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We welcome you to the Riverina and South West Slopes of Southern New South Wales and its rich diversity of bird life. We trust that you will enjoy the self drive tour routes which have been designed to encourage more bird watching activities in our region.

This booklet covers the part of New South Wales that can be defined with a line drawn from Cootamundra to Jindera and west to Hillston. The mountains are in the east of the region with plains to the west that are dissected by significant river systems. There is also a Ramsar site of international significance in the region.

The varied landscapes, climate and habitats across the region hold diverse and interesting bird life with easy access to many good bird watching sites. The geographic area covers National Parks, Nature Reserves, State Forests, Travelling Stock Reserves and wetlands.

There are around 750 species of birds in Australia with 300 being recorded in this region making this area one of the best bird watching areas in Australia.

This booklet is divided into 13 Local Government Areas, with GPS references and Shire maps to help with the location of bird watching sites. Visitor Information Centres details are included so that you can access information on accommodation and other activities and services available in each Shire.

We ask that all visitors adhere to the conditions of entry to reserves and parks and the good behaviour expected from visitors to these sites.







Please visit the project website for additional information:  
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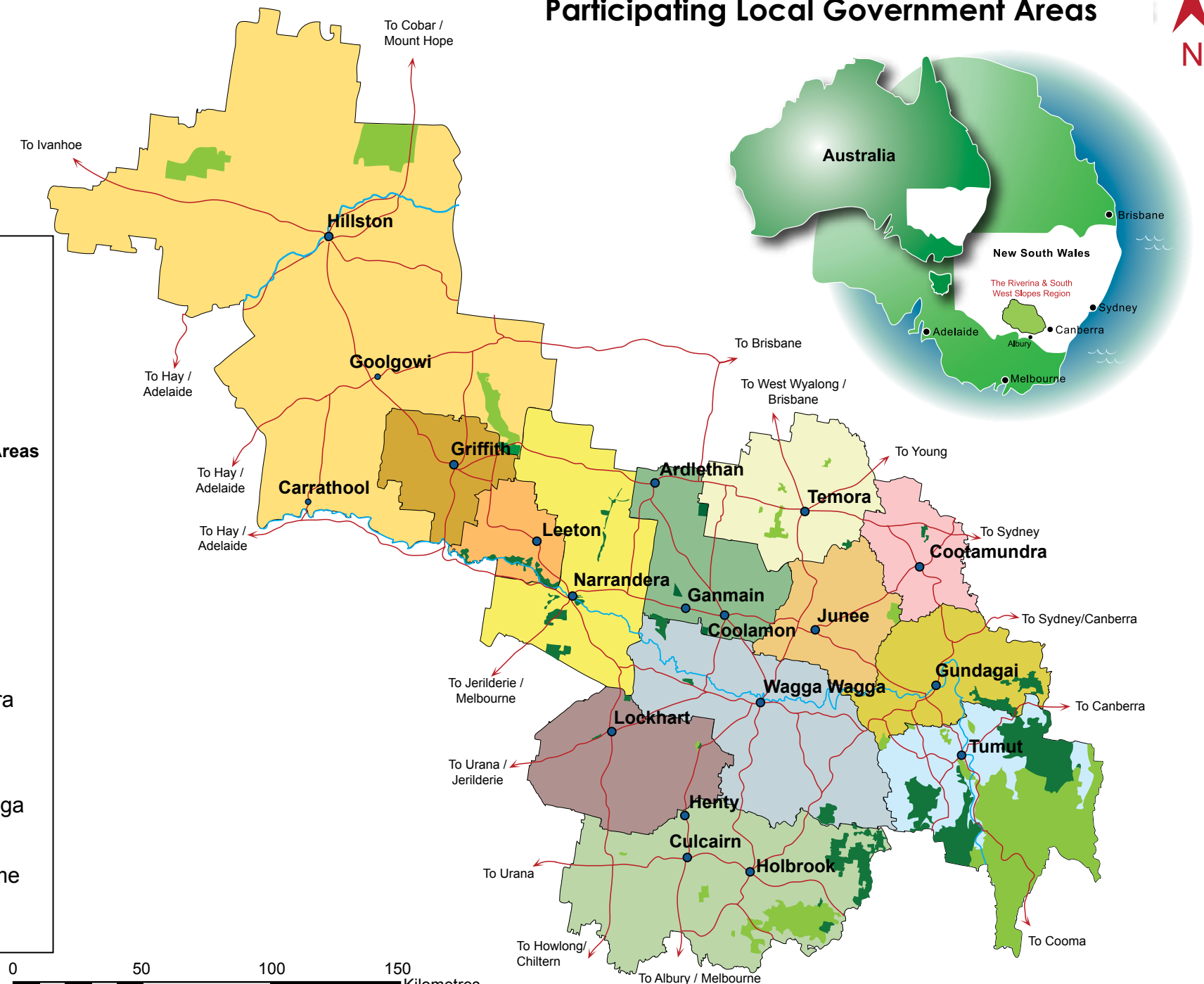
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### KEY

-  National Parks  
 Nature Reserve  
 State Forests (SF)  
 Rivers  
 Major Road  
 Minor Road  
 Towns & Villages

## Local Government Areas

- |  |              |
|--|--------------|
|   | Carrathool   |
|   | Griffith     |
|   | Leeton       |
|   | Narrandera   |
|   | Coolamon     |
|   | Temora       |
|   | Cootamundra  |
|   | Juneë        |
|   | Gundagai     |
|   | Wagga Wagga  |
|   | Lockhart     |
|   | Greater Hume |
|  | Tumut        |



Tucked away in the south west of New South Wales is the gateway to the northern end of the Snowy Mountains and the Riverina, an area spectacular in natural beauty and diversity.

This vast area of untouched beauty promises an unforgettable experience with its unique landscapes, flora and proliferation of wildlife. Inland lakes, crystal streams, and gentle fertile pastures lead to vast pine forests, towering mountains, the awesome Snowy Mountains

Each township within the region offers its own distinct identity. Adelong is steeped in history, Tumut famous for rich seasonal colour, Talbingo is known for its lakeside tranquility and Batlow for crisp mountain apples.

**W:** [www.tumut.nsw.gov.au](http://www.tumut.nsw.gov.au)



## Weeraboolera State Conservation Area

35 20 03 S - 146 13 53 E

**Description:** The conservation area is a eucalypt forest having acacias, ferns and grasses as understorey.

**Access:** Travel toward Cooma along the Snowy Mountains Highway for approximately 4km, then turn right into Boonderoo Road. This will take you directly into the Weeraboolera State Conservation Area. Roads within the reserve are unsealed.

**Birds observed include:** Gang Gang Cockatoo, Australian King Parrot, honeyeaters and fairy-wrens.



*Weeraboolera State Conservation Area (TEMP)*

Gang Gang Cockatoo  
(Jim Ridley)



Australian King-Parrot  
(Bernard Clark)

## Rock Flat - Kosciuszko National Park

35 24 04 S - 148 25 92 E

**Description:** Rock Flat is on the Goobarragandra River. Its vegetation is dominated by eucalypts, eg stringy barks, together with tea tree, and acacia.

**Access:** The Rock Flat is around 30km from Tumut along the Lacmatalac-Goobarragandra Road, and travelling to Rock Flat you have the opportunity to visit Argalong Big Sandy TSR and Thomas Boyd Trackhead.

Rock Flat is a camping and day use area with visitor facilities.

**Birds observed include:** Crimson Rosella, Brown Thornbill, Pied Currawong, White-browed Scrubwren, robins and fairy-wrens.

Superb Lyrebird  
(Chris Tzaros)



*Rock Flat (TEMP)*



Golden Whistler  
(Bernard Clark)



## Jounama Creek - Kosciuszko National Park

35 20 03 S - 146 13 53 E

**Description:** Jounama Creek camping area is along Jounama Creek. Its vegetation is dominated by eucalypts, together with tea tree, acacia and grasses.

**Access:** Jounama Creek is approximately 40km south of Tumut along the Snowy Mountains Highway. Entrance to the site is opposite the Talbingo township turnoff, and is an unsealed road. Log Bridge Creek Camp Area, and Yolde Picnic Area are along the way to Jounama Creek, with Lobbs Hole Ravine Road further 20km on. Jounama Creek has two camping areas. Campsite 1 provides camping and is a day use area with visitor facilities, campsite 2 has no visitor facilities.

**Birds observed include:** Eastern Yellow Robin, Superb Fairy-wren, thornbills and flycatchers

Scarlet Robin  
(Dean Ingwersen)



Jounama Creek (TEMP)

### Other sites of interest

## Log Bridge Creek Camp Area - Kosciuszko National Park

35 25 09 S - 148 16 38 E

Located on Snowy Mountains Highway enroute to Jounama Creek.

### Other sites of interest

## Yolde Picnic Area - Kosciuszko National Park

35 32 36 S - 148 17 76 E

Located on Snowy Mountains Highway enroute to Jounama Creek.

Powerful Owl  
(Dean Ingwersen)



## Lobbs Hole Ravine Road - Kosciuszko National Park

35 39 59 S - 148 25 11 E

Located on Snowy Mountains Highway enroute to Cooma.

## Agalong Big Sandy TSR

35 20 68 S - 148 23 43 E



Agalong Big Sandy  
TSR (TEMP)

Tumut Grevillea *Grevillea wilkinsonii* (Louise Halsey)



A small eucalypt woodland remnant along the Goobragandra River. The site contains the threatened Tumut Grevillea *Grevillea wilkinsonii*. Flame Robins and Satin Bowerbirds amongst other birds seen.

## Adelong Falls

35 17 76 S - 148 03 42 E

An historic mining site just north of Adelong on the Tumblong Road.



*Adelong Falls (TEMP)*

## Thomas Boyd Trackhead

35 22 40 S - 148 24 98 E

Enroute to Flat Rock along  
Lacmalac Goobarragandra  
Road.

Superb Fairy-wren  
(Bernard Clark)



*Thomas Boyd Trackhead (TEMP)*

## Weemala Lookout

35 31 35 S - 148 08 37 E

Weemala Lookout over looks Batlow township, and access is a sealed road approximately half a kilometre from Batlow town centre along the Tumbarumba Road.

### Urban

## Tumut - Riverglade Wetlands

35 17 39 S - 148 12 77 E

**Description:** The Riverglade Wetlands are bounded by the Tumut River and Gilmore Creek along its northern boundary, with lagoons and low areas within the site. Large remnant River Red Gums are present, and many thousands of native plants have been established as part of the area's rehabilitation.

**Access:** The wetlands are on the north-eastern edge of Tumut near the junction of the Snowy Mountains Highway and the Gocup Road.

### Birds observed include:

Little Egret, Australasian Grebe, Sacred Kingfisher, White-bellied Sea-Eagle and Whistling Kite.

Whistling Kite  
(TEMP)



## Batlow – Reedy Creek

35 31 01 S - 148 08 37 E

**Description:** Reedy Creek is a parkland area maintained by Tumut Shire Council.

**Access:** The park is on the Tumut Road just before you cross Reedy Creek to enter Batlow.

Crimson Rosella  
(Dean Ingwersen)



# Gundagai Shire

Gundagai is the ideal location to base any bird watching trip. With the Murrumbidgee floodplain in the centre of town, you don't have to go far for good birding. Over 60 species of birds have been identified in and around Gundagai's urban floodplain, wetlands, and parks.

Over 20 species of parrot have been recorded in the region including some of Australia's most beautiful, such as the Superb and Swift Parrots, as well as threatened woodland birds such as Diamond Firetails, Brown Treecreepers and Black-chinned Honeyeaters.

If watching beautiful Rainbow Bee-eaters returning to their riverbank nests, observing spectacular flocks of Galahs, Cockatoos and Corellas settling into their evening roost or viewing the charismatic Crested Shrike-Tit

work away at the bark of an ancient River Red Gum sounds like the ideal way to spend an evening or two, Gundagai is the place for you.

Your travel partner is not quite the birding enthusiast? No worries. Gundagai is a town steeped in history and has a lot of activities to keep them entertained. Gundagai has enough interesting shops, art & antique dealers, restaurants & cafes, wineries and historic buildings to keep anyone busy for a day or a week.

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## Doctor's Hill

35 09 86 S - 148 07 32 E

**Description:** White Box Woodland with understorey species including parrot-peas, wattles, everlasting daisies and native grasses. Being an endangered ecological vegetation community it is of high conservation value.

