

Top 10 PARKS & TRAILS



Millennium Esplanade

Millennium Esplanade, situated along Tannum Sands beach, is an all-ages park adjoining the beach. The park area boasts shelter huts, barbecues and playground equipment surrounded by open grassed areas. The esplanade is linked from end to end by wide, flat walking paths and beautifully landscaped gardens.

Gladstone Tondoon Botanic Gardens

Gladstone Tondoon Botanic Gardens is a regional botanic garden maintaining a scientific collection from two main areas, that of the Port Curtis Region and Far North Queensland. The Gardens incorporates wonderful walking tracks and peaceful areas to relax and enjoy a picnic. Playground equipment, barbecue facilities and huge open spaces are available for those family outings.

Round Gladstone Trail

The Round Gladstone Trail runs along both sides of Police Creek and links with scenic ridges, small creek banks, Gecko Valley Winery and the Tondoon Botanic Gardens. The trail offers long flat sections along the creek banks and (for those who enjoy a challenge) steep hills and is ideal for walkers, runners, mountain bikers and horse riders.

Canoe Point Environmental Park & Trail

The picturesque Canoe Point parkland, adjacent to Tannum Sands beach, shows off our unique natural environment while also offering great family facilities (shelter huts, barbecues, playground equipment and open grassed spaces). The trail is ideal for bike riders, walkers and runners and links to a beautiful boardwalk overlooking Tannum Sands beach.

Mt Larcom Trail

As the name suggests, the Mt Larcom trail scales the mountain, providing a challenging track but offering 360 degree views of the Gladstone area and harbour at the top. On a clear day the island reef is visible to the east and Rockhampton to the north. The trail winds through eucalypt forest and grass trees and is an ideal training track for bushwalking and hiking.

Happy Valley Park Fitness Trail

The Happy Valley Park Fitness Trail is situated just off Gladstone's Glenlyon Road and starts at fitness station equipment. As you walk further along the trail the rest of the world disappears and you are completely surrounded by our native bushland. The trail is a great workout, with lots of hills and stairs, but you also have the option of doing 'half-laps' and easier trails. The fitness stations at the start of the trail add a good variety to your workout session.

Kookaburra Creek Park

Kookaburra Creek Park is a neighbourhood park nestled between J Hickey Avenue and Anderson Street, Clinton. Servicing the large suburb of Clinton it offers the neighbourhood children a place to play, with plenty of shade. It is very popular with the locals.

Witney Street Trail

Another neighbourhood area, the Witney Street Trail in the Gladstone suburb of Telina is a new, wide combination walk/cycleway linking Telina to Emmadale. It is well used by walkers, joggers, cyclists and families and links to the Emmadale Park fitness station, basketball half court and play equipment.

Lions Park

This popular family park is located along Gladstone's Dawson Highway (next to McDonald's) and has long been a favourite for families. The park has a large playground and long, flat bike path which is ideal for children learning to ride bicycles. The park is surrounded by seats, shaded by the large gum trees, for the parents to watch the children play. The park also borders Police Creek and children get the added bonus of being able to feed the ducks and turtles.

Flat Rock Reserve Picnic Ground

This picnic area, at Baffle Creek, is just one of the picnic areas on the Baffle. This beautiful reserve is a great place to have a barbecue. There is a popular boat club and nearby and the area is well used for sailing catamarans.