

City of Mandurah  
Nature Passport



In partnership with Nature Play<sup>WA</sup>

# Nature Passport



First name:

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# How to use this passport

## This is your Nature Passport!

Use it to explore nature in the City of Mandurah, play, create, imagine, look closer and have some fun with your friends and family.

- Try new nature activities.
- Journal your escapades.
- Record the wildlife you come across.
- Tick off our list of '15 things to do'.

Flip forward to your **Activity Map** to see the six activity locations, then find the corresponding activity page and get stuck in!

Each of the activities can be done using the international Nature Passport app and there are over one hundred more to choose from.

Visit [www.naturepassport.org](http://www.naturepassport.org) to get started!

# City of Mandurah Activity Map

## Key

- |   |   |   |  |
|---|---|---|--|
| 1 | Marlee Reserve<br><i>Plant Pose</i>           | 4 | Black Swan Lake Park<br>Swamp Safari               |
| 2 | Island Point Reserve<br><i>Will it Float?</i> | 5 | Creery Wetlands Nature Reserve<br><i>Listen Up</i> |
| 3 | Yalgorup National Park<br><i>Tree Tracker</i> | 6 | Seascapes Beach<br><i>Let's Go Fly a Kite</i>      |

For more information visit: [mandurah.wa.gov.au](http://mandurah.wa.gov.au)



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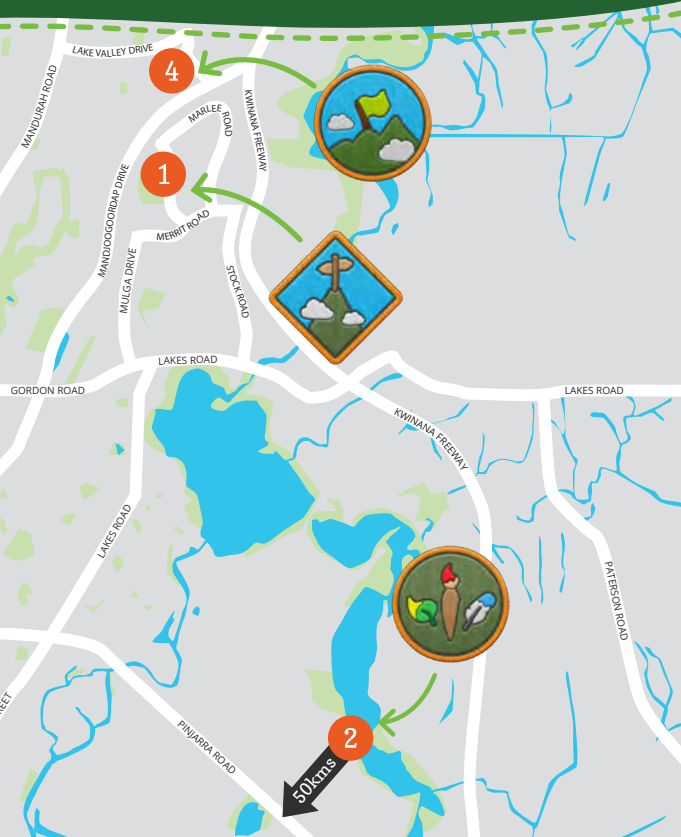
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# Activity 1: Marlee Reserve

## Marlee Road, Parklands



Medium



15 mins or less



Observe

### Plant Pose

*Plants grow in all different shapes and sizes - just like people!*

As you wander through Marlee Reserve, notice the different colours, smells, nuts, flowers, trees and shapes.

Find the most interesting looking plants and try copying their shape with your body.

**Did you know...** *plants provide the oxygen we breathe? Each time you strike your plant pose take a deep breath and thank a plant!*

# Journal

*Draw, take notes and fill in the blank space!*

Which one of these shapes did you see?

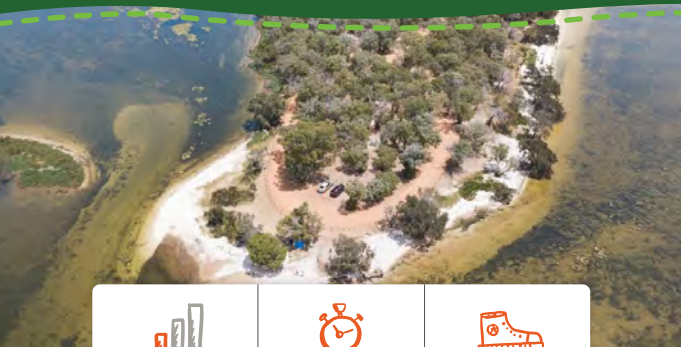
- Round
- Triangular
- Oval
- Branching
- Cylindrical



Visit [app.naturepassport.org](http://app.naturepassport.org) (Launch Pack) to complete this activity and many more!

