

Mount Buffalo National Park

Lake Catani Summer Camping Guide



Lake Catani Campground is located on the Mount Buffalo plateau in Mount Buffalo National Park, 28km from Porepunkah. The surrounding national park offers a variety of landscapes from tall eucalypt forests to alpine heathlands and snow-grass plains. Discover magnificent waterfalls and remote alpine landscapes while you camp within beautiful Snow Gum woodlands beside Lake Catani.



Getting there

Follow the signs off the Mount Buffalo Tourist Road (C535) to Lake Catani Campground and the Lakeside Day Visitor Area. Lake Catani Campground is open from the beginning of November until the end of April.

Things to see and do

There is so much to do at Mount Buffalo. Please refer to the Mount Buffalo National Park Visitor Guide for details of walks and other activities. Visit the campground information shelter for notice of summer and Easter ranger lead interpretive programs or visit the park office (located 1.5 km to the north between Lake Catani and the chalet turnoff) for more information.

Facilities

There are 49 unpowered campsites available set amongst picturesque Snow Gum woodland. Each is marked by a numbered post. Camping is only permitted within the boundary of these sites. Some of the sites are suitable for small caravans and campervans while others are for car camping and tents only. Walk in campsites provide campers with even quieter surroundings. The maximum number of people per site is six.

Group camping area

A special area within the campground has been set aside for schools and social groups. These sites must be booked in advance. Only two school or social groups can occupy the campground at any one time. The total number of school or social group campers must not exceed 50 on any one night.

Bookings should be made with the Mt Buffalo National Park Entrance Station on 03 5755 1466.

Amenities

Toilets, hot showers, dish washing and a basic laundry (no washing machines) are provided. A separate disabled hot shower and toilet is also available. Basic lighting in the amenities is provided by solar panels and a small hydroelectric plant at Lake Catani. This is subject to an adequate flow of water during summer. A communal stone shelter with tables and fireplaces is located adjacent to the amenities building.

Campers are required to be self sufficient with drinking water.

Booking

Campsites must be booked in advance.

Peak period

Peak period includes Melbourne Cup Day weekend, Christmas/January school holidays, Labour Day weekend and Easter school

holidays. Bookings open at 10.00am on 1 September each year and are based on first in, first served basis.

Book at www.parks.vic.gov.au/stay or call Parks Victoria on 13 1963 or the Mount Buffalo office on (03) 5755 1466.

Non-peak period

Book online at any time at www.parks.vic.gov.au/stay or by contacting Parks Victoria on 13 1963.

Caring for the park

Help look after your park by following these guidelines:

- Please take rubbish home with you for recycling and disposal.
- All native plants, animals and landforms are protected.
- Dogs, cats and other pets are prohibited within the park.
- Firearms are also prohibited.

Campfires

Fires are permitted only in fireplaces provided and must be attended at all times while going. Hot coals are considered a going fire.

Fireplaces are limited. Gas stoves are recommended for cooking.

Firewood collecting within the park is prohibited, however firewood can be purchased in the park from rangers, or campers can bring their own.

No fires, including gas or fuel stoves may be lit on days of Total Fire Ban.

Be prepared and stay safe

Mount Buffalo National Park is in the North East fire district. Bushfire safety is a personal responsibility. Anyone entering parks and forests during the bushfire season needs to stay aware of forecast weather conditions. Check the Fire Danger Rating and for days of Total Fire Ban at www.emergency.vic.gov.au, on the VicEmergency smartphone app or call the VicEmergency Hotline on 1800 226 226.

On Code Red Fire Danger Rating days this park will be closed for public safety. Closure signs will be erected but do not expect an official warning. Check the latest conditions at www.parks.vic.gov.au or by calling 13 1963.

The nearest doctors and hospital are in Bright. Basic first aid and help is available from the park office.

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- Tent only
- Tent or Caravan
- Platform- Tent only
- Campground Host

Advisory: Suitable for small camper trailers, caravans or motorhomes.

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| Parking | Information | Toilets | Accessible toilets | Toilets (winter use only) | Swimming | Canoeing |
| Picnic table | Sheltered area | Stone Hut | Firewood | Wood BBQ | Gas BBQ | Jetty |
| Shower | Laundry (hand wash only) | Dish Washing | Water tap (Not potable) | Recycling | Rubbish | |

- Waterbody
- Beach
- Foreshore
- Group camping
- Walk in camping

- Road
- Walking track
- Gate

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