



TRENTHAM WALKS



Trentham is a picturesque country town nestled among the tall timbers of Wombat State Forest. It's the perfect size for exploring on foot and offers access to several wonderful walking trails. Traverse the historic town centre or immerse yourself in the beauty of the bush.

Use the QR codes provided to access a Google map or detailed brochure for each walk.



Acknowledgement of country

We would like to acknowledge and pay our respects to the Dja Dja Wurrung as the traditional owners of the land we live and work on. On this land, the Djaara have performed age old ceremonies of celebration, initiation and renewal. We acknowledge their living culture and the unique role they play in the life of this region.

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1 Wombat Trail

Distance: 9 km return | Time: 3 hours | Grade: Easy

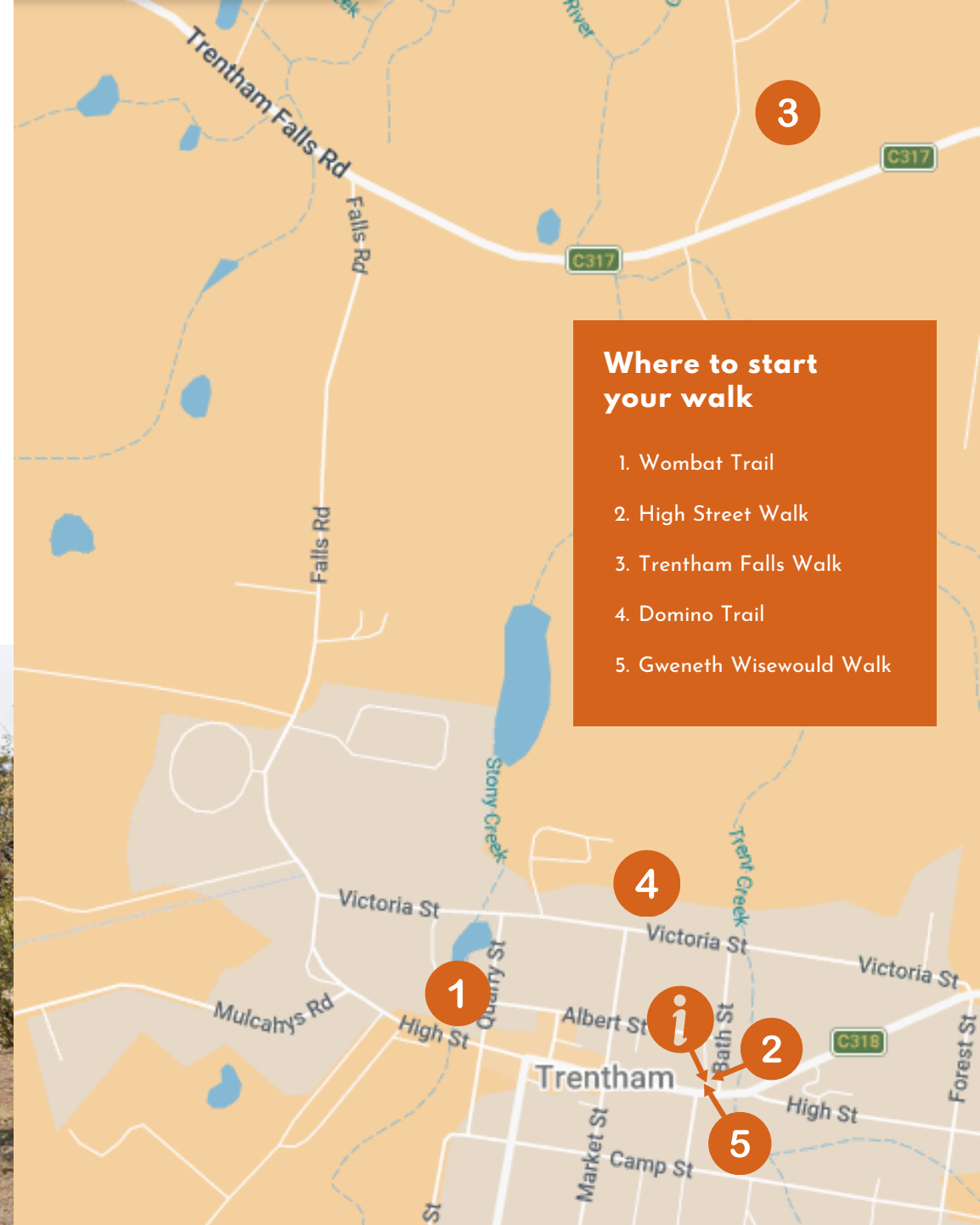
The Wombat Trail is an easy nine-kilometre walk that takes approximately two hours to complete. It links the Quarry Street, Stoney Creek, and Bath Street Reserves in Trentham with the old Trentham Racecourse Reserve in Wombat State Forest.

