

Cooloolabin Dam



Play it safe

Our rangers regularly patrol our lakes, parks and recreation areas. But still water can still be dangerous, so it is important to plan ahead and play it safe when visiting.

Before your visit, please:

- Check our recreation and safety notices on our website or mobile app before you leave for the latest information on conditions and closures
- Be prepared for your activity with appropriate equipment and safety gear such as life jackets
- Know what activities are permitted and where.

Protect our water supply

Our lakes are also our water supply. To protect our drinking water please:

- leave the facilities as you found them. Do not damage any property, wildlife or plants
- place litter in the bins provided
- leave your pets at home - dogs and other domestic animals are not permitted at Cooloolabin Dam. They can disturb the wildlife that live in our natural areas.

Serious aquatic weeds like water hyacinth, salvinia and cabomba are very invasive and are able to reproduce from even the smallest of fragments or seeds. Help protect our waterways from damaging weeds by:

- cleaning and drying anything that came into contact with the water, especially any visible mud or plants
- eliminating water from all equipment before transporting it anywhere, as the water may contain plant fragments or seeds
- not placing plants, fish or other animals into a body of water they did not come from.



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Visit Cooloolabin Dam

What to do at Cooloolabin Dam

Cooloolabin Dam is located west of Yandina in the Sunshine Coast hinterland. The dam was constructed in 1979. The dam has a catchment area of just 8.1km² and holds 8,183 megalitres of water at full supply.

The dam and recreation facilities are open to the public seven days a week, from 5:30am to 6:30pm (September – April) and 6:00am to 5:30pm (May – August).

We respectfully acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the lands and waters around Lake Cooloolabin and Elders past, present and emerging.

At Cooloolabin Dam you can enjoy:

- Picnicking
- Walking
- Mountain bike riding
- Fishing

Boating, camping, horse riding, paddling and swimming are not permitted at Cooloolabin Dam.

Picnicking

Visitors can enjoy the serenity and scenery while picnicking at Cooloolabin Dam. There is a small picnic area located at the dam off Cooloolabin Road. The site has basic facilities including picnic tables, toilets and a small playground. No BBQ facilities are available at Cooloolabin Dam.

Fishing

Shoreline fishing is permitted at Cooloolabin Dam. Remember the dam is home to an abundance of wildlife. It's very important to ensure that all rubbish, especially fishing line and hooks, is disposed of properly to avoid serious harm to wildlife.

Tracks and trails

Cooloolabin Dam has lovely trails for walking and mountain biking. It is located on the peninsula close to the recreation area.

In addition, the recreation area serves as the head of a trail through the adjacent Mapleton National Park.

On multi-use trails, mountain bike riders give way to pedestrians.

For your safety, and for the safety of others, please obey all signage on the trails, including give way instructions.

