

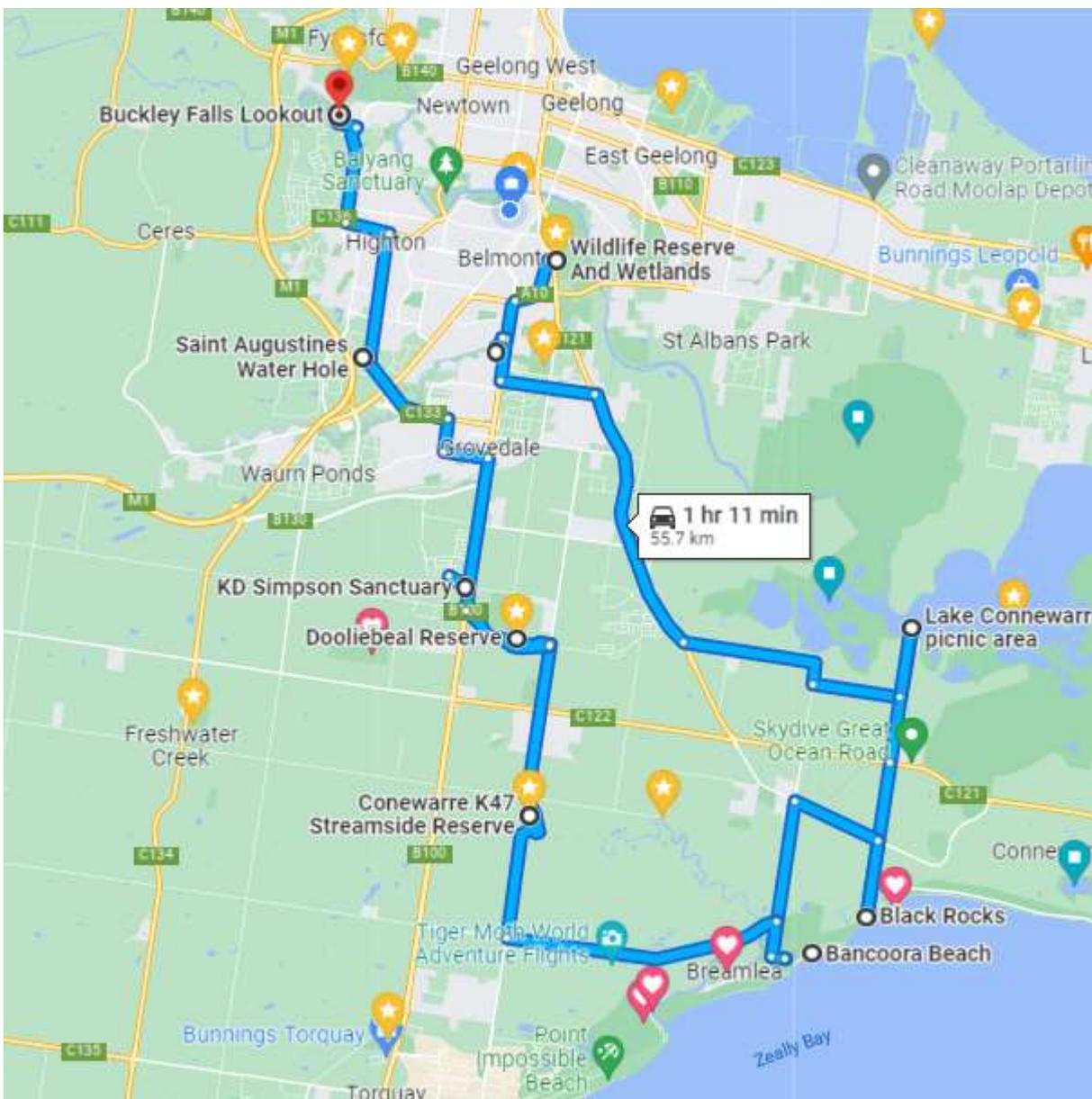


Great Southern BioBlitz

Trip Planner No 2

South Barwon

The plan outlines a drive around South Barwon and visiting many small, interesting reserve in our region. It also includes the Ramsar listed Lake Connewarre and a couple of spots for Beachcombing. With a total of 55 Kilometres driving, the multiple stops really demonstrate the vastly different habitats you likely see with different creatures and plants across a wide range of taxa. If you only have one day available for the bioblitz and want a fun filled day out, this the route is for you!





Jerringot Wetlands, Belmont	Worthwhile walking around water birds and wetland plants. Always possible to flush a Latham's snipe when near the Golf Club Pond.
Waurm Ponds Creek	There are several spots along the creek to park. Allow 15- 20 minutes for a bird spotting and maybe a record some frog calls.
Warrally Boulevard Reserve and Wild Oak Conservation Area	These new wetlands can have birds and great for butterflies and dragonflies if walking along Armstrong Creek.
Lake Connewarre -Hospital Swamp and Tait's Point	Both locations are great for birds.
13th Beach, Black Rocks	First chance to see some waders along the sand coast and rocky point. Those interested in mollusc could find up to 10 species depending on the tide.
Breamlea Reserve and Bancorra Beach	Another opportunity to shore birds in addition to the coastal plants across the two locations.
Horseshoe Bend K47 Reserve/ Dans Nature Reserve K48	Woodland habitat adjacent to the Thompson Creek has native vegetation and sometimes a few surprises.
Dooliebeal Reserve/ KD Simpson Sanctuary/ Mount Duneed Reserve	The first site is woodlands habitat, and you may find several parrot species. The second is a new wetland with interesting vegetation along the creek, The third is more open grassland with associate plant communities. Select one site based on your interests.
Saint Augustine's Water Hole	A 10-minute stroll might reveal some invertebrates depending on what shrubs are flowering.
Buckley Falls and Barwon River	Allow a good 30 to an hour, explore riparian environment. The rejuvenated areas are great for small birds. Look for sinks and snakes amount the rocks when walking towards Baums Weir.

Bring: Take along refreshment for the day's surveying, camera with spare battery, hat, binoculars, strong footwear, and sunscreen.

Recommendation: This is an interesting journey where bio blitzing come into its own- many locations to photo as many times as possible and move on. If you want to challenge yourself this trip can be done in half day and surprising how many observations can be accumulated.

Local Supporting Information:

- Almost 900 Species in this area list, see the iNaturalist [South Barwon - Inner, VI, AU · iNaturalist Australia \(ala.org.au\)](#)
- Local iNaturalist Projects [GFNC Jerringot Wetland Collection · iNaturalist Australia \(ala.org.au\)](#) and [GFNC Mount Duneed Recreation Reserve Project · iNaturalist Australia \(ala.org.au\)](#).
- Local Guide-
 - Flora of the Barwon, The Gordon
 - Shorebirds Identification booklet, Birdlife Australia
 - Salt Tolerant Plants of the Western District Ramsar Lakes, Greening Australia
 - Life on Rocky Shores of South-Eastern Australia, VNPA