**Access:** Doctor's Hill is a 20ha remnant managed by Gundagai Shire Council approximately 10km from Gundagai on the east side of Gocup Road. Access is on the crest of the hill via a gravel track with an area available for off road parking.

**Birds observed include:** Swift Parrot, Brown Treecreeper, Diamond Firetail, Crested Shrike-tit, Peregrine Falcon, an array of Honeyeaters such as Black-chinned, Brown-headed, Fuscous, White-napped and Yellow-faced.

Swift parrot  
(Dean Ingwersen)



Doctor's Hill (TEMP)

## South Gundagai Cemetery

35 05 76 S - 148 05 50 E

**Description:** White Box Woodland which has had in excess of 80 species of native plants recorded amongst which are, native grasses, flax lilies, and everlasting daisies.

Rainbow Bee-eater  
(Dean Ingwersen)



South Gundagai Cemetery (TEMP)

**Access:** South Gundagai Cemetery is 5km from Gundagai along the Gocup Road, with a small area of White Box on its western boundary. Entry and parking uses an unsealed side road along the northern edge of the site. The site has walking tracks and interpretive signage to assist visitors.

**Birds observed include:** Crested Shrike-tit, Dusky and White-browed Woodswallows, Rainbow Bee-eater, Double-barred Finch, Olive-backed Oriole, and honeyeaters.



## Nangus TSR

35 04 30 S - 147 56 83 E



*Nangus TSR (TEMP)*

**Description:** An open White and Yellow Box Woodland with grassy understorey.

**Access:** Nangus TSR is located on the southern side of the Nangus-Junee Road and lies just north of the Murrumbidgee River. There is no parking available on site, visitors will need to park vehicles at the side of the road and enter by walking.

**Birds observed include:** Superb Parrot, Cockatiel, Blue-faced Honeyeater, Eastern and Yellow Rosellas, Wedge-tailed and White-bellied Sea-Eagles

Bird Superb Parrot  
(Dean Ingwersen)



Crested Shrike-Tit  
(Dean Ingwersen)

## Turners TSR

35 10 81 S - 148 00 92 E

**Description:** Box-Gum Woodland, consisting of White, Yellow, and Red Box, Blakely's Red Gum, with a native grass understorey.

**Access:** Turners TSR is sited on the northern side of the Tumblong-Adelong Road, approximately 6km from Tumblong. Entry is via gate, please keep the gate closed.

**Birds observed include:** Little Lorikeet, Brown Treecreeper, Jacky Winter, Superb Parrot, Diamond Firetail and Southern Whiteface.

Brown Treecreeper  
(Bernard Clark)



*Turners TSR (Mason Crane)*

### Other sites of interest

## Billabong Creek

34 58 85 S - 147 50 15 E



*Billabong Creek photo (TEMP)*

The creek is located on the Junee Road at the Gundagai-Junee Shire boundary, and is a River Red Gum community. Superb Parrots are often seen here.

## Muttama Cemetery

34 48 97 S - 148 07 18 E



*Muttama Cemetery (Mason Crane)*

A small Yellow Box Woodland of 2ha, Muttama Cemetery is 1km south of Muttama village on the Coolac to Cootamundra Road. Eastern Rosella, Superb Parrot and woodswallows.

### Urban

## Gundagai Common

**Description:** Murrumbidgee floodplain with large remnant River Red Gums.

**Access:** The floodplain is bounded by the Murrumbidgee River and Morley's Creek. It includes the golf course and town commons. Morley's Creek flows just south of the main Gundagai shopping centre, having easy walkways and parking areas.

**Birds observed include:** Dollarbird, Australian Hobby, Rainbow Bee-eater, Azure Kingfisher, Crimson and Yellow Rosellas, Australasian Darter, fairy-wrens and cormorants.

Azure Kingfisher  
(Dean Ingwersen)



*Gundagai Common  
(Mason Crane)*

Ballion's Crake  
(Bernard Clark)



Galah  
(Esther Beaton)



# Cootamundra Shire

Cootamundra is the gateway to the Riverina, on the Olympic Highway, less than 2 hours drive from Canberra.

Surrounded by undulating landscapes, Cootamundra is teeming with bird life amongst this rich farming area. The township has something to offer everyone, with the birthplace of Sir Donald Bradman, the Cricket Captains Walk, the Art and Cultural Centre & Heritage Centre as all must sees.

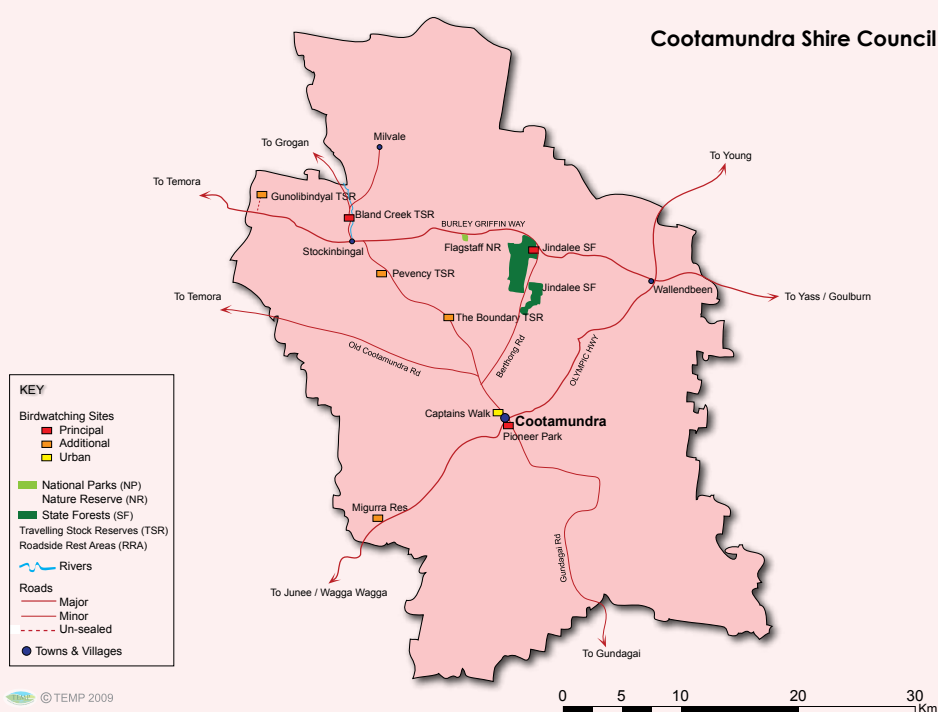
The shopping centre provides a number of specialty shops along with coffee shops and beautiful gardens. Cootamundra, the perfect location to base yourself for day trips into the Riverina.

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## Pioneer Park

34 39 17 S - 148 00 56 E

**Description:** Open woodland having Yellow Box on the lower slopes, understorey of acacias and native grasses.

**Access:** Take the road to Junee turn south into Back Brawlin Road and over the railway crossing. Pioneer Parks entrance is approximately 100m on the right.

The road into the Park is unsealed, and the car parking area and walking trail trackhead is a further 1km. The walking trail is 1.2km in length.

**Birds observed include:** White-throated Treecreeper, Common Bronzewing, Restless Flycatcher, robins and butcherbirds.

Hooded Robin  
(Dean Ingwersen)



Pioneer Park's entrance  
and walking trail (TEMP)

White-throated Treecreeper  
(Bernard Clark)



## Jindalee State Forest

34 29 93 S - 148 02 93 E

**Description:** Jindalee State Forest is a tall open woodland dominated by Mugga Ironbark, with some understorey shrubs and grasses.

**Access:** Travel along Berthong Road until 200m before the intersection with the Burley Griffin Way. Another entrance is 1km to the west along Burley Griffin Way.

**Birds observed include:** Speckled Warbler, White-throated and Brown Treecreepers, Flame Robin, Yellow-rumped Thornbill, parrots and honeyeaters.

Speckled Warbler  
(Dean Ingwersen)



Jindalee State Forest  
(TEMP)

Flame Robin  
(Bernard Clark)





## Bland Creek TSR

34 26 16 S - 147 52 15 E

**Description:** Open box woodland dominated by Yellow and Grey Box, and River Red Gums along Bland Creek, with acacias and grassy understorey.

**Access:** At Stockinbingal, turn north from the Burley Griffin Way into Grogan Road toward Milvale, the reserve is approximately a further 7km.

**Birds observed include:** Yellow-rumped Thornbill, Varied Sittella, Nankeen Kestrel, Eastern Rosella, honeyeaters and babblers.

### Other sites of interest

## The Boundary TSR 'Stock Hill'

34 33 34 S - 147 58 17 E



*The Boundary TSR  
'Stock Hill' (TEMP)*

Grey Fantail (Bernard Clark)

**Description:** Open woodland dominated by Tumbledown Gum, with understorey as cassinia, everlasting daisies and native grasses.

**Access:** The Boundary TSR is 10km from Cootamundra along the Temora Road.

**Birds observed include:** White-winged Chough, Grey Fantail, Little Friarbird, parrots and birds of prey.

Rainbow Bee-eater  
(Dean Ingwersen)



*Bland Creek  
(TEMP)*

Eastern Rosella  
(Bernard Clark)

## Migurra Reserve

34 43 18 S - 147 54 27 E

**Description:** Migurra Reserve is a small Box-Ironbark Woodland with an understorey consisting of acacias, lilies, everlasting daisies, and native grasses.

**Access:** The reserve is approximately 15km from Cootamundra along the Olympic Way toward Junee. There is a short looped walking trail through the reserve.

**Birds observed include:** Jacky Winter, Diamond Firetail, Double-barred Finch, Yellow-faced and Yellow-tufted Honeyeaters, robins and treecreepers.

Yellow-tufted Honeyeater  
(Dean Ingwersen)



## Gunolibindyal TSR

34 28 51 S - 147 47 46 E

**Description:** Grassy Box Woodland dominated by Yellow and White Box, with some acacias.

**Access:** Travelling west from Stockinbingal on the Burley Griffin Way, at approximately 9km turn north into Greens Lane and over the railway crossing for 300m and the reserve is on the east side of the road.

**Birds observed include:** Red-rumped Parrot, Black-shouldered Kite, honeyeaters, thornbills and treecreepers.



*Gunolibindyal TSR*  
(TEMP)

Red-rumped Parrot  
(Bernard Clark)

## Peveny TSR

34 31 31 S - 147 54 71 E

**Description:** A small open Grassy Box Woodland dominated by Yellow and Grey Box.

**Access:** Peveny TSR is approximately 29km from Cootamundra and 5km from Stockinbingal on the Cootamundra to Temora Road.

**Birds observed include:**

Grey-crowned Babbler, Eastern Rosella, thornbills and woodswallows.

Grey-crowned Babbler  
(Dean Ingwersen)



*Peveny TSR (TEMP)*

## Urban

## Captains Walk

34 38 22 S - 148 01 22 E

**Access:** Captains Walk is located in Jubilee Park, take Wallendoon Street across Muttama Creek Bridge then left into Olney Street where a parking bay is available.

**Birds observed include:** Superb Parrot, Red-rumped Parrot, Grey Butcherbird, Red Wattlebird and Blue-faced Honeyeater.



*Captains Walk*  
(TEMP)

Superb Parrot  
(Dean Ingwersen)



# Junee Shire

This pretty railway town is a feast for the eyes with its awnings, verandahs, wide streets and eccentric old-style architecture featuring stuccoed facades and decorative roof parapets.

The township developed on either side of the Sydney–Melbourne railway line, which reached the town in 1878.

During the 1880s, the line's rail repair premises were moved to Junee from Wagga Wagga, increasing local employment opportunities significantly.

In recent times, Junee has become the largest producer of canola in NSW. It is also a centre for wheat, barley and oats.

A must to do in Junee, is a visit to Green Grove Organic, a licorice and chocolate factory, where they use organic Belgian chocolate, with its smooth and full flavour being actually good for your health.

The Monte Cristo was built in 1884 and is the finest colonial mansion in the Riverina. It has been faithfully restored and furnished in the high Victorian era circa 1840.

