

Golden Valley Tree Park



The department acknowledges all Aboriginal people as the traditional owners of the land and waters it manages throughout Western Australia. We pay our respects to them, their culture and to their Elders past and present. This park is located on the lands of the Bibulmun Noongar People.

Visitor guide



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Golden Valley Tree Park, Balingup

Golden Valley Tree Park is a 60-hectare arboretum divided into 25 hectares for Australian trees and 35 hectares for exotic species. There are more than three thousand individual trees—some planted in the early 1900s—covering more than five hundred different species.

The Australian collection is a developing collection which aims to demonstrate the diversity of Australian tree forms from tall eucalypts to mallee woodlands, dry season deciduous specimens and a small rainforest grove.

The world collection has many exotic favourites alongside rare and unusual trees including forty different species of oak. This collection follows an 'English park' tradition where the widely spaced trees have room to express their full crowns and create stunning vistas through the seasons.

Planning your visit

Golden Valley Tree Park is located on Old Padbury Road, 1.5km south of Balingup.

The park is open daily.

Entry is free, although donations are welcome which help maintain the park.

Trails lead from the carparks to various points of interest, but visitors are also free to wander. Many of the trees have labels and species lists are provided at goldenvalleypark.org.au.

There are seasonal water bodies on the property, although swimming is not permitted. Children should be supervised at all times.

There are toilets, barbecue facilities, picnic tables, a rotunda and a sealed all-access path.





Caring for the park

Please follow the low impact principles of 'leave no trace'.

- Plan ahead and be prepared – there are no bins and drinking water is not provided.



- Dogs on leads are welcome. Please pick up after your pet.



- Camping and overnight stays are not allowed.

Trails

The world collection and the Australian collection sections of the park each have three marked trails.

No bushwalking experience is required and trails may have hill sections and occasional steps.

The Bibbulmun Track also passes through the park.

World collection

Oak Grove Walk Grade 2, 1.5km, allow 45 minutes

Pear Walk Grade 2, 900m, allow 30 minutes

Sequoia Walk Grade 1 all-access path, 600m,
allow 10 minutes

Australian collection

Hill View Trail Grade 2, 1.5km, allow 45 minutes

Tall Gum Short Walk Grade 2, 650m loop, allow 20 minutes

Wattle Walk Grade 2, 1.1km loop, allow 30 minutes



History

Thousands of years before European settlement, this land was cared for by the Bibulmun People of the Noongar nation.

The park consists of portions of two farms. Golden Valley, settled by John Roberts from Capel in the 1880s, takes its name from the abundance of wattles in the creek. The Golden Valley homestead still stands and is heritage listed. Yungerup, the second farm, was settled in 1898 by Frank and Margaret Cleveland. The oldest planted trees in the park are two elms planted in 1901 at the front gate to Yungerup homestead (now gone).

In the late 1970s the two properties were acquired by the then Forests Department for the establishment of pine plantations. However, as a result of local public comment and at the suggestion of the Balingup community, in 1980 the department released the land for the creation of the tree park.

Support and donations

Golden Valley Tree Park has developed over many years as a result of the tireless hard work of volunteers and public generosity. Community members contribute to general park maintenance, new projects and hold regular 'busy bees'. Newcomers are welcome.

Make a booking for a special event, make a donation, sponsor a tree and find other ways to support Golden Valley Tree Park at goldenvalleypark.org.au.





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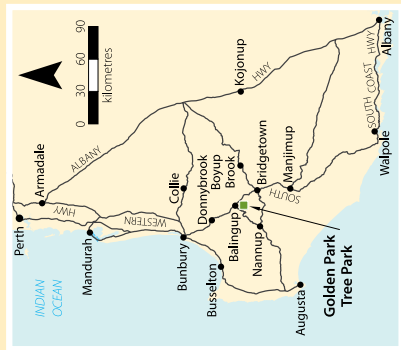
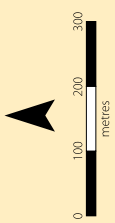
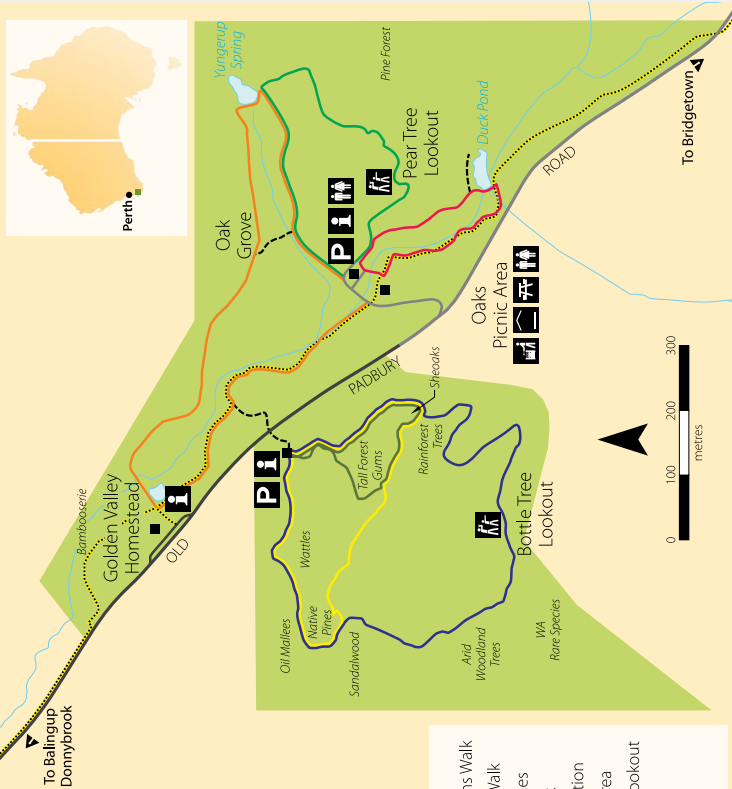
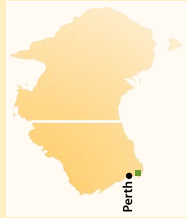
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