



FOX CREEK BIKE PARK

Peramangk and Kurna Country

Fox Creek Bike Park is situated on shared Peramangk and Kurna Native Title Country. The Peramangk and Kurna are the Custodians and cared for the land and the natural environment through lore and customs which were adhered to for more than 50,000 years.

The Country was well endowed with resources, food, water, firewood, and raw materials such as stone; timber and resins for tool manufacture; bark for huts, shields and canoes; pigments for painting; and furred animals for warm rugs. During winter, warm, dry huts of branches, bark grass and leaves were constructed, often built around the hollow side of old red gums.

Cudlee Creek runs through the bike park at the Fox Creek Road Carpark and is known as Kadli-parri. This translates as Dingo Creek, named after the wild dogs which once lived here in abundance before being hunted to extinction by European settlers.

We recognise and respect that the Peramangk and Kurna have for millennia had a deep and intrinsic connection to the land and respect their ongoing right to maintain that connection both spiritually and culturally.

Acknowledgement of Country

We pay respect to the Traditional Custodians and carers of the land. We acknowledge the cultural and spiritual connection Aboriginal people have to land and water and the importance to cultural vitality, life and identity. We also pay respect to the cultural authority of Aboriginal people and their Nations in South Australia, and across Australia.

Fox Creek Bike Park is for everyone

Fox Creek Bike Park, located in the Cudlee Creek Forest Reserve, began as an organic activity and grew into a premier riding destination in South Australia. Active management of Fox Creek trails commenced in the mid-1990s and included the establishment of the Fox Creek Road carpark.

Fox Creek is first and foremost a community bike park. Our goal is to provide an enjoyable experience, whether the visitor is on off-road cycling enthusiast, or a family group wanting to enjoy the natural environment, forest views, wildlife and the surrounding local businesses.

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Immerse yourself in nature

Ride through sustainable commercial forests, growing timber for the local industry and capturing carbon to reduce global warming.

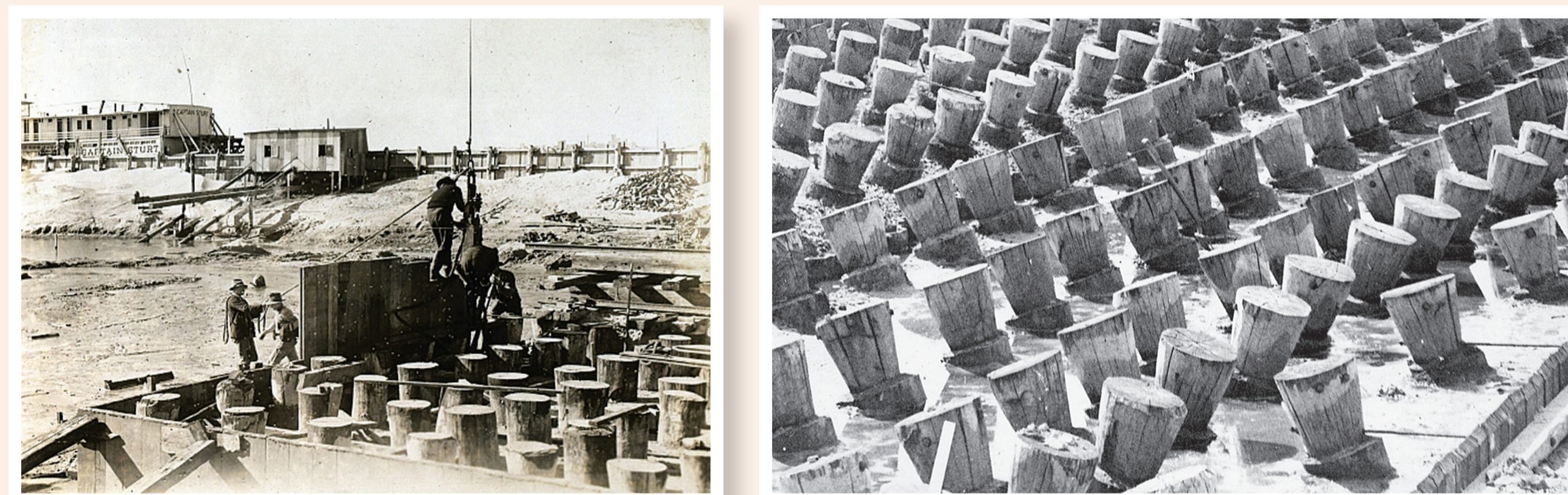
Ride through Native Forest Reserve and conservation zones protecting threatened habitats and species such as *Eucalyptus darylpleana*.

Enjoy the spectacular views and hidden valleys, breathe the fresh air, and meet the wildlife.