# Activity 2: Island Point Reserve

## *Island Point Road, Herron*



Beginner



15 mins or less



Move

### Will it Float?

*Answer the age-old question...Will it float?*

Find a section of water at Island Point Reserve.

Gather some goodies to test out: leaves, rocks, sticks, flowers etc.

Before you place each item in the water, make predictions on whether they'll float or not.

**Safety first!** Find water that is easy and safe to access with parental supervision at all times. Make sure to only place natural items in the water.



# Journal

*Draw, take notes and fill in the blank space!*



Which one of these floated?

Leaves

Bark

Rocks

Flowers

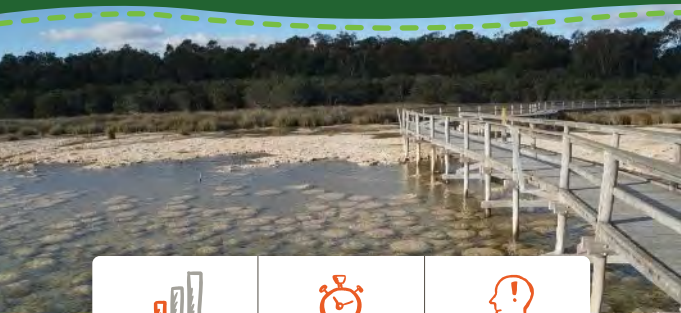
List items that didn't float:

***Did you know...*** *Island Point Reserve is home to an Osprey Nesting Pole, and is full of beautiful flowering orchids from August to September!*

Visit [app.naturepassport.org](http://app.naturepassport.org) (Just Add Rain pack) to complete this activity and many more!

# Activity 3: Yalgorup National Park

## *Preston Beach Road, Preston Beach*



Beginner



30 to 45 mins



Observe

### Tree Tracker

*Explore the trees in Yalgorup National Park.*

Close your eyes and have someone guide you.

Can you find your favourite tree using your sense of touch and smell?

Yes

No

Can you find it again with your eyes open?

Yes

No

***Safety first!*** Make sure someone guides you as you close your eyes.

# Journal

*Draw, take notes and fill in the blank space!*



Find your favourite tree and make a note of the following:

Feels like: \_\_\_\_\_

Smells like: \_\_\_\_\_

Size: \_\_\_\_\_

*(measure with your arms)*

Something special about it: \_\_\_\_\_

*(eg: a unique root or branch shape)*

**Did you know...** Yalgorup National Park is home to the Lake Clifton Thrombolites - the largest living, inland thrombolite reef in the southern hemisphere!!

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# Activity 4: Black Swan Lake Park *Lakelands*



Adventurous



Over 1 hour



Move

## Swamp Safari

*Muddy and swampy areas provide important habitats and breeding ground for wildlife, including fish, insects, amphibians and birds.*

Watch, listen and observe as you go on safari at the Black Swan Lake Park.

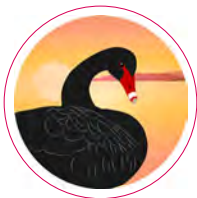
**Pro Tip:** Head to the small bridge on the western side of the lake. This area is perfect for turtle viewing!



# Badge Stickers



# Avatar Stickers







# Journal

*Record your findings!*



Did you see any of the following:

- |  |                                 |
|--|---------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Black Swan      | <input type="checkbox"/> Galah  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Australian Ibis | <input type="checkbox"/> Osprey |

What other animals did you see?

- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

Visit [app.naturepassport.org](http://app.naturepassport.org) (Mission Mud Pack) to complete this activity and many more!

## Activity 5: Creery Wetlands Nature Reserve Dudley Park, Mandurah



Beginner



15 mins or less



Listen

### Listen Up

*Take a moment to listen to the world around you. What can you hear?*

The Creery Wetlands are an important habitat for waterbirds. Listen out, can you hear any of the 22 species of migratory shorebirds?

These birds spend their summer on lakes and beaches in Australia and then fly north for summer in the northern hemisphere.

Can you hear any birds? What do they sound like to you?

# Journal

*Draw, take notes and fill in the blank space!*



Can you describe some of the sounds/bird calls that you've heard?

