

Superb Lyrebird

Their loud song is often heard mimicking the calls of other birds. They forage on the ground scratching through leaf-litter. Seen during winter months running across tracks. Long beautiful tail.



Eastern Whipbird

260 mm Males have a loud whip-like call followed by females two notes *chew-chew.* Often heard, rarely seen. Ground feeding.

Ground Feeding Birds

They are easily disturbed by unfamiliar sights and sounds. It causes them to retreat further into the forest, abandoning their usual feeding and nesting sites.



Top tip: There is a great off leash dog area in Yarragon at the back of Dowton Park



Yellow-tailed Black-Cockatoo 600 mm

Seen and heard flying over-head in large groups. Strong beak used to extract seeds from tough banksia and pine cones. Also eats insect larvae gouged from under tree bark.

Friends of Mount Worth

The Friends group has been active since the park was proclaimed in May 1978. We aim to improve visitor access to 12 kms of walking tracks and protect this beautiful forest environment for future generations.

Contact us: mtworthfriends@gmail.com Website:mtworthfriends.wordpress.com Facebook: Friends of Mt Worth State Park

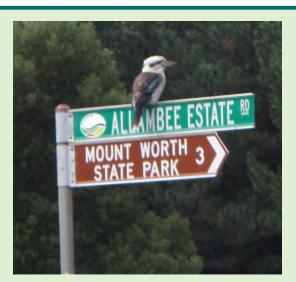


Working bees are the first Sunday of every month from 10am – 1pm. Even if you volunteer only once or twice a year, it makes a big difference.

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We acknowledge the traditional owners of this land and pay our respect to their elders past, present and emerging.

Birds Commonly Seen at Mount Worth State Park



Laughing Kookaburras are often seen perched on the fence at the entrance to Mount Worth. They patiently survey the ground using their excellent sight and hearing to detect prey including worms, reptiles, frogs and small mammals. They live in family groups and nest in tree hollows.

Many bird species are found at Mount Worth. These are just a few of the ones more commonly seen or heard.

We hope you enjoy your visit to Mount Worth.

PLEASE DO NOT FEED THE BIRDS.

Bread and food scraps can make birds ill.







Superb Fairywren

135 mm Often seen hopping around picnic area. Male has blue plumage during breeding season, which he loses in non-breeding times. The female is brown with pale breast. Males help raise the young.



Grey Fantail

150 mm Perches on branches fanning its tail. Catches insects mid flight. Quick acrobatic movements.



Eastern Yellow Rohin

150 mm Often seen on walking tracks around picnic area. Perches on low branches looking for insects on ground.



Grey Shrike-thrush

250 mm Engaging bird known for its melodic song. Often seen foraging around picnic tables or in undulating flight between trees.



Rose Robin

120 mm Seen during summer months perched in forest mid storey and canopy. Male has rose-red breast and white belly. Female has pale pink breast. Catches insects with rapid acrobatic flight.



White-throated Treecreeper

150 mm Seen in trees around the picnic area moving up the trunk finding insects under the bark.



White-browed **Scrubwren**

125 mm Can be seen foraging through leaf-litter around car park and picnic area. Distinctive white evebrow and white stripe below eye.



Golden Whistler

Male has striking golden belly. Female is grey. Often heard in trees around picnic area, particularly during summer.

Crimson Rosella

360 mm Adults have striking red, blue and black plumage. Juveniles are mainly green with patches of blue and red. They forage for seeds on the ground and among forest foliage.



Brown Thornbill

110 mm Distinctive streaking on breast. Darts through foliage and under-storey in pairs or family groups calling to each other and foraging for insects.



Olive Whistler

200 mm Heard more often than seen. Olive brown. Forages for insects, worms, spiders etc. in shrubs and on the ground.

Bassian Thrush

270 mm Timid, ground feeding bird. Can be seen stop-start running along shaded tracks foraging through leaf litter. **Distinctive dark scallops** provide good camouflage.

170 mm