

## Second Valley Forest

Located on the Fleurieu Peninsula, Second Valley Forest was established by the Woods and Forest Department in 1912. Today, Second Valley Forest covers an area of 3069 hectares, of which approximately 80% is plantation.

The Second Valley Forest Reserve is modelled as a community forest. It is managed for sustainable commercial forestry, while providing for the conservation of native flora and fauna and community use for recreation.

## Native Forest Reserves

Of the 616 hectares of native vegetation in Second Valley Forest, there are three Native Forest Reserves covering 244 hectares - Kalamunda, Springs Road, and Congeratinga Native Forest Reserves.

These Native Forest Reserves and conservation zones are of high conservation value, containing a rich variety of trees, shrubs and ground cover species that provide significant habitat for native birds, reptiles, and mammals.

Conservation areas provide critical habitat for threatened species, important wildlife corridors, and provide opportunities for activities such as nature study, bird watching and bushwalking.

## Visitor Safety

Be aware trees or tree branches may occasionally fall in the forest. Park vehicles in designated carparks and keep to marked trails and vehicle tracks. We strive to provide a safe and enjoyable stay for all visitors, but your safety is your responsibility.

Our forests are working forests. Sites closed for forest operations can be dangerous places, involving heavy vehicles and machinery, falling trees and loud noise. For your own safety, stay out of harvesting and operational sites, follow all signage, and obey instructions from staff and contractors.



## Horse Riding

Permits and fees apply when riding horses in the forest. Purchase permits at [forestrysa.com.au/horse-riding](http://forestrysa.com.au/horse-riding)

Forests provide extensive opportunities for enjoyable riding in a relaxed environment. The network of existing fire tracks in plantation pine areas is available for riding. Horse riding is not permitted in Native Forest Reserves which have been set aside for conservation. Please avoid picnic areas.

Consider the forest trail code on shared use trails as you may encounter cyclists and walkers during your ride. Using clean feed limits the chances of weeds spreading. Please remove all manure and feed upon departure.



## Group Activities and Events

Many organised competitions and events are held in our forests across the Mount Lofty Ranges. These require the submission of an event application form and are approved on a case-by-case basis. Such events may include orienteering, mountain biking, horse riding, and scout or school camps.

Group activities require the submission of a group activity registration form. Visit our website or contact our team for more information.

## Dogs in the Forest

Dogs are welcome in plantation forest areas, however, they must be on a lead no longer than 3 metres in high visitation areas like picnic areas, walking trails, and carparks.

Outside of these areas, dogs may be off lead but must be always under effective control, meaning, they must return to you when called and stay close to you.

**To protect native wildlife, dogs and horses are not permitted in Native Forest Reserves.**

## Total Fire Ban and Forest Closures

For your safety, forest reserves are closed to the public on declared Total Fire Ban days and in areas where forest operations such as harvesting are being undertaken. Visitors must keep clear of logging operations and pay attention to all signs.

**Forests are closed on days of Total Fire Ban.**

This forest is located within the Mount Lofty Ranges Fire Ban District. For CFS fire ban information phone 1800 362 361 or visit the CFS website.

**Being aware of a Total Fire Ban is your responsibility.**

## Wood Fires and Barbecues

Wood fires are not permitted in Second Valley Forest. Gas fires are permitted from 1 April to 30 November each year, but only in the designated picnic area at Ingalalla Falls.

**It is an offence to cut down or damage any living or standing vegetation, or to remove any timber from the forest.**

## Permits and Access

Permits are required for the following activities:

- Horse riding
- Professional photography and filming – an event application or group activity registration may be required
- Drone use – requires ranger approval

**Camping is not permitted in Second Valley Forest.**

The forest is closed at night. It is an offence to enter or remain in the forest after sunset or before sunrise.



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## Ingalalla Falls

A popular location for day visits, Ingalalla Falls picnic area is located 10km south of Normanville on Hay Flat Road. The rock pools and base of the waterfalls are just a short 250m walk from the car park.

Access to the upper falls is not recommended due to steep and slippery terrain. There is an accessible toilet with multiple picnic tables along the falls walking trail. Horses are not permitted in this area.

## Rose Cottage Ruins

Located within Bartons Forest, the picturesque Rose Cottage Ruins is a short 300m walk down a steep fire track from gate BA1 on Hay Flat Road. The cottage was occupied by members of the Putland Family for many years until the land was sold to the South Australian government by Jessie Barton (nee' Putland) in 1975.



## The Little Ruin

The Little ruin is located near Ingalalla Falls. Park in the carpark and take a short 100m walk up a steep fire track from gate MH3.

The Little ruin is named after the Little family who moved to Hay Flat in 1854. When they arrived at the property there was only a slab cottage, and so they rented a house on neighboring property while others lived in the cottage, now known as the Little ruin.

