

Walking trails in Merbein Common

Merbein Common has four walking tracks, intimately connected with the floodplain vegetation communities; take some time to appreciate the diverse range of birdlife or be enthralled by the seasonal flowering plants.

Merbein Link Trail (Allow 2 hours 30 min)

This walk is the link between the Merbein Township and Merbein Common. Beginning from this spot, stroll across Commercial Street and down Foster Street or Murrayview Court. Catch the trail surrounded by low-lying shrubs and travel right to Chaffey Landing Cairn or left to Merbein Common main. Informative signs and interpretative markers provide some insight into the history and life

Archeological Trail (Allow 1 hour 15 min)

From the Merbein Cemetery, striding across the deep-red inland sands down to the soft grey clay of the floodplain. This walk takes you alongside the historical scenery of Brickworks billabong, detached from the Murray 15,000 years ago and scattered amongst the shell middens of Aboriginal hunter-gatherers past.

Catfish Billabong Trail (Allow 1 hour)

Amble through this circuit, appreciating the transition between the Catfish Billabong wetland and the dense riverine woodland. Keep a scanning eye out for the White-winged Chough that nest amongst the trees or the array of native flowering herbs.

Cultural and Nature Trail (Allow 1 hour)

Hike the short track through the thicket of red gums, hop-bush, and moonah around the Cowanna Billabong. The floodplain provides a perfect habitat for a range of birdlife. Aquatic vegetation commonly homes native ducks, pelicans, swans and raptors, where the flowering trees and shrubs provide food for local honeyeaters.

Peer out across the riverine of NSW from the ridge lookout, observe the dense historical geology of the ridge-face and the sprawling curves of the Murray River.

Lake Hawthorn/Lake Ranfurly Trail

For more adventure, consider the wetland bushwalk of Lake Hawthorn and Lake Ranfurly 3km south-east of Merbein. These drainage lakes, once an old river course, house a very different range of flora for those interested in the regions wide range of vegetation.



