

## Australian Walking Track Grading System (AWTGS): National System

The Australian Walking Track Grading System was developed by the Victorian Government and endorsed by the <u>Parks Forum</u> as a voluntary industry standard for the national classification of walking tracks/trails across Australia. This system has been adopted by Trek West as a guide only.

- GRADE 1: No bushwalking experience required. Flat even surface with no steps or steep sections. Suitable for wheelchair users who have someone to assist them. Walks no greater than 5km.
- GRADE 2: No bushwalking experience required. The track is a hardened or compacted surface and may have a gentle hill section or sections and occasional steps. Walks no greater than 10km.
- GRADE 3: Some bushwalking experience recommended. Tracks may have short steep hill sections, a rough surface and many steps. Walks up to 20km.
- GRADE 4: Bushwalking experience recommended. Tracks may be long, rough and very steep. Directional signage may be limited.
- GRADE 5: Very experienced bushwalkers with specialised skills, including navigation and emergency first aid. Tracks are likely to be very rough, very steep and unmarked. Walks may be more than 20km.

## Trek West Hiking Tracks

The Big Loop Trail: Grade 3

The Stock Camp Hikes: Grades 2 & 3

Tailored Hikes: depending on the hike built for you, but can range from Grade 1 – Grade 4