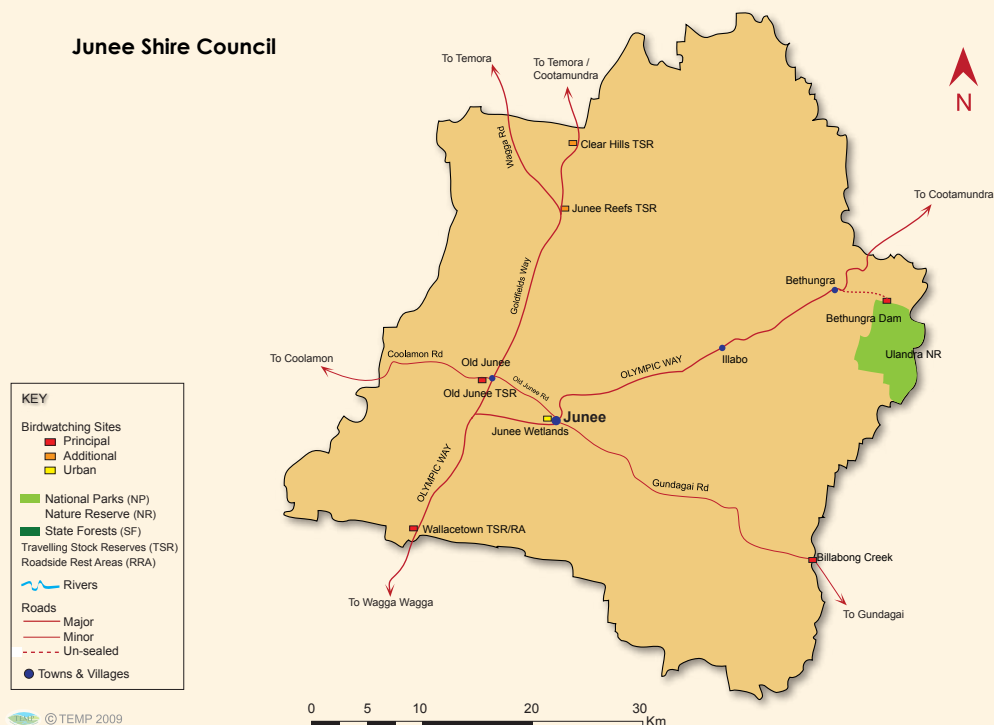
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## Junee Shire Council



## Wallacetown TSR/RRA

34 57 59 S - 147 26 90 E

**Description:** Yellow Box Woodland and native grasses, with River Red Gums along Houlaghans Creek which passes through the site.

**Access:** Wallacetown TSR is along the Olympic, approximately 20km south of Junee, and is also a roadside rest area with modern visitor facilities.

**Birds observed include:** Peregrine Falcon, Yellow and Eastern Rosellas, honeyeaters and waterfowl.



Wallacetown TSR/RRA (TEMP)

Brown Songlark  
(Jim Ridley)



Peregrine Falcon  
(Dean Ingwersen)

## Billabong Creek

34 58 85 S - 147 50 15 E

Sacred Kingfisher  
(Jim Ridley)



Superb Parrot  
(Bernard Clark)



Billabong Creek (TEMP)

**Description:** Small roadside area of Yellow Box, and River Red Gums along the creek.

**Access:** The Billabong Creek is located on the Gundagai Road at the Junee-Gundagai Shire boundary.

**Birds observed include:** Sacred Kingfisher, Superb Parrot, Peaceful Dove, Variegated Fairy-wren and Dollarbird.



## Bethunga Dam

34 45 89 S - 147 54 44 E

**Description:** The water storage is a large open area of water with little remnant vegetation around or along its shore line, providing open habitat for waterbirds.

**Access:** From Bethunga travel the Olympic Way towards Cootamundra, approximately 1km from Bethunga, take the Bethunga Waterworks Road to the dam. It may well be worth a stop along Bethunga Waterworks Road.

**Birds observed include:** Black Swan, Red-kneed Dotterel, Australasian Shoveler, Hardhead Duck, Australasian Grebe and Black-winged Stilt.

Australasian Grebe  
(Bernard Clark)



*Bethunga Dam (TEMP)*



Musk Duck (male displaying) (TEMP)

## Old Junee TSR

34 50 15 S - 147 30 47 E

Yellow Box Woodland just west of Old Junee on the road to Coolamon.

Spotted Pardalote  
(Bernard Clark)



*Old Junee TSR (TEMP)*



Southern Boobook  
(Jim Ridley)



Eastern Rosella  
(Bernard Clark)

### Other sites of interest

## Junee Reefs TSR

34 41 51 S - 147 35 47 E

Junee Reefs and Clear Hills TSR's are along the Combaning Road, and may worth a visit travelling to Combaning State Forest (see Temora Shire map).

A small Yellow Box Woodland.

Swift Parrot  
(Dean Ingwersen)



## Clear Hills TSR

34 37 97 S - 147 35 56 E

Grey Box Woodland with understorey of native grasses and some acacias.



Grey Box Woodland (TEMP)

### Urban

## Junee Wetlands

**Description:** The wetland is a series of reed beds. The wetlands receive much of its water as stormwater runoff.

**Access:** Main access to the wetlands is at the Crawly street entrance. The wetlands have boardwalks for visitors to move across the wetlands.

**Birds observed include:** Purple Swamphen, Dusky Moorhen, Little Grassbird and Clamorous Reed-warbler.



Junee Wetlands (TEMP)

Australian Spotted Crake  
(TEMP)





# Temora Shire

Centred upon the vibrant rural service town of Temora, the Shire of Temora offers the opportunity to explore the zone of subtle geographical change which distinguishes the South West Slopes of New South Wales from the Riverina.

A low range of hills bisects the shire, dividing the catchment of the Bland Creek system from that of the drier, Mirrool Creek.

Native tree species ranging from White and Yellow Box, through to Grey Box, Pine and Kurrajong to Ironbark, map the shire's soil types and drainage patterns.

Well over a century of dry-land mixed farming enterprise has shaped the landscape, and this

diverse industry continues to underpin a strong local economy.

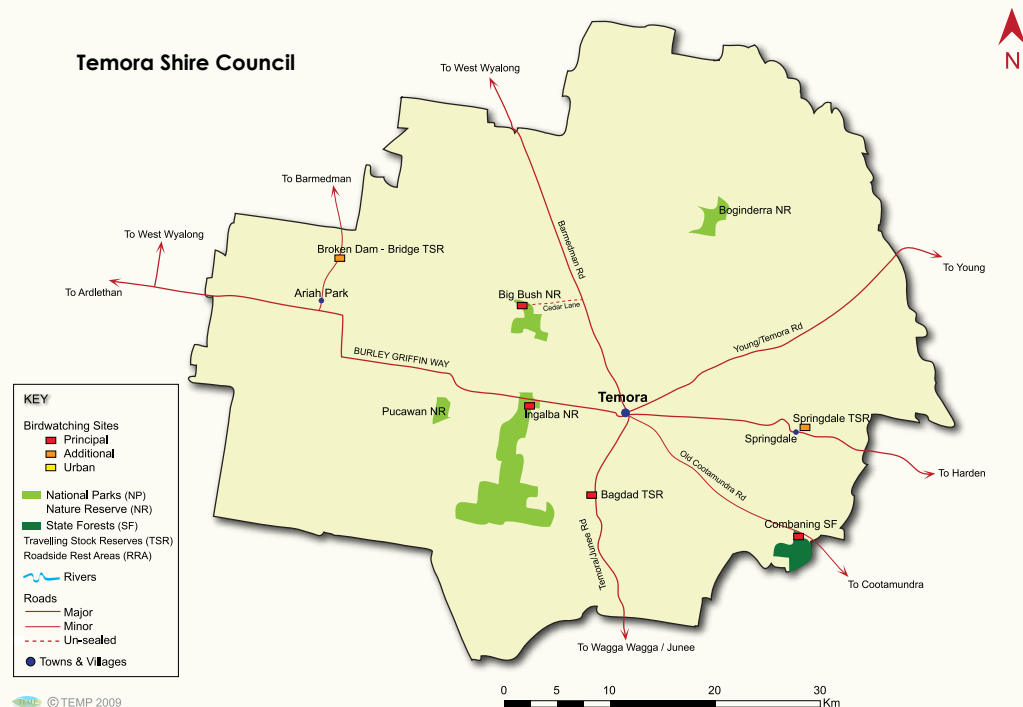
The Shire community offers a warm welcome to the visitor, the town of Temora and its associated villages of Aria Park and Springdale, providing an attractive base from which to study the birdlife of an environment in which open woodlands intersperse fields and grassland.

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## Ingalba Nature Reserve

34 26 22 S - 147 26 41 E

**Description:** Ingalba has two distinct vegetation communities, tall open woodland with Mugga Ironbark and Grey Box being dominant, and also supporting White Cypress Pine on its lower slopes. Low open woodland with dry heath is found on ridge tops and exposed open slopes.

**Access:** Ingalba Nature Reserve is 10km west of Temora on the Burley Griffin Way.

**Birds observed include:** Grey-crowned Babbler, Diamond Firetail, Painted and Black-chinned Honeyeaters, Hooded Robin, and Superb Parrot.

Barking Owl  
(Dean Ingwersen)



*Ingalba Nature Reserve (TEMP)*



Hooded Robin  
(Dean Ingwersen)

## Big Bush Nature Reserve

34 21 21 S - 147 13 38 E



*Big Bush Nature Reserve (TEMP)*

**Description:** Like Ingalba, Big Bush is Box-Ironbark Woodland. The nature reserve also contains Green Mallee, and Cootamundra Wattle.

**Access:** Big Bush Nature Reserve is best accessed using Cedar Lane, which is 14km north of Temora along the Barmedman Road.

**Birds observed include:** Diamond Firetail, Glossy Black Cockatoo, Turquoise Parrot, Gilbert's and Rufous Whistler and Yellow-rumped Thornbill.

Grey-crowned Babbler  
(Bernard Clark)



Yellow-rumped Thornbill  
(Bernard Clark)



## Combaning State Forest

34 33 06 S - 147 43 04 E

**Description:** Box-Ironbark Forest, dominated by Mugga Ironbark and Grey Box with White Cypress Pine.

**Access:** Combaning State Forest is approximately 20km south-east of Temora on the Old Cootamundra Road.

**Birds observed include:** Brown Treecreeper, Swift Parrot, Rufous Whistler, Peaceful Dove, Grey Fantail, Varied Sittella and Grey Crowned Babbler.

Swift Parrot  
(Dean Ingwersen)



*Combaning State Forest (TEMP)*



Varied Sittella  
(Dean Ingwersen)

## Bagdad TSR

34 31 07 S - 147 30 01 E

**Description:** Small Yellow Box Woodland remnant. The site also contains a ground tank, which normally contains water and is a good quiet place to observe birds.

**Access:** Bagdad TSR is 10kms south of Temora along the Wagga Wagga Road, and is accessed along an unsealed lane along the northern side of the site.

**Birds observed include:** Superb Parrots can be seen here quite often throughout most of the year. Other birds include Eastern Rosella, Pied Butcherbird, White-winged Chough, Australasian Grebe, White-browed Woodswallow and Rainbow Bee-eater.

Superb Parrot  
(Bernard Clark)



*Bagdad TSR (TEMP)*

*Other sites of interest*

## Springdale TSR

34 27 97 S - 147 43 84 E

Springdale TSR is a small Grey Box Woodland at the village of Springdale.

Springdale TSR is a good site for Superb Parrots

Superb Parrot  
(Dean Ingwersen)



*Springdale TSR (TEMP)*

## Broken Dam - Bridge TSR

34 18 62 S - 147 13 94 E

Broken Dam-Bridge TSR is 5km north of Ariaiah Park along the road to Barmedman. The site has Grey Box and Yellow Box Woodland on higher portions, while River Red Gums follow Mirrool Creek which passes through it. Blue Bonnets, White-winged Choughs, pardalotes and thornbills may be amongst birds to be seen.

Blue Bonnet  
(Peter Merritt)



*Broken Dam - Bridge TSR (TEMP)*

Brown Falcon  
(Jim Ridley)



Welcome Swallow  
(Jim Ridley)





# Coolamon Shire

Tucked in between the Newell and Sturt Highways, there is an idyllic place that has managed to retain its rural Aussie character.

A place proudly described as the 'Heart of Rural Heritage' Coolamon and the Shire's smaller towns of Ardlethan, Beckom, Ganmain, Marrar and Matong exude history, character and charm.

Take a step back to a more peaceful time and place - to fresh air and a slower pace. The best in country hospitality is available when you visit the cafes, antique and gift stores, museums and craft outlets that are sprinkled throughout the Shire. Beautifully presented parks provide ideal picnic or rest stops and our caravan parks are just a stone's throw from quality recreational clubs and shopping.