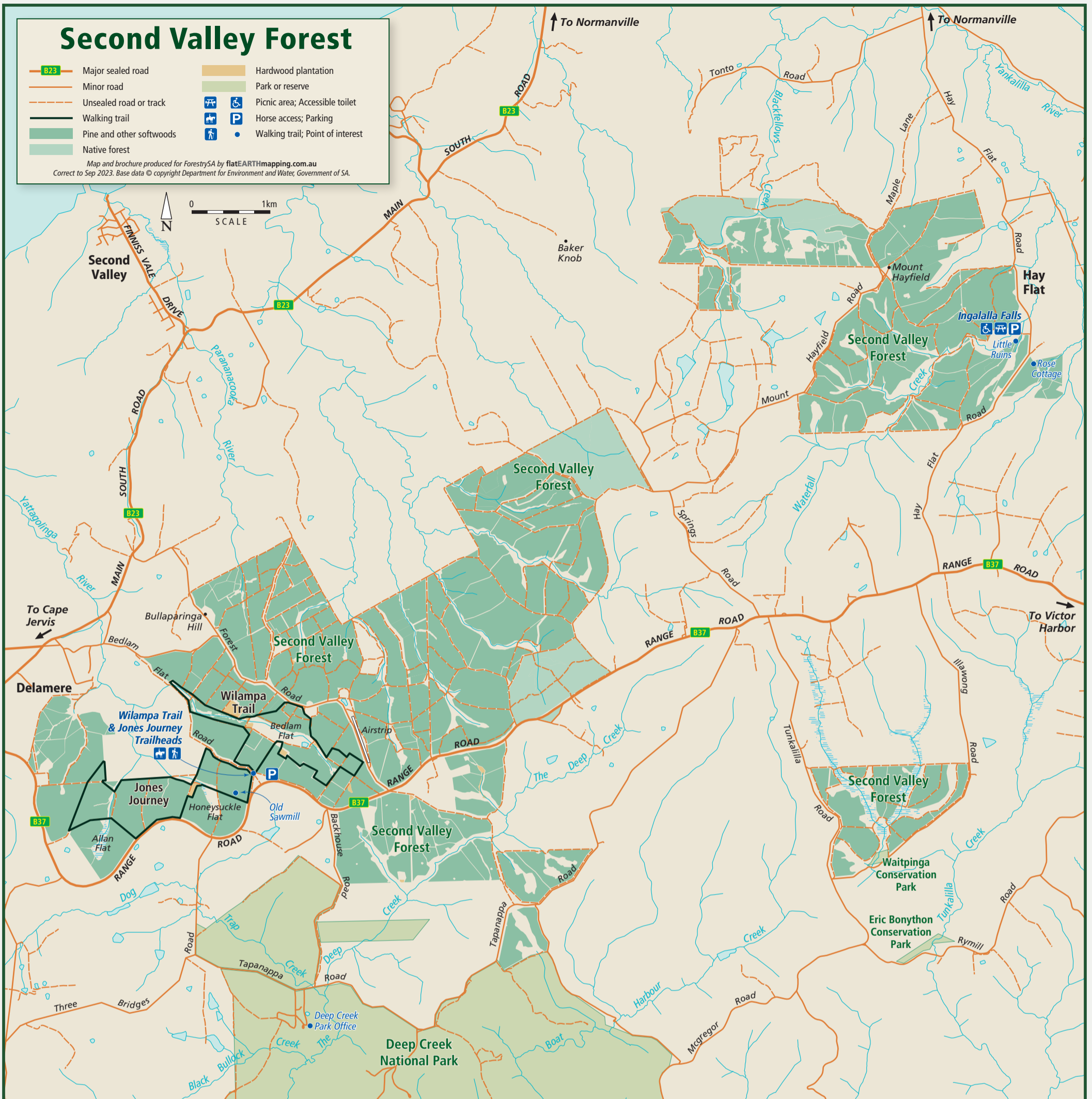


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## Visitor Information

Shared Ngarrindjeri and Ramindjeri Country.  
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### Shared-use Trails

#### Jones Journey (7km return, 2hr walk, 1hr ride)

Suitable for walkers, cyclists and horse riders, this multi-use loop trail is named after the Jones family, who have a long and illustrious association with ForestrySA, with over four generations of service predominately in Second Valley Forest. Starting at gate JO2 off Bedlam Flat Road, the trail traverses a network of fire tracks through pine plantation. Keep an eye out for soaring Wedge Tailed Eagles along the way and enjoy the views of the surrounding farmland and Fleurieu coast.

#### Wilampa Trail (7km return, 2hr walk, 1hr ride)

Suitable for walkers, cyclists and horse riders, this multi-use loop trail is named after the local Kaurna word "Wilampa", meaning 'black cockatoo with yellow or white feathers'. The name recognises the endangered Yellow Tailed Black Cockatoo which inhabit the forest and feed on the seeds of pinecones.

Starting at gate BF12 off Bedlam Flat Road, the trail traverses a network of fire tracks through pine plantation and a mixture of hardwood species. Sections of the trail follow the creek line and passes the Second Valley Forest depot and historic stock yards.

There are no toilets or other facilities at the trailheads. The nearest toilets are located a 10 minute drive away at the Delamere General Store.

### Step overs

Step overs are available in marked locations to enable access for hikers, horse riders, and bicycle riders. **Motorbikes and other vehicles are not permitted in the forest.**

### Parking

It is recommended that you park within carparks are marked on our maps. If you are parking outside of the designated areas, please ensure that you do not park in front of gates or step overs, and your vehicle is parked safely off the road.

Float friendly parking is available at the Wilampa Trail and Jones Journey trailheads.

### Accessibility

We provide the opportunity for people living with a disability to participate in and benefit from nature-based recreation with their families, carers and peers.

To ensure equal opportunity to enjoy our forests, our ranger team can facilitate access into specific areas. Contact our team for further information regarding forest access. Accessible toilets are located at Ingalalla Falls.

### Forest Trail Code

- For your safety, avoid areas where access is restricted, including where forestry operations are in progress. Look for and adhere to signs.
- Always wear a helmet when cycling and horse riding and travel at a safe speed according to your experience, track conditions and terrain.
- Consider other trail users and be courteous. Slow down and give way to others, particularly horse riders.



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