

City of Gosnells

Nature Passport



In partnership with *Nature Play*
WA

Nature Passport



First name:

Age:

How to use this passport

This is your City of Gosnells Nature Passport!



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Use it to explore nature in the City of Gosnells, 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; and,
- Tick off our list of '15 things to do'

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

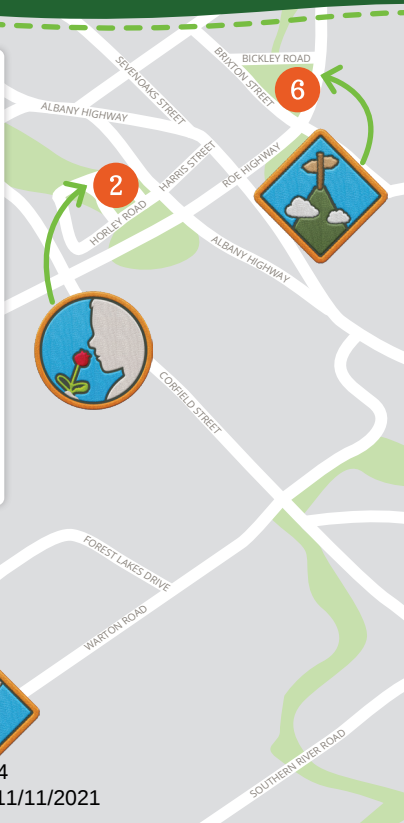
Each of the activities can be done using the international Nature Passport app and there are over one hundred more to choose from.

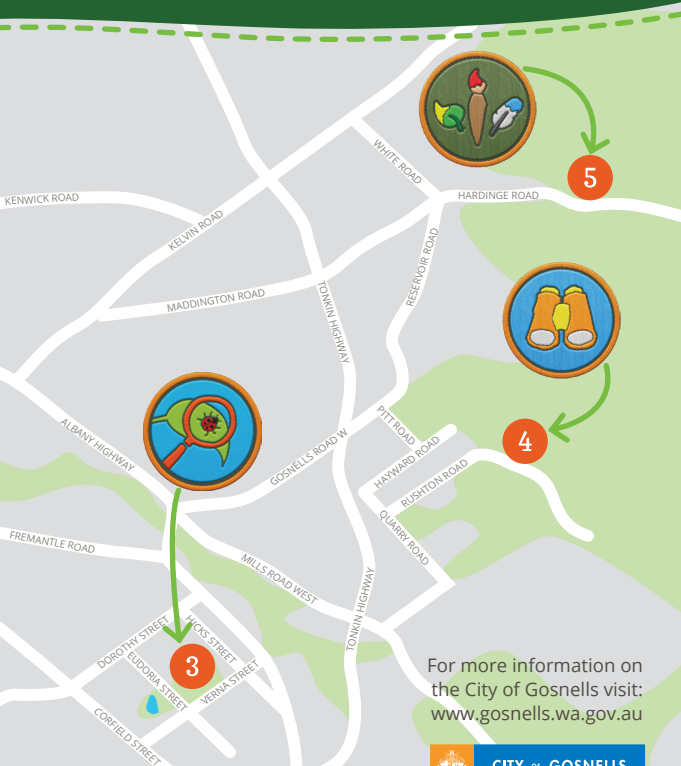
Visit www.naturepassport.org to get started!

City of Gosnells Activity Map

Key

- 1 Alexandria Boulevard Reserve
Wrist Wreaths
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Swamp Wildlife Safari
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The Bravery Award





For more information on
the City of Gosnells visit:
www.gosnells.wa.gov.au



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Activity 1: Alexandria Boulevard Reserve

Corner Bennett Drive and Alexandria Boulevard, Canning Vale



Beginner



15 mins or less



Create

Wrist Wreaths

Walk and create at Alexandria Boulevard Reserve.

Make a wristband using tape - keep the **sticky side** of the tape facing **out**.

Now, take a walk around the reserve to find cool items to stick to your wristband.

Make a pattern that shows off your style. Items that are small, lightweight, and thin will stick best.

Be kind to living things! Try to collect items off the ground, rather than picking from living plants.

Journal

Draw, take notes and fill in the blank space!



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Activity 2: SERCUL Gardens

1 Horley Road, Beckenham



Beginner



30-45 minutes



Collaborate

What's That Scent?

Get ready to sniff and test your sense of smell.

With a partner, take a 'scent walk' around the SERCUL office, including the Bush Tucker and Permaculture Gardens. Try to smell some of the plants pictured and describe their scents.

Now, ask your partner to close their eyes and lead them to a plant for them to smell.

Can they figure out which plant they smelled?

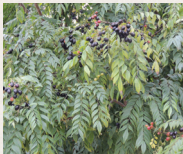
Repeat and try to tick off all the plants pictured.

Journal

Draw, take notes and fill in the blank space!



