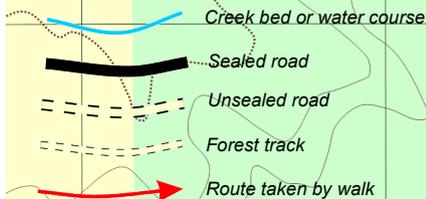


## Argyle Forest Meotti Road / Buffer Road circuit

Grid coordinates: Map grid of Australia 1994 (MGA94)  
 Map scale: 1 to 25,000 (4 cm to 1 kilometre)  
 Magnetic declination: -2.434 in 2011  
 decreasing by 0.015 deg / year.  
 Grid convergence: -0.69 deg

### Key to map



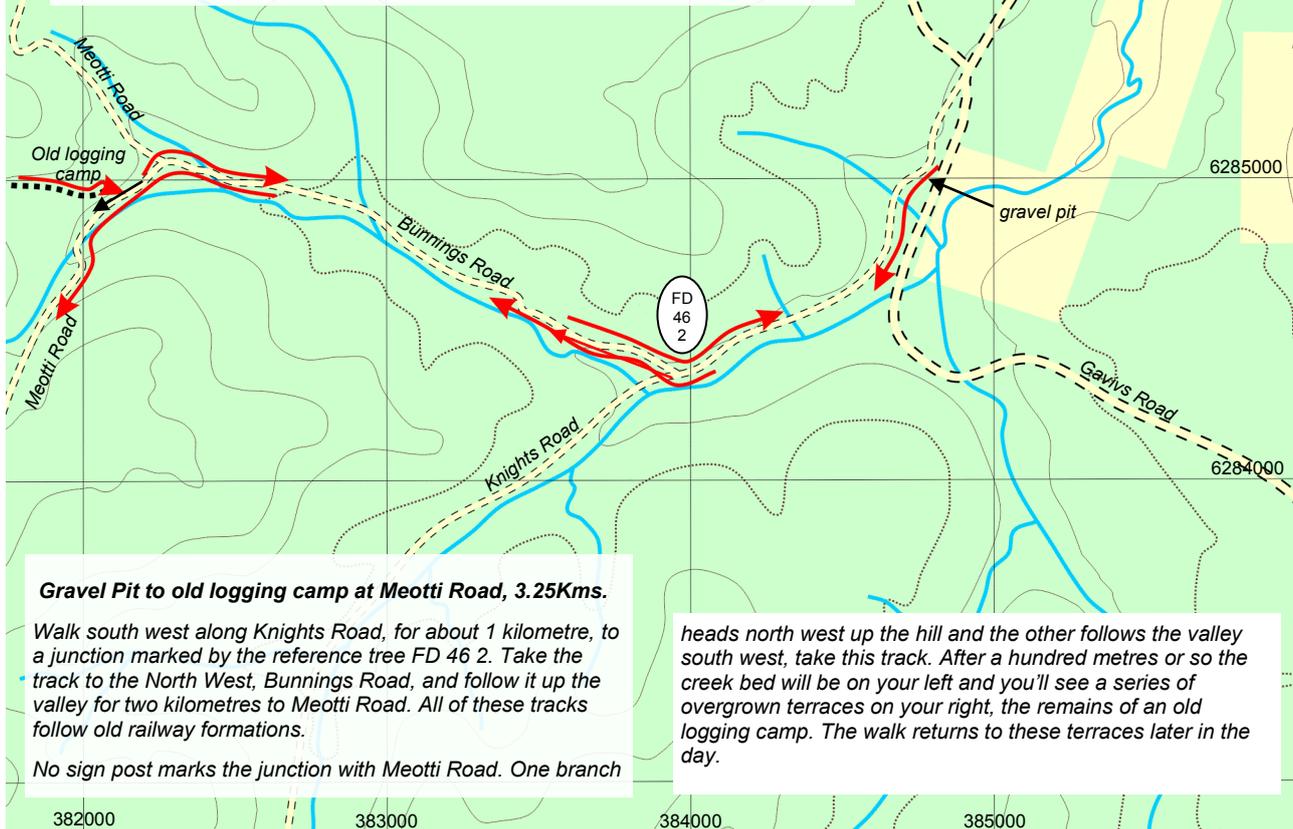
The 15 kilometre long walk starts and finishes at a small gravel pit on the edge of the forest and follows easily distinguishable tracks most of the way. It takes around 5 hours to complete. A short diversion follows old railway sleepers laid directly on to the forest floor. They lead to an old bush landing where the track terminates. This part of the forest is well worth a visit, though it requires good navigational skills.

