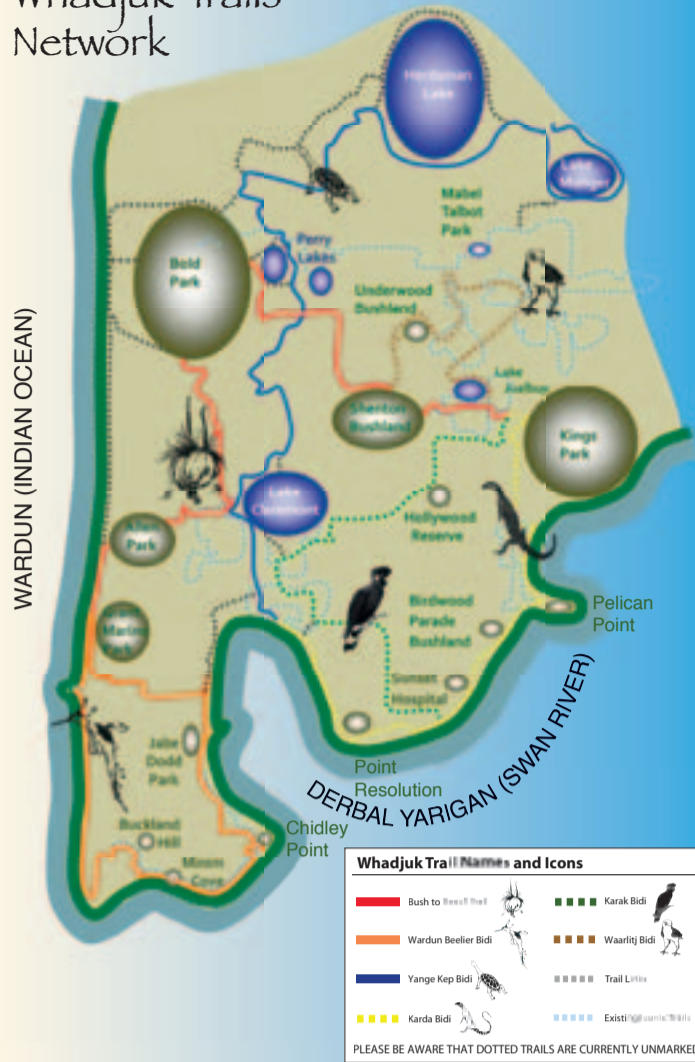
The Yange Kep Bidi is made up of 22km of trails linking wetlands and Bushland areas, Iconic and Heritage Trails, using both paths and roads. Due to numerous access points, the route can be walked in sections, allowing all to enjoy the diverse landscape and this natural environment.

## Map Options

- A free APP is available for download at [everytrail.com](http://everytrail.com) for i-phone or android providing a clearly-mapped offline route.
- Great audio guides are available with QR codes on your smart phone.
- A Google map option is available for a large variety of phones, or can be printed from the webpage.
- Trails are marked with triangular directional signage inserted into paths and bollards.



## Whadjuk Trails Network



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# Yange Kep Bidi



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21.2km



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[www.whadjukwalkingtrails.org.au](http://www.whadjukwalkingtrails.org.au)

## Part of the Whadjuk Trails

Yange Kep Bidi links bushland across local Government areas of; Claremont, Nedlands, Cambridge and Stirling, from Freshwater Bay on the Swan River to Lake Monger.



## Lake Claremont

As autumn rains begin, and the basin fills, male Moaning frogs call for mates. Over 95 bird species have been recorded here including the Purple Swamphen and Black Swan who build winter nests here. In spring when the paperbarks flower, ducklings and cygnets can be seen swimming among the rushes. On warm summer evenings you may catch a glimpse of a Boobook Owl, silent in contrast to the noisy Motorbike frogs.

## Perry Lakes

Perry Lakes are located adjacent to the site where the majority of events in the 1962 Empire (Commonwealth) Games were held. Historically, Joseph Perry purchased the land in 1879 later selling 1290 acres to the Perth City Council. When the City of Perth was divided into smaller municipalities in 1993, the Town of Cambridge was given the responsibility of managing Perry Lakes.

