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# While you're here...

#### **PUT YOUR RUBBISH IN THE RIGHT BIN**

Falls Creek Alpine Resort is making a commitment to the sustainable management of recycling and waste at Falls Creek with the goals to divert 80% of waste from landfill by 2030.

That's why we are now separating our rubbish into 4 bins for organics. alass, mixed recycling and waste.

While you are here, please help us with our goal by placing your rubbish in the correct bin or supplied bags.



STOP THE SPREAD, CLEAN YOUR TREAD!

Help prevent the spread of weeds throughout our beautiful high country, make sure you clean your gear when you set off and return from a hike or ride.

#### **PROTECT OUR WILDLIFE**

Our native wildlife are protected, we encourage you to enjoy watching them but please don't feed them. Please observe any information signage and keep vour distance.

Take care when driving between dusk and dawn and if you encounter an injured animal please call Wildlife Victoria on 03 8400 7300 for assistance

#### LEAVE YOUR DETS AT HOME

While we love our furry friends, no dogs, cats or other non-native animals are permitted in the resort without a permit. This is to help keep our wildlife safe



# **Drink Tap Water**

Falls Creek has some of the cleanest and most prisitine drinking water in the world.

#### IT IS SAFE

We encourage all visitors to our village to drink fresh water from our taps. The water at Falls Creek is treated and safe.

Falls Creek follows the Safe Drinking Water Act 2003 and the Safe Drinking Water Regulations 2015 as outlined on the Department of Health Victoria's website.

There is no need to bring store bought water to Falls Creek

#### IT IS DELICIOUS

Being at the top of the water chain, the mountains around Falls Creek capture the snow melt and rain which then filters through the rocks to where we get our raw water from. This is then treated to ensure the safety of the water for our village residents and visitors. Our water has no fluoride or no chloride added. It is safe for you to drink.

#### **USE A RE-FILLABLE BOTTLE**

We encourage everyone to use their own re-fillable water bottles when going out-and-about for the day. Or fill up your Camelbacks for hiking and mountain biking activities. There are water fountains located throughout the village to refill bottles.

Bring a reusable cup for your coffees as well. It tastes better that way because you know you're helping to reduce waste.

#### **REDUCE WASTE**

By drinking our tap water and using re-fillable bottles, we all help to reduce waste into the greater world and reduce litter in our own village and surrounding wilderness.

Reducing waste is one more important step we can all take in minimising our footprint on the environment.





#### **EXPLORE THE FALLS CREEK VILLAGE**

1/2 DAY

#### Good for:

Everyone

Find your way around the village by heading out for a stroll among the snowgums. Pop down to the Visitor Information Centre for the latest tips or download the village map and get out for a wander

Village highlights include - Ski Wall at Diana Lodge, Possum Playground, the Village Bowl Pump Track, the Big Fella Artwork up Ory's trail and of course a picture with the aiant snowman!

Take a break and pop into one of the village cafes for a well deserved treat.

#### **WALK TO ROPERS** LOOKOUT

1/2 DAY

#### Good for:

Families & couples



Just over the other side of the dam wall is the wonderful Ropers Lookout. a great half day walk. This route meanders along a quiet aqueduct before it takes you up through the snow gums to the rocky outcrop of Ropers Lookout, named after an old cattleman.

The lookout provides some of the best views of the Falls Creek village. Rocky Valley Lake and the Kiewa Valley, particularly spectacular at sunset.

# **Falls Creek Must Do List**

Falls Creek features a stunning natural environment list of our top tips to live like a local.



#### MT MCKAY DRIVE

#### 1 HOUR RETURN

#### Good for:

Families & Couples

**⊘** Sightseeing

Providing one of the best views of the alpine region, Mt McKay is Australia's highest drivable point at 1842m. The road up is a 20 minute drive on gravel roads and also can be linked out with Pretty Valley lake and huts! On a clear day it's possible to see hundreds of kilometres in all directions and across to all the major Victorian landmarks including Mt Bogong and Mt Feathertop. For a real treat, head up at sunset with something cool and bubbly.

#### **ROCKEY VALLEY LAKE**

#### Good for:

**Everyone** 

**⊘** Watersports

Picnicking

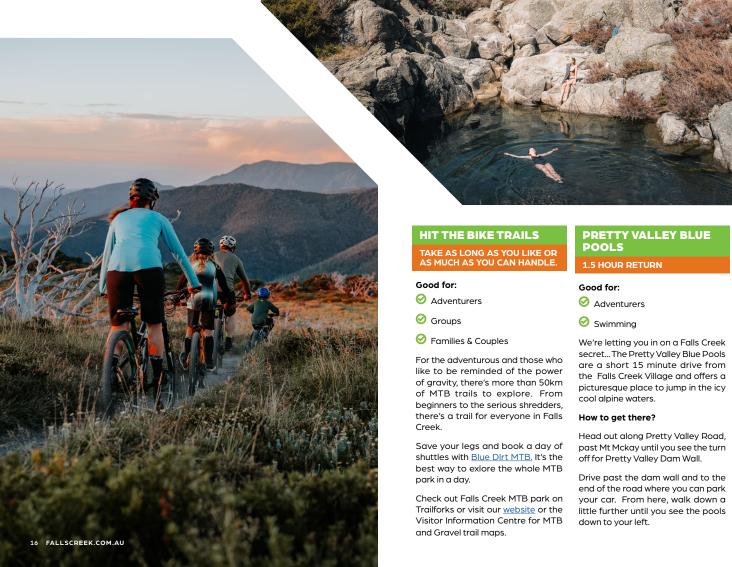
Bike, hike or drive out to Rocky Valley Lake for water-based fun at altitude. Grab your bathers and a picnic for a gorgeous day by the water. There is great trout fishing at the lake, so pick-up your fishing rod (and fishing licence) and throw in a line. The water is clear, inviting and very invigorating.

