

Lakes Nature Walk Salt Creek

This attractive loop walk provides an excellent opportunity to experience the variety of wildlife abounding the Coorong. Wildflowers are abundant in spring, and the birdlife changes with the seasons and the drying out of the ephemeral lakes in summer. The walk skirts around the Pipe Clay Lake, through tea-tree and mallee scrub and past a halite lake where salt was once harvested. You may encounter western grey kangaroos, short-beaked echidnas, common wombats as well as a variety of birds such as emus, rufous bristlebirds and mallee fowl. Relax and enjoy the changing habitat on this easy walk.

Start:

From Salt Creek make your way on to the Loop Road. After 1 kilometre look for a car park on your right. There are two picnic tables in this location, an information bay, toilets and nearby bush camping sites. The walk commences across the road from the car park.

Distance:

3 kilometres – a 1 hour leisurely stroll.

What to take:

Camera, binoculars, plant and bird identification handbook or download a <u>Waders of the Coorong and</u> <u>Lower Lakes</u> brochure.

The walk is mainly in full sun so apply sun protection and take some water with you.



Look for this sign on the Loop Road





ike Pipe Clay Lake

Bench overlooking eastern salt lake

General information:

The first section of the walk follows the edge of the Pipe Clay Lake. The trail then weaves through a shady copse of mallee and tea-tree to another ephemeral salt lake and returns to the original track and car park. There are two bush campsites close to the start of the walk. Bush campsite 1 offers excellent flat sites with ample clearance overhead and turning space for caravans and large vehicles. Bush campsite 2 is more compact and suited to smaller vehicles and tents. Toilets are available halfway between the two campsites at the start of the walk. At the halfway point the walk links to the Nukan Kungun Hike which continues for 27 kilometres to the 42 Mile Crossing.



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