

## About Roma Street Parkland


With 16 hectares of gardens, Roma Street Parkland is the world's largest subtropical garden in a city centre.


The Parkland was developed by the Queensland Government in 2000 on the site of the Roma Street railyards. It encompasses the historic Albert Park, developed in the early days of Brisbane's settlement.

The Parkland is designed in distinct 'rooms' or precincts, with Spectacle Garden as the horticultural heart. More than 1800 unique species of plants can be seen in the Parkland, some unique to Queensland. Amongst the flora you will discover one of Australia's largest outdoor public art collections, featuring works commissioned for the Parkland. You'll also discover the various fauna that makes the Parkland its home.

Roma Street Parkland is open daily.

## On Site Assistance

For more information on anything to do with the Parkland, speak to our helpful and friendly volunteers at the Visitor Information Centre (Map Ref 8I ) .

24hr Security is also on site (Map Ref 5J ) to provide emergency assistance and First Aid if required.



## Special Occasions


Are you thinking of getting married or planning a special function? Roma Street Parkland has a variety of sites available for hire. Visit the administration office in the Carriage Shed (Map Ref 5L) during normal business hours for an information package or visit our website.


## Quick Guide to Parkland Highlights


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| <b>The Aridland</b><br>Map Ref 6E       | Capturing the stark beauty of Australia's arid interior.                         |
| <b>Fern Gully</b><br>Map Ref 5C         | Water cascades over rocks in a protected valley at the base of the Forest.       |
| <b>The Forest</b><br>Map Ref 4C         | A boardwalk spirals through a subtropical rainforest.                            |
| <b>The Lake</b><br>Map Ref 5F           | Home to the endangered lungfish, as well as many other fish and bird species.    |
| <b>The Lookout</b><br>Map Ref 6E        | A bird's eye view of the Parkland, and the last uninterrupted view of City Hall. |
| <b>Pandanus Headland</b><br>Map Ref 5E  | A rocky outcrop typical of the Australian coast.                                 |
| <b>Spectacle Garden</b><br>Map Ref 7H   | The Parkland's horticultural heart, a blaze of colour whatever the season.       |
| <b>Waterwall</b><br>Map Ref 5H          | A 34 metre cascade dropping 5 tonnes of water per second.                        |
| <b>Memorials Corner</b><br>Map Ref 9D   | Memorials to the Rats of Tobruk and Vietnam veterans.                            |
| <b>Weeping Fig Avenue</b><br>Map Ref 8G | Historic figs provide shade for a lush fern garden.                              |

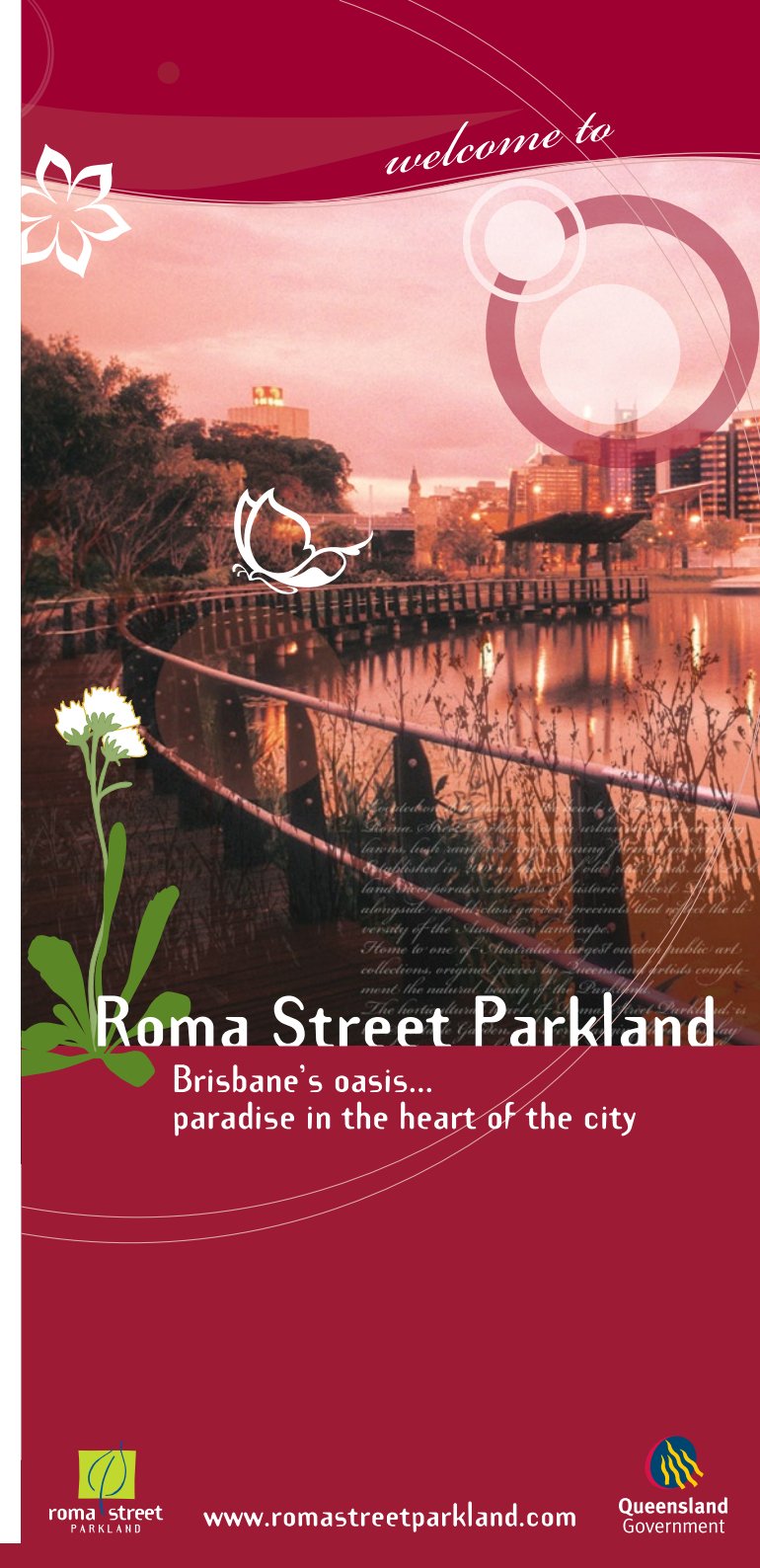
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welcome to