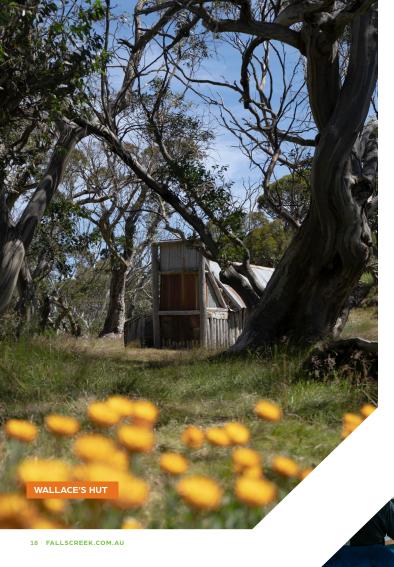
Bring your own SUP or kayak to explore the lake or spend the day hanging out by the foreshore and brand new pontoon.



AUSTRALIA'S HIGHEST DRIVABLE POINT

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### WALLACE'S HERITAGE TRAIL

2.5 HOUR LOOP

#### Good for:

**⊘** Sightseeing

Adventurers

Families & Couples

With some of the oldest huts on the High Plains, Falls Creek is ideally located for those keen to explore the rich history of the High Plains, with cattlemen from European settlement and the connection to traditional owners many thousands of years before.

Drive to the Wallace's Hut Car Park and from there it's an easy and very scenic 6km walk along the Wallace's Heritage Trail to the slightly newer, but still historic Cope Hut. You'll enjoy views down towards the valleys and Shannonvale.

### DINE OUT IN THE VILLAGE

#### Good for:

**O** Everyone

All those alpine adventures will give you a healthy appetite. With a range of fabulous venues in our village, you can enjoy a cold beverage whilst overlooking the mountains, a pub meal while basking in the afternoon sun, or a Melbourne quality latte and brunch at one of our fine venues.

#### **LET'S GET SOCIAL**

We post the freshest of pics and videos of our conditions on our social media pages. Don't forgot to post your own updates using #fallscreek for the chance to be share on our channels!



@Falls Creek Resort



@FallsCreek



#### SUMMER AT ALTITUDE

Falls Creek is very pleasant in Summer, usually with mild temperatures ranging from the teens to the high twenties. Our altitude of 1600m+ means it's usually around 10°C cooler than the towns and valleys below. Don't forget, variable conditions can happen at any time of year (yes, it can snow in December) and it's always best to

Come equipped with general summer supplies of sunscreen, but bothers river shoes and a towel

hiking gear, sturdy shoes & a water bottle or hydration pack. Don't forget the "just in case" items such as an umbrella, warm clothing and iacket.

#### **VISITOR INFORMATION**

Want to chat to the team and get the local lens on what to do, where to go and how to make the most of your trip at Falls Creek?

The Visitor Information Centre is at 1 Slalom Street (look for the big green 'i') Map Ref E4 | 03 5758

The Centre is open for walk-in traffic or phone enquiries 7 days a week (Nov-April), check the website for summer opening hours.

Outside of opening hours, visit our website for maps, events, activities and general information for your stay at Falls Creek.

You can also contact us via Facebook Messenger to talk directly with one of our staff during business nours.



fallscreek.com.au



@Falls Creek Resort

#### PRE-BOOKING TOURS & GEAR

Make the most of your trip by pre-booking services and equipment

You can hire fishing rods, book tennis courts and buy short term passes for the gym at the Visitor Information Centre. We can also point you in the right direction to rent mountain bikes, water craft, take a guided tour or book a return shuttle after walking the Falls to Hotham Alpine Crossing.

### WANT TO BOOK A MOUNTAIN BIKE SHUTTLE?

Shuttles run every day from 27 Dec – 12 Jan and on weekends from 22 Nov – 19 Apr. Jump onto the Blue Dirt website on **bluedirt.com.au** to book.

#### **OTHER ACTIVITIES**

For a unique look at the history of the huts on the High Plains and a picnic, check out the Trails, Tales and Tucker tour: **trailstalesandtucker.com.** 





# Accommodation

Looking for accommodation? No worries. At fallscreek.com.au There's a wide range of places to stay in Summer, from self-catering lodges to fabulous and stylish hotels and

#### SUMMER ACCOMMODATION:

Alpha Lodge

🕮 alphaskilodae.com.au

Alpine View Apartments

🌐 alpineview.com.au

Altitude Apartments

altitudefallscreek.com.au

Cedarwood Apartments

cedarwoodfallscreek.com

Diana Alpine Lodge

dianalodge.com

Elk at Falls

elkatfalls.com.au

Falls Creek Central Reservations

fallscreekreservations.com.au

Falls Creek Country Club

fallscreekcountryclub.com.au

Falls Creek Stavs

fallscreekstays.com.au

Feathertop Lodge

feathertoplodge.com.au

Frueauf Village

fvfallscreek.com.au

Howmans Gap

camps.ymca.org.au/ howmans-gap-alpine-centre

Karelia Alpine Lodge

fallscreekkarelia.com.au

Kilimanjaro Lodge

kilimanjarofallscreek.com

Lakeside Falls Creek

lakesidefallscreek.com.au

Pretty Valley Alpine Lodge

prettyvalley.com

Snow Fall Lodge

snowatfalls.com

Snowski Apartments

snowskiapartments.com.au

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stfallsresort.com.au

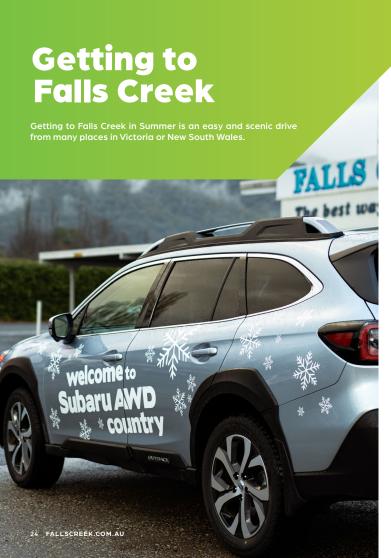
Summit Ridge Alpine Lodge

summitridge.com.au

Reservations experts are on hand if you need some inspiration or help.

