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Coalmine Beach and Knoll Drive

A place where the forest meets the water, Coalmine Beach recreation area is set in stunning surrounds while scenic Knoll Drive offers lookouts over the Nornalup Inlet, picnic areas and Coalmine Beach.





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Must see

Knoll Drive takes you through the breathtaking scenery of the forest and inlets. Along the drive through the tranquil forests of the Walpole-Nornalup National Park you get sudden expansive views over the Walpole and Nornalup Inlets Marine Park. You can stop at the lookouts, walk down to one of the two inlet rock fishing spots, or have a barbecue among the whispering karri and marri trees.

Coalmine Beach got its name from the shallow seam of coal at the base of the cliffs. Attempts to mine the coal were abandoned as the coal is very low grade.

Getting there

From Walpole: drive east along the South Coast Highway for 3km, turn right on to Coalmine Beach Road. The main Coalmine Beach carpark is about 2km along the road, past the turn-off to the caravan park. Knoll Drive is a loop that brings you back to this carpark.

Travelling time

From Walpole: five minutes by car, 15 minutes by bicycle or 30 minutes by foot from Pioneer Park along the Coalmine Beach Heritage Trail.





What to do

There are several stops along Knoll Drive for you to enjoy.

You can have a barbecue at the Coalmine Beach picnic area on the north shore of the beautiful Nornalup Inlet. The beach is a great place for a swim – the area is a boat-free zone and the water is shallow and ideal for children.

The Channels picnic area has dazzling views of the narrow channel that links the Walpole and Nornalup inlets. Picnic shelters and gas barbecues make this a wonderful place to spend a sunny afternoon.

Bream Beach and Rocky Head are beautiful fishing spots where you can stop and try your luck.







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Fees

No fees apply in Walpole-Nornalup National Park.

Leave No Trace

Plan ahead and prepare. Remember your safety is our concern but your responsibility.



Travel on durable surfaces. Help us to protect this fragile environment by keeping to the trails.

Dispose of waste properly. Take your rubbish with you.

Leave what you find. This area is home to many species. Respect this unique environment and leave it as you found it.

Minimise campfire impacts. Campfires are not permitted in Walpole-Nornalup National Park.

Respect wildlife. Pets are not permitted.

Be considerate of other visitors.

Visit **emergency.wa.gov.au** for bushfire and smoke alert information. Visit **alerts.dbca.wa.gov.au** for park, road and site closures.

More information

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