

# Walking Trails at Piney Lakes Reserve



## Bidi Katitjiny Aboriginal Women's Trail

Piney Lakes Reserve is a site of significance for local Noongar women. This trail shares knowledge about the Noongar Six Seasons. Following seasonal changes allowed First Nations people to conserve and protect natural resources and ensure the sustainability of the environment for future generations. The name of the trail, Bidi Katitjiny, comes from the word Bidi which means trail or pathway, and Katitjiny which means knowledge.

**Distance:** 400m (20minutes)

**Accessibility:** This trail is sealed and accessible, making it suitable for most groups.

## Wetland Walk Trail

Walk around the natural wetland and through our paperbark forest. See local plants and animals including birds, Quendas and orchids and listen out for frog calls! Wetlands are a very important part of our natural environment providing food, habitat and water to local animals and acting as a filter in the water cycle.

We suggest wearing long pants, enclosed shoes and long sleeves as mosquitos can be more common near the wetland, and some of the plants are spikey. Please make sure to use the shoe cleaning station at the entrance and exit to the natural wetland area to help stop the spread of dieback (a disease that kills plants).

**Distance:** 650m (30 minutes)

**Accessibility:** Sandy trails and uneven ground make this trail unsuitable for prams or wheelchairs. Dogs and bikes are strictly prohibited from going into the natural wetland area.

## ClimateWatch Trail

ClimateWatch allows every Australian to collect and record data that will help shape the country's scientific response to climate change.

Climate change is affecting rainfall and temperature across Australia, and is triggering changes in established flowering times, breeding cycles, migration movements and more.

This trail at Piney Lakes spotlights local indicator species and encourages visitors to record their observations as they walk. Download the ClimateWatch app and record what you see!

**Distance:** 1.5km (45 minutes to 1 hour)

**Accessibility:** The entire trail is accessible for wheelchairs and prams. Please note that dogs are only allowed on the concrete footpaths (not the limestone path).



## Piney Lakes StoryMap

Created in collaboration with the Parks and Wildlife Service WA, the Piney Lakes Reserve StoryMap allows you to discover the beauty of the Banksia woodlands and paperbark wetlands. The StoryMap includes ten stop points with information about plants and animals and supporting photos. Refer to the Piney Lakes Reserve Page to download the map.

**Distance:** 1.4km (1 hour)

**Accessibility:** The entire trail is accessible for wheelchairs and prams. Please note that dogs are only allowed on the concrete footpaths (not the limestone path).

## Piney Lakes Play Trail

Looking for a trail to do with your kids? Check out the new Piney Lakes PlayTrail – a digital scavenger hunt with various challenges to unlock and points to win!

To access the Piney Lakes Play Trail:

1. Download the free 'Play Trails' app (search 'Play Trails' in Apple App Store or Google Play Store)
2. Select 'Redeem Invitation' and enter the code: PINEYLAKES
3. Click on 'Download Trail'

**Distance:** 1.5km (1.5 hours)

**Accessibility:** This trail is sealed and accessible making it suitable to most groups and dog friendly (they must be kept on leash).

## Piney Lakes Self-Guided Tour

Explore Piney Lakes Reserve to discover its history, learn about Noongar culture and experience the diversity of Perth's unique natural environment. This tour is designed to be self-guided using a brochure and incorporates the Bidi Katitjiny Aboriginal Women's Trail as well as the Wetland Walk Trail. There are seven stop points to visit on this tour with other educational signage to read along the way. You can start your walk at any point along the trails.

**Distance:** 1.8km (1.5 hours)

**Accessibility:** Part of this trail includes sandy trails and uneven ground. You can adjust the walk to stay on accessible asphalt paths by excluding the section that goes through the natural wetland. Please note that dogs and bikes are strictly prohibited from going into the natural wetland area.