Visit fallscreek.com.au to view accommodation options, or call Falls Creek Central Reservations on 1800 2 FALLS





#### **FROM MELBOURNE**

Head out of town on the Hume Freeway for 23½ hours and take the Snow Road exit just before Wangaratta. Make a short stop in Milawa, home to wineries, a distillery and gourmet delights. From Milawa, head towards Myrtleford for stunning views of Mt Buffalo. You can then choose to go through the beautiful township of Bright, or directly to Mount Beauty and then on to Falls Creek. All up it's a 43½ hour drive to Falls Creek from Melbourne

#### FROM ALBURY & NSW

Falls Creek is the closest alpine resort to Albury and a great destination for a day trip or "next stop". The travel time is between 1½ to 2 hours and it's a spectacular drive through the Kiewa Valley. The best way is to cross the Murray River

into Wodonga and then follow the signs to Mt Beauty along the Kiewa Valley Highway.

Stop in at Mount Beauty to dip your feet in the Kiewa River at Pebble Beach, a short walk from the car park in Tawonga South.

#### FROM OMEO/GIPPSLAND

After the snow melts each year, normally around cup weekend, the back road to Omeo opens for the summer period making it so much easier for our friends from the East to visit our mountain town. If you're heading up from Gippsland, a lunch stop at the Blue Duck Inn at Angler's rest is a must do!

From Omeo it's about a 1.5 hour drive through the picturesque mountains until you reach Falls Creek. Before you set off be sure to check the road is open.





# **Village Services**

It's easy to walk around Falls Creek Village, as it's less than 1km from end to end so you can get to most places in a 15 minute walk.

#### VILLAGE HUBS

Slalom Plaza and the Village Bowl are the two main village hubs and a great point for meeting with friends. The Plaza offers a lush village green and landscaped gateway, perfect for relaxing with a latte or a game of cricket Head to the Bowl's impressive ski-field backdrop for a hit of tennis, a drink or a bite to eat.

#### FOODWORKS SUPERMARKET

#### Slalom Plaza | 5758 3009

Foodworks Supermarket is located in Slalom Plaza and is open for fresh food and groceries. The supermarket also offers a range of additional services like a newsagent. bottle shop and ATM. Check their Facebook page for opening hours or call the Visitor Information Centre (03) 5758 1200.

#### **TENNIS COURTS**

#### Village Bowl | 5758 1202

The Village Bowl tennis courts are \$10 per hour to hire and include FREE racquet set rental. You can also buy balls at \$1 each. Bookings can be made via the Visitor Information Centre.

#### **GYMS & FITNESS**

#### Community Gym | Slalom Plaza

Fully equipped with weights, spin bikes, treadmills, rowing machine and strength equipment. Purchase a pass for the community gym at the Visitor Information Centre.

### Mountain Fitness Club | Village

New premium training gym facility catering to athletes, locals, visitors and holidaymakers. Stocked with brand new equipment including Peloton and Assault Concept Two Rowers and Ski Erg's, Treadmills and Strenath training equipment.

#### **POST OFFICE**

#### Australia Post | St Falls Resort Complex | Slalom Plaza | 5758 3275

Directly in front of Foodworks. and with parking out the front, Falls Creek Post Office operates weekdays with most Australia Post services available









#### **POCKY VALLEY FORESHOPE**

Just a short distance from the village, the lake provides a water playaround for a range of aquatic activities. Turn right before the dam wall at Rocky Valley Lake for grassy banks, picnic spots, the brand new pontoon and a safe entry point to paddle or swim. The water is cool all summer long, perfect for a refreshing dip on a hot summer's day.

#### **KAYAKING & CANOES**

Self powered watercraft is one one of the best and most peaceful ways to enjoy the iconic Rocky Valley Lake. Head out at sunrise for a truly spectacular morning on the water.

Be sure to pack your kayaks, canoes stand-up paddleboards!

#### **SAILING & MOTOR BOATS**

Bring the tinny or the dinghy up to launch into Rocky Valley Lake. There are boat ramps on either side of the dam wall and ample parking for trailers and cars. Motor boats are allowed to launch but are restricted to 10hp craft only.

#### **FISHING**

Rocky Valley Lake is abundant with brown and rainbow trout, and you might get lucky to find a chinook salmon or two. The best fishing is by boating to the middle of the lake (see the restrictions above) but you can definitely get a nibble or two from the shoreline. Fly fishing is best at the close-by Pretty Valley Lake, found by driving or riding Pretty Valley Road toward Mt McKay, Fishing licenses are a must, which you can purchase easily online. Fishing rods are available to rent from the Visitor Information Centre for \$10 per day.

**Rocky Valley Lake** 

Cool blue water on a hot summer's day, head to Rocky Valley Lake for picnics, watersports, fishing or just relaxing. At 1600m, this is the highest significant body of water in Australia.



#### **READY FOR AN ADRENALINE HIT?** Falls Creek Mountain Bike Park is home to over 50km+ of flowing singletrack. 70% of fantastic beginner trails. All trails start and finish in the resort and our ride-in, rideout village is as cycle friendly as they come. Shuttle service and bike facilities and **MUST TRY MOUNTAIN BIKE TRAILS GREENLINE SUMMIT TO SKYLINE TOP TO** LAKESIDE **BOTTOM FLOW** A fun, friendly and flowing We've got mountains to play green trail from the summit on and we're making the most down to the lakeside. This is of it with new SKYLINE top to the PERFECT trail to get riders bottom trail. of all ages and abilities into the best parts of the resort. From the top of Summit all the way down to Howmans Gap, Descend 200m through gentle berms and rollers built to shred over 5 km of flow in one progress your skills. hit! For a longer run you can also Charge down the mountain extend through Induction and berms, and rollover the features that will certainly get Short Circuit for a total 10km the heart started

### **Shuttles & Rentals**

#### **BLUE DIRT MTB SHUTTLE**

The best way to get in the most rides is with a shuttle back to the top of the trails after each run. Blue Dirt Mountain Biking are the best in the business and they have an experienced crew running their fleet of 20 seater buses and trailers dedicated to the park. Shuttles pick up at Howman's Gap and drive all the way to the Summit, stopping at the Village Hub inbetween.