The walk combines long-standing former logging and vehicle access tracks with paths that have been developed in recent years. Much of the trail is located within the Wombat Forest and you're likely to see plenty of wildlife. It starts and finishes in Quarry Street Reserve, and provides a link between Trentham's early history and more recent changes to the layout of the village.

Follow the directional signs from Quarry Street Reserve, taking care where the trail crosses High Street and the Trentham–Blackwood Road. Once you reach the old Trentham Racecourse, walk around it in an anti-clockwise direction (as the horses ran), then return to town by following the same path. An alternative shorter walk back to Quarry Street Reserve is possible by turning off before you reach the Racecourse Reserve. Look for the details on sign 3. This shorter walk takes approximately 75 minutes to complete.



The Wombat Trail. Image: Pam Gleeson.



Where to start your walk

1. Wombat Trail
2. High Street Walk
3. Trentham Falls Walk
4. Domino Trail
5. Gweneth Wisewould Walk

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Gweneth Wisewould Walk

Distance: 2 km return | Time: 1.5 hours | Grade: Easy

As you drive into the township of Trentham, you'll notice an intriguing clock in the main street. It's dedicated to the equally intriguing Gweneth Wisewould – the unconventional and artistic town doctor for over a quarter of a century. We invite you to take a wander back in time in 'Dr Gwen's' honour.

Learn about this well-respected and much loved member of the Trentham community by taking in sights of significance around Trentham township. Dr Gweneth Wisewould arrived in Trentham late one rainy evening in 1938. She would spend the next 34 years supporting the most vulnerable and sick in the Trentham district. Dr Gwen came from a wealthy Melbourne family and had recently left her role as a leading surgeon at the Queen Victoria Hospital (now closed).

Her training and superb surgical skills saved many people injured on isolated farms and those seeking treatment at Trentham Bush Hospital. Dressed in her trademark boots and greatcoat, Dr Gwen often worked tirelessly through the night to attend to patients. She was never known to refuse a request for help or send a bill afterwards.

Gweneth Wisewould Memorial Clock



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High Street Walk

Distance: 1 km return | Time: 1.5 hours | Grade: Easy

Map ↗

Part of the land of the Dja Dja Wurrung First People for thousands of years, the township of Trentham was proclaimed on 27th April 1867. So began the modern story of this tight-knit community, and today it's one of regional Victoria's most beautiful towns. High Street is a reflection of the needs of local industry over the decades: from a wandering dirt track first used by timber cutters and gold miners seeking their fortune, to the current paved thoroughfare lined with retail and hospitality businesses.

We invite you to spend an hour or two tracing Trentham's history on this self-guided walking tour along High Street. It's the small details that make exploring Trentham on foot such a joy. Keep an eye out for the town's two Bills horse troughs. Hundreds of these troughs were built across Australia in the 1930s – the legacy of Annis and George Bills.

3 Trentham Falls Short Walk

Distance: 70 metres each way | Time: 5 mins | Grade: Easy

Trentham Falls is one of the most spectacular waterfalls in Victoria, and a must see when you're visiting Trentham or Daylesford. It's a particularly popular destination in winter and spring when the falls show their true power and presence due to increased rainfall.

This is the highest single drop waterfall in Central Victoria. Plunging more than 32 metres down a basalt cliff, it has formed a ravine several hundred metres long. Taking either the steps or gently sloped path, you'll catch glimpses of the falls as you make your way down from the carpark. Once you reach the viewing platform, take a seat on the benches provided or stand and admire the beauty of the natural setting around you.

Enjoy lunch in the picnic area, which has tables and fire pits. Dogs are welcome at Trentham Falls, but please keep them on a lead.



Domino Trail



4 Domino Trail

Distance: 12 km return | Time: 3 hours | Grade: Easy

The Domino Rail Trail is a picturesque walking, running, and cycling track that stretches between Trentham and the neighbouring hamlet of Lyonville. Starting at the old Trentham Railway Station, the mostly flat trail is about six kilometres each way and features seating at various points. Follow the trail markers to stay on track.

The trail passes through habitat of the endangered powerful owl, and follows the route of the railway line that once linked Daylesford and Carlsruhe. For nearly a century, the line provided an invaluable means of transport to and from the region.

If you are doing the Domino Trail on the first or third Sunday of the month, visit the community run Lyonville Cafe at Lyonville Hall and grab a bite to eat or a warm drink. It's a rewarding turnaround point.