

Lake Seppings Loop

30 min to 1 h



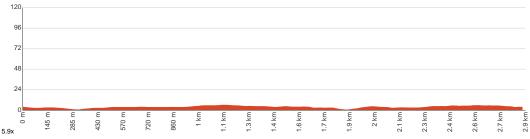
15 min to 45 min







Starting from the Lake Seppings Carpark on Golf Links Road, Seppings, this walk takes you on a circuit around Lake Seppings via the Lake Seppings Bird Walk Trail. Lake Seppings (or Tjuirtgellong, the place of the long-necked turtle) is a natural ecosystem within the city that provides a refuge for local native plants, animals and birds. The lake is regarded as an excellent place for bird watching, particularly for water birds. There have been 100+ bird species seen in and around the lake till now. The lake has a wide variety of vegetation around its margins. Bullrushes, sedges and reeds can be found at the foreshores. The fringing trees are a mixture of Western Australian peppermint trees, spearwoods, paperbarks, native willows and wattles. Banksias are also found around the lake. The information boards at the start of the walk give you an indication of what to expect, and that is mostly that Lake Seppings is a haven for birdlife. Along the route there are lookouts, interpretive signage, rest stops and a bird hide. It doesn't take long to reach the first lookout point, with a small boardwalk section leading out over the water, providing the first glimpses of the lake. A feature of the western side is the bird hide, a small wooden shelter perched over the lake where people can watch birds discretely. The lake narrows toward the southern end, and the path crosses the lake on a natural causeway approximately 250 metres before the southern tip. The last section leading back to the car park runs parallel to Golf Links Road. Towards the end, there's a wooden boardwalk right along the edge of the lake providing stunning views looking across the reeds and over the lake. This is a flat walk on a wellestablished dirt path, suitable for all ages and fitness levels, with wheelchair access with assistance to some of the lookouts. The Lake Seppings Loop is a thoroughly enjoyable walk for any bird watcher, or those simply looking for an easy walk in a pretty area. This is also a popular spot for locals to walk their dogs. Keep an eye out for snakes in the warmer months. There are multiple intersections without signage around the lake. Turning left at each one if walking anti-clockwise (or right if walking clockwise) will keep you on the basic lake circuit. Let us begin by acknowledging the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we travel today, and pay our respects to their Elders past and present.



Class 3 of 6 Formed track, with some branches and other obstacles	
Quality of track	Clear and well formed track or trail (2/6)
Gradient	Flat, no steps (1/6)
Signage	Clearly signposted (1/6)
Infrastructure	Limited facilities, not all cliffs are fenced (3/6)
Experience Required	No experience required (1/6)
Weather	Weather generally has little impact on safety (2/6)

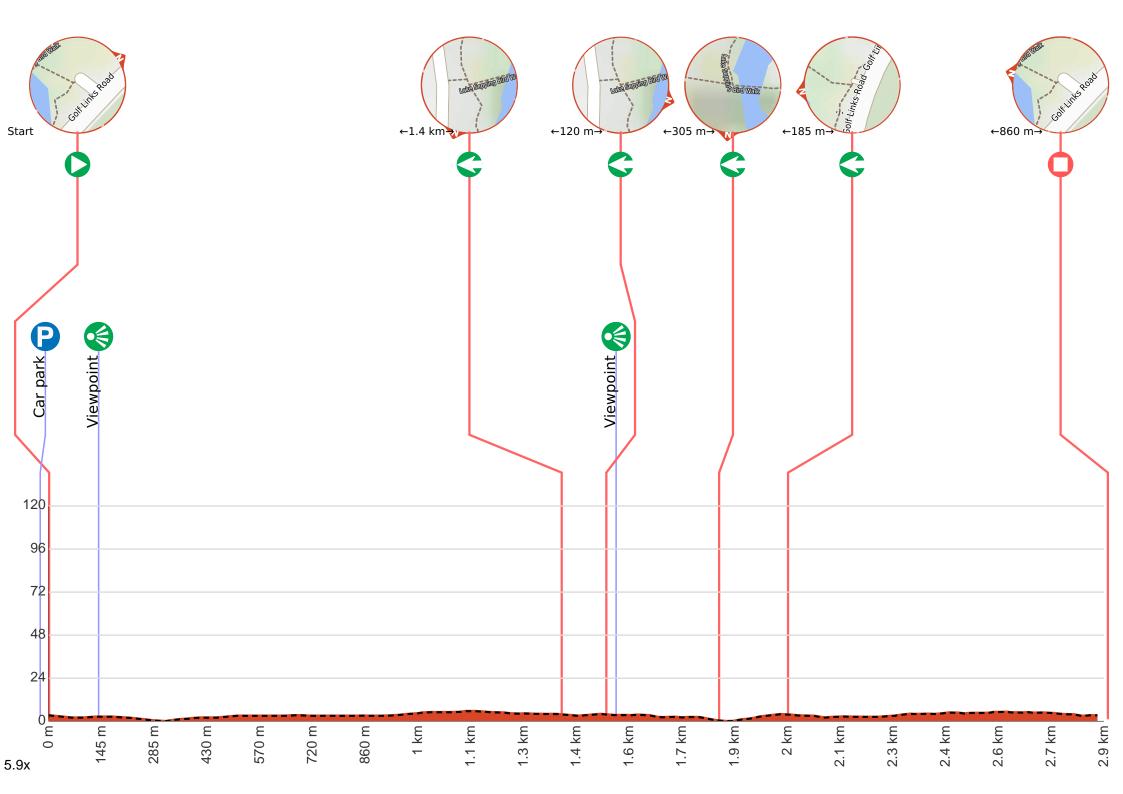
Getting to the start: From Albany Highway, 30

- Turn on to St Emilie Way then drive for 145 m
- At roundabout, take exit 1 onto Middleton Road and drive for another 960 m
- At roundabout, take exit 2 onto Middleton Road and drive for another 1.6 km
- At roundabout, take exit 2 onto Middleton Road and drive for another 330 m
- At roundabout, take exit 1 onto Golf Links Road and drive for another 1.4 km





0.5 1 km



Getting started: From the Lake Seppings carpark, head along the track that is moving directly away from the road. Follow the said track as you keep the lake to your left to continue along Lake Seppings Loop.(counterclockwise).



Start.



There is a car park (about 25 m back from the start).



After 155 m come to the viewpoint (20 m on your left).



After another 1.2 km turn left.



After another 145 m come to the "Lake Seppings Bird Hide" (on your left).



Turn left.

Start of an alternate access route: An alternate access point from/to Lake Seppings Drive.



Start.



After another 75 m come to the end.





After another 185 m **turn left**.



After another 860 m come to the end.