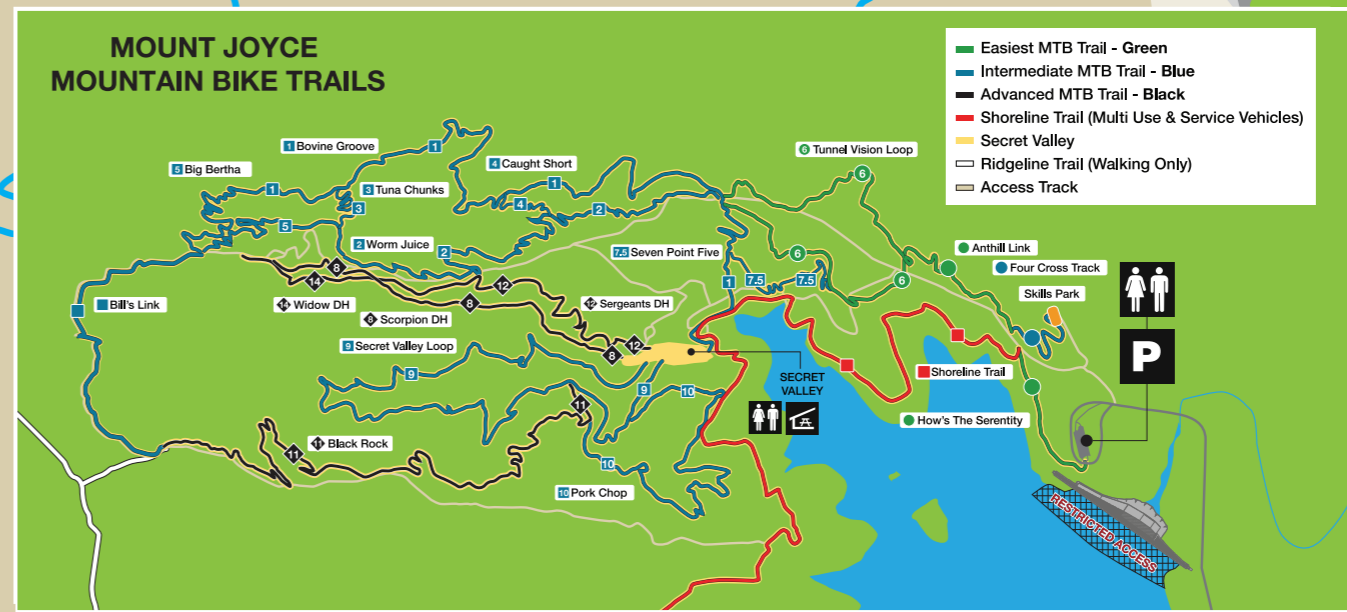


Lake Wyaralong



Play it safe

Our rangers regularly patrol our lakes, parks and recreation areas. However, they can't be everywhere to help you so it is important to plan ahead and play it safe when visiting.

Before your visit, please:

- check our recreation and safety notices at seqwater.com.au
- know what activities are permitted and where
- carry the right safety equipment and first aid kit
- familiarise yourself with our access rules and policies.

Protect our water supply

Our lakes are also our water supply. To protect our drinking water please:

- leave the facilities as you found them and do not damage any property, wildlife or plants
- place litter in the bins provided
- leave your pets at home – dogs and other domestic animals can disturb the wildlife that live in our natural areas.

Serious aquatic weeds like water hyacinth, salvinia and cabomba are very invasive and are able to reproduce from even the smallest of fragments or seeds. Help protect our waterways from damaging weeds by:

- cleaning and drying anything that came into contact with the water, especially any visible mud or plants
- eliminating water from all equipment before transporting it anywhere, as the water may contain plant fragments or seeds
- not placing plants, fish or other animals into a body of water they did not come from.



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Visit Lake Wyaralong

What to do at Lake Wyaralong

Wyaralong Dam is located north-west of Beaudesert on the Teviot Brook, nestled at the base of Mt Joyce. Completed in 2011, Wyaralong Dam is South East Queensland's newest dam.

Seqwater is one of the few bulk water providers in Australia that manages open catchments, allowing the community to enjoy recreational activities on the dams and lakes that supply our drinking water.

The dam and recreation facilities are open to the public seven days a week, from 5:30am to 6:30pm (September – April) and 6:00am to 5:30pm (May – August).

We respectfully acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the lands and waters around Lake Wyaralong and Elders both past and present

At Lake Wyaralong you can enjoy:

- BBQs and picnics
- camping
- canoeing, kayaking and rowing
- sailing
- fishing (permit required)
- boating (electric powered only)
- multi-use trails (mountain biking, bush walking and horse riding)

Picnicking, BBQs and Playgrounds

The Meebun Recreation Area (located off Beaudesert-Boonah Road) is a popular picnic spot. Facilities include picnic tables, shelters, and barbeques. There is also a playground to keep the kids amused. It is also a great starting point for paddling, bushwalking, mountain biking and horse riding. As the area is only serviced by tank water, we recommend visitors bring their own drinking water supplies.