Join in the many bird-watchers who seek out the 220+ species of birds found in our region and enjoy the varied sites and habitats on offer.

The simple things like finding a car park with ease and smiling faces provide the icing on the cake to this authentic, unpretentious rural experience.

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## Kindra State Forest

34 48 48 S - 147 12 11 E

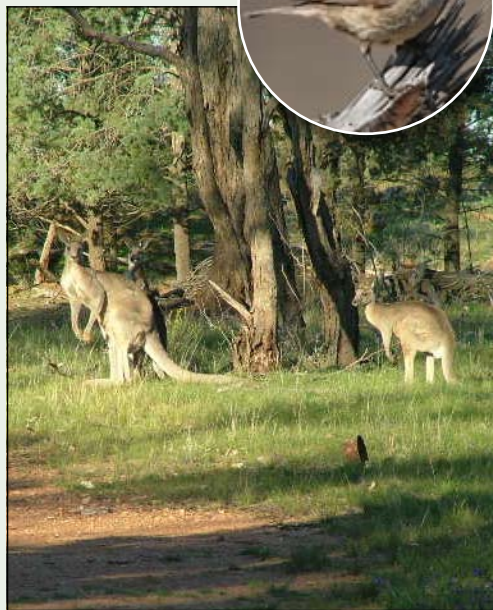
**Description:** Box-Pine Woodland dominated by Grey Box and White Cypress Pine. The site has a small arboretum of native trees and shrubs.

**Access:** The site is located on the north-east edge of Coolamon. A small off road parking area is near the front entrance, and from there entry is by walking.

### Birds observed include:

Grey-crowned and White-browed Babblers, White-browed, Masked and Dusky Woodswallows, Red-capped Robin, Eastern Rosella, Red-rumped Parrot and Southern Whiteface.

Southern Whiteface  
(Dean Ingwersen)



Kindra State Forest (TEMP)

## Ganmain State Forest

34 47 90 S - 147 03 64 E



Ganmain State Forest (TEMP)

**Description:** White Cypress Pine-Grey Box Woodland.

**Access:** This small section of Ganmain State Forest is along either side of the Coolamon Road and borders the township of Ganmain.

### Birds observed include:

Speckled Warbler, Eastern Yellow Robin, Red-capped Robin, Varied Sittella, Grey Shrike Thrush, Fan-tailed Cuckoo, Rufous and Golden Whistlers, and Double-barred Finch.

Speckled Warbler  
(Dean Ingwersen)



Eastern Yellow Robin  
(Bernard Clark)



## Ganmain State Forest

34 44 11 S - 147 00 47 E

**Description:** White Cypress Pine-Grey and Yellow Box Woodland.

Wedged-tailed Eagle  
(Bernard Clark)



*Ganmain State Forest (TEMP)*

**Access:** The main portion of Ganmain State Forest is 13km north-west of Ganmain on Ashbridge Road.

**Birds observed include:** Blue Bonnet, Mallee Ringneck, White-plumed, White-eared and Spiny-cheeked Honeyeaters, Friarbirds, Red-capped Robin, woodswallows and thornbills.

Varied Sittella  
(Dean Ingwersen)



Blue Bonnet  
(Peter Merritt)

## Ardlethan State Forest

34 20 79 S - 146 55 22 E

**Description:** Box-Pine Woodland dominated by Grey Box and White Cypress Pine, with River Red Gums lining the banks of Mirrool Creek

**Access:** Travel along the Newell Highway and turn in over the railway line to Ardlethan Cemetery, then right for approximately 500m to Ardlethan State Forest. People are able to walk, approximately 5km, from the forest along the creek then to Ardlethan township, where Major Mitchell's Cockatoos may at times be seen.

**Birds observed include:** Rainbow Bee-eater, Superb Parrot, White-browed Babbler, Yellow and Yellow-rumped Thornbills, Jacky Winter, Red-capped and Eastern Yellow Robins.

Superb Parrot  
(Bernard Clark)



*Mirrool Creek  
Ardlethan SF  
(TEMP)*

Rusty Spider Flower  
*Grevillea floribunda*  
(Kimberley Schultz)

### Other sites of interest

## Berry Jerry Cemetery

34 44 35 S - 147 16 58 E

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Small White Box Woodland remnant.

## Marrar Cemetery

34 49 94 S - 147 22 87 E

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Small White Box Woodland remnant 2km east of Marrar on the Junee Road.



Marrar Cemetery (TEMP)

## Beckom State Forest

34 18 95 S - 147 02 43 E

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Box-Pine Woodland on the north east edge of Beckom.

## Dullah TSR

34 39 54 S - 147 04 57 E

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Box-Buloke Woodland along the Ardlethan Road.

## Matong State Forest

34 53 34 S - 146 55 68 E

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Box-Pine Woodland on Deep Water Road.

### Urban

## Murumbang Reserve

34 47 55 S - 147 02 43 E

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Murumbang Reserve is within Ganmain just north-east of the main shopping area. The reserve has walking trails, birdhide and interpretive information for visitors.



Murumbang Reserve  
(Evoke Photography)

Superb Parrot  
(Dean Ingwersen)



# Carrathool Shire

Carrathool Shire consists of the town of Hillston, and the surrounding villages of Goolgowi, Merriwagga, Rankin Springs and Carrathool. From the wide open plains of Willandra National Park to the meandering banks of the Murrumbidgee and Lachlan Rivers, the Carrathool Shire offers an abundance of diversity for visitors to our region.

Caravaners & campers are often attracted to Pinkers Beach and the Carrathool Bridge Reserve, a perfect spot under the tall Red River Gums of the Murrumbidgee River. Visitors can follow the heritage trail around the village of Goolgowi and make use of the BBQ, toilets and playground facilities in Pioneer Park.

Don't forget to discover the story behind the Black Stump at Merriwagga and visit the memorial – the Hotel is also full of characters and stories! Then stop in Hillston, a thriving rural town, explore the mainstreet and country shops and have lunch in the park on the banks of the Lachlan River.

For nature lovers, the Carrathool Shire has an abundance of native flora and fauna - you are bound to see kangaroos, emus, wombats and even the odd echidna. If you're an avid birdwatcher and prefer exploring mudflats, reedy swamps or bushland, our Shire boasts an extensive range of unique Australian birds.

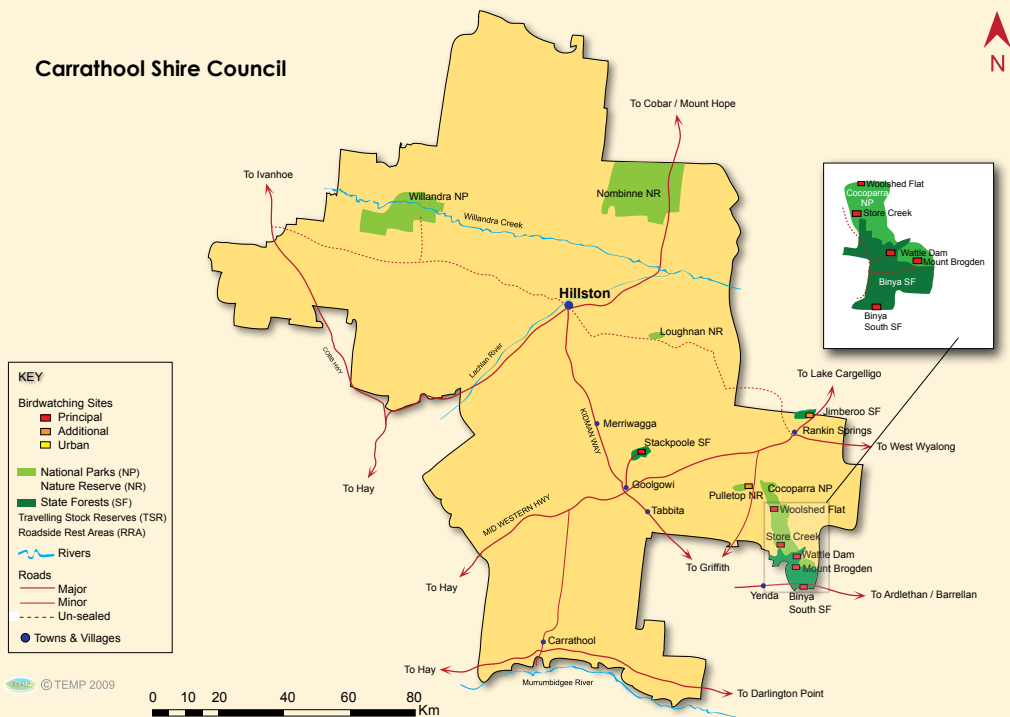
The Willandra National Park has recorded over 170 species of birds on the plains, wetlands and woodlands. Birds in our region include the Glossy Black Cockatoo, White-browed Treecreeper, Painted Honeyeater, ground-dwelling Malleefowl, and many more. Rankin Springs is also a birdwatcher's paradise and has two very popular bird hides.

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## Stackpoole State Forest

33 50 32 S - 145 49 34 E

**Description:** Stackpoole State Forest in large part is a Mallee Woodland, with areas of White Cypress Pine, Casuarina and including some Inland Red Box *Eucalyptus intertexta*.

**Access:** Stackpoole State Forest is approximately 20km north of Goolgowi. The road is sealed from Goolgowi to the forest entrance, within the forest there are graded fire trails.

**Birds observed include:** White-browed Babbler, Major Mitchell's Cockatoo, Apostlebird, robins, thornbills and woodswallows.



Stackpoole State Forest (TEMP)

Major Mitchell's Cockatoo  
(Dean Ingwersen)

## Binya State Forest

**Description:** Binya State Forest is a Box-Pine Woodland with White Cypress Pine and Bimble Box being most dominant. The forest contains areas of other vegetation such as Buloke and Yarran Wattle.

## Binya State Forest 'Forestry Hut' southern

34 15 03 S - 146 14 73 E

**Access:** Forestry Hut is on the southern side of the Burley Griffin Way about 200m east of the Whitton Stock Route intersection. Enter at Pine Drive. The graded fire trails may be impassable in wet conditions.

**Birds observed include:** Hooded Robin, Crimson Chat, Mulga Parrot, Painted, Black and Pied Honeyeaters, White-browed Treecreeper, woodswallows and thornbills

Crimson Chat  
(Bernard Clark)



Binya State Forest (TEMP)

## Binya State Forest 'Wattle Dam'

34 12 33 S - 146 16 12 E

**Access:** Wattle Dam is on the northern side of the Burley Griffin Way. Travel north via the Whitton Stock Route and on reaching the Spring Hill Picnic Area directional sign follow the road to the east for about 2.5km. Enter at Wattle Drive entrance which is on the right side of the road.

**Birds observed include:** Turquoise Parrot, Hooded Robin, Speckled Warbler, Brown Treecreeper, Rufous Whistler, honeyeaters, babbblers and Rainbow Bee-eater.

Hooded Robin  
(Dean Ingwersen)



Binya State Forest (TEMP)

## Cocoparra National Park

**Description:** Cocoparra National Park is part of a range of rocky hills at the north-western edge of the South West Slopes bioregion. Vegetation includes Dwyer's Red Gum on the upper portions, Mugga Ironbark and some Blakely's Red Gum, with Bimble Box and White Cypress Pine in the lower areas of the park.

## Cocoparra National Park 'Mount Brogden'

34 12 94 S - 146 16 89 E

**Access:** Travel north on the Whitton Stock Route until the Mount Brogden Walking Track directional sign, then follow the graded trail through Binya State Forest until the national park. The Mount Brogden visitor parking area is approximately 2km further on.

**Birds observed include:** Mulga Parrot, Inland Thornbill, White-browed Treecreeper, Black-eared Cuckoo, Glossy Black Cockatoo, Red-capped and Eastern Yellow Robins.



Mount Brogden  
(TEMP)

Scarlet Robin  
(Dean Ingwersen)

## Cocoparra National Park 'Store Creek'

34 08 75 S - 146 12 63 E

**Access:** Store Creek is a day area with visitor facilities and is accessed from the Whitton Stock Route.

**Birds observed include:** Speckled Warbler, Mulga Parrot, Black-eared Cuckoo and Eastern Yellow Robins.

## Cocoparra National Park 'Woolshed Flat'

34 04 86 S - 146 13 28 E

**Access:** Woolshed Flat has camping and visitor facilities available. These are all accessed along the Whitton Stock Route which travels along the western side of both Cocoparra National Park and Binya State Forest.