## Bold Park

Bold Park at 437 ha, is the largest remaining bushland remnant in the urban area of the Swan Coastal Plain. Incorporating a network of bushwalking trails that offer stunning views, it provides excellent opportunities for nature observation, study and exercise. Bold Park forms vital linkages to other bushland areas and is a sanctuary for over 1,000 species of flora, fauna and fungi. It also incorporates the Camel Lake dampland, linked to the Perry Lakes wetland system.

## Herdsman Lake

Encompassed by Herdsman Lake Regional Park, this groundwater lake and park totals over 3 km<sup>2</sup> (300 hectares). The lake perimeter is dredged to provide permanent open water during the dry summer months, and has walking trails for all to enjoy. Attractions include the Olive Seymour Boardwalk, Herdsman Lake Wildlife Centre and Settler's Cottage to the north.

## Lake Monger

Less than five kilometres from the city of Perth and situated alongside the Mitchell Freeway, Lake Monger runs approximately north-west to south-east towards the Swan River. The lake consists of 70 hectares of mainly open shallow water with a 1.3 hectare island situated in the south-west corner. Enjoy the 110 hectares of lake and surrounding parklands, known as the Lake Monger Reserve. This offers an ideal habitat for an array of native fauna and flora.

## Noongar Significance

The Yange Kep Bidi (Wetland Trail) traverses the land of the Whadjuk (Perth region) people. The Noongar people continue to share laws, customs, language and culture characterised by a strong spiritual connection to 'Country'. Places of significance include Lake Claremont, Herdsman Lake and Lake Monger. Education on law and custom occurred at these sites with information shared through telling stories, art, song and dance. QR codes on interpretive signs share some personal Noongar reflections.



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## Wembley Golf Course

Arguably one of the best public Golf courses in Australia, this 36 hole course incorporates a large tract of natural bushland.



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## Lake Claremont

This 21 ha park includes over 10 hectares of native bushland, offering fabulous bird viewing including the Eurasian Coot.

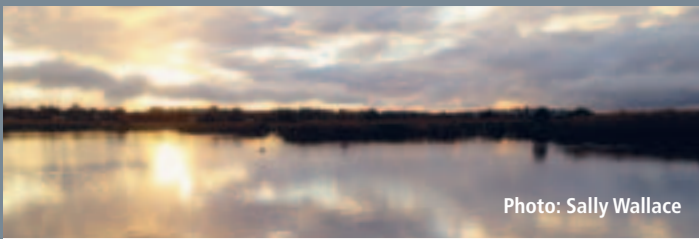


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## Herdsman Lake

The lake is a wildlife sanctuary with walking, cycling, picnicking, bird watching and wildflower spotting popular activities.



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## Lake Monger Reserve

Enjoy stunning views of the city. Local Noongar people used the lakes for resources and as a meeting place, with up to 400 people recorded in corroborees here.



Photo: David Free

## Perry Lakes

Significant to the Aboriginal people, the lakes were historically used as a fishing hole. Look for the amazingly camouflaged Tawny Frogmouth found here.



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## Freshwater Bay

Situated about 5 km upstream from the mouth of the river at Fremantle, much of the bay's foreshore on the western and eastern sides are limestone cliffs.

## Additional Information

**Transport:** [www.transperth.wa.gov.au](http://www.transperth.wa.gov.au)

### Bushland Friends Groups

**Lake Claremont:**  
[www.friendsoflakeclaremont.org](http://www.friendsoflakeclaremont.org)

**Bold Park:**  
[www.bgpa.wa.gov.au](http://www.bgpa.wa.gov.au) | [friendsbp@bgpa.wa.gov.au](mailto:friendsbp@bgpa.wa.gov.au)

**Herdsman Lake:**  
[www.wagouldleague.com.au](http://www.wagouldleague.com.au)

### Noongar Information:

[www.swanrivertrust.wa.gov.au](http://www.swanrivertrust.wa.gov.au)  
[www.perthregionnrm.com/media/75101/Updated-Noongar-Coastal-Trail.jpg](http://www.perthregionnrm.com/media/75101/Updated-Noongar-Coastal-Trail.jpg)



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Further information available online  
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