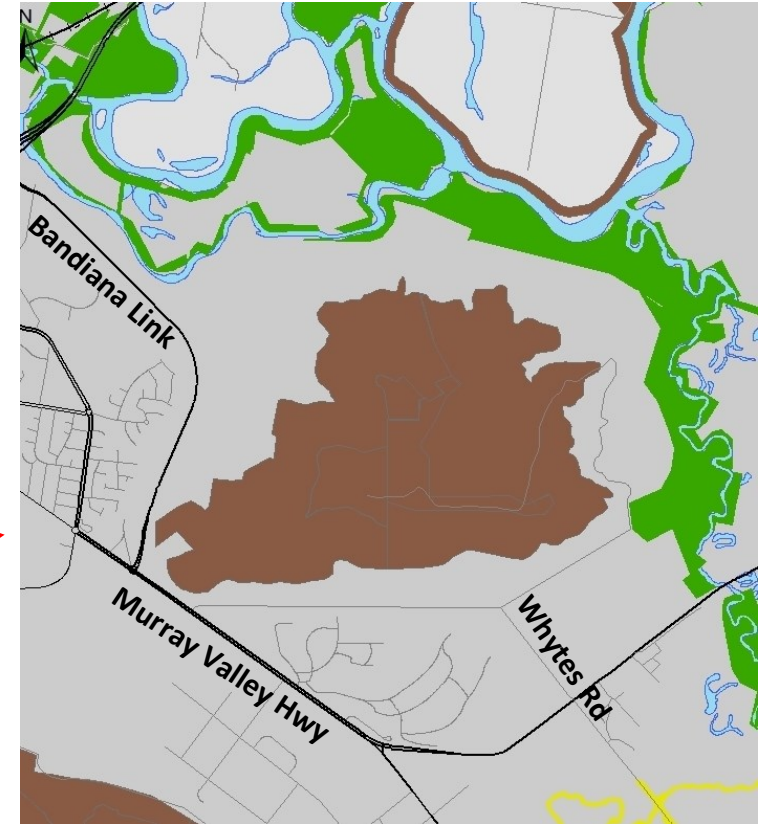
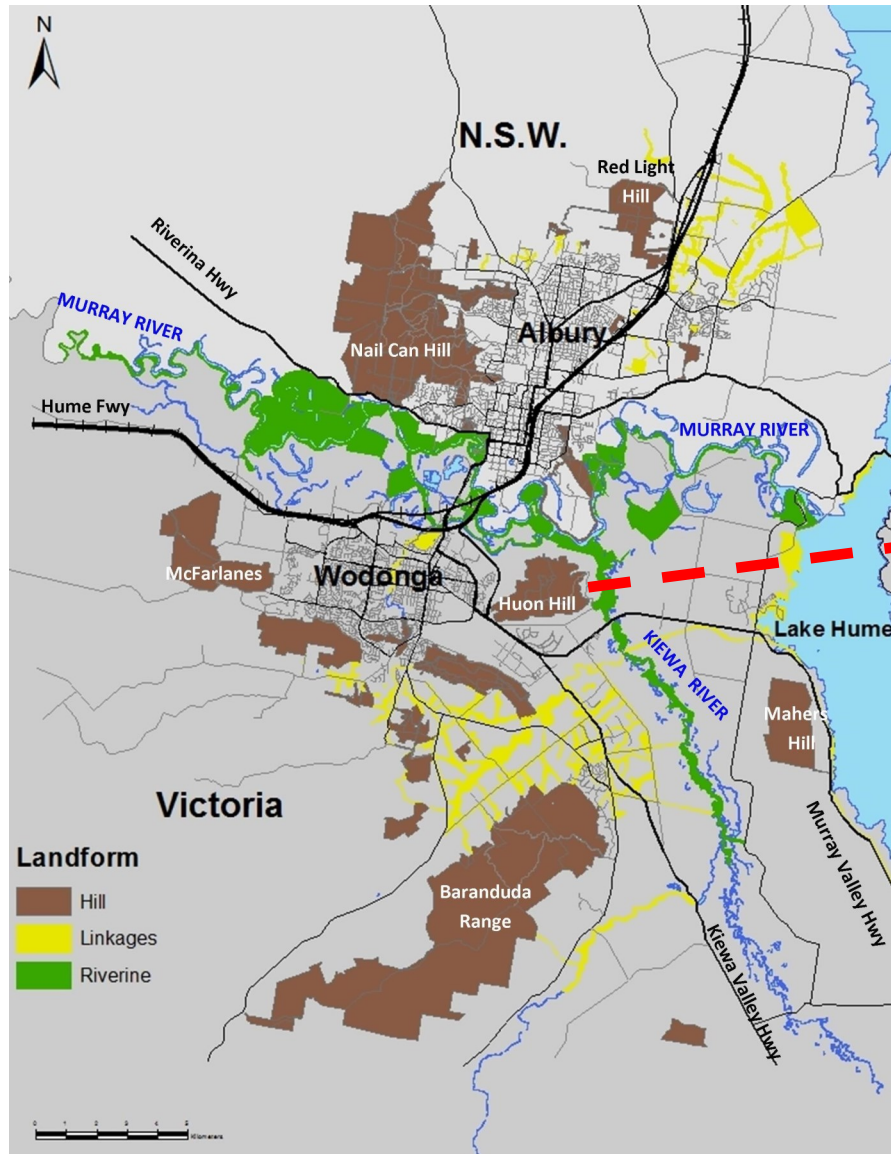




