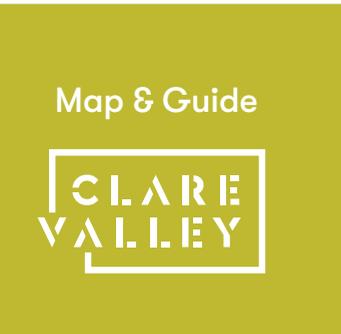




Riesling Trail



Facilities

Drinking water is available beside the trail shelters at Watervale, between Sevenhill and Quarry Road and at the Lennon Street car park in Clare.

Public toilets are located at Auburn Memorial Park, Watervale oval, Sevenhill cricket ground and Clare Skate Park.

Designated car parks are at Auburn, Watervale, Sevenhill, Clare and Barinia.

Sharing the trail

To allow everyone to enjoy our trail, please take care and follow these guidelines:

- Keep to the left where appropriate
- Alert other users when approaching by calling out or sounding your bell
- Keep dogs under control
- Watch for surface damage caused by adverse weather
- Take all rubbish with you
- Motor bikes, unauthorised vehicles and horses are not permitted

Biosecurity matters

South Australia is one of the few places in the world free of the vineyard destroying pest phylloxera. Please refrain from walking through vineyards without authorisation and help us to keep South Australia phylloxera-free.

Wildlife

The Riesling Trail is part of a natural environment. For your safety, treat all wildlife with caution and only observe from a distance.

Bushfire Risk

Be alert to the dangers of bushfires during the summer months. Stay alert on days of high fire danger.

Bike hire

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| Cogwebs | 0400 290 687 (Auburn) |
| Discovery Holiday Park | 08 8842 2724 (Clare) |
| Clare Valley Cycle Hire | 0418 802 077 (Clare) |
| Riesling Trail Bike Hire | 0418 777 318 (Clare) |

EMERGENCY SERVICES

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| Ambulance / Police / Fire | 000 (Mobile users 112) |
| Clare Police Station | 08 8842 2711 |
| Clare Hospital | 08 8842 6500 |

For more information, please visit:
www.rieslingtrail.com.au
www.rattlertrail.com.au and
www.facebook.com/rieslingtrail

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The Riesling Trail

Barinia to Auburn (33km)

Looking for a way to connect with the Clare Valley's picturesque surroundings?



And perhaps offset the sumptuous food and wine enjoyed at our cellar doors and restaurants?

Located 130km north of Adelaide, the Riesling Trail is the reincarnation of an old railway line that provides a scenic and safe way to walk, run or ride through the Clare Valley's renowned wine-growing region.

A 33km recreational route from Auburn to Barinia, it is a well-maintained and compacted gravel surface suitable for travelling on foot, by bike or with a pram in tow.

The Riesling Trail is isolated from most traffic and town centres, making it a secure and peaceful place for couples, families and friends to enjoy the outdoors together. And a relatively easy gradient with several access points allows you to create a route that suits your fitness level and ability.

The picturesque scenery encompasses views of vineyards, bushland, farms and tree-lined laneways. With every turn in the trail there's a chance to spot native flora and fauna, historical buildings and an ever-growing display of sculptures. Take a break at one of the picnic tables and pause to read the series of story boards that reveal information about local history, the trail's development and some of the characters of our community.

Fast Facts

- Duration: 1.5 to 4 hours to ride one-way, depending on fitness, diversions and breaks.
- The highest point is near Penwortham.

- Formerly part of a railway line between Adelaide and Spalding, the Riesling Trail was opened in 1994, an initiative of the Clare Valley Winemakers. The northern extension from Clare to Barinia opened in 2009.

- The Riesling Trail was instigated by Clare Valley Winemakers, funded by the Office for Recreation and Sport (SA Government) and local donations. Today, the trail is managed by the Riesling Trail Management Committee consisting of volunteers.

The Rattler Trail

Auburn to Riverton (19km)

The Rattler Trail links with the southern end of the Riesling Trail in Auburn and extends to the Riverton oval. It provides an extra 19km of sightseeing and exercise for trail users, with a dedicated rest shelter at Rhynie's old railway station. Car parking is available at Auburn near Mt Horrocks Wines, Riverton oval and Rhynie, with public toilets at all three towns.



Off the beaten track

Keen to challenge yourself on Clare Valley's back roads? The following three loops are only suited to experienced cyclists with a high level of fitness. The loops take you on public roads with unsealed, narrow and winding sections, rough surfaces and steep inclines. As you'll share the road with vehicles, they are not recommended for groups or families with young children. For your safety, be visible and travel during daylight hours only.

John Horrocks loop

(10.3 km - moderate) ●●●●●●●●●●

At Penwortham, exit west at Pawelski Road, crossing Horrocks Hwy, continuing on Horrocks Road. Then ride north along Hughes Park Road, past several wineries, until you reach the eastbound turn on to Bayes Road, taking you into Sevenhill. Cross Horrocks Hwy again, heading east on College Road will take you back to the Riesling Trail.

Father Rogalski (Polish Hill) loop

(16.5 km - difficult) ●●●●●●●●●●

At Penwortham, exit east on Pawelski Road and head eastbound. The steep ride up Trillians Hill Road will reward you with magnificent views. Crossing Jolly Way onto Polish Hill Road will take you into the Polish Hill Valley. This loop is not for the faint-hearted, but it includes some of the most scenic parts of the Clare Valley.

Spring Gully loop

(17km - difficult) ●●●●●●●●●●

Starting at the Clare Valley Wine Food and Tourism Centre, head west along Spring Gully Road, following the Scenic Tourist Drive. At the Spring Gully Lookout, turn east at Sawmill Road. A few twists and turns will take you down to Hughes Park Road. From here it is either northbound towards Sevenhill and back via the Riesling Trail to the starting point; or connect onto the John Horrocks Loop heading southbound.

Fun for the family

Gleeson Wetlands (1km)

A family-friendly optional loop is the Gleeson Wetlands in Clare, which features a gravel trail around three ponds. Home to a variety of native vegetation and birds, it is also a place to pause and enjoy the surrounds. Access Gleeson Wetlands by taking a detour from the Riesling Trail at York Road (near the sheep sculptures), cross Farrell Flat Road and ride past the Lakeside Railway. It can also be accessed via Christison Avenue.

More trail options

Riverton trails

There are five trail options around Riverton, including the Lookout Trail with spectacular 360° valley views and the Duck Pond Trail that takes you to the Gilbert River Lake.

More trail options continued..

Mawson Trail (900km)

This trail starts in the Adelaide Hills and ends at Blinman in the Flinders Ranges. It is for mountain bike enthusiasts looking for an outback challenge. The trail merges with the Riesling Trail between Auburn and Clare then diverges off towards Burra, via White Hut Road.



The Lavender Federation Trail (325km)

Designed for walkers only, this trail travels from the River Murray at Murray Bridge to the Clare Valley via the Barossa Valley. More than 80% of the trail is 'off road', using road reserves and little-used back roads or tracks. It merges with the Riesling Trail at Watervale and shares the trail until it takes a turn towards the west at Tatkana Road, just north of Penwortham. Walkers need to follow these directional signs.



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Friends of the Riesling Trail

Support our volunteer, not-for-profit organisation by becoming a financial member or use the donation box at the Lennon Street Car Park in Clare.