Book Online bluedirt.com.au





#### **RENTALS**

Hire adults and kids bikes from the Village Bike Cafe. Dual suspension adult bikes are available in a range of sizes and are available from \$110 a day. Kids bikes come from \$40 a day and all bikes come equipped with helmets. It's best to book ahead to make sure you don't miss out.

#### **FACILITIES**

Head to the Village Bike Hub for free public bike wash, bottle fill and bike repair facilities. You can grab a trail map from the Visitor Information Centre or Village Bike Cafe nearby.

#### **CLINICS**

Join a specialist MTB clinic run by professional coaches of The Fastline Bikademy. Sessions are run by trained coaches and are tailored to level of ability. Dirt Divas (ladies only). Dirt Dudes (aents only) & Dirt Devils (iuniors)

Book Online tfb.bike/our-courses

#### SHUTTLE OPERATIONS BEGIN ON 29TH NOVEMBER 2024

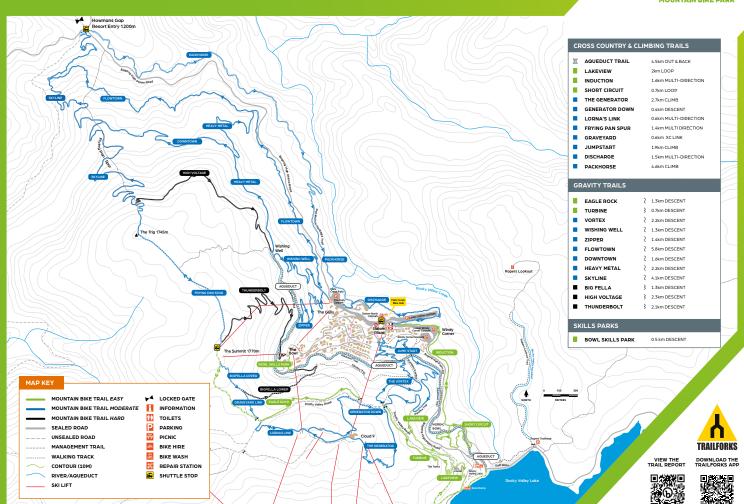
For further information on the mountain bike park and shuttle operations head to fallscreek.com.au/mountain-biking/trail-report/



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### FallsCreek MOUNTAIN BIKE TRAILS







Steep climbs, tight curves and epic views. You haven't experienced alpine road perfection until you've ridden the Bogong Alpine Way.

Falls Creek has a huge reputation when it comes to road riding, thanks largely to the resort's unique dual approach perspective for spectacular climbs from Mount Beauty and Omeo. At 1600m+ there are recognised benefits in training at altitude so it's an easy task to combine holiday time with that all-important training regime.

From Falls Creek the 235km Alpine Loop stretches in each direction and circumnavigates the Alpine National Park. Be wary though – there is a reason they call this route Peaks Challenge, Australia's toughest single–day ride.

Visit the Falls Creek website for maps fallscreek.com.au

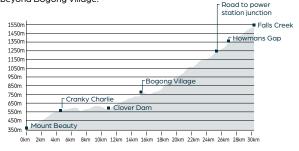
#### MT BEAUTY APPROACH







The climb to Falls Creek is one of the longest and most picturesque in the Australian Alps. There are plenty of rest sections early before a steady climb once beyond Bogong Village.



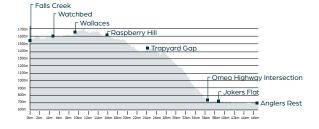
#### **OMEO APPROACH (BACK OF FALLS)**







The back approach to Falls Creek is easy for the first stretch from the Blue Duck Inn until a grueling 9km, ascent at 10% makes this one of the most challenging climbs in Victoria.





For the explorers at heart, backcountry gravel riding is the ideal medium for those seeking adventure and space out beyond the resort boundaries. With an incredible network of gravel and backcountry riding routes weaving their way across the Bogong High Plains, Falls Creek is the perfect gateway for your next trip.

With options ranging from smooth and idyllic aqueduct trails right through to all day alpine epics, the rewards are waiting for those willing to push on just a little farther. With the ability to link backcountry rides into the network of singletrack and trails in our MTB park, the only real limit to how far you can go is yourself.

We've curated some of our favourite routes on the next pages and graded them accordingly. All of the routes are perfectly passable on a gravel bike but for some it may be easier tackled on a MTB due to the challenging nature of the terrain. All riders heading out into backcountry and terrain of the Alpine National Park should be independent and prepared, riders should not head out alone. The weather and conditions in the alpine environment can deteriorate rapidly and riders should as a minimum carry with them:

- Tools, pump and spare tubes (+ the ability to use them).
- Clothing for the conditions + a jacket (the weather in the alpine region can change quickly).
- Food and water for the duration of your ride.
- Fully charged mobile phone.
- · First aid kit.
- Map + compass (and know how to use them).



## **Gravel Riding Trails**

Ride Name	Distance	Elevation	Technical Difficulty	Physical Difficulty	Estimated Riding Time	Good For
Rocky Valley Lake Return	15.5km	200m	1/4	1/4	0.5hrs - 1.5hrs	Gravel Bike / MTB
Tour of the Top	14.4km	260m	1/4	2/4	1hr - 2hr	Gravel Bike / MTB
Pretty Valley Lake Return	19.2km	420m	1/4	2/4	1hr - 2.5hrs	Gravel Bike / MTB
Spion Kopje	36.6km	639m	3/4	3/4	2.5hrs – 4hrs	Gravel Bike / MTB
Tawonga Huts Return	27.4km	762m	3/4	3/4	2.5hrs – 4hrs	Gravel Bike / MTB
Forest, Mountains & Lake	28.3km	719m	2/4	3/4	2.5hrs – 3.5hrs	Gravel Bike / MTB
Huts & Aqueducts	34.9km	366	3/4	3/4	2.5hrs - 3.5hrs	Gravel Bike / MTB

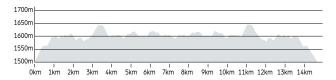
#### **ROCKY VALLEY LAKE RETURN**



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#### KILOMETRES RETURN

This gentle ride is a perfect warm-up and ideal for those with younger riders looking to find a quiet route to explore. The push up to the aqueduct trail out of the village is the hardest bit, with predominately flat trails after this, taking you through the Nordic Bowl and out to the opposite side of the Rocky Valley Lake for a new perspective and perhaps some rock skimming or a picnic!



