

## 16. DOMINO RAIL TRAIL

Grade: *Easy* | Length: *12 km* | Duration: *3.5 hrs*  
Style: *circuit* | Total uphill: *< 150 m* | Gradient: *< 10%*  
Path: *well formed tracks*

### Introduction

This walk follows a trail between Lyonville and Trentham through open forest. The Trail uses the endangered Powerful Owl as its symbol. On return to Lyonville the walk follows the disused railway line, the Domino Rail Trail that opened in 1880 and closed in 1978. We will visit the historic Trentham Railway Station before having lunch at the picnic area overlooking Trentham Lake and its feathered inhabitants.

### Getting there

From the Base, turn right into Main Road and follow this road until it becomes the C138. Turn right and continue south for about 4 km to the Midland Highway roundabout in Daylesford. Turn left onto the Highway (A300) and at the Farmers Arms Hotel go straight ahead onto the Daylesford-Trentham Road (C317). Stay on this road until Lyonville. Turn right onto High Street and park opposite the Radio Springs Hotel. This is the start of the walk.

### Preparations, Precautions & Hazards

This walk is on gravel and packed earth vehicle tracks. Boots are recommended and poles would be useful if conditions are wet.

### Facilities

There are toilets, a picnic shelter, tables and seats at Trentham.

## Walk Description

Start the walk at the cars parked opposite the Radio Springs Hotel, Lyonville (Grid Reference (GR) 575583). Walk 20 m from the hotel to the information board in Main Street. Follow the track, which starts directly behind the information board, across the Coliban River flats and continue until it crosses the Domino Trail approx 60 metres from the start. The track is just to the south of the Domino Trail and roughly parallel to it. After a further 400 m, and just after crossing a creek, the track turns left (north) at GR 584582 and crosses the disused railway line, i.e. the Domino Rail Trail. Continue on a vehicle track which swings north-east for about 500 m to a track junction (GR 585586). Turn right (east) and continue on this track for about 3.5 km to join the Domino Rail Trail at GR 620588. Proceed along the Rail Trail for about 1 km to Trentham Station (GR 631589). From there, walk around to the Trentham Park and Lake for lunch. After lunch head back to the Domino Rail Trail and follow the long, straight length of it back to Lyonville and the start of the walk.



Domino Rail Trail



Trentham Station



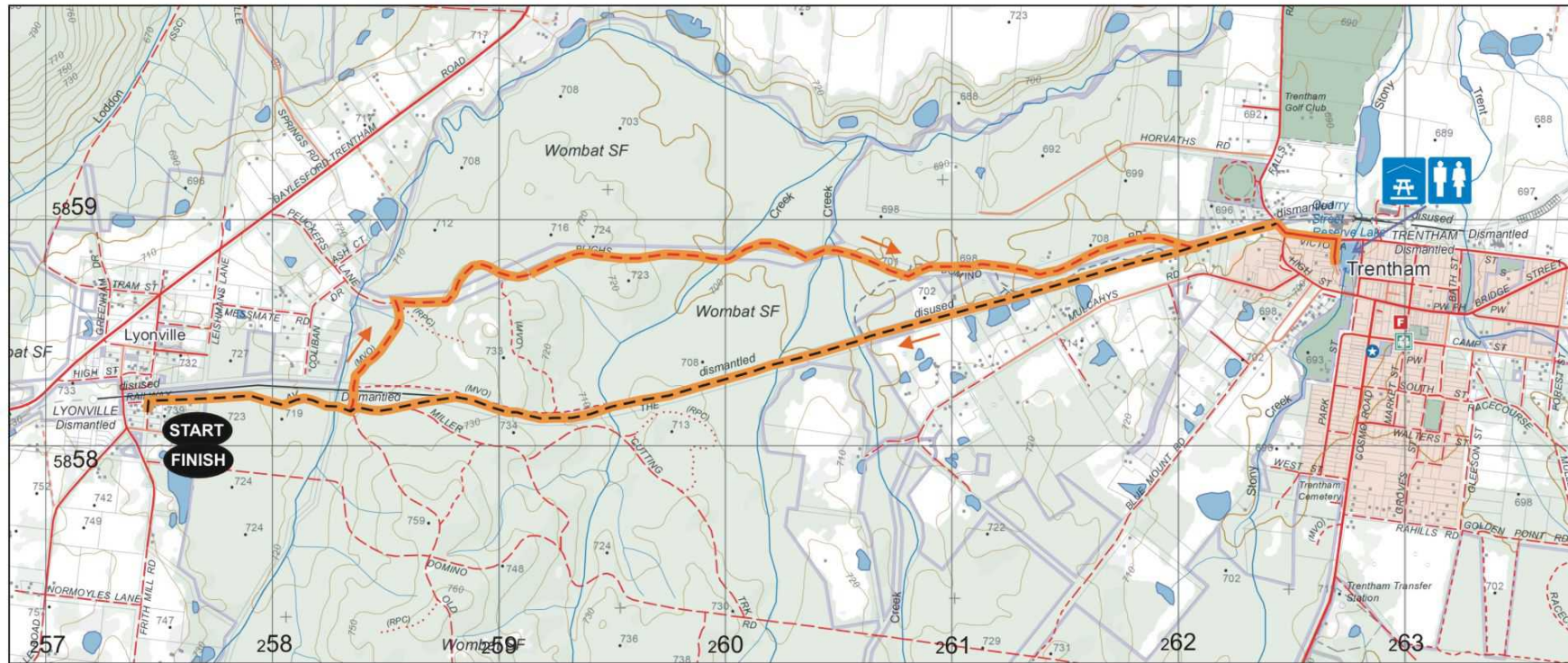
Trentham Lake

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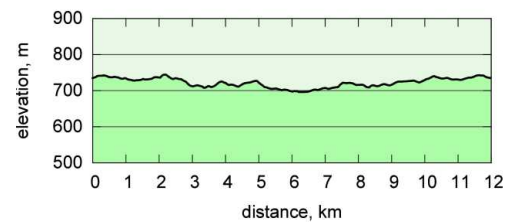
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Road	
Vehicle Track	
Foot Track	
Off Track	
Walk Route	

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