**Birds observed include:** Speckled Warbler, Major Mitchell's Cockatoo, Mulga Parrot, Diamond Firetail and Red-capped Robin.



Woolshed Flat  
(TEMP)

Little Button-Quail  
(Bernard Clark)

### Other sites of interest

## Pulletop Nature Reserve

33 57 60 S - 146 05 11 E

**Description:** Pulletop Nature Reserve is a small remnant Mallee Woodland.

**Access:** The nature reserve is approximately 40km north of Griffith along the Rankin Springs Road. The road leading off to the west from Rankin Springs Road to the reserve is unsealed and may be impassable in wet conditions.

**Birds observed include:** Yellow-plumed Honeyeater, Mallee Ringneck and Blue Bonnet.

### Other sites of interest

## Jimberoo State Forest

33 47 15 S - 146 18 80 E

**Description:** The state forest is a box woodland dominated by Bimble Box with Grey Box and Ironbarks present. Acacias, sennas, lilies, and native grasses as understorey.

**Access:** Jimberoo State Forest is approximately 7km from Rankin Springs on the Lake Cargelligo Road.

**Birds observed include:** Common Bronzewing, Grey Butcherbird, Blue Bonnet, Budgerigar and honeyeaters.



Jimberoo State Forest  
(TEMP)

Budgerigars  
(Dean Ingwersen)



Pulletop Nature Reserve (TEMP)



# Griffith City Council

Famous for its designer, Walter Burley Griffin, the city boasts his famous circuits and wide, tree-lined streets, distinct from his design of Canberra, offering a contemporary yet country feel.

The city is blessed with a wonderful blend of cultures and people who are passionate about their food. Visitors and locals revel in the social atmosphere of superb fresco and fine dining.

You'll find the locals love for cuisine is complimented by a love of wine. The region is the largest wine growing area in New South Wales, exporting around the world. Be sure to try some of the distinct sweet botrytis wines, spicy reds and fruity whites; there is something to suit every connoisseur.

In Griffith there are a range of other experiences to enjoy. Take time to explore Scenic Hill which provides panoramic views

over the city and surrounding farmlands. It is also the location of Pioneer Park Museum, the Italian Museum, and the Hermit's Caves of Valerio Ricetti.

There is a wide choice of accommodation available in the city and surrounds from hotels, caravan parks, self contained apartments, motels through to farm stays and B & B's. A city of celebration, Griffith hosts multicultural festivals, craft and antique shows, garden festivals, food and wine events. There's something for the whole family to enjoy.

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## Lake Wyangan

34 13 86 S - 146 01 22 E

**Description:** The wetland is divided via a central causeway having southern and northern areas of open water. The north lake is open to recreational activities such as boating, while this is not permitted on the south lake.

**Access:** Lake Wyangan has excellent access and is located approximately 5km north of the city centre.

**Birds observed include:** Depending on water levels, birds to be seen on the north lake, either near the causeway or along the far north end include Great Crested Grebe, Sharp-tailed Sandpiper, Red-necked Stint, Red-necked Avocet other waders and terns. The south lake has deeper water and is where Australasian Darter, White-bellied Sea-Eagle, Pied Cormorant, Glossy Ibis and other cormorants may be seen.

Australasian and Little Bitterns may at times be seen or heard amongst the reeds of both areas.

Australasian Darter  
(Bernard Clark)



Lake Wyangan  
South (TEMP)

White-bellied Sea-Eagle  
(TEMP)

## Campbell's Swamp

34 13 78 S - 146 02 13 E

**Description:** A small shallow wetland with areas of reeds and open water. The presence of water in the wetland is dependent on seasonal conditions.

**Access:** With a car parking area approximately 1km past the turn to Lake Wyangan along the Nericon Road.

The wetland has very good visitor facilities with parking pathways, boardwalk, and birdhide. These facilities have been constructed and maintained by the Murrumbidgee Field Naturalists.

**Birds observed include:** Australasian and Little Bitterns, Freckled Duck, Australian Spotted and Spotless crakes. In some years 1000's of Glossy Ibis come to roost in the swamp of an evening.

Spotless Crake  
(TEMP)



Campbell's Swamp (David Parker)

## Nericon Swamp 34 13 16 S - 146 02 18 E

**Description:** A small shallow and saline open wetland. The presence of water in the wetland is dependent on seasonal conditions.

**Access:** Nericon Swamp has a car parking area approximately 2km north of the turn to Lake Wyangan along east side the Nericon Road.

The wetland has very good visitor facilities with parking, pathways, and birdhide. These facilities have been constructed and maintained by the Murrumbidgee Field Naturalists.

**Birds observed include:** Black-winged Stilt, Red-necked Avocet, Red-necked Stint, Marsh and Sharp-tailed Sandpipers.



Sharp-tailed Sandpiper  
(TEMP)

**Binya State Forest and Cocoparra National Park** are near Yenda along the north-eastern boundary of Griffith City Council in Carrathool Shire.

## Binya SF Wattle Dam

34 12 33 S - 146 16 12 E

**Description:** Binya State Forest is a Box-Pine Woodland with White Cypress Pine and Bimble Box being most dominant. The forest contains areas of other vegetation such as Buloke and Yarran Woodland, and Mallee.

**Access:** Binya State Forest is at the southern end of Cocoparra National Park. The Burley Griffin Way divides the forest. Both the southern and northern portions of the forest are accessible using graded fire trails which may be impassable in wet conditions.

**Birds observed include:** Turquoise Parrot, Hooded Robin, Brown and White-browed Treecreepers, Painted, Black and Pied Honeyeaters.

## Binya SF Southern

34 15 03 S - 146 14 73 E



Binya State Forest  
(TEMP)

Painted Honeyeater  
(Dean Ingwersen)

## Murrumbidgee Valley Regional Park – Willbriggee

34 32 42 S - 145 57 30 E

**Description:** River Red Gum Forest having the Murrumbidgee River along its southern boundary.

**Access:** Murrumbidgee Valley Regional Park, approximately 5 km along the River Road to Carrathool.

**Birds observed include:** Yellow Rosella, Sacred Kingfisher, Superb Parrot, Dollarbird and Brown Treecreeper.



Murrumbidgee Valley  
Regional Park –  
Willbriggee (TEMP)

Sacred Kingfisher (Jim Ridley)



## Cocoparra National Park, 'Mount Brogden'

34 12 94 S - 146 16 89 E

## Cocoparra National Park, 'Store Creek'

34 08 75 S - 146 12 63 E

## Cocoparra National Park, 'Woolshed Flat'

34 04 86 S - 146 13 28 E

**Description:** Cocoparra National Park is part of a range of rocky hills at the north-western edge of the South West Slopes bioregion. Vegetation includes Dwyer's Red Gum on the upper portions, Mugga Ironbark and some Blakely's Red Gum, with Bimble Box and White Cypress Pine in the lower areas of the park.

**Access:** The national park has a number of areas available for day visits and overnight camping. These are all accessed along the Whitton Stock Route which travels along the western side of both Cocoparra National Park and Binya State Forest.

**Birds observed include:** Speckled Warbler, Mulga Parrot, Black-eared Cuckoo, Gilbert's Whistler, Diamond Firetail, Hooded and Eastern Yellow Robin.

Diamond Firetail  
(Dean Ingwersen)



Cocoparra National Park (TEMP)

## Other sites of interest

### Wyangan TSR

34 13 04 S - 146 00 80 E



Wyangan TSR  
(TEMP)

Grey-crowned Babbler  
(Bernard Clarke)

Small Acacia Woodland with Yarren Acacia *homalophylla* dominant.

## Urban

### Scenic Hill

34 16 084 S - 146 02 06 E



Scenic Hill  
(TEMP)

Major Mitchell's Cockatoo  
(Dean Ingwersen)

**Description:** Scenic Hill is a rocky outcrop/ridge woodland, in northern area of Griffith city.

**Access:** The area has a number of sealed roads passing through and around the area, providing good access.

# Leeton Shire

The Walter Burley Griffin designed town with its well appointed public parks, tree lined streets and an outstanding main streetscape of Art Deco architecture, make it a very attractive and inviting town.

Experience the Leeton SunRice Centre, where you will be treated to a presentation on Australia's Rice industry, which includes viewing a video and rice tasting.

Beautifully maintained buildings that reflect the Art Deco era are a show piece of Leeton, which include the Roxy Community Theatre, Historic Hydro, main water towers and the Government Offices in Chelmsford place.

A delightful and rewarding spot for birdwatchers on the northern outskirts of town, Fivebough Swamp is a sanctuary and important feeding ground for migratory waterbirds.

The nearby Murrumbidgee River and recently

proclaimed Murrumbidgee Valley National Park, have wonderful forest drives, sandy beaches and excellent fishing spots. Gogeldrie Weir is a fantastic recreational area on the Murrumbidgee River worthy of inspection and the historic mansion of irrigation pioneer, Sir Samuel McCaughey is a 'must see' attraction.

The Courthouse and Gaol Museum at Whitton contains a comprehensive collection of early farming and irrigation equipment. The Yanco Powerhouse Museum was the original power generating station for the irrigation scheme.

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## Fivebough Wetlands

**Description:** Fivebough Wetlands are Wetlands of International Importance (Ramsar) and are recognised for their diversity and abundance of waterbirds. The wetlands are 400ha in area, and contain a mosaic of varying waterbird habitats, which include open shallow areas used by migratory shorebirds, with more densely vegetated sites preferred by cryptic species as bitterns, crakes, and rails.

One hundred and eighty species of birds have been recorded at Fivebough of which eighty four are waterbirds.

### Fivebough Wetlands Petersham Rd Entrance

34 32 14 S - 146 25 22 E

**Access:** Fivebough Wetlands are located just north-east of Leeton. Travel along Brobenah Road for approximately 1km then east into Petersham Road then another 1km to the wetland's carpark. From the carpark you have access to the western portion of the wetland, which has walking trails, birdhides, and viewing mounds throughout.

**Birds observed include:** Glossy Ibis, Swamp Harrier, Australasian Bittern, Little Bittern, Spotted and Spotless Crakes, Australian Painted Snipe, Little Grassbird, Sharp-tailed Sandpiper and Freckled Duck.

Ballion's Crake  
(TEMP)



Fivebough wetland  
entrance (TEMP)

Whiskered Terns  
(TEMP)

### Fivebough Wetlands Hooey Road Lookout

34 31 41 S - 146 26 35 E

**Access:** Hooey Road Lookout is located on the eastern side of the wetland, and provides visitors with an overview of the wetland.

Travel along Fivebough Road for approximately 4km until Hooey Road, then to its carpark. There is no access to the wetland from Hooey Road.

**Birds observed include:** Brolga, Whiskered Tern, Black-winged Stilt, ducks, ibis, plovers and dotterels.

Sharp-tailed Sandpiper  
(TEMP)



Hooey Rd Lookout  
(TEMP)

Brolga  
(Peter Merritt)



# Murrumbidgee Valley National Park

**Description:** The River Red Gum Forests of the Murrumbidgee Valley National Park in Leeton Shire traverse approximately 80km of river frontage mainly on the north side of the river.

The forests are dominated by River Red Gum, and contain areas of White Cypress Pine, Yellow Box and Black Box Woodlands. Trails within the National Park may be impassable in wet conditions.

## Murrumbidgee Valley National Park - MIA 1. 'Graham's Grave' Entrance

34 43 26 S - 146 27 74 E

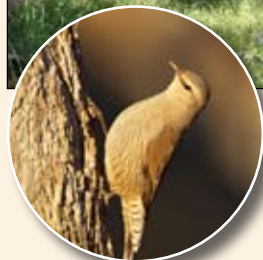
**Access:** The Murrumbidgee Valley National Park - MIA 1. "Graham's Grave" entrance is approximately 18km south-east of Yanco along the road to Narrandera (Irrigation Way). On entering the National Park it is a further 2km to Graham's Grave beach.

**Birds observed include:** Little Eagle, Crested Shrike-tit, Grey-crowned Babbler, Superb Parrot, honeyeaters and cormorants.

