

Grampians National Park Recovery Update

September 15th 2016 (For the weekend 17/18th September)

Recent floods and past bushfires have impacted the Grampians National Park. Road access throughout the park is limited however many popular visitor sites have now reopened. Use this guide to help plan your visit. Please note – this guide will be updated regularly, ensure you have the most recent version by visiting www.parks.vic.gov.au or by calling into Brambuk the National Park and Cultural Centre in Halls Gap, or a local Visitor Information Centre.

What's closed and what's open in the Grampians National Park?

Grampians Flood Closures

Road surfaces and water crossings throughout the park have been damaged by recent flooding rain. Many of the unsealed roads and tracks are currently closed throughout the Victoria Valley, East Grampians and some roads in the Northern Grampians. Mt Victory/Northern Grampians Road is closed to the west of Mackenzie Falls.

Seasonal road closures and Management vehicle only tracks also remain closed.

Please stay on open roads and tracks only. Respect road closures as there may be dangerous washouts behind them and nowhere to turn around once past them.

Please refer to the attached [Park Access Map](#) and [Grampians Road Report](#) for detailed road access information. The best access options are listed with the open visitor sites information overleaf.

Northern Grampians Fire Closures

An official fire closure still remains in place for the Mt Difficult Range (South of Roses Gap to Northern Grampians Road – around Lake Wartook). The area is closed to all activities including bushwalking, camping, rock-climbing and bouldering. **Dispersed bush camping within the Northern Grampians fire scar is currently not permitted.**

Closed Walking Tracks

- Zumsteins, Fish Falls and the Mackenzie River Walk
- Mt Difficult overnight walks
- Briggs Bluff
- Western half of the Mt Stapylton Loop walking track
- Golton Gorge
- Ngamadjidj Shelter
- Gulgurn Manja Art Shelter

Closed Campgrounds

- Boreang Campground
- Kalyrna Campground and Waterfall
- Troopers Creek Campground
- All bush camps in the Northern Grampians fire affected area, including the Mt Difficult Hiker Camps
- Stapylton Campground will reopen September 24th 2016. Please book online prior to arrival.

Closed Rock Climbing Areas

Due to the fire closure in the Mt Difficult Range there are a number of sites currently not accessible. Please see the [Rock Climbing and Bouldering Update Sheet](#) for details.

Further Information

For updates on the many camping, walking and driving opportunities in the park, call into Brambuk, the National Park and Cultural Centre in Halls Gap, visit the local Visitor Information Centre or call Parks Victoria on 13 19 63.

Open Visitor Sites and walking tracks

There are a number of popular visitor sites open throughout the Grampians, however road access may be restricted. Please visit Brambuk the National Park and Cultural Centre for detailed information on road access and closures.

Open Sites Central Grampians:

- Mackenzie Falls, Reeds Lookout, the Balconies, Boroka Lookout
- All Wonderland Range walks, including the Grampians Peaks Trail overnight walk (Note a detour is in place between Lake Bellfield and Borough Huts – walk along road instead)
- Sundial Peak and Mt Rosea areas
- All short walks around Halls Gap (note a large washout on the Fyans Creek loop walk near Brambuk)
- Borough Huts Campground
- Smiths Mill Campground

Open Sites Northern Grampians (Northern Mt Difficult Range)

- Due to the closure of the northern section of Mt Zero Road, the best access to the Northern Grampians from Halls Gap is via Fyans creek road, Greenhole road, Mt Drummond road, Western Hwy, Dadswells Bridge road, Winfields road, Mt Zero road. Alternatively, you can access Roses Gap Road from Halls Gap along Mt Zero Road.
- Mt Zero, Flat Rock, Hollow Mountain
- Mt Stapylton Walk (*return only*)
- Beehive Falls Walk, Heatherlie Quarry.
- Mackenzie Falls area
- Summerday Valley Rock Climbing area
- Plantation Campground
- Stapylton Campground – will reopen from the 24th of September 2016. Bookings essential. Please book online prior to arrival.

Open Sites East Grampians (Mt William Range)

Grampians Tourist Road is open.

- Mt William Carpark and Summit Walk
- Mafeking (via Jimmy ck Mafeking rd only)
- Major Mitchell Plateau Overnight Walk
- Jimmy Creek Campground

Open Sites South/West Grampians (Serra & Victoria Range)

Access to the southern Grampians is available via the Grampians Tourist Road to Dunkeld.

- Mt Abrupt
- Mt Sturgeon
- The Piccaninny
- Mafeking Picnic Area (from west Jimmy Creek Rd and Mafeking road only)
- Wannon Crossing Campground
- Strachans Campground
- Buandik Campground
- Manja and Billimina art shelters, Jarwardjali falls.

Note: Access to the Western Grampians is via Grampians Tourist Road, Mirranatawa road, Jensens Road, Glenelg River Road, Henty Hwy Billywing Road, Harrops Track.

FURTHER INFORMATION: Further rainfall and closures may occur. Always confirm current park closures by visiting Brambuk the National Park and Cultural Centre in Halls Gap (phone 03 5361 4000); check online at www.parks.vic.gov.au. or phone 13 1963. Alternatively you can visit a local Visitor Information Centre.

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