☐ Rosemary



☐ Curry Tree



☐ Mandarin Tree



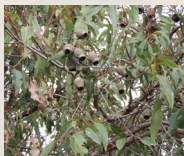
☐ Lemon Tree



☐ Lemon Scented
Darwinia



☐ Wormwood



☐ Marri Tree



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Activity 3: Mary Carroll Park

Eudoria Street, Gosnells



Adventurous



30-45 mins



Observe

Swamp Wildlife Safari

Did you know that Mary Carroll Park wetlands is a very important breeding, roosting and summer refuge site for local and international waterbirds?

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

Watch, listen and observe as you go on safari at Mary

Carroll Park.
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Journal

Draw, take notes and fill in the blank space!

Record any fish, frogs, insects
or birds you discover:



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Activity 4: Ellis Brook Valley Reserve

Rushton Road, Martin, WA



Medium



30-45 minutes



Think

Seeing Sound

Sounds are only for our ears...or are they?

Find a quiet spot to sit and listen.

Challenge yourself to make a sound into something you can see.

Here are some ideas you can try:

- Draw a picture of what made the sound.
- Use words to describe the sound.
- Make a diagram that shows **volume** (how loud), **pitch** (how high or low), and **length** (how long) of the sound.

Note: The entrance gates at Ellis Brook Valley Reserve open between

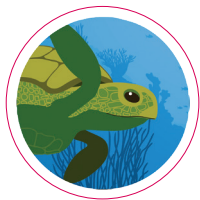
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Badges



Avatars



Journal

Draw, take notes and fill in the blank space!



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Activity 5: Hardinge Park

Off Hardinge Road, Orange Grove, WA



Beginner



15 mins or less



Create

Leaf Collector

Let's learn about leaves.

Go on a leaf hunt and collect leaves you like best to make some leaf rubbings.

Place a leaf behind the page in your booklet you will be colouring on.

Use a pencil or the longer side of a crayon to rub over it and watch how details from the leaf show up on your page.

How many different types of leaves did you find?

Be kind to living things! Try to collect items off the ground, rather than picking from living plants.

Journal

Draw, take notes and fill in the blank space!

Place your leaf behind this page.



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Activity 6: Mills Park Nature Play Space

86 Brixton Street, Beckenham



Adventurous



30 - 45 minutes



Move

The Bravery Award

Conquer your fear at Mills Park Nature Play Space.

Think of something that you're scared of and ask a grown-up to help you come up with a plan to conquer your fear safely.

Example: Afraid of heights? Give the rock climbing structure a climb or ride the flying fox.

Take a deep breath, be brave and give it a try...

Remember.... If you don't conquer your fear this time, it's okay.

Bravery takes time.

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City of Gosnells Family Events

Park Play

Free fun, outdoor activities for families with children of various ages.

Park Play encourages families to attend parks and playgrounds within the City of Gosnells, while also aiming to improve child development through free play.



Park Play runs three times a week (a morning session on Wednesday and Friday as well as an after school session on Tuesday) and rotates between various parks within the City of Gosnells. Each session usually runs for 2 hours.

Activities include:

- 'Big' games (Connect 4, Jenga)
- Sensory play (play dough, mud games)
- Playing sports (soccer, totem tennis)
- Playing with toys (dinosaurs, sand and water toys)

For more information on Park Play dates and locations, visit www.gosnells.wa.gov.au/ParkPlay

Ghost Walks

Be prepared for a night of spooky and ghost-ly fun at the City of Gosnells Ghost Walks.

Listen to friendly ghost performers telling colourful tales about characters who used to live in the district.

Held between October and March each year, the 5.5km trail starts from the Victoria Dam and ends at the Bickley Reservoir in the Orange Grove Hills.

The walk takes approximately three hours to complete.

For more information on Ghost Walks, visit www.gosnells.wa.gov.au/GhostWalks



From music concerts to arts and cultural events, the City of Gosnells offers activities and events that will suit every interest and age group. Further information available at: www.gosnells.wa.gov.au/events

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 to record your Safari animal sightings.



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1. Bike ride through Crestwood Tunnels in Thornlie ☐
2. Have a go on the flying fox at Mills Park ☐
3. Visit the hidden oasis at Ruth Avenue Reserve ☐
4. See orchids at Hume Road Wildlife Reserve
in Spring ☐
5. Visit one of the City's four skate parks..... ☐
6. Run down the hill at the Civic Centre Gardens ☐
7. Play a family game of soccer at Sutherlands Park ☐
8. Have a picnic at Hardinge Park..... ☐
9. Jump in leaves in Autumn at the park ☐
10. Kick a footy at Harmony Fields in Maddington ☐
11. Do the obstacle course at Partridge Way Reserve ☐
12. Fly a kite at Langford Oval..... ☐
13. Do the treetop walk at Centennial Pioneer Park..... ☐
14. Run the snake pattern at Holling Street Reserve ☐
15. Build a temporary stick teepee by the river..... ☐

Play, explore and learn outdoors!

The City of Gosnells supports outdoor play for a more vibrant community with healthier, happier children.

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The development of this booklet is funded by the Department of Home Affairs Fostering Integration Grants program. The grants support new initiatives by not-for-profit organisations that will help migrants better integrate into Australian life through employment and community participation.