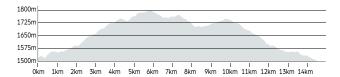
#### TOUR OF THE TOP



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#### KILOMETRES RETURN

Tour of the Top is an ideal loop for those seeking a high-impact short ride. Take on a steady climb along the well-maintained Aqueduct Trail, past the sparkling Rocky Valley Dam, to 'the top' for incredible, panoramic views of the Bogong High Plains. This loop is ideal for intermediate riders looking to immerse themselves in the natural beauty of the Victorian Alps, combining a short ride with unparalleled vistas – especially at sunset.



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<sup>\*</sup>to view the GPX maps visit fallscreek.com.au/summer/gravel-riding/

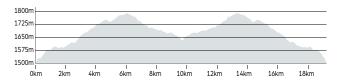
#### **PRETTY VALLEY LAKE RETURN**



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#### KILOMETRES RETURN

This lovely cruise is a great intro into gravel riding and is perfect for those whose legs are a little less experienced. Heading out on simple gravel roads, this out-and-back route delivers stunning views of the high plains and brings riders out to the secluded Pretty Valley Lake. With steady climbs and beautiful scenery it can easily be extended with additional loops or a quick detour to the Pretty Valley Hut.



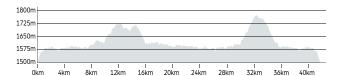
#### **HUTS AND AQUEDUCTS**



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KILOMETRES RETURN

This stunning route showcases all the high plains has to offer, huts, lakes and wide open alpine vistas. This mixed terrain route takes riders on 50% smooth aqueduct and tarmac and 50% rougher fire track. Rideable in both directions, it offers multiple opportunities to divert off the route and check out historic Cope Hut and Wallaces Hut. A challenging climb at the midway point keeps you honest. This ride can also be joined with the Spion Kopje ride to make an EPIC alpine day out!



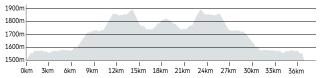
#### **SPION KOPJE RETURN**



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#### KILOMETRES RETURN

This ride offers some of the greatest views in the high country with much of the ride over 1800m. With a steady gravel grind up a winding track this ride offers a feeling of solitude and adventure and really is one of the highlights of Falls Creek. Can be added onto the Huts & Aqueducts ride to make an epic day out.



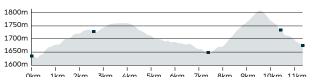
#### **TAWONGA HUTS RETURN**



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**KILOMETRES RETURN** 

An epic ride out that takes you well out of resort boundaries. With more technical terrain and a very isolated feel this awesome ride can be combined with riding back into resort on some singletrack in the Falls Creek MTB park.



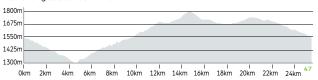
#### **FOREST, MOUNTAINS & LAKES**

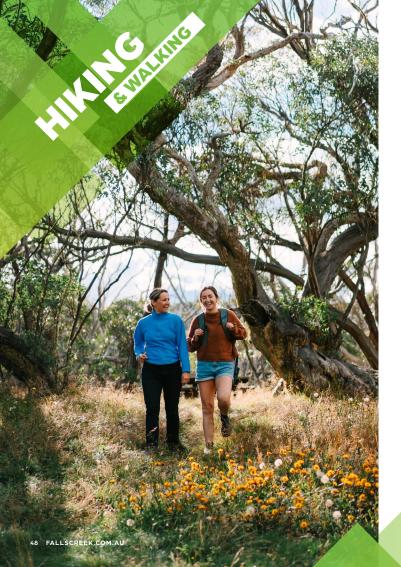


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KILOMETRES RETURN

This mixed surface route is perfect for a gravel bike and whilst it's short, it's got enough distance and elevation packed in to make it a great challenge with a long sustained climb.





The walking and hiking trails of Falls Creek let you discover historic huts, regenerating fire-damaged snow gums, wildflowers, alpine lakes and beautiful scenes of Victoria's highest peaks. Hiking in Bogong High Plains is a unique experience like no other.

#### FALLS TO HOTHAM ALPINE CROSSING

25 - 37KM | 1-3 DAYS

Rugged peaks, never–ending skies and vibrant, changing landscapes. This is the Bogong High Plains and you can experience it like never before by trekking between the alpine resorts of Falls Creek and Mt Hotham.

#### SINGLE DAY ROUTE - 25KM

This route takes hikers across the High Plains and past Mt McKay, Pretty Valley and the Falls Creek ski fields.

#### THREE DAY ROUTE - 37KM

This alternate route brings hikers into Falls Creek via Rocky Valley Lake with Wallace's Hut and Cope Hut highlights. Eco-friendly camping platforms are located at Cope Hut and Dibbins Hut and are available to book online at parkstay.vic.gov.au

Full detailed maps are available to purchase from the Visitor Information Centre.

**Shuttle Service** -You will need to catch a shuttle to take you back to

your car before or after you start the hike. The following transport companies provide this service.

#### Snowdog Transport

hello@snowdog.com.au \$80pp minimum 4 people \$320

#### North East Coachlines

northeastcoachlines.com.au \$80pp

#### Mt Beauty Transfers

mtbeautytransfers.com.au \$340 per vehicle

#### Snow Taxi snowtaxi.au

\$70pp minimum 3 ppl

The Falls to Hotham Crossing is a true bucket list item!