Getting to Huon Hill



Kiewa Valley Hwy

Highlights: spectacular views of the Kiewa Valley, Lake Hume and snow on Kosciusko and the Bogong High Plains during winter.

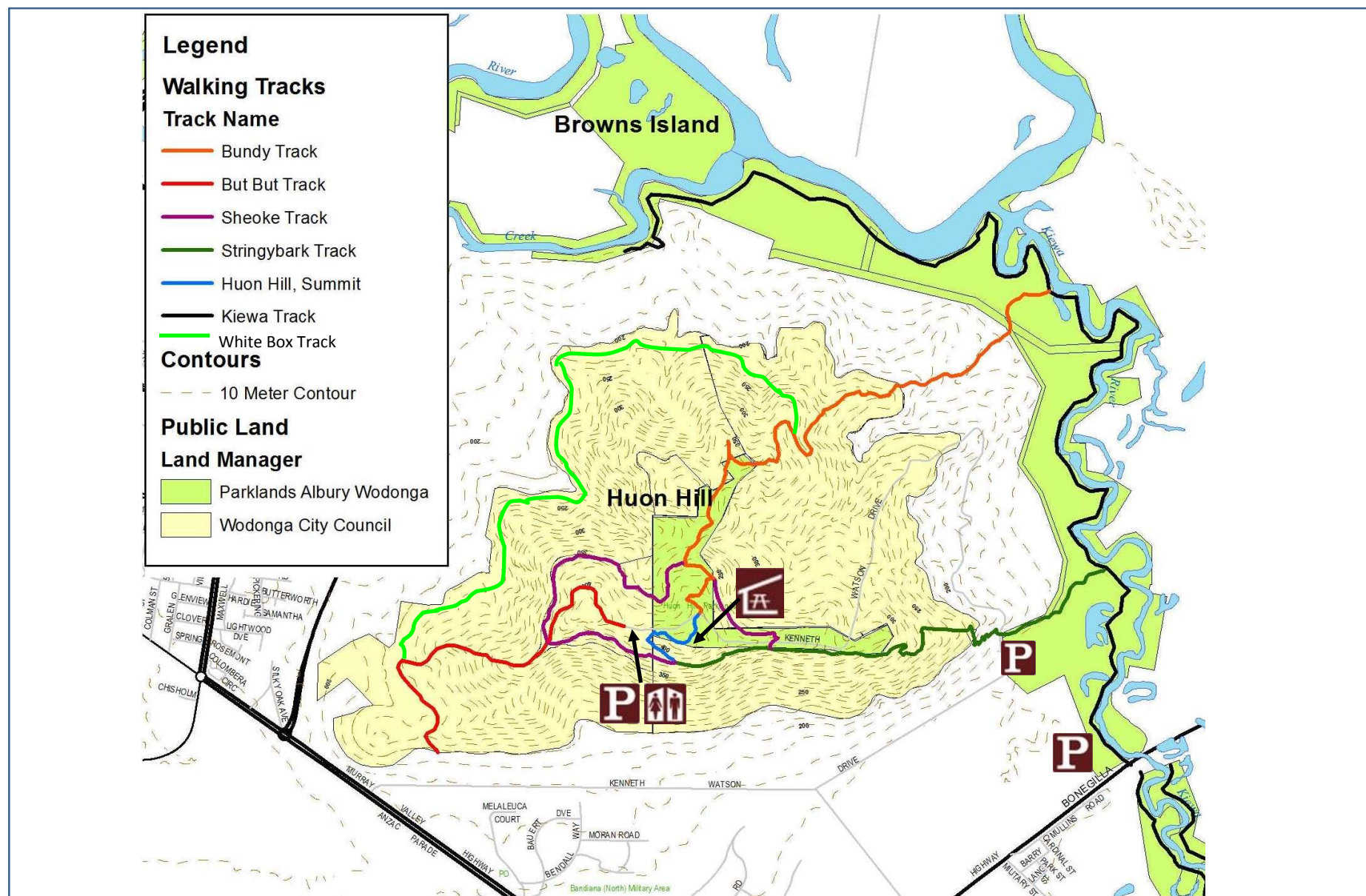
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Bush parks and trails
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Nature Trail Notes

