

# Mount Buffalo National Park

## Lake Catani Campground Accessibility Guide

Lake Catani Campground is located on the Mount Buffalo plateau in Mount Buffalo National Park, 28km from Porepunkah. The surrounding national park offers a variety of landscapes from tall eucalypt forests to alpine heathlands and snow-grass plains. Discover magnificent waterfalls and remote alpine landscapes while you camp within beautiful Snow Gum woodlands beside Lake Catani.



### Bookings

Campsites must be booked in advance and online.

### Further information on booking a campsite

More information on booking a campsite and peak camping periods can be found on the Mount Buffalo National Park webpage.

<https://www.parks.vic.gov.au/places-to-see/parks/mount-buffalo-national-park>

### Campsites

#### Wheelchair Accessible Camp Sites

The Lake Catani camping area has several campsites that are well-suited for visitors in wheelchairs as they are located on reasonably level ground and are located within 50 metres of the visitor amenities building. The most accessible sites are sites 2, 3, 11 and 12.



Wheelchair accessible campsites

#### Track Access

Access to the toilets and showers from the campsites is from one of several compacted gravel paths that meander through the trees from the various campsites. Some of these paths are wider than others. There are no designated disabled parking bays in the camping area but campsites have sufficient space for vehicles to be parked close to the tents.



Access track from campsites to amenities block

#### Shared Fireplaces

Group fireplaces are provided for campers to share and some of these have a picnic table and bench seating.



Shared fireplaces

## Amenities Building

The visitor amenities building consists of separate male and female flushing toilets and cold/hot showers for visitors, a unisex accessible toilet & shower, a laundry and a dishwashing area.



Amenities block main access track

### Unisex Accessible Toilet

The unisex accessible toilet and shower has its own separate entrance in the visitor amenities building. The entrance to the accessible toilet is quite narrow at approximately 80cm wide. The door opens outward and has a knob-style handle and lock.



Entrance door to accessible toilet and shower

The cubicle area is approximately 172cm wide and 245cm long which provides reasonable space for maneuverability. There is grab-railing next to the toilet on the left side wall. There is a very small vanity next to the toilet which has knob-style taps. There is insufficient space underneath the vanity for access from the front but visitors in wheelchairs may be able to access it from the sides. There is a vanity mirror on the wall suitable for wheelchair height.



Accessible toilet

### Unisex Accessible Shower

The shower is in the toilet cubicle area and the shower floor provides easy access for shower commode chairs. There is a detachable shower nozzle for washing from a seated position. The shower has a vertical grab-rail and a horizontal grab-rail located on the shower wall. There is also a small bench that folds down.

There are no electric power points in the toilet/shower area. There is solar-powered electric lighting that automatically comes on in the evening and stays on until 11.30pm. After this time the lights are sensor activated and stay on for approximately 3 minutes at a time.



Accessible shower

## Laundry

There is a small laundry located in the toilet block building which has a large sink for washing of clothes and hot and cold-water taps. The entrance door swings inwards and the entrance opening is approximately 80cm wide. There is a small step of approximately 10cm high at the doorway entrance. The sink and laundry bench provide reasonable space underneath for wheelchair access, although the sink taps may be hard to reach for some visitors in wheelchairs. There are no washing machines or dryers.



Laundry Sink

## Dishwashing Area

There is a dishwashing area in the amenities building that has a small and a large sink for washing dishes and hot and cold-water taps. The large sink has limited space underneath so access may be difficult if seated in a wheelchair.



Dish washing Area

## Stone Hut

The Stone Hut is approximately 50 metres from the amenities building which contains several tables and benches and two fireplaces. There are no designated disabled parking bays but vehicles can park close to the Stone Hut. The parking area has a compacted gravel surface and there is a reasonably level gravel path that leads from the carpark to the entrance of the Mess Hall. The entrance to the building is approximately 105cm wide and the floor of the building is concrete.



Historic Stone Hut

The tables and benches in the Stone Hut are not ideal for wheelchairs due to insufficient space underneath at the table ends. Wheelchair access to the tables can be addressed by moving one of the benches. There is no electrical lighting in the Stone Hut and there are no power points. There is an open fire place at each end of the hut. Firewood can be purchased at the wood shed which is approximately 30 metres from the hall.



Fireplaces, tables and bench seating in Stone Hut

## Contact Us

If you require more information on accessibility and park amenities you can contact the Mount Buffalo Park Office on 03 8427 2045.