

Where is the Lotterywest Federation Walkway?

Take a walk in the treetops along the Lotterywest Federation Walkway. The journey begins adjacent to the Lord Forrest statue at the roundabout on Fraser Avenue in Kings Park and Botanic Garden. It extends 620 metres through the Western Australian Botanic Garden to the performance area amphitheatre Beedawong (Nyoongar Aboriginal word meaning celebration), near Roe Gardens.

On the Walkway, you will pass by several wildflower gardens and the Tuart Lawn, cross the beautiful Water Garden valley and enter the cathedral of the Marri woodland forest. Maps of the Walkway are positioned at each end and along the way, outlining the themes, plantings and special points of interest.

What Will I See?

Come and enjoy exhilarating views of the Swan River, understand more about our indigenous culture and the diversity of Western Australian flora, and feel something of our rich history.

This Walkway invites you to discover Kings Park and Botanic Garden's connection to Federation and the importance of Lord Forrest's involvement in the Park's history, through the help of interpretive signage. After seeing the State's Centenary of Federation floral emblem - the Kings Park Federation Flame Kangaroo Paw at the Fraser Avenue entry to the Walkway, follow the path to the massed display of verticordias at the Two Rivers Lookout, sponsored by Wesfarmers Ltd. This Lookout has spectacular views of Perth city and the Swan River.

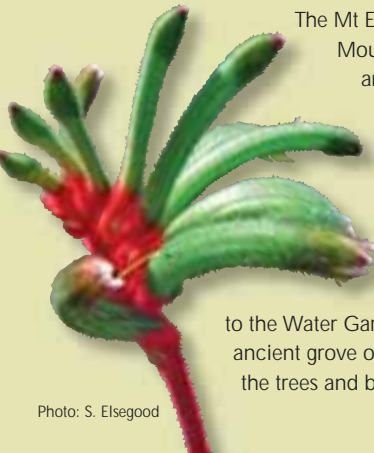


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The Mt Eliza Lookout overlooking the Mount Eliza escarpment describes this area's colourful history and highlights the research and ongoing works that are helping to restore the escarpment bushland vegetation and stability. WMC Resources Ltd. sponsored this spectacular lookout with its panoramic views.

Beginning its elevation adjacent to the Water Garden, the Walkway overlooks an ancient grove of Balgas (grasstrees) and features the trees and birds of the Swan Coastal Plain.

What is Special About This Walkway?

The elevated walkway and glass arched bridge are together a fusion of sculpture, architecture and engineering. Forged from richly rusted steel, the elevated steel boardwalk is a striking artwork designed to blend into the landscape so the focus is on the surrounding natural and inspiring vistas.



Artist: R. Walley

How High is the Walkway?

The Lotterywest Federation Walkway reaches a maximum height of 16m at the apex of the uniquely designed 52m glass and steel arched bridge which appears suspended amidst the canopy of tall eucalypts, including Karri, Marri, Tingle and Jarrah trees.

How Long is the Walkway?

It extends 620 metres through the Botanic Garden along a combination of on-ground pathways, elevated walkway and spectacular steel and glass bridge to the amphitheatre near Roe Gardens.

How Long Will it Take to Walk?

The Walkway is about a 40 minute return journey.

What Length is the Elevated Section of the Walkway?

The elevated section is 222m long which includes the 52m glass and steel bridge.



Photo: M. Seale

Take a breathtaking walk through the treetops on the Lotterywest Federation Walkway in the Western Australian Botanic Garden, Kings Park. Here, amidst the canopy of tall eucalypts, 16m above the ground, you'll enjoy spectacular views of the Swan River and the Botanic Garden's tranquil Water Garden valley below. Forged from richly rusted steel, this striking landscape artwork celebrates the Centenary of Federation, Aboriginal culture and the magnificent trees of the Swan Coastal Plain. It is destined to become one of the great botanic garden walks of the world.

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