Huon Hill Nature Trails Map





Huon Hill Nature Trails

This network of natural areas at Huon Hill gives you the benefits of nature close to home. The tracks are named after typical tree species found in the Box Gum Grassy Woodland landscape, a landscape that is increasingly rare in Australia.

SUMMIT TRAIL

0.6 km, 25 minutes return, medium

This short yet steep trail starts at the picnic area and meanders its way to the summit of Huon Hill. Breathtaking 360 degree views can be seen from the summit.

SHEOAK TRAIL

**Common name for
Allocasuarina verticillata
2.5 km, 50 minute circuit, medium**

This rough undulating circuit trail starts at the picnic area or the summit and traverses around the Huon Hill summits. Breathtaking views and contrasting landscapes are due to the varying aspects and rainfall.

BUT BUT TRAIL

**Common name for *Eucalyptus bridgesiana*
3kms, 45 minutes one way, hard**

This fire trail offers spectacular views to the north and west as descending from the picnic area to Alpine Views Estate. Meander via landscaped native grasslands through the new housing estate to the Blazing Stump and High Country Rail Trail.

WHITE BOX TRAIL

**Common name for *Eucalyptus albens*
4.3km, 90 minutes one way**

This fire trail traverses around the western base of the three Huon Hills, from the bottom of But But Track. For magnificent views, take a detour and climb Watson Hill to join the Bundy Track back to the Huon Hill look-out carpark. Alternatively, avoid the hills with a 15km loop along the Kiewa River Track, White Box Track & High Country Rail Trail returning to Killara / Kiewa River carpark.

