Stepping Out in Rockingham Dixon Road Trail



Dixon Road Trail Distance: 3.7 km / 4250 steps Time: 40 minutes Start: Dixon Rd or Darile St Surface: Crushed limestone

The Dixon Road Trail can be accessed from either just off Dixon Road or from Darile Street. Driving south along Darile Street, you will notice the State Heritage Site which is an old abattoir building constructed in the 1940's by local butchers Oliver Wilson and Sydney Dixon. Following European settlement, the land within the Dixon Road Conservation Precinct was used for grazing cattle and the abattoir was used for processing the livestock. If entering the trail from Darile Street, you may notice large nesting boxes hanging in the trees. These are designed for the endangered Carnaby's Black Cockatoo to nest and rear their young. Another bird you may notice along the trail is the Rainbow Bee-eater. If looking along the ground you may be lucky enough to notice a marsupial called the Quenda, which, interestingly only has a short life of 3 years. Many of the large Tuart trees within this reserve have been in decline since the 1990's, however you can see lots of healthy Tuart seedlings amongst the dense understory vegetation. You can recognise Tuart trees by their buds, bark and fruits. There are various trails within the reserve so you can shorten or lengthen this trail loop accordingly.