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# **Hiking Trails**

#### **AQUEDUCT TRAIL**





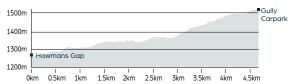
An excellent introductory walk for all ages, the Aqueduct Trail is easily accessible and leads between key highlight points of Wishing Well and Rocky Valley Lake.

#### **PACKHORSE HERITAGE TRAIL**





Retrace the historic trail used by pioneers of the Falls Creek & Bogong High Plains region.

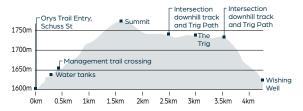


#### HOME AND AWAY





A scenic hike taking in the Maze and Summit ski areas on a village return trip.

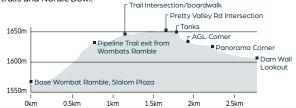


#### **WALKING ON WATER**





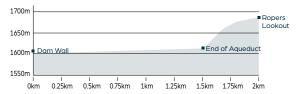
Hike to the spectacular Rocky Valley Lake through Falls Creek's cross country ski trails and Nordic Bowl.



#### **ROPERS LOOKOUT**



An easy hike with a natural staircase climb at the end to an incredible lookout point with views back to Falls Creek, down the Kiewa Valley and over Rocky Valley Lake.



#### **FALLS CREEK FALLS**



A short walk from the village, Falls Creek Falls are an easy to access spot for a quick hike and offer a great insight into the regenerating flora from the 2003 alpine bushfires.

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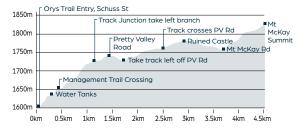
# **Hiking Trails**

#### **MOUNTAIN & CASTLE**





Hike to the highest drivable point in the Southern Hemisphere, Falls Creek's own Mt McKay. At 1849m above sea level the reward is an incredible view across Falls Creek and the Bogong High Plains.



#### **HEATHY SPUR**

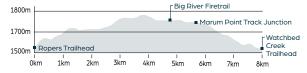


150M ELEVATION GAIN



**8 KILOMETRES** 

A 10km walk to return, this is a true high country hike across the natural landscape of the sprawling Bogong High Plains and taking in terrain damaged in the 2003 and 2006 bushfires.



#### **MOUNT COPE**

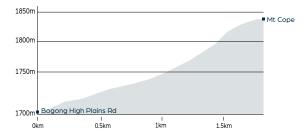


125M ELEVATION GAIN



1.75 KILOMETRES

Mt Cope (1857m) is one of the highest peaks in the High Plains and an easy extension from Cope Hut.



#### **TAWONGA HUTS**

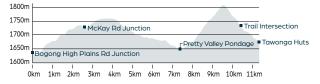


290M ELEVATION GAIN



23 KILOMETRES

Take a full day's hike out to the pretty grounds of the Tawonga Huts. Mostly hiking on dirt trails, this route takes you past highlights of Mt McKay, Pretty Valley Lake and Horse Yards.



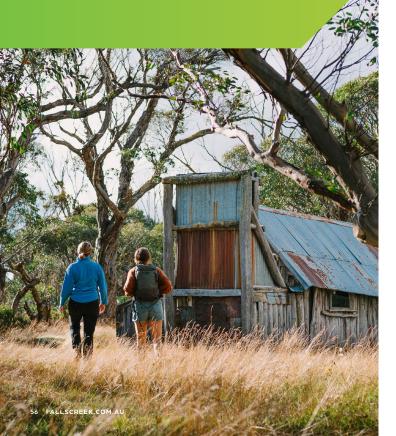
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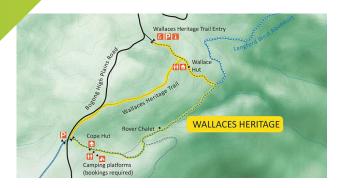
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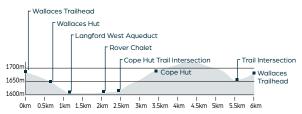


# Wallace's Heritage Trail

No trip to Falls Creek is complete without a visit to Wallace's Hut - the oldest cattlemans hut in the Alpine National Park.







Wallace's Hut has been standing since 1889 and is a true piece of High Country history. The grounds are perfect for a picnic and nearby Cope Hut (circa 1929) is an easy addition to your visit. You can reach both huts with an easy walk or cycle from the car park for a 6km round trip.

Access Wallaces Hut via the well signed car park approximately 8km along the Bogong High Plains Rd from the lake wall. If you are after a longer hike, continue on to the right to reach Cope Hut. You can also park at the Langford's Gap car park just 2km from the Dam Wall and complete as a return trip.

Visit the Falls Creek website for maps fallscreek.com.au



Arts, Nature & Heritage

Get back to nature in Australia's incredible alpine landscape.

#### TRAILS, TALES AND TUCKER

A fascinating 3km walk along the Wallace's Heritage Trail, listening to the stories, myths and legends of the characters that shaped the Bogong High Plains. The picnic tour takes in historical alpine huts and delves into the journeys of the traditional land owners, the Bogona Moth, the graziers, tribulations of the Kiewa Hydro Electric Scheme and the formation of Falls Creek Alpine Village. The walk concludes with a delectable lunch of tastes of the North East Victoria with stunning views across the High Plains, Info and bookings at trailstalesandtucker. com.

#### WATERFALL WALKS

The carpark at the Kiewa Valley River crossing (between Falls Creek and Bogong Village) leads to Fainter Falls, one of the most impressive waterfalls in the region. A moderate 700m trail through the alpine environment leads to an excellent viewing platform. Closer to home, take the short walk from the Gully Car Park to the boardwalk of Falls Creek Falls. Check the hiking section

for more details on this walk.

#### **ARTS & HERITAGE TRAIL**

Discover the rich heritage and history of the village with this digital tour guide and cultural trail. Along the way be sure to see recent art installations of Big Fella (Ory's Trail), the childcare centre mural, and Falls Wren (Slalom Plaza fountain), plus the Skyline Lodge memorial in the Gully and the new Light Sculpture in Slalom Plaza. Use your phone to access the guide at fallsuserguide.com.au

#### **WILDFLOWERS**

Falls Creek and the alpine region are home to some unique and beautiful flora including the iconic alpine wildflowers. There are so many different species blooming at different times of year and you'll often find yourself in a sea of purple or orange out on the high plains! Check out the plant guide at fallscreek.com.gu.