STRINGYBARK TRAIL

**Common name for *Eucalyptus macrorhyncha*
(3.9kms, 60 minutes one way, hard)
Huon Hill Summit to Kiewa River.**

This single track offers spectacular views of the Kiewa Valley and Hume Weir following a ridge all the way. Start at the picnic area just below the Huon Hill look-out. Take care at a few steep sections and when crossing Kenneth Watson Drive near the Information Shelter. Meander past wetlands to the Kiewa River Track. ONE WAY: Turn right (upstream) to the Killara carpark. RETURN OPTIONS: 1. via Stringybark Track (return the same way) 2. via Bundy Track (turn left = downstream on the Kiewa River track to the Murray River. 1.3km before the junction, turn left (west) and climb back up to the summit via the Bundy Track (10kms, 3 hour circuit).

BUNDY TRAIL

**Common name for *Eucalyptus goniocalyx* (Long leaf Box) 4kms, 60 minutes one way, hard
Huon Hill Summit via Watson Hill to Kiewa River.**

This fire trail offers spectacular views of snowfields in Kosciusko and the Bogong High Plains during winter. Start at the summit carpark, dropping steeply into Hidden Valley and a fire trail just below Watsons Hill. There are different views to the north and east as the track traverses along two ridges before dropping steeply again to wind along the lower Hidden Valley corridor to the Kiewa River.

RETURN OPTIONS:

1. via Bundy Track (return the same way,)
2. via White Box Track (turn west onto fire trail after climbing Hidden Valley)
3. via Stringybark Track (head upstream (south) along the Kiewa track then right (west) and climb back to the summit via the Stringybark Track -10km 3 hours)

KIEWA TRAIL

**River Red Gum or *Eucalyptus camaldulensis*
6kms, 90 minutes one way, easy**

Wind along the banks of the Kiewa River and Murray River amongst majestic River Red Gums and an abundance of birds. Start, finish and park at Killara, just north of the Kiewa River at the Murray Valley Highway. The 22km track upstream to Tangambalanga is nearing completion.



Things to look out for...

Stringybark—*Eucalyptus macrorhyncha*

Red Stringybark trees are a feature on the slopes of this reserve. Named for their thick rough bark (pictured), these trees provide nectar for a range of insects and birds. The bark is used by Indigenous people to make string for fishing nets and tools.



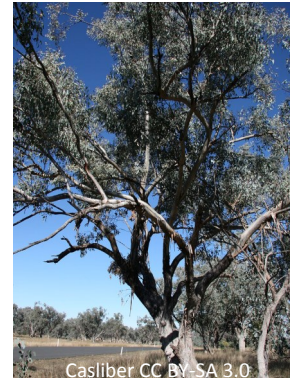
Bundy - *Eucalyptus goniacalyx*, also known as Long-leaved Box, is common in this reserve. These often crooked, rough-barked trees provide excellent habitat. The pollen-rich flowers, foliage and rough bark attract insects, which in turn attract birds such as thornbills and treecreepers.



But But—*Eucalyptus bridgesiana*, also known as Apple Box, is another outstanding habitat tree of this reserve. The nectar and insects that this species provides support for Squirrel and Sugar gliders and you may see one of the nesting hollows used by these nocturnal mammals in the But But.



White box—*Eucalyptus albens*, so called for its general white colouring, produces masses of white flowers in the winter. This is an important food source for gliders and nectar loving birds such as the endangered Regent honeyeater, in a season when other plants are not flowering.



Sheoke—*Allocasuarina verticillata* is a favourite tree amongst cockatoos, who eat the cylindrical cones produced after flowering. The hard wood was used by Aboriginal people for making boomerangs and other implements.



Mistletoe provides nectar for birds and insects, food for gliders and possums and is an essential part of this ecosystem. The nectar and fruit provide a vital food for the threatened Painted Honeyeater and common Mistletoe Bird. Mistletoe in this reserve is in balance and does not threaten tree survival.



Grey Mistletoe (*Amyema quandang*)



Huon Hill Climbing Circuit

It is a privilege to stand on Dhudhuroa - speaking country and pay respect to the Traditional Owners past, present and emerging.

Aboriginal people have been looking out across country from Huon Hill for over 60,000 years. Camp fires dotted across country told stories of where others were travelling through or burning patches of country to improve the conditions to hunt and harvest.