Cudlee Creek Forest Reserve

Cudlee Creek Forest is home to six separate forest localities and covers a total of 1,476 hectares. The forest is managed for conservation of native vegetation, commercial plantation and recreational use, such as mountain biking which has been popular in Cudlee Creek since the early 1990s.

The land became forest reserve in the 1960s and was previously used for grazing and timber cutting with the high rainfall generating a large timber supply. The timber was utilised by the early settlers for construction of the wharves at Port Adelaide, the first bridge at Murray Bridge and the barrages at Goolwa.



Above: Construction of the Goolwa Barrages near the Murray Mouth between 1935 – 1945. Images courtesy of SA Water. Below: Early plantations at Cudlee Creek. Images from ForestrySA.



The forest is closed on days of total fire ban - entry is prohibited

For CFS fire ban information, call 1300 362 351 or visit the CFS website. Being aware of a Total Fire Ban is your responsibility.

ForestrySA endeavours to provide a safe and enjoyable experience to all visitors, but you are responsible for your own safety and wellbeing.

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To report any issues during your visit, please contact ForestrySA on (08) 8391 8800. In the event of an emergency, dial 000.



**dogs
permitted**
(must be on leash)



**no
camping**



**no
motorcycles**



**no
drones**
(without a permit)

Fires at Fox creek

In 2019 more than 60% of the Cudlee Creek Forest was destroyed during the Adelaide Hills bushfire. With 956 hectares of the forest burnt, Fox Creek Bike Park was closed immediately.

The park closure was a huge loss to the mountain bike fraternity, local businesses, and the wider community. The pine plantations were badly burnt and needed to be completely harvested. Many bike trails were also destroyed.



While devastating, the fires provided an opportunity to develop and invest in the future of the bike park, along with reimagining the Fox Creek mountain bike experience. This vision was supported by a grant from the Government of South Australia and the Australian Government to rebuild and improve visitor facilities.

Work to re-establish the park has led to significant enhancements to trails, infrastructure and community, along with continued benefits to local businesses for decades to come.