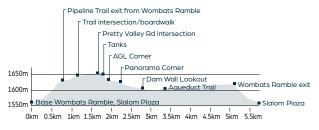
# Panoramic views and crisp mountain air are just the tip of the iceberg. Alpine trail running is an experience you just can't get in the city. Falls Creek is a unique offering when it comes to alpine trail running. A diverse range of trails combine beautifully with the vibrant village, dramatic plains and iconic landmarks of the region to offer challenging rewards for all abilities. Falls Creek trails range from flat well-manicured walking and vehicle tracks to rugged and remote singletracks through extreme aloine terrain. Heritage sites like Wallace's and Cope Huts join the spectacular features of Rocky Valley Lake. Mt McKay and Frying Pan Spur is an enviable sightseeing aspect too. Visit the Falls Creek website for maps fallscreek.com.au 60 FALLSCREEK.COM.AU

#### INTRODUCTORY RUN





A gentle introductory run that scoots you out to serene Rocky Valley Lake via the sweeping 'Walking on Water' trail and returning via the resort's Aqueduct Trail. This is mostly graded underfoot with a reasonable incline to begin before levelling out for a comfortable loop return.

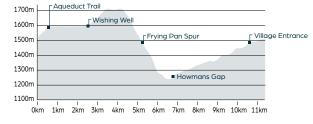


#### **ADVANCED RUN**





An excellent run for those who like a challenge. It is not an incredibly long run but offers a good variation of elevation gain and loss as the landscape ranges from beautiful distant views of the surrounding mountains through to steep and technical running along thick forest and trickling streams.







The perfect reward for thirsty adventurer seekers





### The energy within Falls Creek through all seasons

We remain committed in our proud support for Falls Creek, year round. As the snow melts, and as tourism once again returns to the region, the melted snow flows down through the rivers, and we do our job in transforming it into renewable energy. We look forward to being back on the slopes with you again.



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### **Events**

Falls Creek is the High Country's perfect stage. Throughout Summer Falls Creek plays host to a huge range of events with something in the calendar for everybody, from long distance endurance events to community led, family friendly festivals. Visit our events page on our website to view the calendar of events.

#### **BIG RIDES**

For the avid road cyclists amongst us, Falls Creek is a mecca for pushing your fitness, skills and determination across our headline range of cyclina events. With over 2000 participants, the Peaks Challenge Falls Creek sets the bar for the ultimate cycle challenge. It's 235km route is nothing short of epic and the 100km course is still an incredible challenge.

For the adrenaline heads, Mountain Bike is our forté here is Falls Creek and we've got an events line up for those that ike to go downhill fast. Our calendar includes both Enduro and Cross Country race styles and MTB Festivals.

#### **BIG DUNS**

If you're more fleet of foot, Falls Creek also has a great options for trail running events. 2025 will see the return of the Iconic Alpine Challenge: featuring trail runs for all abilities from 10kms to 100kms. Falls Creek

will also be welcoming back the Australian Grand Traverse in March 2025. This awesome event will see participants complete the stunning Falls to Hotham Alpine Crossing in one day with return transport and accommodation options available.

#### **BIG FUN**

It's not all action packed and hard work at Falls Creek though. Our family friendly FEASTIVAL Falls Creek is a wonderful weekend -long festival packed full of music, art. comedy and food. So much fun for everyone. For those looking to leave the kids at home we'd recommend the decadent luxury of the Falls Creek Long Lunch. This 3-course epicurean feast takes place in the iconic surrounds of the Alpine National Park, with matched local wines and arrival drinks will provide for an unforgettable day!



# **Events Guide**

#### **MTB**



When it comes to MTB, we go hard! Check out our unreal line-up of summer mountan bike events.

- Ignition MTB Festival (Nov 22 -24)
- Trek/NICA XC Demo Day (Jan 5)
- Vic MTB XCO/XCM Champ Series (Jan 18-19)
- Falls Creek Enduro MTB Race Weekend (Feb 8-9)
- Interschools MTB Competition (Feb 14)
- Alpine Junior MTB Series (Feb 15)
- MTB de Femme (Mar 22-23)
- FOX Superflow MTB Competition (Apr 5-6)

#### **FAMILY FUN**



Family friendly events on the calendar you simply won't want to miss!

- FEASTIVAL (Feb. 28-Mar 2)
- Dragon Boat Regatta (Jan 25-26)
- · Easter Festival (Apr 19-20)
- MTB clinics, Kavak/ SUP tours weekends & holidavs

#### **EPIC ENDURANCE**



Long distance trail runs and rides to test you mentally and physically. The epic alpine sceneries on route way make it all worth it.

- · Australian Grand Traverse (Mar 22)
- · Peaks Challenge (Mar 8-9)
- · Alpine Challenge (Apr 12-13)

#### MUSIC, FOOD & CULTURE



Great food and wines come to mind when in the High Country. We love to showcase the regions finest offerings at our events.

- FEASTIVAL (Feb. 28-Mar 2)
- · Trails, Tales & Tucker (multiple dates & on request)
- · The Long Lunch (Mar 14)

### **Events Calendar**

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**LEGEND** 

School Holidays



# **Village Directory**

Note: Not all businesses operate outside of the snow season.