Highlights: spectacular views of the Kiewa Valley, Lake Hume and snow on Kosciusko and the Bogong High Plains during winter.

Take Care: at a few steep sections and when crossing Kenneth Watson Drive near the information shelter (Stringybark Trail) and near Huon Hill Lookout (Bundy Trail). Carry drinking water.

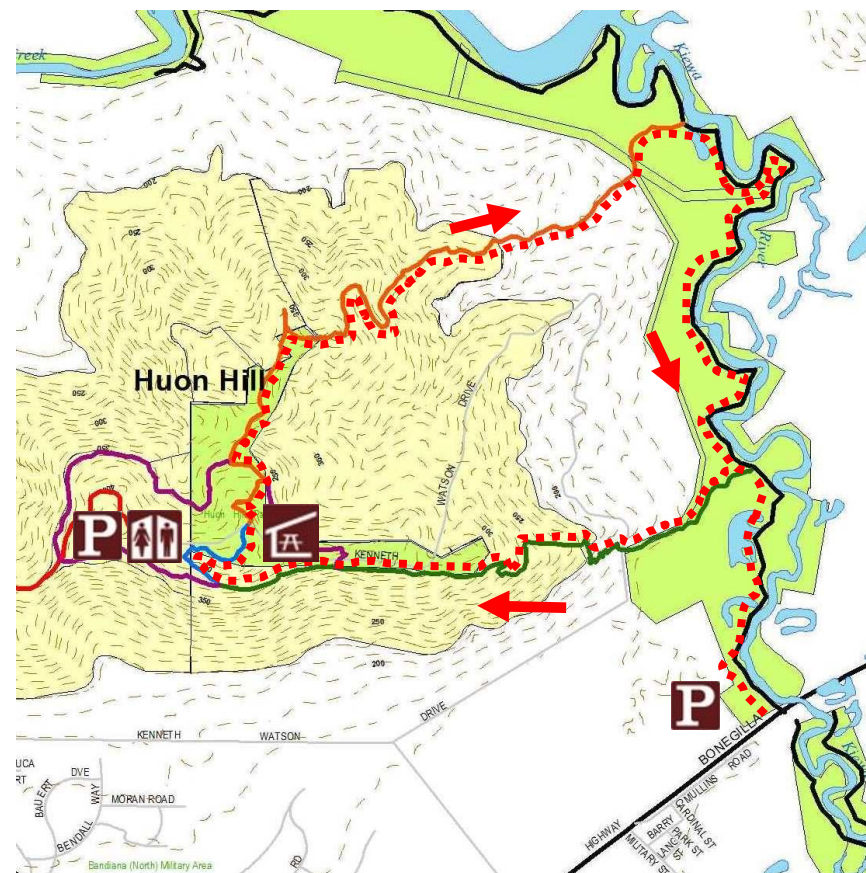
Start / finish / park: at the Kiewa River, Killara if you want to do the hill climbing first and finish along the river flats. Walk / ride in a clockwise direction. (For those looking for a challenge, park and start at the Huon Hill picnic area).

Meander past wetlands along the Kiewa Trail for 0.8km before turning left (west) to climb up the Stringybark Trail. Take care crossing the road before a steep section which eases as you climb further up the ridge. A few switch backs to Huon Hill picnic area (toilets and water) before the final 200 metres up to the lookout.

From Huon Hill lookout head north, taking care when crossing the road. Through a chicane gate drop steeply on switch backs into Hidden Valley and a fire trail just below Watsons Hill. There are different views to the north and east as the track traverses along two ridges before dropping steeply again to wind along the revegetated lower Hidden Valley corridor to the Kiewa River.

Turn right (south) onto the Kiewa River trail and meander amongst the massive River Red Gums for 3km to Killara.

