

Yallock-Bulluk Marine and Coastal Park

Where can I take my dog?

There are many places in the Yallock-Bulluk Marine and Coastal Park where you can walk your dog. As a courtesy to other park users and to help protect the park's wildlife, dog owners should familiarise themselves with the following information.

Yallock-Bulluk Marine and Coastal Park includes both dog-friendly zones and areas where dogs are not permitted. This is to help protect and preserve the fragile coastal habitats and the wildlife that calls them home. Dogs are permitted on some beaches and walking trails in the park, but should generally be kept on a lead, kept out of dog exclusion areas and follow seasonal time restrictions to protect the experience of other park users and vulnerable species like the beach nesting Hooded Plover.

On-lead areas

Dogs are permitted on-lead in the following areas:

- At San Remo between Footh Beach and Bore Beach.
- From Punchbowl carpark to Shelley Beach (the current George Bass Coastal Walk)
- Between Bourne Creek (Kilcunda) and Wreck Beach (Harmers Haven)
- At Cape Paterson between Wilson Road and the western boundary of Bunurong Marine National Park at Undertow Bay
- At Inverloch between the eastern boundary of the Bunurong Marine National Park (the headland east of Eagles Nest beach) to the eastern boundary of the park near Wreck Creek at Inverloch.

Off-lead areas

Bass Coast Shire Council manages a number of off-lead areas adjacent to the Park. Dogs are permitted off-lead for exercise in the following areas:

- Kilcunda on the beach below the Kilcunda Foreshore Caravan Park, around 150 metres west towards the rocks.
- Cape Paterson on the First Surf Beach from Whale Rock, around 250 metres east towards The Channel.
- San Remo on Footh Beach which is located at the end of Back Beach Road adjacent to the Lions Park.

When dogs are in these off-lead zones, a lead must be carried to bring the dog under immediate control if necessary. Dog owners must ensure their dogs do not worry, threaten, attack or otherwise interfere with any other person or animal. Owners are responsible for the control of their dogs at all times.

For the protection of the Hooded Plover during the critical breeding season, within the on lead and off lead areas dogs will be prohibited from the beach at site specific times (see table over page).

No dog areas

Dogs are not permitted in the following areas:

- From the eastern end of Wreck Beach (Harmers Haven) to Wilsons Road (Cape Paterson)
- On beaches within the Bunurong Marine National Park (Undertow Bay to the headland east of Eagles Nest) and the adjacent areas of the Yallock-Bulluk Marine and Coastal Park.
- Temporary exclusion zones set up around shore bird nesting sites.

Hooded Plovers

Hooded Plovers nest in shallow scapes in the sand on beaches in our park. Their conservation status is listed as vulnerable nationally and within the state of Victoria. They are particularly susceptible to disturbance by visitors and dogs including the interruption of feeding and breeding or trampling or predation of eggs or chicks because of these very exposed nests. To help protect the Hooded Plover and other beach nesting birds please observe these site restrictions.

Dog Friendly Park Code of Conduct

- Minimise any disturbance to native fauna, including birdlife in the Park.
- Consider other Park users and ensure that dogs are kept under effective control at all times.
- Ensure children are supervised whilst near dogs, as they are vulnerable to attack.
- Ensure your dog's identification, registration and vaccinations are up to date.

Cleaning up after your dog













Responsible dog owners carry plastic bags to pick up droppings after their dog. This significantly reduces the environmental and health risks associated with dog dropping pollution.

Monitoring the policy

Parks Victoria Rangers regularly patrol Yallock-Bulluk Marine and Coastal Park to provide information and education on appropriate dog behaviour. Fines may be issued to dog owners who breach the park regulations.

Further Information

Thank you for taking responsibility for your dog and complying with the park regulations that are provided to protect the plants and animals that inhabit the new Yallock-Bulluk Marine and Coastal Park. We hope that you and your dog enjoy your visit to the Park.

Location	At all times except 9am-6pm 1 st December - 14 th April	At all times except 10am-6pm 1 st December - 28 th February and Easter School Holidays	At all times
San Remo between Foots Beach and Bore Beach			
San Remo on Foots Beach (at the end of Back Beach Road adjacent to Lions Park) *			
San Remo from Punchbowl carpark to Shelley Beach (the current George Bass Coastal Walk)			
Kilcunda on the beach below the Kilcunda Foreshore Caravan Park, around 150 metres west towards the rocks *			
Kilcunda from Bourne Creek to Coal Point near Harmers Haven			
Wonthaggi Heathlands			
Harmers Haven between Coal Point and the eastern end of Wreck Beach			
Eastern end of Wreck Beach to Wilsons Road (No dogs at any time)			
Cape Paterson on the First Surf Beach from Whale Rock around 250 metres east towards The Channel *			
Cape Paterson between Wilson Road and the western boundary of Bunurong Marine National Park at Undertow Bay			
Undertow Bay to the eastern boundary of the Bunurong Marine National Park (No dogs at any time)			
Inverloch between the eastern boundary of the Bunurong Marine National Park to the eastern boundary of Yallock-Bulluk Marine and Coastal Park at Wreck Creek			
Dog off Leash Area *			

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