### How to get here

**From Bunbury**, follow the South West highway through Boyanup, and continue a further 8 kilometres to the knights road turn off; it's just before the road crosses the railway line. Turn right on to Knights Road.

**From Donnybrook**, follow the South West Highway for five kilometres and turn left on to Knights Road; it's just after the railway crossing.

Follow Knights Road for about 2 kilometres until it joins up with Gavins Road. Knights Road then becomes the narrow forest track leading off into the forest. Drive along this track for about 200 metres and park in the gravel pit on the left.



### Gravel Pit to old logging camp at Meotti Road, 3.25Kms.

Walk south west along Knights Road, for about 1 kilometre, to a junction marked by the reference tree FD 46 2. Take the track to the North West, Bunnings Road, and follow it up the valley for two kilometres to Meotti Road. All of these tracks follow old railway formations.

No sign post marks the junction with Meotti Road. One branch

heads north west up the hill and the other follows the valley south west, take this track. After a hundred metres or so the creek bed will be on your left and you'll see a series of overgrown terraces on your right, the remains of an old logging camp. The walk returns to these terraces later in the day.

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### Buffer Road back to the old logging camp on Meotti Road, 4.0kms.

Follow Buffer Road north west for about 3 kilometres. The track is clearly not a railway formation; it twists and turns, rising and falling, as it crosses the hills and valleys. After 1km it crosses a prominent creek, and after a further 1.5kms and a half beyond this, a side track descends north west to the forest boundary and nearby farm land. The overgrown track back to the old logging camp is half a kilometre beyond this. It's at a cross roads with a sign post, though the sign has fallen off.

The overgrown track leading up to the east takes us over the ridge and back to the logging camp. The forest reference tree (FD 44 2 R) is about 20 metres up the track and not visible from Buffer Road.

As you approach the logging camp, the terraces become apparent and you will see Meotti Road to the south east. It's just beyond the two trees that have fallen across the trail. Drop down the terraces to return to Meotti Road.

### Return via Bunnings and Knights Roads, 3.25 Kms.

From the logging camp, follow Meotti Road north east to the junction with Bunnings Road. Follow Bunnings Road south east to knights Road and then Knights Road north east to the gravel pit and the start of the walk.

### Old logging camp to the stone cutting on Meotti Road, 2.5kms

Continue South West along Meotti Road. The track turns south to cross the creek bed at an old stone bridge then continues south west to climb the hill side. This would have been a considerable gradient for the small steam locomotives hauling the sets of wagons up into the forest, and particularly hazardous on the descent when they were fully laden with logs.

At the top of the hill the walk bears south east and then south. To the east of the track you'll see some piles of stones. Take a closer look and you'll discover they are part of a stone cutting or bush landing that was used to haul the logs onto the wagons.

### The stone cutting to Buffer Road, along Kelly Road, 1.5 kms.

Continue along Meotti Road to the junction with Kelly Road, about 100 metres from the stone cutting. Meotti Road turns south here and Kelly Road heads North West.

To reach Buffer Road directly, follow Kelly Road for just under 1½ Kilometres.

To follow the old railway, walk about 60 metres down Meotti Road and then walk North West into the bush for about 20 metres. Look around for the remains of old railway sleepers. If you find them, follow them west into the forest. The indistinct

trail of sleepers continues for a kilometre and ends at a bush landing. Few people visit this part of the forest and it's a good opportunity to see what the forest would be like if it weren't continually hammered by four wheel drive vehicles. However, the trail is hard to follow so if you lose it, and become lost; head north to intersect Kelly Road.

From the bush landing simply walk north for about 200 metres to intersect Kelly Road. Then follow Kelly Road west to Buffer Road.