Grade:	Hard
Distance:	10km
Time:	3 hours
Gradient:	Steep in sections
Surface:	Single track and fire trail

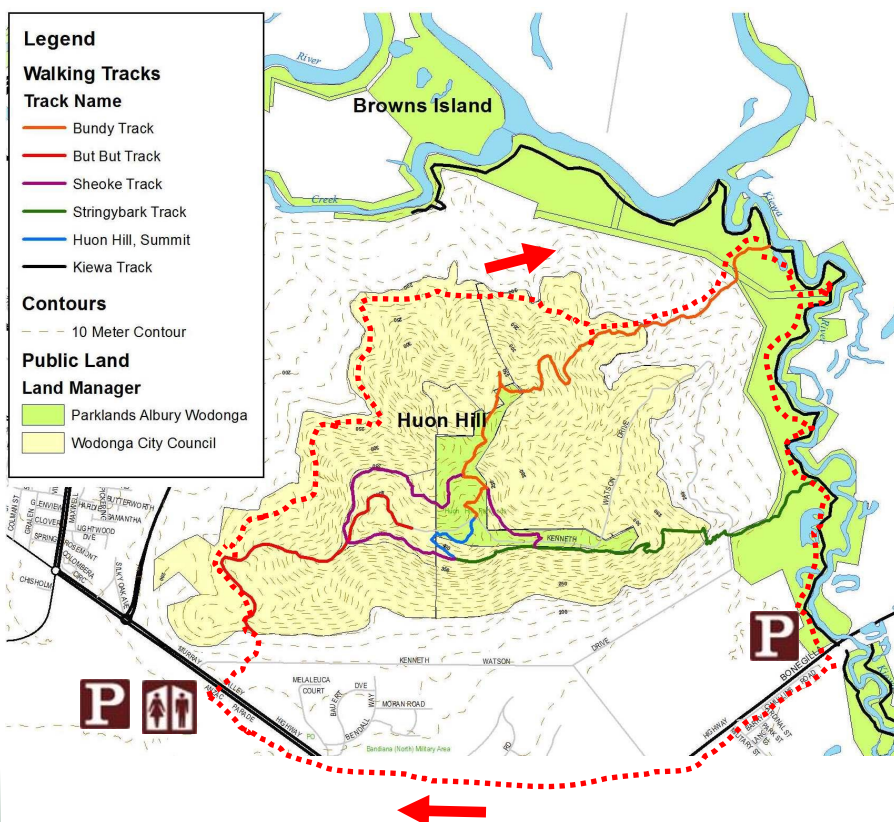




Huon Hill Cruisy Circuit

Highlights: spectacular views without the steep ascents and descents. Ideal for walkers, hybrid and mountain bikes.

Take Care: when crossing the Murray Valley Highway near the Blazing Stump and near the Kiewa River. Carry drinking water.



Grade:	Medium
Distance:	15km
Time:	5 hours
Gradient:	Few short steep sections
Surface:	Fire trail and rail trail

Start / finish / park: at the Kiewa River, Killara if you want to do the hill climbing first and finish along the river flats. Walk / ride in a clockwise direction.

Follow the gravel trail from the Kiewa River west to Riverside Estate. Cross the Murray Valley Hwy and follow the service road which becomes a sealed shared off-road trail along the southern side of the Murray Valley Hwy.

At the Army Theatre, turn north across the Murray Valley Hwy and climb through the Alpine Views landscaped path to the Timberline Trail then steeply up to a chicane gate into Huon Hill Parklands. Stay on the lower fire trail, passing Wodonga's water supply then the Butt Butt fire trail. Continue north on this fire trail that traverses around the western side of Huon Hill. Whilst you are not climbing Huon Hill, this fire trail has lots of short ascents and descents which provide great viewing points across the lowlands and Murray River frontages.

Eventually this fire trail connects with the Bundy Trail. Turn left (north) and descent gently through the forested Hidden Valley to the Kiewa River. Turn right and meander along the shady river flats for 4km to the Killara carpark.