Crested Shrike-tit  
(Jim Ridley)



Graham's Grave  
(TEMP)



Brown Treecreeper  
(Dean Ingwersen)

## Murrumbidgee Valley National Park - MIA 1. 'Brick Kiln' Entrance

34 38 88 S - 146 23 90 E

**Access:** The Murrumbidgee Valley National Park-MIA 1. 'Brick Kiln' entrance is approximately 6km south of Yanco along the road to Narrandera (Irrigation Way).

The main drive allows access through the National Park from 'Brick Kiln' to 'Graham's Grave' entrances, a distance of approximately 16km.

**Birds observed include:** Little and Long-billed Corella, Western Gerygone, Dollarbird, Yellow Rosella, Apostlebird, Grey Shrike-thrush and pardalotes.



River Red Gum  
Regeneration  
(TEMP)



Dollarbird  
(Dean Ingwersen)

## Murrumbidgee Valley National Park - Cuba

34 34 92 S - 146 06 50 E

**Access:** Murrumbidgee Valley National Park - Cuba is 15km south of Whitton along the road to Darlington Point.

**Birds observed include:** Superb Parrot, Yellow and Eastern Rosellas, Red-capped Robin, Brown Treecreeper, fairy-wrens and waterbirds around the billabongs and river.

Golden Whistler  
(Bernard Clark)



Murrumbidgee Valley National Park - Cuba Box-Pine Woodland (TEMP)

Yellow Rosella  
(Jim Ridley)



## Whitton Punt TSR

34 37 51 S - 146 11 75 E



Whitton Punt TSR  
(TEMP)

Varied Sittella  
(Dean Ingwersen)



**Description:** River Red Gum Forest with Yellow and Black Box Woodland away from the Murrumbidgee River and lagoons.

**Access:** Continue to follow Urolely Road (unsealed) after the Innisvale Lane intersection for 13km, turn north and cross the bridge over the Coleambally Canal, the reserve 3km further on.

**Birds observed include:** Superb Parrot, Red-rumped Parrot, Whistling Kite, Varied Sittella, Grey-crowned Babbler, Southern Boobook, Sacred Kingfisher and honeyeaters.

Red-rumped Parrot  
(Bernard Clark)



### Other sites of interest

## Murrumbidgee Valley National Park - Billenbah

34 39 16 S - 146 21 04 E

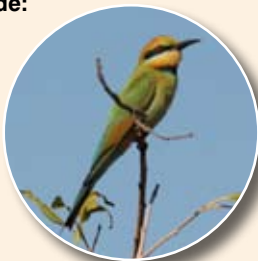
**Description:** Small Box-Pine Woodland dominated by White Cypress Pine and Black Box with an understorey of native grasses.

**Access:** After leaving Yanco along the road to Narrandera follow Uroley Road for approximately 10km then Innisvale Lane for 1km.

### Birds observed include:

Eastern Yellow and Hooded Robin, Rainbow Bee-eater, Blue Bonnet, Western Gerygone and butcherbirds.

Rainbow Bee-eater  
(Dean Ingwersen)



## Yanco Weir TSR

34 41 94 S - 146 24 13 E



Yanco Weir TSR  
(TEMP)

Sacred Kingfisher  
(Jim Ridley)

**Description:** Yellow Box Woodland having River Red Gums along the creeks within the reserve, grassy understorey.

**Access:** Travelling from Yanco on the Uroley Road about 500m after crossing the Euroley Bridge over the Murrumbidgee River, turn south onto the Yanco Weir Road, 10km, the reserve and Yanco Weir.

**Birds observed include:** Superb Parrots, rosellas, pardalotes, honeyeaters and woodswallows.

## Wumbalgal TSR

34 22 09 S - 146 12 73 E

**Description:** Grassy Box Woodland dominated by Bimble Box, with small areas of White Cypress Pine.

**Access:** The reserve is on the boundary of Leeton and Griffith Shires, along the Leeton to Griffith Road (Irrigation Way).

**Birds observed include:** Blue Bonnet, Grey-crowned Babbler, Crimson Chat, thornbills and finches.

## Murrumbidgee Valley National Park - MIA 2

34 38 14 S - 146 22 52 E

**Access:** Follow Uroley Road. The trail entering the forest is 200m on the west side of the road before Euroley Bridge over the Murrumbidgee River.

**Birds observed include:** Olive-backed Oriole, Dollarbird, Yellow Rosella, Sulphur-crested Cockatoo and corellas.

## Yanco Common

34 36 52 S - 146 24 27 E

**Description:** A small patch of Boree (*Acacia pendula*) Woodland.

**Access:** After entering Uroley Road travelling from Yanco the entry track is 200m on the right.

**Birds observed include:** Superb Parrot, Black Honeyeater, Spotted and Striated Pardalotes, Australian Hobby and thornbills.



Yanco Common (TEMP)



# Narrandera Shire

If you enjoy the great outdoors, you'll enjoy your time at Narrandera. The town has some beautiful heritage attributes: its street trees, its 19th century buildings and its place on the ancient Murrumbidgee River.

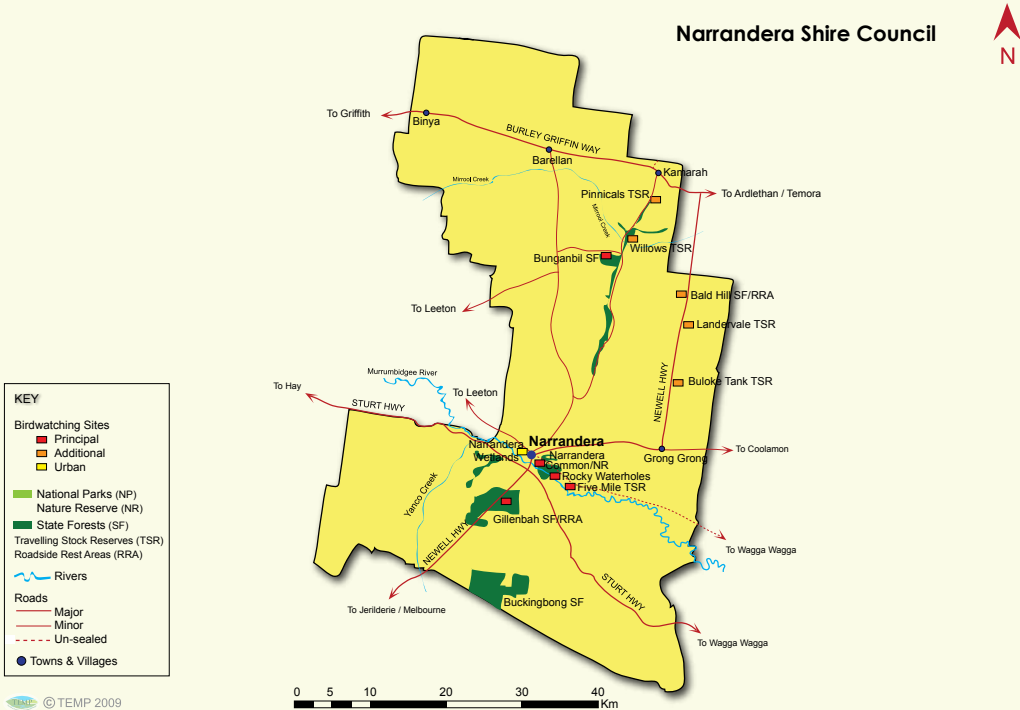
The river borders Narrandera's south side, and along with Bundidgerry Creek, Lake Talbot and the Red Gum corridor through which it flows, creates some great opportunities to see native flora and fauna.

Right in town and a stone throw north of the River (near the river bridge) you'll find the Narrandera Wetland. This is a gem. The wetland was developed to manage the storm water run-off from the town and create a haven for bird life. Volunteers and the local Council

partnered to create the wetland bed and plant it out. An historic army bridge is a feature.

Narrandera has a good range of options for an overnight stay, taking in motel, bed and breakfast and hotel style accommodation as well as several caravan parks with cabins. There is also some great shopping including antiques and coffee shops.

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## Narrandera Common

34 45 44 S - 146 33 76 E



Narrandera Common  
(TEMP)

Dollarbird  
(Dean Ingwersen)

**Description:** River Red Gum Forest bounded in the south by the Murrumbidgee River and Narrandera Nature Reserve.

**Access:** Entry to the common is on the southern side of the main supply canal near the entrance to Lake Talbot. Travel is via graded roads, and it is advisable not to access the common during wet conditions.

**Birds observed include:** Yellow and Eastern Rosellas, Superb Parrot, Dollarbird, Brown Treecreeper, Crested Shrike-tit, Olive-backed Oriole and during winter Flame and Scarlet Robins.

Flame Robin  
(Bernard Clark)



Koala  
(TEMP)



## Gillenbah State Forest

34 48 88 S - 146 28 72 E



Gillenbah State Forest (TEMP)

**Description:** Box-Pine Woodland dominated by mainly by White Cypress Pine and Grey Box.

**Access:** Gillenbah State Forest is located on the east side of the Newell Highway approximately 10km south of Narrandera.

**Birds observed include:** Grey-crowned Babbler, Red-rumped Parrot, Apostlebird, Varied Sittella, spring/summer Rainbow Bee-eater, White-winged Triller and woodswallows.

Rainbow Bee-eater  
(Dean Ingwersen)



Red-rumped Parrot  
(Bernard Clark)

## Bunganbil State Forest

34 27 15 S - 146 40 62 E

**Description:** Box-Pine Woodland dominated by mainly White Cypress Pine and Grey Box, with Boree Woodland in eastern sections of the forest.

**Access:** Main access is via Boronia Road entrance which is on the southern side of the Willows Road (Leeton-Ardlethan Rd), after about 1km there is a ground tank.

**Birds observed include:** Red-capped Robin, Mallee Ringneck, Australian Hobby, Glossy Black Cockatoo, pardalotes, thornbills & woodswallows.

Wedge-tailed Eagle  
(Bernard Clark)



Bunganbil State Forest  
(Kimberley Schultz)



White-browed  
Woodswallow  
(Bernard Clark)

### Other sites of interest

## Bald Hill State Forest

34 29 80 S - 146 50 38 E

## Five Mile TSR

34 45 82 S - 146 38 32 E



Five Mile TSR  
(TEMP)

Golden Whistler  
(Bernard Clark)



**Description:** The site has as a major part it backwater from Bundidjerry Creek, having areas of River Red Gum and Grey Box present.

**Access:** Five Mile is 8km from Narrandera on the southern side of the Old Wagga Road.

**Birds observed include:** Australian Pelican, Dollarbird, White-bellied Sea-eagle, Barking Owl, Brown Treecreeper, Sacred Kingfisher and various ducks.

Peregrine Falcon  
(Dean Ingwersen)



### Other sites of interest

## Lordervale TSR

34 32 59 S - 146 49 14 E

## Buloke Tank TSR

34 37 67 S - 146 48 38 E

Lordervale TSR, Bald Hill SF and Buloke TSR are north of Grong Grong and south of Ardlethan on the Newell Highway.



## Rocky Waterholes

34 45 42 S - 146 35 73 E

**Description:** River Red Gums line the creek while Grey and Yellow Box are between the creek and escarpment with White Cypress Pine and Dwyer's Red Gum on the upper slope.

**Access:** From Narrandera's main street beginning at Victoria Avenue becomes Old Wagga Road travel 4km a gravel track on the southern side (no signage) descends the escarpment to Rocky Waterholes.

**Birds observed include:** Red-browed Firetail, Eastern Yellow and Red-capped Robin, Yellow Rosella, Variegated Fairy-wren, Clamorous Reed-warbler and various waterbirds along the creek.

Red-browed Firetail  
(Jim Ridley)



Rocky Waterholes (TEMP)

Royal Spoonbill  
(TEMP)



Narrandera Wetlands (TEMP)

## Other sites of interest

### Pinnicals TSR

34 21 29 S - 146 46 43 E

Box - Pine Woodland along the Kamarah Road.

### Willows TSR

34 24 84 S - 146 43 53 E



Willows TSR  
(TEMP)

Broughton Pea  
*Swansonia procumbens*  
(Kimberley Schultz)

Open Bimble Box Woodland along the Kamarah Road, Major Mitchell's Cockatoo are amongst birds observed here.

## Urban

### Narrandera Wetlands

34 45 21 S - 146 32 83 E

**Description:** Small constructed wetland with plantings of native trees and shrubs, located on the Murrumbidgee floodplain with River Red Gums dominating the surrounding vegetation.