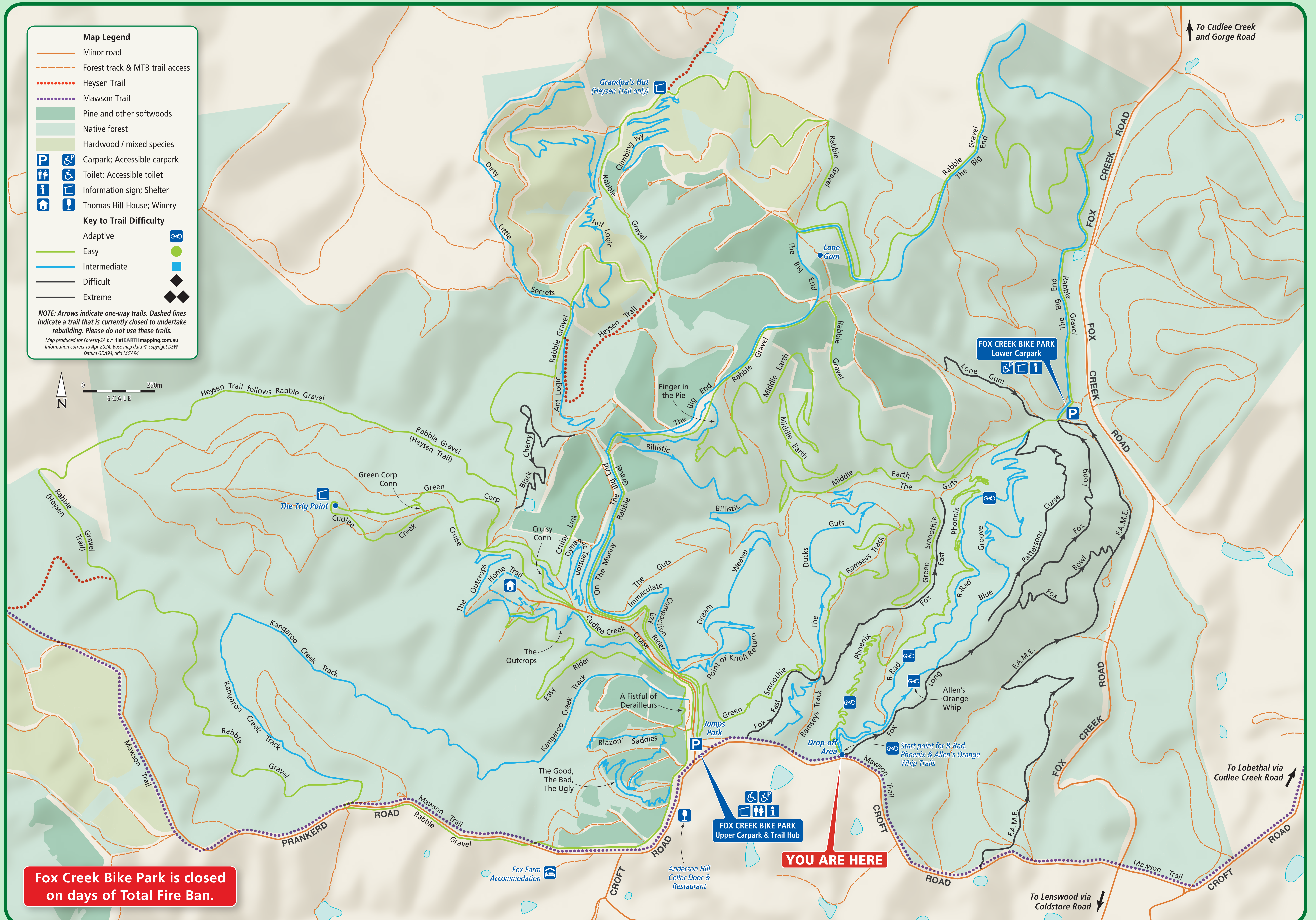


ForestrySA's vision has always been to "build back better" at Fox Creek, providing an enhanced experience for all visitors, for the benefit and resilience of riders, the local community and the state of South Australia.



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Detailed map of mountain bike trails





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Before you ride - code of practice

To protect the surrounding environment and to ensure the safety of all trail users, please be aware of the Trail Users Code of Practice when sharing the trails.

Important points to remember include:

- Plan your ride and be prepared
- Comply with all signs
- Ride only on formed tracks/trails
- Share the trail – obey give way rules
- Avoid riding in wet, muddy conditions
- Ride lightly and leave no trace or rubbish
- Control your bike within your limits and ensure your bike and equipment are suitable for your chosen trails
- Clean your bike to avoid the spread of weeds or plant diseases
- Carry sufficient food and drinking water
- Respect the rights of others
- Wear a helmet. Additional safety gear such as gloves are also recommended
- Ride in groups and know your limits, supervising children at all times
- If alone, tell someone about your plans
- Carry a mobile phone. Be aware that reception is unreliable and can often improve with higher elevation
- No trail dogs permitted

Walkers and runners

- Feel free to wander the park via the extensive fire track network
- Watch out for bike trail entry and exits
- Do not enter bike trails
- Walk dogs on lead

Sponsorship and business opportunities

- Hire a mobile vendor pad or speak with us about your business idea
- Visit the 'Our Sponsors' page on the web site to view our investment prospectus

News, updates & events

Scan the QR code for Fox Creek Bike Park news, updates, future events and volunteering opportunities.



Trail types & ratings

Fox Creek Bike Park covers over 800 hectares, offering more than 50km of single-track trails and many more kilometres of fire tracks. Maintained and marked trails ensure a safe and enjoyable experience. Check out our individual trail descriptions and navigate your way around with the TrailForks app.

Be aware the Bike Park is located partly in a working forest. You may come across vehicles for ForestrySA operations, maintenance contractors, volunteers and Forest Rangers.

The Fox Creek Bike Park is managed by ForestrySA. For further information please call 8391 8800 or visit the Fox Creek Bike Park website.



Accessibility

Designated accessible parking is available at the Trail Hub (top carpark) and Fox Creek Road carpark (lower carpark). Accessible facilities are situated at the Trail Hub, including shelter, toilets and drinking water. The mazeways at both carparks can be opened with a MLAK key.

All the trails at Fox Creek Bike Park have been given a trail difficulty rating to allow riders to make informed decisions about what trails to ride.

The table below summarises the rating system and what it means out on the trails. It is adapted from the Australian Mountain Bike Trail Guidelines Trail Difficulty Rating System (TDRS) and the Australian Adaptive Mountain Bike (aMTB) Trail Guidelines Adaptive Trail-Rating (ATR) System.

Jumps Park

Want to work on your riding skills? Welcome to the Jumps Park with the best view in Australia! Based at the Trail Hub, we have beginner, intermediate, or advanced lines catering for skills development and progression, with drops, jumps, and not one but two wall rides!

There's also an area to practice technical skills with a rock garden, skinny balance beam and teeter totter. Pack a lunch and enjoy the awesome vista from the Trail Hub or Jumps Park shelter and picnic table.