Bird 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Soft

Loud

Rhythmic

Raspy

Nasal

Bird 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Soft

Loud

\_\_\_\_\_

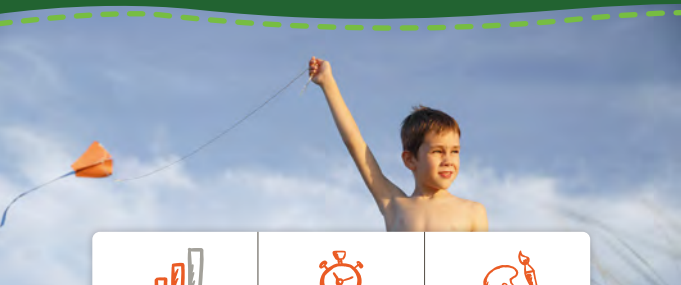
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Visit [app.naturepassport.org](http://app.naturepassport.org) (Hone Your Senses Pack) to complete this activity and many more!

# Activity 6: Seascapes Beach

## Acerose Boulevard, Halls Head



Medium



Over 1 hour



Create

### Let's Go Fly a Kite

*Take a homemade kite to the beach and harness the power of the wind!*

So you're ready to make a kite? Great! You will need:

- Paper/plastic bag
- String
- Tape
- Scissors
- Sticks
- Ruler

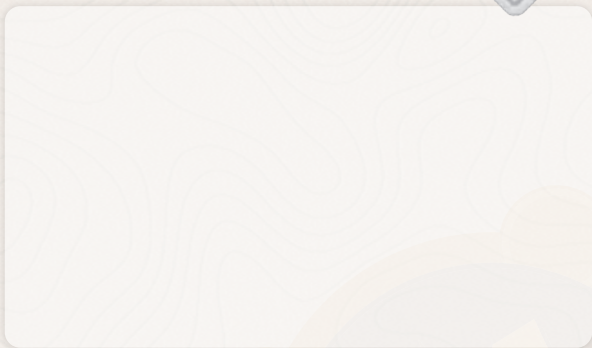
Make your own kite at home - look up kite making videos online to help you with some inspiration!

Next, take your kite to the beach to fly it.

# Journal

*Draw, take notes and fill in the blank space!*

Draw a picture of your kite or take a photo of you flying it and stick it in the box below:



*Once you've flown your kite, take a walk along the Seascapes Interpretive Signage Walkway. It's a 3km coastal walk starting at Daydream Plaza.*

Visit [app.naturepassport.org](http://app.naturepassport.org) (A Day at the Beach Pack) to complete this activity and many more!

# Learn and play in the City of Mandurah

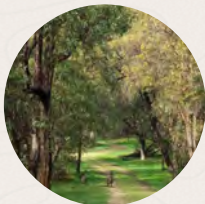
## Explore Mandurah's Parks

The City encourages families to access a large number of parks throughout the Mandurah.

There are many benefits for children and families including:

- Getting back to nature
- Learning about local wildlife and natural areas
- Becoming physically active
- Building family connections

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## Seascapes Interpretive Signage Walkway

The Seascapes Interpretive Walkway is a 3km coastal walk which was installed to support community learning about native species and Aboriginal use of plants and animals.



The fourteen interpretive signs along the pathway contain information about common species of flora and fauna and their uses by local Noongar people.

The walk starts at Daydream Plaza in Seascapes and finishes at Gretel Drive in Falcon.



For more information about this trail, and others in the City of Mandurah, please visit [mandurah.wa.gov.au](http://mandurah.wa.gov.au)

# Let's go on a Nature Safari!

Nature is all around you. How many species of plants, animals or fungi can you spot and record?

## Start your safari!

Draw your species

Give it a name!

What is it doing?

Why do you think it likes this spot?

### Create a digital record of your nature safari!

Develop observation and stealth skills as you go “hunting” for new species in the wild. In addition to this booklet, use the ‘Safari’ section of [app.naturepassport.org](http://app.naturepassport.org) to record your Safari animal sightings.





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## 15

## Things to Do in the City of Mandurah

1. Lookout for dolphins in the Peel-Harvey estuary .....
2. Make a nature crown using fallen natural items .....
3. Visit the Quarry Adventure Park in Meadow Springs .....
4. Go fishing at Dolphin Quay .....
5. Go for a walk at Len Howard Conservation Park .....
6. Visit a look-out or boardwalk .....
7. Take a picnic to your favourite park .....
8. Visit Adventurescape Park in South Yunderup .....
9. Search for rocks to paint and hide at a park .....
10. Go for a swim at Keith Holmes Reserve .....
11. Collect shells on the beach .....
12. Visit the Western Foreshore Skate and Activity Space .....
13. Take a photo of a pelican .....
14. Test your balance using natural structures .....
15. Build a cubby (look for fallen branches!) .....

# Play, explore and learn outdoors!

The City of Mandurah supports outdoor play for  
healthier, happier children.

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