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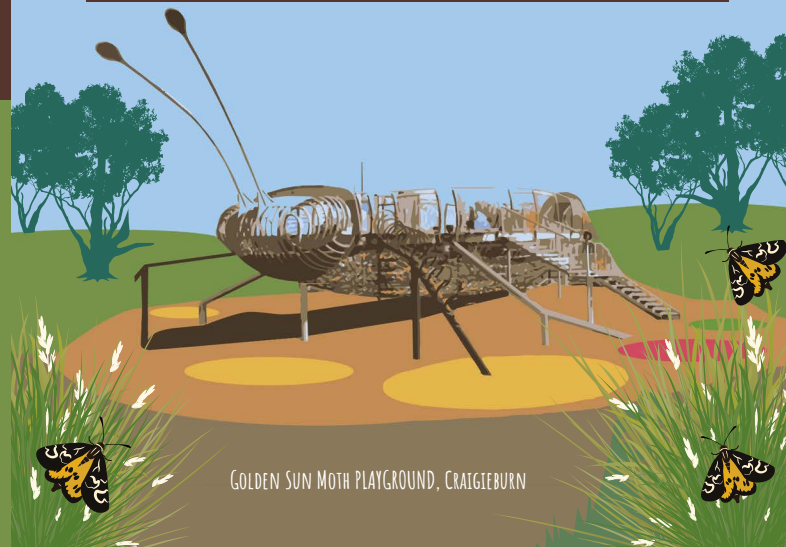
Find an interesting plant or animal? Scan this QR code to find Hume City's observations of animals, plants and fungi and record your findings, or visit –

inaturalist.org/projects/hume-city-s-wildlife

GOLDEN SUN MOTH



The Golden Sun Moth is a day flying moth, listed as vulnerable, with one of its habitats found here in Hume City. During the summer period, adult moths emerge from the ground to breed. If you are lucky, you might see males flying around grasslands in search of a female mate.



GOLDEN SUN MOTH PLAYGROUND, CRAIGIEBURN

RIVER RED GUMS

Iconic features of the Hume landscape, River Red Gums have an important place in our environment. These beautiful trees with their thick trunks and gnarled limbs provide important food sources and nesting hollows after growing for hundreds of years.

SITES OF INTEREST:

- MILKMAIDS NATURE RESERVE
- AMBERFIELD GRASSLAND
- AITKEN CREEK
- GALADA TAMBOORE
- MAYGAR GRASSLAND
- KALKALLO COMMON GRASSLAND
- GREENVALE RECREATION RESERVE

EUCALYPTUS
CAMALDULENSIS

DISCOVER NATURE TRAIL GUIDE

CRAIGIEBURN AND SURROUNDS



Craigieburn, 45 kilometres north of Melbourne, is home to heritage, landscape and biodiversity values including indigenous plants, threatened vegetation communities, wildlife, waterways, and sites of cultural and geological significance.

All land in Hume City is located on the traditional country of the Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung people, which includes the Gunung Willam Balluk Clan.

Walking and cycling are the perfect way to explore the three nature trails in this guide.

ALWAYS REMEMBER:

- Leave no trace of rubbish.
- Obey signs including on/off leash dog areas.
- Wear appropriate clothing and carry water.
- All sites are walking-friendly and bike-friendly as stated.
- Parking along reserves is limited, please make use of side street parking.

MALCOLM CREEK CIRCUIT

The trail winds its way through the grassy woodlands of Craigieburn with their majestic River Red Gums, to the rugged Mount Ridley Nature Conservation Reserve where wildlife can be discovered 'off the beaten track'. Mt Ridley Lookout gives a panoramic view of Craigieburn.

Distance: 6.2 km

Duration: 1 hour, 30 minute walk (return journey)

Parking available at Mount Ridley Lookout off Mt Ridley Road and Packington Court at Golden Sun Moth Park.

Toilets available at Golden Sun Moth Park.

VOLCANIC LANDSCAPE

Volcanic eruptions from Mount Ridley and other nearby volcanic hills created the landscape you now see today, with lava flowing across the land to create vast plains of volcanic soil. Expansive areas of grasslands and grassy woodlands have evolved on the volcanic plains, with the native plants adapting to clay soils, low annual rainfall, and regular fire.

MT RIDLEY NATURE CONSERVATION RESERVE

Entrance to Mt Ridley Nature Conservation Reserve begins at the end of Eucalyptus Court. Right away you're greeted with lush Eucalyptus trees at the gates, a wide gravel foot path that winds along flat grasslands, with Malcom Creek running along the east end of the reserve. Exit through Heritage way to loop back around to the entrance.

MORE SITES OF INTEREST AROUND CRAIGIEBURN:

- ANCIENT RIVER RED GUM (ON CREEKWOOD DR)
- ART POLES
- WATER LOOKOUT (WEST OF HANSON RD)
- GOLDEN SUN MOTH PARK





Tracks are suitable for both cycling and walking.

MOUNT RIDLEY CIRCUIT

Distance: 11 km
Duration: 2.5hrs walk (one way)

MALCOLM CREEK CIRCUIT

Distance: 6.2 km
Duration: 1 hour, 30 minute walk (return journey)



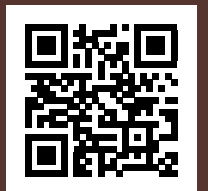
Dog owners must:

- ✓ Keep dogs on a leash at all times unless in designated off-leash areas.
- ✓ Be in sight of their dog and the dog responds to its owner's command whether verbal or visual.
- ✓ Remove dog excrement.
- ✓ Carry a leash, one for each dog, under their control.
- ✓ Comply with any site specific rules and regulations.
- ✓ Keep dogs on a short leash within 10 metres of a formal sporting competition or training event.

Dogs are not allowed:

- ✗ On sportsfields during a formal sporting competition or training event.
- ✗ To enter any water body.
- ✗ Within the boundary of a playspace, BMX/skate facility, or similar facility.
- ✗ To chase, attack, bite or worry wildlife.

* Please note map is not to exact scale.



Scan for a more detailed map on the Discover Nature in Hume website