

Horse-riding in the Central West area

The Victorian Government is creating over

75,000 hectares

of new parks and reserves in central west Victoria, including three new national parks.



New and expanded regional parks mean more places to ride your horse and explore the outdoors.

Notes for riders

- Horse riding on formed roads and tracks, and overnight camping with horses, can continue in areas of retained state forest. You can also ride horses in most bushland reserves.
 - Victorians can continue to ride in national parks, conservation parks, and regional parks on roads and tracks in designated areas.
 - You can also camp with horses in some regional parks, as specified by the land manager.
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- *Riders must stay on designated roads and tracks, and respect other road users.*
 - *While there will be changes to where Victorians can ride horses on public land, these will not come into effect until the new national parks, conservation parks and regional parks have been established.*
 - *Horse-riding is not permitted in nature reserves.*

You can ride your horse in these new parks

- Wombat-Lerderderg National Park
- Pyrenees National Park
- Mount Buangor National Park
- Pyrenees Regional Park
- Four new regional parks near Barkstead, Blackwood, Spargo Creek and west of Macedon
- Almost 3,000 hectares added to Hepburn Regional Park
- More than 7,000 hectares added to Bendigo Regional Park.

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About these changes:

These changes reflect the Victorian Government's response to the Victorian Environmental Assessment Council's (VEAC's) Central West Investigation Final Report and its recommendations.

These changes preserve our precious environmental and biodiversity assets and strike a sustainable balance that aims to meet the needs of all land users, now and into the future.

You can find the government response on [our website](#).

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