Roma Street Parkland

Brisbane's oasis...  
paradise in the heart of the city

## Gardens

Roma Street Parkland's beautiful gardens have received acclaim from horticulturalists from around the world.

The Parkland is designed in distinct 'precincts', each focussing on a specific type of subtropical flora. The Lake precinct focuses on wetland species, the Forest recreates a subtropical rainforest, while the Arid Garden focuses on the species that thrive in the arid interior.

The horticultural heart of the Parkland is the Spectacle Garden. A botanic showpiece renowned for its year-round blaze of colour, the Spectacle Garden features some of the world's most colourful and unique subtropical plants. A brochure detailing the plantings and other features of the Spectacle Garden is available.

Please be aware that the Spectacle Garden closes daily at sunset.


## Guided Walks

To make the most of your visit to the Parkland take a tour with one of our dedicated volunteer guides. They'll guide you through Parkland highlights, explaining the history, flora, fauna and other sights along the way. Tell your guide if you have any special interests, and they'll do their best to accommodate you.

Out and About with Bub, guided stroller walks designed to interest under-fives (and their carers) are also available.

## Guided Walk Timetable

Depart from The Hub (Map Ref 6H) at 10am and 2pm daily (except Good Friday and Christmas Day).


Group bookings can be made outside of these times. Visit the Information Centre (Map Ref 8I ) for further information.

Stroller walks depart from outside Melange Café (Map Ref 5K) each Wednesday and Friday at 10am.



## Artworks





When the Parkland was being built, 16 Queensland artists were commissioned to produce works to complement the landscape. At the time it was the largest installation of outdoor public art in Queensland. Since then, a number of other pieces have been added.

The artworks can be found throughout the Parkland. A fact sheet detailing the pieces and their location is available from the Visitor Information Centre (Map Ref 8I )

## Memorials

The Parkland features a number of memorials and plaques commemorating significant events and people from our nation's history.

## Facilities


See the map inside for locations of toilets , drinking fountains , barbecues  and other amenities. For detailed information, speak to the helpful staff at the Visitor Information Centre (Map Ref 8I )




## Relaxation

If all you want to do is relax, you've come to the right place. The Parkland is an area of calm in the midst of the hectic city. Spread a blanket by the Lake, or under one of the shade trees in Spring Hill Corner (Map Ref 6N) or the Upper Parkland (Map Ref 9F).


## Play

As well as ample lawns for children to run around on, there are two shaded play areas  with swings, sound boxes and other equipment near Weeping Fig Avenue (Map Ref 8G).

The Parkland is also home to the colourful Liberty Swing (Map Ref 9I ) , giving wheelchair-bound visitors the opportunity to experience the joy of having a swing. Keys to access the Liberty Swing are held at the Visitor Information Centre.

## Refresh

Enjoy al fresco dining in style at Melange Café in the Carriage Shed (Map Ref 5K), open from 8am most days.

Alternatively, take advantage of one of our many free barbecues,  each with picnic tables nearby.