

EXPLORE

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Self-Guided Walks
Explore the city and surrounds



Tidbinbilla



Town and District
Parks



Canberra
Nature Park



Googong
Foreshores



Namadgi National
Park



Murrumbidgee
River Corridor

The Explore Program is growing with the addition of a Feature Walk. Each Feature Walk will profile one of our great self-guided walks, which allow you to explore different parts of Canberra's parks and natural heritage at your leisure.

Corroboree Park

Corroboree Park is a small semi-circular park in the middle of the suburb of Ainslie. It was created as a focal point of a garden city subdivision in the mid-1920s. With its buildings for community use, mature landscape, tennis courts and other recreation facilities, Corroboree Park is a well-known and often used neighbourhood park.

Facilities And Services

Tennis practice wall, basketball court, table tennis table, picnic area, BBQ, community hall, playground and seating. The nearest public toilets are at the Ainslie shops.

Suggested Activities

Tennis, basketball or table tennis.
Have a BBQ or picnic.
Play on the playground.

What Will I Discover?

A very old Yellow Box tree with twisted bark and some Blakely's Red Gums. Yellow Box—Blakely's Red Gum grassy woodland covered the plains where Canberra now stands. Mature Native Cypress Pines, Silver Dollar Gums and native tea trees are some of the other trees found here.

What Will I Learn?

Original plantings for the park were done under the direction of Charles Weston, Canberra's first Superintendent, Parks and Gardens. These were a mixture of exotic and deciduous species.

In 1928, Ainslie residents constructed tennis courts at the park using voluntary labour. The Ainslie Tennis club is the second oldest in Canberra. In 1939, members of the tennis club planted 500 native plants, which was unusual at a time when exotic species were popular.

What Do I Need To Take?

Binoculars to search for birds in the canopy.

How To Get There?

Grimes Street, off Limestone Avenue.

Other Walks In The Area

To the west of Corroboree Park is Haig Park, which is 2 km long but only 143 m wide. Originally designed as a wind and weather shelter belt for Canberra, it is now a beautiful park full of mature exotic trees. To the east is Mt Ainslie Nature Reserve which has a bracing walk up to the summit starting behind the War Memorial.

Please Remember

Leave no trace of your visit.
Dogs must be under control at all times.
Everyone has a right to enjoy this park so please consider other park users.



Mature eucalypt, Corroboree Park