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LENGTH: 20 KMS

TIME: 9 HOURS

TYPE: RETURN

GRADE: 4

**Start:** Beenak Road, Gembrook

**Finish:** Beenak Road, Gembrook

**GPS Start:** Lat: -37.913453 | Long: 145.562453

**GPS Finish:** Lat: -37.913453 | Long: 145.562453

**Max Elevation:** 295m

**Melways:** 612 R4

**Dogs Allowed:** Yes, on leash only

**Contact:** Parks Victoria, 13 19 63

**Flora:** Mountain Ash (Eucalyptus regnans), Messmate Stringybark, riparian forest to shrubby foothill forest and swamp heathland

**Fauna:** Wombats, Swamp Wallabies and Echidnas, Possums, Yellowbellied Gliders, Sugar Gliders and Greater Gliders, Honeyeaters, Parrots, Kookaburras, Yellowtailed Black Cockatoos, Koalas, Currawongs and Butcherbirds

**Facilities:** Non-flush toilets, horse yards, fireplaces, tent camping along trail

### TRAIL NOTES

Containing a range of forest types, the Park is mostly known for its kiln, built during the Second World War to make charcoal for gas producer units fitted to cars. Patented and developed by Professor E E Kurth, the 'producer gas' was a substitute for petrol, heavily rationed at the time.

Mostly on management vehicle tracks closed to 4WD and Trailbikes. Reasonable fitness level required.

Please check with Parks Victoria before tackling this trail.

### DID YOU KNOW?

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