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## Caring for the environment

Help us look after your park  
by following these guidelines:

All native plants, animals in the  
park are protected

Please keep to designated  
walking tracks to avoid  
becoming lost

Bins are not provided within the  
park. Please take your rubbish  
home

Camping is not permitted  
within the park

Cats and dogs are not  
permitted within the park

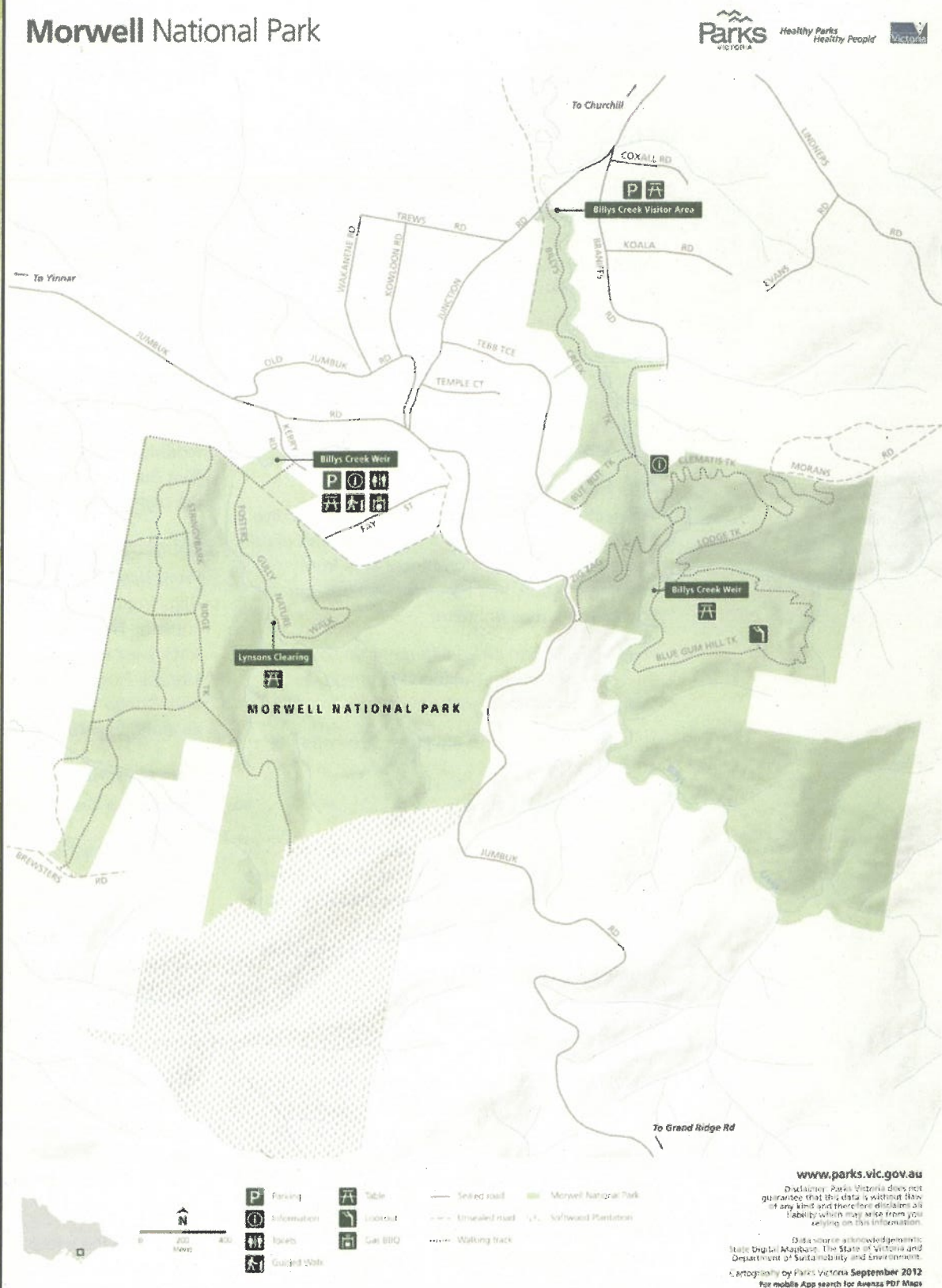
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arrangements prior to visiting  
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Fires may only be lit in the  
fireplaces provided

No fires may be lit on days of  
Total Fire Ban

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& South Gippsland Total Fire  
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## Visitor Guide

Situated in the northern foothills of the Strzelecki Ranges, this park is small in size but of great value in preserving a remnant of the area's original plant and animal life. A wide range of recreational activities is available including picnicking, bird watching, nature study and bushwalking.

## How to get there

The park is situated 16km south of Morwell and is reached via Churchill or Yinnar. It is a pleasant two hour drive from Melbourne.

## Facilities and accommodation

Picnic tables, gas barbeque, toilets and information are provided at the Kerry Road Picnic Area. Picnic tables are at Lyndons Clearing and Billys Creek. Camping is not permitted. Accommodation is available in Churchill or Morwell.

## Things to see and do

The best way to enjoy Morwell National Park is to walk through it. Fosters Gully Nature Walk and Stringybark Ridge Track depart from the Kerry Road Picnic Area. Interesting walks can also be found in the Billys Creek area of the park. The main track commences at a small car park on Junction Road where walking track information is available. Alternatively, relax at the Kerry Road Picnic Area. Fine views across the Latrobe Valley can be seen from the Jumbuk Road south of the Junction Road turnoff.

## Plants and wildlife

The vegetation varies from dry eucalypt forest in the west to heavily timbered fern gullies along the streams, lined with tall Mountain Grey Gums and Blackwood trees. Many species of orchids can be found, from the tiny Bird Orchids of autumn to the summer flowering Hyacinth Orchid, the largest ground orchid in Victoria. The rare Butterfly Orchid also occurs in the park. Nearly 100 species of native birds have been identified so far. Yellow Robins, Grey Shrike-thrushes and Crimson Rosellas are often seen, and Superb Lyrebirds can be heard at times. Koalas, wallabies, kangaroos, possums and many smaller mammals are common. Reptiles seen in the park include Black, Copperhead and Tiger snakes, and several lizard species including goanna.

## Grand Strzelecki Track

Want to go further afield and explore the beauty of the Strzelecki Ranges, then why not embark upon the Grand Strzelecki Track which has many treasures to discover.

Over 100kms of walking track connecting two National Parks – Morwell and Tarra-Bulga, you will traverse changing landscapes - valleys, farmlands, old and regrowth forests, bushfire regeneration and managed forests. Home to abundant wildlife, including koalas, wallabies, echidnas and possums. Explore primeval rainforests of delicate tree ferns and towering mountain ash.

The trek can take 3-4 days or be broken into smaller sections for a 1-2 day hike.

Further details visit -  
[www.grandstrzeleckitrack.org.au/](http://www.grandstrzeleckitrack.org.au/)

## Fosters Gully Nature Walk

Take a journey of discovery along the Fosters Gully Nature Walk where the forests and undergrowth provide food and shelter for many species of birds and animals. If you are quiet you may be able to see and hear many of the species of wildlife that live in the park. The walk commences at the Kerry Road picnic area and is approximately 2.3km long and takes about an hour at an easy walking pace.

As you walk along the track, the numbers in this leaflet refer to pegs along the track.

### 1. Forest of the future

Here, on the left of the track you can see young Varnish Wattles and Grey Gums that have regenerated on an area cleared in 1970.

This area is a valuable habitat for small native mammals such as bush rats and marsupial mice. A short distance further along, turn right at the firebreak, then left at the Fosters Gully sign.

