

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Do I need to pay any fees to enter the new parks? No, there are no entry fees.

What activities can I do in the national and regional parks?

You are welcome to do the following activities:

- camping enjoy a picnic or a barbecue
- swimming, boating or canoeing
- bushwalking and orienteering
- scenic forest drives cycling fishing
- bird watching and photography

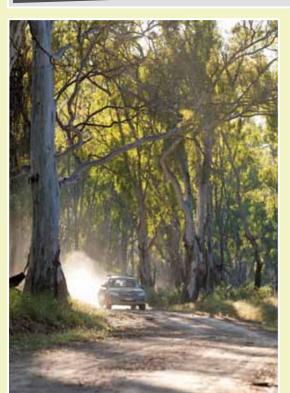
Can I bring my dog to the parks?

Dogs are allowed in all regional parks. You can take your dog for a walk or camping. Please check the maps to find the regional parks.

Is hunting permitted?

Hunting is about the only activity not permitted in national or regional parks.







RIVER RED GUMS NATIONAL PARKS

The forests of the Riverina are exceptional places. They have an abundance of plants, animals and birds, are significant to Aboriginal people and are important to the local and regional communities that surround them.

In July 2010, the NSW Government created almost 66,000 ha of national parks, over 15,000 ha of regional parks and 21,500 ha of Indigenous protected areas throughout the Riverina. Together with existing parks in Victoria, they now form the world's largest area of protected river red gums in conservation reserves in the world.

You can enjoy these magnificent forests any time of the year; go camping, boating, fishing, walking and bird watching; or simply just relax and unwind on the banks of the mighty Murray.

For information on these parks visit: www.riverredgums.nsw.gov.au

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NATURAL FEATURES

The iconic feature of this region is the towering river red gums.

These majestic trees grow along the banks of rivers, wetlands and channels and are an essential part of the region's ecosystem. The Millewa group of forests, together with the Barmah forest in Victoria, forms the largest continuous river red gum forest in the world.

One of the most beautiful and ecologically important parts of the region is the RAMSAR listed wetlands. These wetlands are an internationally significant breeding habitat for 18 migratory bird species, including the vulnerable Pied Honeyeater.

Over 60 native animals and 40 plant species listed as threatened call the region home. These new parks will ensure their continued protection and survival.

CULTURAL FEATURES

The area has been continuously occupied for thousands of years by Aboriginal people. The forests, land and rivers are interwoven in Aboriginal storytelling and beliefs.

Evidence of the rich cultural use of the area can be seen in the scarred canoe trees and open campsites that dot the landscape.

To make a canoe, firstly a suitable tree was selected, and being careful not to ring-bark the tree, a large sheet of bark was cut from the trunk. The bark was then soaked, shaped and fired for strength.





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