



Waterfront Trail

The trail can be undertaken in part, or in full, in either direction. The shared cycle/pedestrian path continues beyond Fremantle in both directions – along the Swan River through East Fremantle, and along the coast through Cockburn. This trail starts at the northern or Swan River end.

1. **Beach Street park, café and jetty** – Starting 400m to the north on our map, at the lower reaches of the Swan where the river meets the harbour. Parking available.
2. **Pass under the historic Fremantle Bridge** – Watch the swirling tides, the passing river traffic, dolphins and water birds.
3. **Capstan** – The remains of the stone base of a capstan that hauled a barge across the river as a river crossing before the bridge was built.
4. **Observe the working port** – Car carriers being unloaded, naval vessels, tugboats – there is always some interesting ship in port and they are usually berthed in this part of the inner harbour.
5. **Ferry Terminal** – For boats to Rottnest Island and other day trips.
6. **E Shed Markets** – In a converted wharf shed – food stalls, cafes, restaurants, crafts, souvenirs and other shopping.
7. **The Maritime Museum** – Provides a display of Western Australia's fascinating maritime history and connections with the Indian Ocean. Wander around to the harbour side terrace next to the museum to view the harbour entrance and the remnant of the original limestone bar removed by C.Y. O'Connor to create the harbour in the 1890's.
8. **HMAS Ovens** – Take a tour of the submarine HMAS Ovens.
9. **Sculptural Route** – Follow the sculptural route markers along this section of the path between Fremantle Harbour and Fishing Boat Harbour. The markers, which will eventually extend for the full length of the Fremantle section of the path, are all individually designed by local artists and sculptors.
10. **The Round House** – The State's oldest public building – and the historic cottages and café on Arthur Head, take in views across Bathers Bay to Cockburn Sound and off-shore islands.
11. **High Street** – Look in the other direction and enjoy views down Fremantle's High Street – arguably the best late 19th and early 20th century cityscape in Australia.
12. **Whalers Tunnel** – Walk down the steps to the Whalers Tunnel under Arthur Head and view interpretation in the tunnel itself that leads through to Bathers Beach.
13. **Kidogo Arthouse** – Return to the pathway and continue past restored dune planting to the Kidogo Arthouse to view the latest exhibition.
14. **Fishing Boat Harbour** – A working port for the local fishing boats and was also the focus for the America's Cup in 1986/87. View the monument to the fishermen and enjoy fish and chips and other seafoods from waterfront restaurants, or a beer at the microbrewery.
15. **Fremantle Sailing Club** – Follow the path south along the rail line and continue past the working part of the Fishing Boat Harbour and Fremantle Sailing Club.
16. **Capo D'Orlando Drive** – Just off our map, but worth a detour out along Capo D'Orlando Drive to view the city and Fishing Boat Harbour from the west.
17. **South Beach** – About 1km onwards you will arrive at South Beach, with its lovely vista over the water and view back to Fremantle. Enjoy a swim, take a rest on the lawn or at the café.
18. **CAT Bus** – You will find these stops marked on the map. A stop near South Beach on Marine Terrace will take you back to the city centre.

Your comments on the trails are invited and can be forwarded to:

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