DIFFICULTY	TRAIL DESCRIPTION
	The ATR system aims to identify and rate as many of the trail features and associated amenities based on the degree of accessibility. The system provides basic and essential public information to assist in public and private trip-planning and trail selection for events. Most of the fire tracks are suitable for accessible riding.
	EASY Single trail with a gentle gradient smooth surface. May have some obstacles such as roots, logs or rocks. Suitable for beginners with basic mountain bike skills and off-road bikes. Always wear a helmet.
	INTERMEDIATE Single trail with moderate gradients, variable and loose rocky surfaces and obstacles. May include some steep sections. Suitable for competent riders with a good standard of fitness. Always wear a helmet and protective gear.
	DIFFICULT Challenging trails with large, unavoidable obstacles and features. Long, steep climbs or descents and loose surfaces. For experienced riders with a high level of fitness. Always wear a helmet and protective gear.
	EXTREME All sections extremely challenging. Large, unavoidable jumps, obstacles and severe features. For very experienced riders with a higher level of fitness. Always wear a helmet and protective gear.

Cross Country and All Mountain Trails

Our cross country and all mountain trails are primarily situated to the west and north of the Trail Hub and provide easy to difficult opportunities.

Easy trails meander through the shady hillsides and pine plantations of the Bike Park. With minimal obstacles and plenty of spots to stop for a breather or a photo, they are a great option for anyone wanting to get out in nature and enjoy the fresh air and amazing views. String together a series of easy trails for a few hours of riding.

Our intermediate trails offer longer climbing and descending opportunities with technical single track or more flowy lines with berms, rollers, and tight corners. Link up multiple easy and intermediate trails for a solid half day ride.

Be sure to include a visit to the western Trig Point where you will find a shelter and picnic table. Along with a spectacular view, one of our iconic Bike Park sculptures provides the perfect photo opportunity! If you're looking for an uplift challenge, there are three ascending trails. The most popular, Middle Earth, winds up a cool, misty valley of tall eucalypts, where you will pop out to enjoy spectacular views across the park from the centre ridge track.

Flow Trails

We love our flow trails here at Fox Creek! These gravity trails are designed with a focus on rhythm and smoothness, allowing riders to maintain a consistent speed with minimal pedalling. They often include features like banked turns, rolling terrain, various types of jumps and predictable surfaces that riders can 'flow' through without losing momentum.

Look for the iconic Bike Park sculpture at the Trail Hub and there's the Green Smoothie trail head. This smooth, flowy trail is one of the most popular beginner's flow trails in the State and is also suitable for more agile aMTB riders.

Adaptive Flow Trails

Fox Creek Bike Park is home to South Australia's first aMTB flow trail, Allen's Orange Whip, rated ATRS 2C, with its big sweeping berms and airtime jumps. Starting at the Croft Road drop-off, return up the fire road or connect onto Blue Groove flow trail, for the State's most popular trail pairing.

Right next to Allen's, rising from the bushfire scarred valley, you will find the trailhead for Pheonix and B-Rad, with a single entrance which splits into a green flow trail and a blue flow trail. All three trails exit onto The Guts Track from where riders can ascend The Guts or Ramseys fire tracks back to the aMTB trailheads or head down to the Fox Creek Road carpark for pick up.

Downhill Trails

Our downhill trails are the most challenging, built for riders seeking adrenaline-pumping speeds and technical descents. They reflect the long history of use at Fox Creek, most having been constructed over 20 years ago.

These Blue or Black trails have steep gradients, may include obstacles like rock gardens, drops, and tight switchbacks, requiring advanced skills and a bike with robust suspension to handle the rough terrain. Often used for racing, a full-face helmet and other body protection is strongly recommended on these trails.

From the Trail Hub, hit up Duck's Guts and Fox Fast for some fast and furious fun. For longer runs, start at the Croft Road drop off and try out Fox Long, Patterson's Curse, Fox Bowl and F.A.M.E.

Gravity Enduro

The mix of Flow and Downhill trails at Fox Creek are perfect for Gravity and Enduro riding and events, starting from either the Trail Hub or the Croft Road drop-off point and ending on The Guts fire track.

Continue riding down The Guts to the Fox Creek Road carpark for a shuttle pickup via private vehicle or book in with one of our commercial operators - and get dropped back at the top for a sweet half or full day of hero dirt. If you want the full gravity enduro experience, slog it out back up any of the fire tracks and find another trail.

Gravel ride or e-bike trails

Got a gravel or e-bike bike? You can explore all the fire tracks and single use trails across the bike park. Try Rabble Gravel for a gravel-specific challenge, giving yourself plenty of time for this long two-way gravel loop around the park taking in great views, scenery, and hidden creeks. 700m of ascending in 15km is hard, but it's the steep climbing on very slow grassy and clay surface that makes it brutal.

Touring

Looking for a long-distance challenge? Hop onto the dual direction linear Mawson Trail or plan a stop-over on your trip to rest, refuel and enjoy the view from the Trail Hub. The Trail runs the full length of the bike park's southern internal boundary, providing a uniform surface of graded fire tracks with multiple descents and ascents.