

THE YOU YANGS

Location:

Little River, VIC

(60km SW of Melbourne)

Trails & Tracks:



Difficulty Levels:



Facilities & Services:



Web:

www.youyangsmtbinc.com.au

Maps:

Stockyards

Drysdale Road

www.youyangsmtbinc.com.au/pdf/stockyards.pdf

Kurrajong

Branch Road

www.youyangsmtbinc.com.au/pdf/kurrajong.pdf

Clubs:

You Yangs MTB Inc

www.youyangsmtbinc.com.au

Geelong MTB Club

www.gmbc.com.au

Local Bike Shops:

Beretta's Bike Hub

190 Latrobe Terrace, Geelong

www.berettas.bikehub.com.au

Bicycle Superstore

Westfield Shopping Centre,

Malop Street, Geelong

www.bicyclesuperstore.com.au

Review:

The You Yangs Mountain Bike trail network has approx 60Km of purpose built trails offering variety for all abilities. Recent upgrades to the trails have made the You Yangs the most versatile and challenging trail network in greater Melbourne. The park has two distinct trail areas - The Kurrajong area with sweeping singletrack, comprising of 3 main loops, ideal for the beginner and intermediate rider; and The Stockyards area for a variety of technical singletrack interconnecting throughout, on a fantastic, well draining, granite base.

The Stockyards trail network caters to the intermediate and advanced rider with the area also featuring Downhill specific trails, rated double black diamond including the aptly named 'Bandages or Glory' trail. The quality of the trails at The You Yangs are also underlined by the number of state and national events run here in conjunction with Parks Victoria and the Geelong Mountain Bike Club. A great example of how the State Government and local trail advocacy, can work together in unison to provide a fantastic trail network for all abilities. This is one example of how Parks Victoria are working together to provide a great Mountain Bike trail system throughout the state. There are numerous options for various loops to keep you busy, for an all day epic, to a quick 1 hour burst.

The trails are very well signed, providing length of trail, elevation gain and a mini map. There are also trail maps available at the rangers hut near the main entrance to the park, as well as trail maps posted on notice boards at the main carparks. Pre and post ride food and drink supplies can be found in either Lara or Little River. Both towns are a short drive from the park. Please ensure you have plenty of water as there is no water supply at the main trailheads. The quality and calibre of the trails are exceptional, catering to XC, Downhill and 4X riders - you will not be disappointed. For a detailed trail map check out the Parks Victoria website.

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