**Access:** The wetland is sited on the northern side of the Murrumbidgee River just off the Newell Highway. It is easily accessible with a car parking area. There is a walking track around the wetland with birdhides along it for visitors.

**Birds observed include:** Eastern Great Egret, Little Egret, Little Bittern, Glossy Ibis, Red-capped Plover, Superb Parrot and spoonbills.

# Lockhart Shire

Lockhart was named by the Commissioner of Crown Lands in 1896 and this picture postcard town is listed by the National Trust. It's old-world charm lies in its buildings – the verandahs, ornate lacework and carefully restored facades.

In the 1850s, Lockhart was known as Green's Gonyah, after a certain Mr Green, who set up a roadside shack that became a watering hole for travellers on their way to Narrandera.

Today's New Gonyah Hotel stands on the site of this early 'hotel', and the ruins of the original stables can be seen at the rear of the site.

While in Lockhart it is a must to visit the Lockhart Museum, with its sizable collection of vintage machinery and Noske's Chinese Crossing, a dry-stone carriageway across Yerong Creek that was built by Chinese

migrants using rocks cut from a nearby quarry.

Join celebrities, world acclaimed sportsmen and women, artists, musicians and writers, in a celebration of cultures, past and present, in the annual "Spirit of the Land" festival.

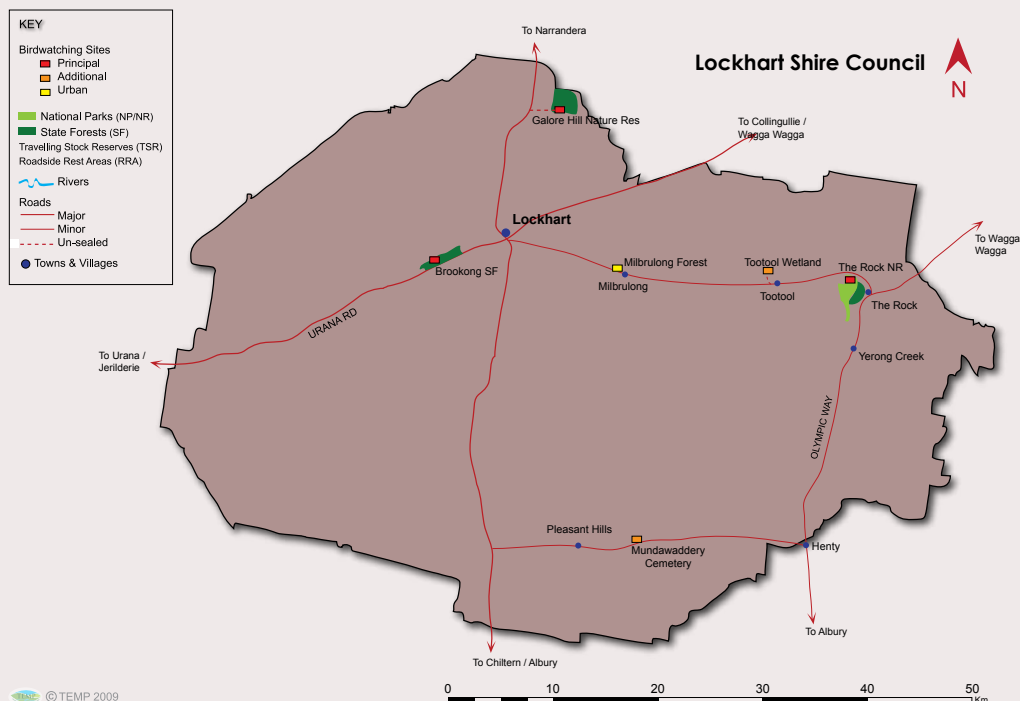
Visit the Doris Golder Wool Art display, portraits that have been created using washed wool from white and coloured sheep, no dyes were used and the colours are all from natural wool.

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## Brookong State Forest

35 14 80 S - 146 38 93 E

Red-capped Robin  
(Jim Ridley)



*Brookong State Forest (TEMP)*

**Description:** Brookong State Forest is a Box-Pine Woodland dominated by White Cypress Pine and Grey Box, with areas of Yellow Box.

**Access:** The forest is approximately 6km west of Lockhart on the Urana road, and is an area of 346ha. The western section of the forest provides better birding opportunities. Roads within the forest are graded fire trails.

**Birds observed include:** Red-rumped Parrot, Red-capped Robin, Australian Raven, thornbills and pardalotes.

Grey Fantail  
(Bernard Clark)



Spotted Pardalote  
(Bernard Clark)

## The Rock Nature Reserve

35 15 48 S - 147 04 53 E

**Description:** The Rock Nature Reserve is important to Wiradjuri people known by them as Kengal. The reserve is a rocky outcrop having mainly open woodland dominated by Grey and White Box, Blakely's Red Gum, with areas of White and Black Cypress Pine.

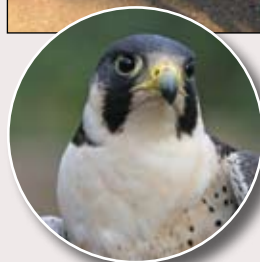
The reserve provides important habitat for the threatened Woolly Ragwort *Senecio garlandii*.

**Access:** The nature reserve is approximately 6km from The Rock township on the southern side of the Lockhart Road. It has an area of approximately 340ha.

There are walking trails, and visitor's facilities for day use only.

**Birds observed include:** Peregrine Falcon, Brown Treecreeper, Turquoise Parrot, Glossy Black Cockatoo, White-browed Babbler, Eastern Yellow and Red-capped Robins, thornbills and honeyeaters.

Eastern Yellow Robin  
(Bernard Clark)



*The Rock Nature Reserve (TEMP)*

Peregrine Falcon  
(Dean Ingwersen)



## Galore Hill Nature Reserve

35 07 00 S - 146 45 95 E

## Mundawaddy TSR and Cemetery

35 28 59 S - 146 51 04 E

White-throated  
Treecreeper (Jim Ridley)



Galore Hill Nature  
Reserve (TEMP)

Rainbow Bee-eater  
(Jim Ridley)



**Description:** Galore Hill is an isolated rocky outcrop having open box woodland, with Grey Box being dominant in lower areas and Dwyer's Red Gum, and Drooping Sheoke on the upper slopes and ridges. The reserve also has arboretums of native plants established, these include plantings amongst others of, acacias, eremophilas, hakeas and grevilleas.

**Access:** The reserve is approximately 500ha and is 15km north of Lockhart on the Narrandera Road. There are good gravel access roads to and throughout the reserve. Visitor facilities are available, including a lookout area at the summit.

**Birds observed include:** White-throated and Brown Treecreepers, Glossy Black Cockatoo, Restless Flycatcher, together with woodswallows, birds of prey and rosellas.

Flame Robin  
(Bernard Clark)



**Description:** Mundawaddy is an open Grassy Box Woodland consisting mostly of Yellow and Grey Box with an understorey of small acacias, grasses and lilies.

**Access:** Mudawaddy TSR and Cemetery are approximately 5km east of Pleasant Hills, and can be accessed from the cemetery entrance.

**Birds observed include:** Red-rumped Parrot, Grey-crowned Babbler, Apostlebird and woodswallows.

Red-rumped Parrot  
(Bernard Clark)



Mundawaddy TSR and Cemetery (TEMP)

Brown Songlark  
(Jim Ridley)



### Other sites of interest

## Munyapla Settlement

35 34 06 S - 146 45 01 E

A small Buloke Woodland remnant. Apostlebird and Grey-crowned Babblers amongst other birds seen.

## Milbrulong School Forest

35 15 108 S - 146 50 65 E

Zebra Finch  
(Bernard Clarke)



Milbrulong School Forest (TEMP)

## Tootool Wetlands

35 14 65 S - 146 58 65 E

Located west of Tootool and north of The Rock to Lockhart Road, a small River Red Gum remnant area.

Apostlebird, Grey Fantail, friarbirds and pardalotes amongst birds observed here.

### Urban

## Pleasant Hills



Grassy Box Woodlands (TEMP)

**Description:** This aptly named village is located 37km from Lockhart, is surrounded by rolling hills making it particularly picturesque.

The Recreation Ground and tennis courts and its unusual entrance, was built by the locals as a reminder of how bags were stacked in the old days. The hessian bags were treated then filled with cement, on them are the names of local properties. The folk at Pleasant Hills are a dedicated community who continuously work towards the betterment of their village. The Esplanade in the middle of the village consists of natural vegetation including native flowers.

There is a locally owned shop/post office with groceries and small goods available.

**Access:** The village of Pleasant Hills is on the Henty to Lockhart Road.

Superb Parrot  
(Dean Ingwersen)



# Greater Hume Shire

Greater Hume offers a “simply greater” experience for visitors to our Shire:

- Our history at museums in Culcairn, Henty, Holbrook and Jindera.
- The hospitality of our communities and locals alike throughout the Shire.
- The accommodation options from country pubs to quality motels or caravan parks to bed and breakfast and farm host providers in country towns or farms throughout the Shire.
- Our icons like the HMAS Otway Submarine in Holbrook, Morgan's Lookout, Headlie Taylor Header in Henty, Wymah's Ferry, Walla Walla's German Wagon, the Henty

Man on the Olympic Way, Brocklesby's Avro Anson landing site as well as the Cobb and Co stopovers.

- Experiences at Paintball Albury Wodonga, Holbrook Miniature Railway, Rosewood Essential Oils, various wineries and Henty Machinery Field Days.

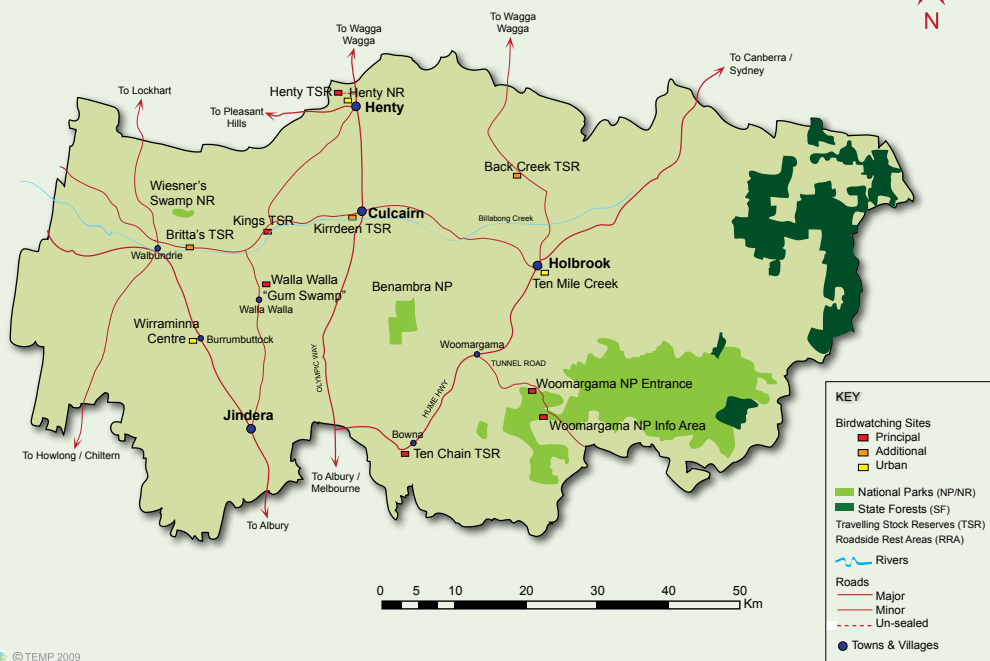
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## Ten Chain TSR

35 57 27 S - 147 00 47 E

**Description:** White Box Woodland with Yellow Box near the entrance, native grasses.

**Access:** Bowna Road, on the southern side of the Hume Highway about 2 km south of Bowna. Entrance is via an unsealed land (Plunkett's Road) which commences at the eastern edge of the Bowna roadside rest area. The reserve's shape is narrow and long having a series of gates to pass through which are to be closed.

**Birds observed include:** Noisy Friarbird, Dusky Woodswallow, Australian Hobby, Grey-crowned Babbler, Weebill and thornbills.

Grey-crowned Babbler  
(Dean Ingwersen)



Ten Chain TSR (TEMP)

## Henty TSR

35 29 72 S - 147 01 18 E

**Description:** The reserve is a large Grassy Box Woodland remnant, with a small area of acacia understorey and some regeneration in the absence of set grazing.

