

Castlefield Walk

Hampton



time	1 hour
distance	4 kilometres
difficulty	moderate
seats	Alexander Park, Castlefield Reserve, South Road
melway ref	76 F5
bus routes	600, 708, 811-2, 827-8, 922
train station	Hampton
wheelchair access	sealed footpath entire walk, except in Castlefield Reserve
parking	Hampton Community Centre, 14 Willis Street Hampton
toilets	Castlefield Reserve and Willis St

Trail directions

The walk begins at the Hampton Community Centre. Head east over Hampton Street, turn right into Ocean Street, then left into Thomas Street.

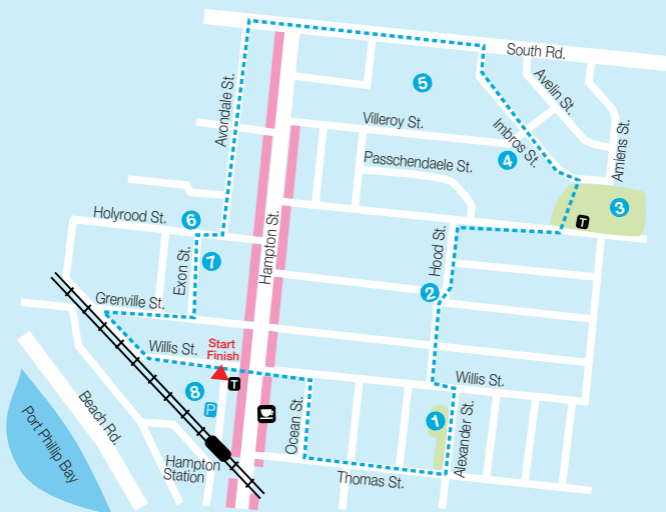
- 1** To your left you'll discover beautiful Alexander Park. This park was the original site of Ralph's Dairy which once supplied the entire region with milk and ice.
- 2** From Alexander Street turn into Hood Street, named after a British battle cruiser which was sunk by the Germans in 1941.
- 3** A highlight of this walk is Castlefield Reserve, which was named after the old Castlefield Estate that once comprised all of this area. Follow the path on the left through to Imbros Street.
- 4** Imbros Street was named after the Aegean Sea Island where Australian soldiers were based before being sent to Gallipoli in WW1. Continuing with the military theme, several nearby streets are also named after WW1 battlefields. In fact the estate around the reserve was developed by the "War Service Homes Commission" in 1924 to house ex-servicemen. Many of these homes still remain.

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- 5 As you walk along South Road, take a glance across the playing fields of Haileybury College where you'll find the original Castlefield residence located in the middle of the school grounds. This residence was originally built in 1852 and has been extended many times.
- 6 As you pass through Holyrood Street, you'll notice on your right the beautiful St Mary's Catholic Church which was built in 1925.
- 7 Turn left into Exon Street. As you walk this street, you'll notice that it's not quite straight. Amazingly, it was diverted around two existing houses!
- 8 Turn left into Willis Street and follow the red brick path back to the Hampton Community Centre. Now that you've completed your walk and enjoyed the sights of Hampton, take the time to enjoy the variety of shops and eating establishments available in Hampton Street.

Trail map

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 Trail

 Shops

 Reserves

 Toilet

 Parking