



Views

## Coastal Walks

All the following recommended walks feature stunning cliff-top coastal views, and can be undertaken in either direction. Please wear appropriate walking clothes, shoes, and sun protection – remember, weather conditions can change quickly, so be prepared! We advise you to take your own water bottle.

### Walk 1: The Art Walk

End of Marino Esplanade to Jervois Terrace car park. Allow **30 minutes** return. Explore the Contemplation public artwork at the Coast Park entrance, interpretive art signage (all along the whole trail) and community mosaics at Jervois Terrace. The section from Jervois Terrace to the viewing platform is equal access.

Level – easy (no steps).

### Walk 2: The Murto Gully Walk

Jervois Terrace to Cove Road car park (opposite Marion Conservation Park). Allow **25 minutes** for first section return trip (no steps and equal access) or allow **40 minutes** for the whole return trip. If you are fit and eager, climb down (and up!) the 95 steep steps to the beach at Murto Gully – and add at least another **20 minutes** to your return trip time.

Level – ranges from easy (equal access section) to hard (steps).

### Walk 3: The Kurnabinna Walk

Cove Road car park to Kurnabinna Gully (end of Kurnabinna Terrace). Allow **90 minutes** return. If you go down the steps at Kurnabinna Gully to explore the rocky foreshore, add another **20 minutes** to your return trip time.

Level – moderate (less steps than Murto Gully).

### Walk 4: The Geology Circuit

This walk loops from Hallett Cove Surf Life Saving Club (north end of Heron Way) via the cliff-top and glacial striations to Fryer Street Reserve, and then back past the Sugar Loaf and Amphitheatre through the Hallett Cove Conservation Park. The geological features are of international significance, recording an ice-age 280 million years ago, whilst the whole area dates back to over 600 million. It provides a fascinating walk through Earth's far distant past. Allow **70 minutes** to complete the circuit.

Level – easy/moderate (some steps).

### Walk 5: The Headland Walk

Start at the southern end of Heron Way and walk to Hallett Cove Headland and back via the Field River mouth. Allow **1 hour** return. Watch out for areas of remnant vegetation and some rare plants, such as *Eucalyptus porosa* 'Mallee Box' and *Hakea rugosa* 'Dwarf Hakea', as well as extensive indigenous replanting. Don't miss the spectacular views looking north up the coast from the Headland.

Level – moderate (some steps).

### Walk 6: The Marion Coast Park Walk

You would need to be fairly fit to tackle the whole length of the Coast Park. Start at the end of Marino Esplanade, or from Hallett Cove – it's a great work out! Allow **2.5 – 3 hours** one way (7.2 km).

Level – hard.



## Key

- T** Toilet
- W** Drinking fountain
- B** Beach access
- M** Marino mosaics
- A** Access to trail and car parking
- V** Viewing platform
- R** Railway Station
- C** Contemplation artwork

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- Coast to Vines Rail Trail (shared use trail)
- Railway line

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## Native Coastal Plantings

The following coastal plants are indigenous to the Marino to Hallett Cove coastal area and are recommended for garden plantings.

Refer to the UFBP website for further plant species lists [www.urbanforest.on.net](http://www.urbanforest.on.net)



**Hardenbergia violacea**  
Native lilac • Climber



**Lotus australis**  
Australian trefoil • Small shrub



**Chrysocephalum apiculatum**  
Common ever lasting daisy • Paper daisy



**Eutaxia microphylla**  
Common Eutaxia • Small shrub



**Myoporum parvifolium**  
Creeping boobialla • Ground cover



**Rhagodia candolleana**  
Sea berry salt bush • Ground cover/low shrub



**Carpobrotus rossii**  
Native pig face • Ground cover



**Kunzia pomifera**  
Muntries • Ground cover



**Melaleuca lanceolata**  
Moonah/Dryland Tea Tree • Medium tree



**Grevillea lavandulacea**  
Lavender grevillea/Spider flower  
• Small shrub



**Kennedia prostrata**  
Running postman/Scarlet runner  
• Ground cover



**Acacia pycnantha**  
Golden wattle • Small tree

## Local groups involved in caring for the coast:

- > Friends of Marino Conservation Park, Friends of Hallett Cove Conservation Park and Friends of the Lower Field River – Ph: (08) 8124 4784
- > Reefwatch – Ph: (08) 8223 5155
- > Trees for Life – Ph: (08) 8372 0150

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