



Bay of Fires

CONSERVATION AREA

The Bay of Fires on Tasmania's east coast extends from Binalong Bay in the south to Eddystone Point in the north.

The southern section of The Bay of Fires is in the Conservation Area, situated along a 13 km stretch of coast between Binalong Bay and The Gardens. The middle section of the Bay of Fires lies in the vicinity of Ansons Bay. It can be accessed via Policemans Point or the northern shore of Ansons Bay, however be aware that it is not possible to cross the outlet of Ansons Bay.

The northern section of the Bay, from north of the outlet of Ansons Bay to Eddystone Point lies within the Mt William National Park.

What to do

A wide range of activities can be pursued in the Bay of Fires area, including camping, beach activities, boating, bird watching, fishing, swimming, surfing and walking.

Please be aware that Aboriginal middens (shell and bone deposits) are found in the sand dunes. Please do not disturb these protected sites.

The southern section

Please note that food and petrol must be obtained from St Helens. **There are no shops north of St Helens.** There is no water or firewood supplied at any of the southern campsites - you must bring your own. Please take all rubbish away with you. For camping with facilities please use commercial caravan parks in the townships.

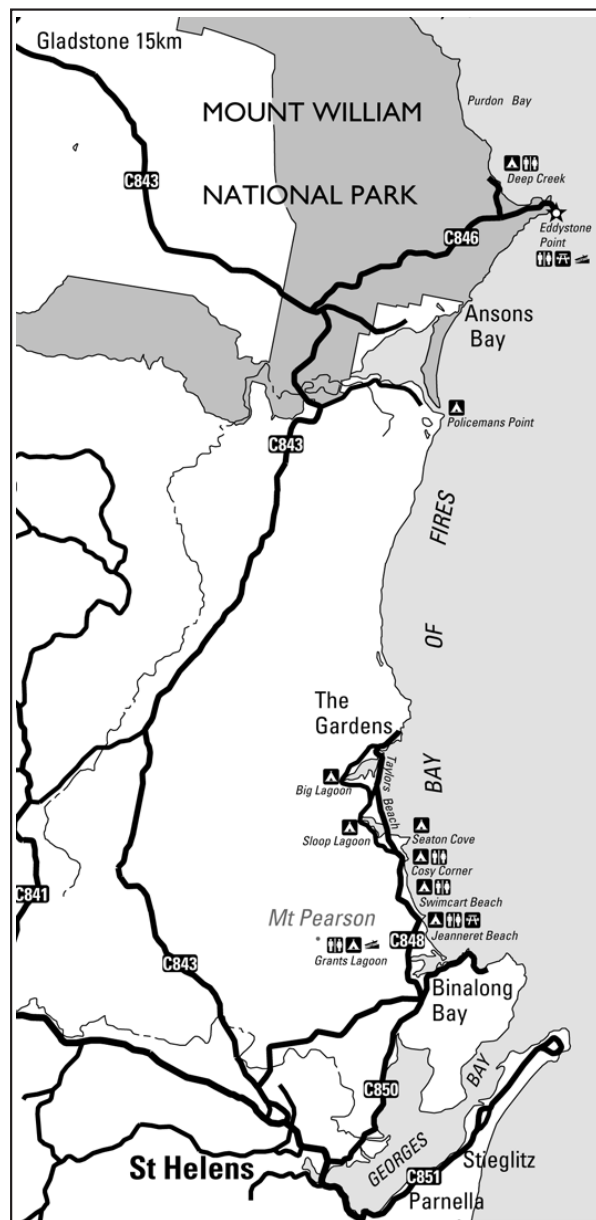
Access

Access to the southern section of the Bay of Fires is via the Binalong Bay Road (C850) out of St Helens. Turn left into the C848 at the sign - 'The Gardens - 13 kms'. The road terminates at private land at 'The Gardens'

Camping

The following beaches and campsites are found along the southern section:

Grants Lagoon – Large, open, grassed camping areas with access to the lagoon (allows caravans and motorhomes).



Facilities: Pit toilet, boat ramp, no water or firewood, no rubbish collection. Maximum stay 4 weeks.

There is also a day use area, accessed from Binalong Bay Road, which provides access to the beach.

Jeanneret Beach – Day use area, with grassed, secluded and well-sheltered campsites at adjoining Round Hill.

Facilities: Pit toilet, no water or firewood, no rubbish collection. Maximum stay 4 weeks (limited access to caravans/motorhomes).

Swimcart Beach – Ample grassed and sandy, sheltered campsites.

Facilities: Pit toilets, no water or firewood, no rubbish collection. Maximum stay 4 weeks (takes small caravans/campers).

Cosy Corner – Has 2 separate entrances. One leads to well protected campsites amongst the trees, the other, on the far side of the lagoon, leads to a more open, grassy camping area (larger caravans/motorhomes can access this area).

Facilities: Pit toilets, no water or firewood, no rubbish collection. Maximum stay 4 weeks.

Seatons Cove - Day use only.

Sloop Reef – Bayside campsites on either left or right of access road into the reserve (cars and tents only).

Facilities: No toilet (bring own), no water or firewood, no rubbish collection. Maximum stay 4 weeks

Sloop Lagoon and Big Lagoon – Off the Old Gardens Road offer sheltered secluded sites.

Facilities: -No toilet (bring own), no water or firewood, no rubbish collection. Maximum stay 4 weeks.

Taylors Beach – Day use only area – no facilities.

The Gardens Beach – Day use only area – no facilities.

The mid section - Policemans Point

Policemans Points is within the Bay of Fires Conservation Area. **There are no shops or other facilities in this area, so please ensure that you are self-sufficient.**

Access

This section of the Bay of Fires Conservation Area is accessed from St. Helens by taking the C843 Ansons Bay Road and travelling via the Priory north of St Helens Township. Alternatively, travel east 32 kms from Gladstone on the Eddystone Road C843.

Travel along the unsealed road (approximately 35 kms) to the junction with South Ansons Bay Road. Turn east into South Ansons Road and follow road approximately 5 kms until it ends at the campground.

Camping

At the Policemans Point campground you will find numerous campsites amongst the trees, many with beach access.

Facilities: No toilets (must bring own), no water or firewood, no rubbish collection. Maximum stay 4 weeks.

The northern section

The northern section of The Bay of Fires is within the Mt William National Park. It extends from the northern shore of the Ansons Bay outlet to Eddystone Point.

Access

This section can be accessed from the Eddystone Road, just before the Lighthouse. Foot access only to Abbotsbury Beach is a 15 minute walk over the sand dunes to the beach. Please note that dogs are prohibited, as you are within a national park.

Camping

There are no facilities on this section of the Bay of Fires. The area is day use only. Carry drinking water with you.

However, just north of Eddystone Point, you will find camping and facilities at Deep Creek. The campground is accessed via the turn-off on the left before the Eddystone Lighthouse.

Facilities here include bore water and pit toilets. Please note camping fees apply while camping at Deep Creek. In Mt William National Park, entry fees also apply for this northern section of the Bay of Fires.

Picnic facilities and a pit toilet are available at Picnic Rocks, and there is also a toilet, boat launching and picnic facilities at Eddystone Lighthouse carpark.

There are no shops or other facilities in this area.

Further Information

Maps for this area are the 1:100,000 series, Georges Bay and 1:25,000 series, Ansons Bay, The Gardens and Binalong.

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