BUSINESS/SERVICE NAME	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE	REF.
CAFE'S, RESTAURANTS & SNACK			
1550 Restaurant - St Falls Resort	Slalom Plaza	5732 8000	F4
Attunga Bar & Restaurant	10 Arlberg St	5758 3255	G3
The Chophouse Winterhaven	28 Slalom St	5758 3888	J4
Feathertop Restaurant	14 Parallel St	5758 3232	H2
Frying Pan Inn	4 Village Bowl Ct	5711 9100	02
JB's Bar & Restaurant	9 Parallel St	5758 3278	12
Lakeside Eatery, Bar & Lounge	14 Schuss St	0455 500 849	L2
Last Hoot Pizzeria & Bar	9 Slalom St	5758 3088	F3
Ory's Bar & Restaurant	4 Schuss St	5758 3899	J3
Snonuts Donuts & Snacks	Slalom Plaza	0417 572 228	F4
Summit Ridge Restaurant	8 Schuss St	5758 3800	K3
Slides Cafe	Slalom Plaza	0438 433 842	F4
The Man Hotel	20 Slalom St	5758 3362	14
The Spud Shack	Slalom Plaza	0417 572 228	F4
Village Bike Cafe FACILITIES & SERVICES	Slalom North Carpark	0409 161 903	F5
ATM - Foodworks	Slalom Plaza	5758 3009	F5
Blue Dirt MTB Shuttle & Rental	Slalom North Carpark	0409 161 903	F5
Conference Room & Community Gym	17 B.H.P. Rd	5758 1202	F4
Falls Creek Child Care	17 B.H.P. Rd	5758 1244	F4
Falls Creek Museum	4 Slalom St		F4
Falls Creek Plumbing & Gasfitting		0409 002 940	
Foodworks Supermarket & Liquor	17 B.H.P. Rd	5758 3009	F4
I Dream of Snow	St Falls West Building	0412 185 463	F4
Internet Access	St Falls Day Shelter	0.04.107.001	F4
Mountain Fitness Club	9/27 Falls Creek Rd	0401 423 204	N2
Post Office	17 B.H.P. Rd	5758 3275	F5
Primary School	15 Slalom St	5758 3311	H3
Random Repairs and Maintenance		0407 342 668	
Zirky Real Estate	T DOOKINGS	0402 277 808	
ACCOMMODATION & TRANSPOR			
Albury, Wodonga Snow Transfers	Albury	0416 042 046	
Alpine Boutique Apartments	Falls Creek	0419 028 170	
Alpine Helicopters	Albury	1300 189 686	
Avis Car Rental	Albury	02 6021 5399	
Falls Creek Central Reservations	1 B.H.P. Rd	1800 033 079	K7
Easytrans Private Transfers	Albury	02 6021 3777	
Falls Creek Coach Service	Tawonga South	5754 4024	
FallsBus	Wangaratta	1300 781 221	
Mt Beauty Transfers	Mt Beauty	0488 863 360	
Snow Taxi	Falls Creek	03 9090 0003	
RESORT INFORMATION			
CFA	1 Slalom St	5758 3642	E5
Falls Creek Visitor Information Centre	1 Slalom St	5758 1200	F5
Falls Creek Alpine Resort Management	1 Slalom St	5758 1200	E4
Falls Creek Chamber of Commerce	1 B.H.P. Rd	5758 3733	K7
FOR ROADSIDE ASSISTANCE PHONE			
FOR EMERGENCY CALLS & AMBULAN	ICE PHONE 000		

BUSINESS/SERVICE NAME	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE	REF.
COMMERCIAL ACCOMMODATION			
Alpha Lodge	5 Parallel St	5758 3488	12
Alpine View Apartments	29 Falls Creek Rd	5758 3461	N1
Alpine Apartments		5758 3499	
Alpine Woodsmoke	23 B.H.P. Rd	0419 028 170	C4
Altezza 1570	9 Sitzmark St	0419 028 170	K3
Altitude Apartments	27 Falls Creek Rd	5758 3811	N2
Astra Lodge	5 Sitzmark St	5758 3496	J4
Attunga Lodge & Apartments	10 Arlberg St	5758 3255	G3
Cedarwood Apartments	11 Schuss St	5758 3393	L2
Cooroona Lodge	24 Slalom St	5758 3244	J5
Diana Alpine Lodge	6 Falls Creek Rd	5758 3214	J5
Elk at Falls	18 Slalom St	5758 3211	14
Falls Creek Accom	250 B.H.P Rd	0419 317 013	F5
Falls Creek Country Club	7 B.H.P. Rd	5758 3391	J6
Falls Creek Hotel	23 Falls Creek Rd	5758 3282	M2
Feathertop Alpine Lodge	14 Parallel St	5758 3232	G2
Fjäll	7 Snowgum Lane	0433 650 784	D4
Frueauf Village	4 Schuss St	1300 300 709	J3
Gebi's Apartments	3 B.H.P Rd	1800 45 35 25	K6
Halley's Apartments	11 Slalom St	5758 3363	G3
Halley's Lodge	11 Slalom St	5758 3475	G3
Howmans Gap	2587 B.H.P Rd	5758 3228	
Huski Apartments	3 Sitzmark St	1300 652 260	J4
Karelia Alpine Lodge	9 Parallel St	5758 3278	12
Kilimanjaro Apartments	3 Arlberg St	5758 3242	Н3
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Nelse Lodge	17 Slalom St	5758 3263	H3
Pretty Valley Lodge	10 Slalom St	5758 3210	G4
Red Onion Ski Chalet	7 Arlberg St	0412 640 301	G3
Ripparoo Ski Lodge	22 Slalom St	5758 3251	14
Ropers Apartments	10 Slalom St	5758 3210	G4
Schuss Lodge	10 Parallel St	5758 3372	H2
Silverski Rooms & Apartments	1 Sitzmark St	1800 181 770	14
Snowlands Apartments	9 Slalom St	5758 3499	F3
Snow Fall Lodge	15 Parallel St	0413 344 297	H2
Snow Ski Apartments	1 Village Bowl Crt	5758 3356	N3
Snow Hippie		5754 1239	
Southern Cross Flats	1 Christie St	5758 3254	15
St Falls Resort	17 B.H.P. Rd	5732 8000	F5
Summit Ridge Alpine Lodge	8 Schuss St	5758 3800	K3
Viking Alpine Lodge	13 Parallel St	5758 3247	H2
Winterhaven Apartments	28 Slalom St	0419 360 996	J4

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