

#### **DISTANCES AND TRAIL CONDITION**

1	Wodonga to Bandiana	4.7kms	Easy	Off-road, full seal
2	Bandiana to Bonegilla	7kms	Easy	Off-road, full seal
3	Bonegilla to Ebden Reserve	2.2kms	Easy	Off-road, full seal
4	Ebden Reserve to Ludiows Reserve	2.3kms	Easy	Gravel trail, high quality
5	Ludiows Reserve to Huon Reserve	6.6kms	Easy	Gravel trail, high quality

6	Huon Reserve to Sandy Creek Bridge	2.3kms	Easy	Gravel trail, high quality
7	Sandy Creek Bridge to Tallangatta	9.5kms	Easy	Half-seal trail, high quality
8	Tallangatta to Old Tallangatta	9.5kms	Undulating	Half-seal trail, high quality
9	Darbyshire to Shelley	20kms	All up hill	Gravel, poor quality
10	Colac Colac to Corryong	7.5kms	Easy	Half-seal, high quality

### **WODONGA TO BANDIANA • 4.7km**

# + off-road, full seal

The rail trail is easily accessible from Wodonga's CBD and commences near the intersection of Osburn and Havelock streets. The trail follows the original spur line to Bandiana with linkages to Wodonga's pathways network at Wodonga Homemakers Centre.

#### BANDIANA TO BONEGILLA • 7km (rail siding)

# + off-road, full seal

From Bandiana to Bonegilla the trail is all off-road and sealed. As you travel east towards Bonegilla you cross the Kiewa River and pass the old Bonegilla rail siding, where each week hundreds of migrants arrived on the "red rattlers" from Melbourne dock when the Bonegilla Migrant Reception and Training Centre was operational.

At Mahers Rd you can leave the trail for a 3.6km return trip to Bonegilla Migrant Experience. The site provides an intimate glimpse into the hopes and dreams of Australia's post-war migrants. Bonegilla Reception Centre was once made up of 24 blocks. It had its own churches, banks, sporting fields, cinema, hospital, police station and railway platform. Today, Block 19 is all that remains of the original site. Bonegilla Migrant Experience brings to life the stories and experiences of the people who travelled through the reception centre.

Bonegilla Migrant Experience is open daily from 10am to 4pm (closed Good Friday, Anzac Day and Christmas Day).

Picnic facilities, toilets and refreshments available. Guided tours by appointment.

### **BONEGILLA TO EBDEN RESERVE • 2.2km**

+ off-road, full seal

## **EBDEN RESERVE TO LUDLOWS RESERVE • 2.3km**

+ gravel trail, high quality

## **LUDLOWS RESERVE** TO HUON RESERVE • 6.6km

+ gravel trail, high quality

# **HUON RESERVE TO SANDY CREEK BRIDGE • 2.3km**

### + gravel trail, high quality

The trail from Bonegilla to Sandy Creek Bridge passes through Ebden. Ludlows and Huon reserves, all featuring parking, toilet facilities and drinking water.

Small lengths of the train track are exposed on the approach to Huon Reserve. Further remnants of the railway's history are apparent at Huon Reserve, where rusty rail tracks and an old train remain.

# **SANDY CREEK BRIDGE TO TALLANGATTA • 9.5km**

# · off-road, half seal · half gravel

Sandy Creek Bridge was reconstructed in 2012 with a 600-metre architecturally designed pedestrian and cycling bridge. The bridge sits on the original rail pylons stripped of track after the Cudgewa branch line closed in 1981. Adjacent to the bridge are picnic tables and a viewing platform to take in the spectacular

From the bridge to Tallangatta ride on the 3 metre wide trail. The trail has a half seal, half gravel surface, providing 1.5 metre of each to allow for runners and riders to select their preferred surface. There are some lovely spots to stop and throw a line in for those keen on fishing. Seating is placed sparingly along the track and a bridle trail (clearly signposted) for

horse enthusiasts follows alongside the trail for much of the journey into Tallangatta.

The National Trust recognises Tallangatta as a Notable Town due to its distinctive 1950s flair. The town relocated from lower ground in 1956 to allow for expansion of the Lake Hume reservoir. The town's service building were built between 1955 and 1956.

The best off-road parking is available at the Huon Reserve, a short distance from the Sandy Creek Bridge on the Wodonga side. Parking is also available at Murrays Wayside Stop, halfway between the Sandy Creek Bridge and Tallangatta.

At Tallangatta you will arrive at the rail head adjacent to the local bowling club. Lords Hut provides an insight into the area's pioneering past as you move towards the central business area, where you will find charming cafes and country pubs. Explore the local craft store and let the kids play under the shady trees of 'The Triangles' park. In summer, cool off at the local swimming pool or Pelican Park on the foreshore of Lake Hume.

#### TALLANGATTA TO OLD TALLANGATTA • 9km

# off-road, sealed

The rail trail runs along Tallangatta's southern boundary towards Old Tallangatta. This section between Tallangatta and the Mitta River is sealed. The lookout at Old Tallangatta takes vou on a trip back in time, to a town which relocated in the 1950s when Lake Hume was expanded.

A beautiful off-road shelter at the lookout provides the perfect place to stop and enjoy a drink and a snack and interpretive signage provides further insights into the story of the town that moved.

#### **OLD TALLANGATTA TO DARBYSHIRE • 15km**

# + high and low quality • off-road, gravel

Leaving the foreshore of Lake Hume the rail trail gently climbs through some of the best grazing country in North East Victoria. The path meanders past spectacular double storied trestle bridges as well as across the recently restored 67-metre Dry Forest Creek trestle bridge.

### **DARBYSHIRE TO SHELLEY • 20km**

## + high and low quality • off-road gravel

It is all downhill from Shelley Station, once the highest railway station in Victoria, to Darbyshire (or all uphill if riding in the opposite direction). Ride through peppermint scented forests and over some spectacular restored timber trestle bridges. The 77-metre long Boggy Creek trestle bridge provides a spectacular photo opportunity.

#### **CUDGEWA TO CORRYONG • 6km**

### + on road gravel and seal then off road, seal

Parking and picnic facilties are available at the start of the 6km trail between the Benambra Corryong Road intersection and Corryong township.

A half-seal, half-gravel 3 metre wide trail weaves through farming land, following the route of the Murray Valley Highway but with wide separation making for safe and peaceful riding. Passing by the Colac Colac Caravan Park, and terminating at the Mt Mittamatite Caravan Park at the entry to Corryong, this is a perfect section of trail for visitors to the Upper Murray to enjoy during their stay.