Camping

There are two camping areas available at Lake Wyaralong.

The Lilybrook Recreation Area (Western Trail Access) caters primarily for horse enthusiasts with holding paddocks, watering areas and loading ramps. Camping facilities are available for event use only at this stage and include a cleared area suitable for large groups. Toilets, showers (cold only), picnic tables and shelter are available on site.

The Ngumbi campsite in the centre of the park includes open camping areas, a toilet, a simple shelter shed and water tanks. The Ngumbi campsite is a remote campsite without vehicular access but can be accessed via the trails and also via the lake.

Open fires or overnight stays on the water are not permitted.

These campsites are only serviced by tank water. It is recommended that campers and visitors bring their own drinking water supplies.

To book, email recreation@seqwater.com.au

Boating

Boating is a very popular activity at Lake Wyaralong. Electric powered watercraft, sail craft and paddle craft are permitted on the lake.

For your safety and to protect the riparian areas around the lake, boats and vessels are only to be operated from the designated launch point.

The boat ramp is located at the Meebun Recreation Area.

Please be courteous to our neighbours. Much of the land surrounding the lake is private property. Do not launch, retrieve or beach on land around the lake, other than at signed, designated recreation areas.

All activities on Seqwater lakes are covered by the Boating Regulations set by Maritime Safety Queensland (msq.qld.gov.au). You do not need a boating permit to access Lake Wyaralong.

Rowing

Lake Wyaralong is a popular location for rowing regattas. Please check our recreation and safety notices (seqwater.com.au/recreation/recreation-and-safety-notices) before you head out for the latest information on events, restrictions and closures.

Fishing

You can fish from your boat or paddle craft or along the shore of the designated recreation area. Much of the land surrounding the lake is private property. Accessing private land to fish is not permitted.

Remember the lake is home to an abundance of wildlife. It's very important to ensure that all rubbish, especially fishing line and hooks, are disposed of properly to avoid serious harm to wildlife.

Fishing permits

A fishing permit is required at Lake Wyaralong. The Department of Agriculture and Fisheries controls the fishing rules and regulations in Queensland and administers the Stocked Impoundment Permit Scheme (SIPS).

Please visit daf.qld.gov.au to purchase a SIPS permit or for a list of outlets that sell permits. These permits must be purchased before fishing on the lake.

Tracks and Trails

The trails at Wyaralong have been designed and built to cater for horse riders, bushwalkers and mountain bikers. There are more than 40km of multi-use tracks and trails and 25km of mountain bike trails. Please note that trail distances displayed on the map are the lengths of the trail, not return distances.

Mountain Biking

The 25km of International Mountain Bike Association (IMBA) standard single-track ranges from basic Green Trails through to Double-Black Diamond Level Trails. The network has been designed to event standard, with some steep grades. A range of trails is available to challenge different skill levels - from beginners through to very experienced mountain bike riders. A variety of technical trail features is incorporated, with sustainable design techniques.

The Double Black Diamond trails are for very experienced riders and will be open during events. There is a limited shuttle service to take downhill mountain bike riders to the top of the trail network and is run by a private operator.

Bushwalking

Visitors can enjoy a broad range of bushwalking opportunities suited to their physical requirements. From short trails around the dam wall and water's edge, to robust hikes to the top of Mt Joyce, there are rewarding experiences for all visitors.

Horse riding

Multi-use trails from the Lilybrook Recreation Area (Western Trail Access), along the shoreline and up onto the Mt Joyce ridgeline, create an environment for horse-riders.

Horse riders must:

- Remain on trails
- Cross watercourses only at designated crossing points on the trails
- Ensure horses don't graze on vegetation in the park
- Tether horses for short periods only at hitching posts or resting areas, to minimize soil erosion and compaction
- Ensure that horses' coats, hooves and equipment are free of seeds before visits to avoid spreading weeds

Please note: There are very limited watering facilities available at the site. Trail users should come prepared with a water supply for horses and must not water horses from Lake Wyaralong. Horses are not permitted to enter the lake.

For your safety

Mountain biking and horse riding can be potentially dangerous/hazardous activities. In the event of an emergency or accident, telephone 000 or 112 immediately. Telephone reception can be unreliable, so it may be necessary to travel to a high point to make an emergency telephone call, or if in a group, leave at least one person with the injured person and have others go for help. Emergency Services can access the site when necessary. Private vehicles are not permitted to enter the trail network and the site rangers are not responsible for the emergency transport of injured patrons.

Some of the trails are multi-use trails, which can be used by walkers, trail runners, mountain bike riders, as well as horse riders. When on a multi-use trail, follow the giveaway code:

- Walkers give way to horse riders.
- Mountain bike riders give way to walkers, horse riders and trail runners.
- Trail runners give way to walkers and horse riders.
- Horse riders be aware of other users.