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# Tinchi Tamba Wetlands Track Map





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Brisbane City Council is creating more to see and do in a clean and green Brisbane with more opportunities to enjoy Brisbane's beautiful climate.

Tinchi Tamba Wetlands on the banks of the Pine River in Brisbane's north is named after the Aboriginal words for ibis and mangroves. The wetlands, shaped by freshwater and saltwater flooding, have international significance as habitat for migratory shorebirds that visit during the summer months. Habitats in Tinchi Tamba Wetlands range from eucalypt woodland to paperbark swamp and intertidal flats. Mangrove-lined estuaries provide important nursery grounds for many marine species.

Deep Water Bend is a popular area within the wetlands providing access to picnic tables and barbecue facilities, a playground, fishing platforms, a boat/canoe ramp, walking tracks and a bird hide.



## Special features

#### River sunset

Don't miss the stunning rays of the setting sun over the silhouette of the D'Aguilar Ranges, combined with cool water breezes.

#### Birdlife

Tinchi Tamba is a shorebird hot spot. During the summer months migratory shorebirds roost and feed on the mudflats. Look for the secretive mangrove kingfishers within the mangroves.

### Canoe trails

The magical wetland waterways within Tinchi Tamba can be explored using the canoe trails.

# Walking tracks

#### Island Circuit Track 3 km (1 hour) 🚯



This boardwalk crosses the intertidal mangroves and saltmarshes along the riverbank. By watching, listening and walking quietly you will see roosting shorebirds resting among the saltmarshes on a high tide during the summer months. Ensure you do not disturb the shorebirds. Check a tide chart before you visit.

#### Birdhide Track 1 km return (20 minutes)



This track takes you through the open grasslands where you can spot raptors flying high. Bald Hills Creek bird hide overlooks exposed mudflats on a low tide; perfect for shorebird viewing. You can see avocets and blackwinged stilts in the winter months - best viewing is when there is 2-3 cm of water on the mudflats.

### Canoe trails

### Island Trail 4 km circuit 🚱

Explore the Tinchi Tamba islands, channels and mangrove forests on a high tide. Look and listen for the secretive birdlife. Beware when the tide goes out as the mudflats are exposed with shallow channels not guite deep enough for watercraft to pass through. Watch for eagles hunting along the riverbanks and shorebirds feeding on the mudflats.

## Eagle Trail 9 km return

Paddle from the boat ramp down the Pine River and up into Bald Hills Creek, exploring the channels as you go. Remember to save enough energy to paddle back. Watch majestic birds flying high or paddle near the creek banks so you can catch a glimpse of the shy mangrove forest birds.



## Managing Brisbane's natural areas

Brisbane City Council manages more than 9500 hectares of bushland and wetland reserves. To ensure our natural areas provide healthy habitat for native plants and animals, and beautiful places for the community to enjoy, Council has to actively manage these areas. Pressures include weeds, arson, pest animals, unrestrained domestic pets, illegal dumping and unauthorised recreational activities such as trail bike riding.

### Report arson

Arson, or bushfire started illegally, is a crime and a major threat to all reserve users, reserve neighbours and wildlife.

- To report a fire call emergency services on 000 (triple zero).
- To report suspicious behaviour contact Policelink on 13 14 44

For more information visit ruralfire.qld.gov.au and search 'arson'.

## For your safety

- Enjoy the forest with a friend (don't go alone).
- Wear a hat, sunscreen and carry water.
- Wear comfortable footwear if you are going bushwalking.
- Make sure you let someone know where you are going, and when you plan to return.
- Exercise caution when on tracks. Some tracks may be muddy or flooded after heavy rain or very high tides.
- Take a track map or use your mobile phone to download a map from brisbane.qld.gov.au
- Carry a mobile phone. In an emergency dial 000 or 112 (or text 106 if you have a Teletyper device) as full mobile coverage may not be present in all areas.

## **Getting there**

By car: access is from Wyampa Road, Bald Hills.

By bike: go to brisbane.qld.gov.au and search 'cycling in Brisbane' to plan your trip.

## How to protect our bushland



Keep to walking tracks



Dog on leash

Under Council's local laws, conducting or engaging in the following activities is prohibited.



No littering



No fires





No camping No horse riding



interference with plants



No unauthorised vehicles or motorised vehicles



motorbikes



Clean up after your dog

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# Walking track rating

- **Easy**: mostly flat with minor slopes and fairly even track surface with few obstacles.
- Moderate: track may be hilly and have uneven surfaces in sections.
- Hard: track may be steep, uneven and have obstacles in sections.

# **Canoeing safety**

Canoe trails in Tinchi Tamba are easy if planned correctly. Check tides, currents and wind conditions as these trails can become difficult when paddling against the wind and current.

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Name	Use/rating	Distance
1 Island Trail	<b>G</b>	4 km
2 Eagle Trail	<b>4</b>	9 km
3 Island Circuit Track	<b>(</b> 3)	3 km
4 Birdhide Track	Ŕ	4 km