**Access:** Henty TSR is located approximately 4km north-west of Henty behind Henty Cemetery.

**Birds observed include:** Rainbow Bee-eater, Zebra Finch, White-browed Woodswallow, Australian Pipit and thornbills.

## Walla Walla 'Gum Swamp'

35 44 42 S - 146 54 08 E

**Description:** The south-western higher portion of the site is Grey and Yellow Box Woodland, while the depression is dominated by old growth River Red Gum.

**Access:** Gum Swamp is approximately 2km north of Walla Walla on Lookout Road. Take the unsealed road to the right just before Petriesk Creek bridge.

**Birds observed include:** Rufous Whistler, Brown Treecreeper, Sacred Kingfisher, Peaceful Dove, Rufous Songlark, thornbills and pardalotes.

Restless Flycatcher  
(Bernard Clark)



Walla Walla  
'Gum Swamp'  
(TEMP)

Varied Sittella  
(Dean Ingwersen)



Henty TSR (TEMP)

## Woomargama National Park Information Area

35 53 98 S - 147 18 97 E

**Description:** Woomargama National Park retains one of the largest proportions of remnant box woodlands in the South West Slopes, with areas of Yellow Box and Blakely's Red Gum.

**Access:** The main entrance to the National Park is via Tunnel Road which joins the Hume Highway at Woomargama village.

**Birds observed include:** Swift Parrot, King Parrot, Gang Gang Cockatoo, Speckled Warbler and honeyeaters.

Regent Honeyeater  
(Dean Ingwersen)



Woomargama National Park  
(TEMP)

Gang Gang Cockatoo (Chris Tzaros)

## Kings TSR

35 40 38 S - 146 54 12 E



Kings TSR (TEMP)

Golden Whistler  
(Bernard Clark)

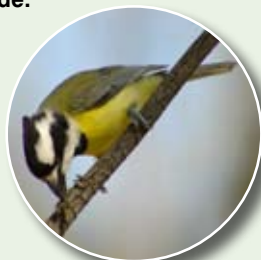
**Description:** Kings TSR is a large remnant Box Woodland, dominated by Grey Box. Billabong Creek flows along the reserve's southern boundary with River Red Gum.

**Access:** Is via Kings Bridge Road which travels along the eastern boundary of the reserve. The entrance gate is on the right and approximately 200m before the bridge over Billabong Creek.

**Birds observed include:**

Brown Treecreeper, Grey-crowned Babbler, Crested Shrike-tit, and in winter Golden Whistler and Flame Robin.

Crested Shrike-tit  
(Bernard Clark)



### Other sites of interest

## Kirrdeen TSR

35 40 19 S - 146 59 49 E

Yellow Box Woodland along the north bank of Billabong Creek approximately 6km west of Culcairn on the Walbundrie Road.

## Woomargama National Park Entrance

35 52 61 S - 147 17 84 E

## Brittas TSR

35 41 84 S - 146 46 83 E

**Description:** Grey -Yellow Box Woodland.

**Access:** The reserve is 6km east of Walbundrie along the Walbundrie - Culcairn Road.

Bush Stone Curlew  
(Bernard Clark)

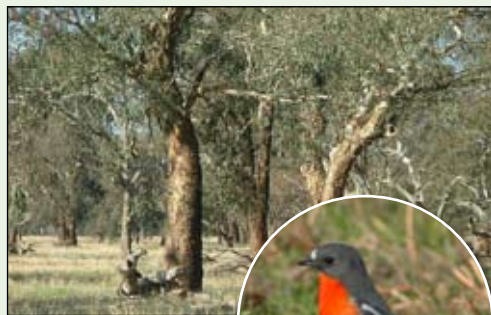


Brittas TSR (TEMP)

## Back Creek TSR

35 35 98 S - 147 16 11 E

A small Yellow Box Woodland along the Holbrook to Wagga Wagga Road.



Back Creek TSR  
(TEMP)

Flame Robin  
(Bernard Clark)

## Urban

## Wirraminna Environmental Education Centre

**Description:** The site is an area designed and developed within a remnant box woodland area managed by the Burrumbuttock Public School together with the local community and landcare.

**Access:** The Wirraminna Environmental Education Centre is located adjacent to Burrumbuttock Public School. The education centre has walkways and landscaped gardens full of native species.



Wirraminna (TEMP)

## Henty Government Dam Nature Reserve

**Description:** A small box woodland remnant within the Henty township.

**Access:** The reserve is located just north of Henty's main street in Bartsch Avenue.



Henty Government Dam Nature Reserve (TEMP)

## Ten Mile Creek – Holbrook

Urban parkland located near the town centre.



# City of Wagga Wagga

Nestled on the banks of the magnificent Murrumbidgee River in Southern NSW, Wagga Wagga is a dynamic and cosmopolitan regional city. With over 60,000 residents and thriving business, sports and communities, Wagga Wagga offers a temperate climate, diverse calendar of events, rich cultural heritage and wealth of fantastic attractions, making it the ideal destination for visitors all year round.

Visitors will be charmed by Wagga Wagga's unique mix of country hospitality and big city sophistication. From traditional to contemporary, there is something to suit all tastes, with arts and culture, two public art galleries, and home to the National Art Glass Collection.

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## Mates Gully TSR

35 14 89 S - 147 40 93 E

**Description:** Box-Ironbark Forest with an understorey of wattles, everlasting daisies, and native grasses. Mates Gully is one of the better sites in the region to observe birds with more than 78 bird species recorded here.

**Access:** Mates Gully TSR is east of Wagga Wagga on Mates Gully Road, and has vehicle access via a ramp into the TSR.

**Birds observed include:** Swift Parrot, Little Lorikeet, Gang-gang Cockatoo, Fan-tailed and Pallid cuckoos, Crested Shrike-tit, woodswallows, along with many honeyeaters amongst which are Black-chinned, Eastern Spinebill, Yellow-tufted, White-napped, and Yellow-faced.

Yellow-tufted Honeyeater  
(Dean Ingwersen)



*Mates Gully TSR (TEMP)*

## Matong State Forest

34 53 34 S - 146 55 68 E

**Description:** White Cypress Pine-Yellow Box-Grey Box Woodland, with areas of Buloke.

**Access:** Matong State Forest is located on the Old Narrandera-Wagga Road.

**Birds observed include:** Brown Treecreeper, Rufous Whistler, Peaceful Dove, Diamond Firetail, and Grey-crowned Babbler.

## Livingstone National Park

35 20 59 S - 147 20 90 E

Barking Owl  
(Dean Ingwersen)



*Livingstone National Park (TEMP)*

White-browed Woodswallow  
(Bernard Clark)



**Description:** The national park has a number of vegetation types, open forest, low open woodlands, and tall shrubland communities, which contain amongst other plant species, Red and White Box, Scribbly Gum, Red Stringybark and Ironbarks.

**Access:** Travel 20km along the Wagga Wagga to Holbrook Road until O'Brien's Rd, then a further 6 km to Wrigley's Road. Wrigley's Rd is a 3km narrow single vehicle unsealed road.

**Birds observed include:** Brown Treecreeper, Eastern Yellow and Hooded Robins, Speckled Warbler, Turquoise Parrot, Chestnut-rumped Heathwren and woodswallows.

Yellow-rumped Thornbill  
(Bernard Clark)



## Pomingalarna Reserve

35 06 98 S - 147 17 80 E



*Pomingalarna Reserve (TEMP)*

Diamond Firetail  
(Dean Ingwersen)

**Description:** Wagga Wagga Hills Open Forest, containing White Cypress Pine-Grey Box and Drooping Sheoak.

**Access:** Pomingalarna Reserve is sited on the Sturt Highway west of Wagga Wagga, the Reserve is closed to motor vehicles.

**Birds observed include:** Diamond Firetail, Glossy Black Cockatoo, Gilbert's Whistler, Rufous Whistler, pardalotes and honeyeaters.

## Murraguldrrie TSR

35 29 87 S - 147 37 56 E



*Murraguldrrie TSR (TEMP)*

## Berry Jerry State Forest

35 03 60 S - 147 02 16 E

**Description:** River Red Gum Forest.

**Access:** Berry Jerry State Forest entrance is located at its roadside rest area 8km west of Collingullie on the Sturt Highway.

**Birds observed include:** Barking Owl, Black-chinned Honeyeater, Yellow Rosella and Superb Parrot.

Superb Parrot  
(Dean Ingwersen)



*Berry Jerry State Forest (TEMP)*

Spotted Pardalote  
(Bernard Clarke)



**Description:** Red Stringybark-Long leaved Box-Red Box Open Forest.

**Access:** Murraguldrrie TSR is located on the Wagga Wagga - Tumbarumba Road south of the Hume Highway, within Murraguldrrie State Forest.

**Birds observed include:** Noisy Friarbird, Speckled Warbler and pardalotes.



### Other sites of interest

## Tooles Creek TSR

35 16 19 S - 147 31 13 E

Open Box Woodland. Tooles Creek TSR is along the Tumbarumba Road enroute to Murraguldrrie TSR.

## Kyeamba TSR

35 26 16 S - 147 36 96 E

Box-Gum Woodland. Kyeamba TSR is along the Tumbarumba Road enroute to Murraguldrrie TSR.

The Glen TSR and Plum Pudding TSR are enroute to Livingstone National Park.

## The Glen TSR

35 13 58 S - 147 20 26 E

Open Box Woodland. The Glen TSR is enroute to Livingstone National Park.

## Plum Pudding TSR

35 14 96 - 147 18 99 E

Open Box Woodland. Plum Pudding TSR is enroute to Livingstone National Park.

## 17 Mile TSR

34 55 12 S - 147 12 11 E

Box-Pine Woodland along the Coolamon Road.

## Berembled Weir

34 52 65 S - 146 50 24 E

River Red Gum Forest. The weir can be accessed via an unsealed road off the Old Narrandera-Wagga road.

### Urban

## Wilks Park

**Description:** River Red Gum Forest.

**Access:** Wilks Park is at North Wagga Wagga on the Murrumbidgee River.

**Birds observed include:** Superb Parrot, Yellow Rosella, Sulphur-crested Cockatoo and honeyeaters.

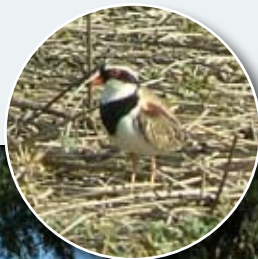
## Lake Albert

**Description:** A large open wetland, providing varying habitats for waterbirds, dependant on time of the year and prevailing seasonal conditions.

**Access:** Lake Albert is approximately 7km from the city centre at Lake Albert.

**Birds observed include:** Black-winged Stilt, Red-necked Avocet, Marsh Sandpiper, Australian Pelican, Black-fronted Dotterel and various duck species.

Black-fronted Dotterel  
(TEMP)



Lake Albert (TEMP)

# Riverina & South West Slopes Bird Checklist

**O = Oddity** denotes a species with a single or very few records during the past 10 years.

**E = Eastern** denotes a species usually inhabiting the upper slopes and alpine areas in the east of the region.

**W = Western** denotes a species usually inhabiting the western margins of the region.

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# Riverina & South West Slopes Birdwatching Code

## Follow ALL rules, laws & regulations governing public areas

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- Please obey and respect signage.
- Camping is permitted on Crown Land and National Parks, permission is required with Travelling Stock Reserves, and it is prohibited in Nature Reserves.
- All road rules apply on public lands, vehicles must be registered and drivers licensed.
- Drivers need to remain on formed roads and fire trails.
- Do not drive vehicles across country causing damage to vegetation and soils.
- No dumping of rubbish. Many sites have no facilities please take your rubbish with you.
- Do not disturb or remove wood from a site.
- Do not light fires during total fire bans. Fires are prohibited in Nature Reserves.
- No shooting or hunting.
- Use of call playback within National Parks, Nature Reserves (and other areas) requires the user to hold a current scientific licence and approval from the local area office.
- Do not enter restricted areas unless authorised.
- Respect and maintain the values and rights of traditional owners when visiting sites.

## The welfare of the birds and habitat disturbance

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- Do not cause stress to birds or expose them to danger during observation, photography or recording.
- Do not approach too closely or interfere with their natural behaviour.
- When walking, watch for and avoid ground-nesting birds and roosting birds.
- Do not harass birds by repeated disturbance.
  - Where possible walk on formed roads, tracks and paths to minimise disturbance to bird habitat and to the birds.