



Talbots Lagoon Anglers Access

REGION: NORTHWEST



Rainbow trout

Brown trout

Getting There

Talbots Lagoon is located approximately 50km South of Burnie. Turn East off the B18 Ridgley Highway 38km South of Ridgley onto Guildford Road. Follow Guildford Road for 8km to Talbots Lagoon car parks. The lagoon is reached by a 200m walk. Walking tracks extend around much of the lagoon – beware of logging traffic on private roads.

Guidelines

Talbots Lagoon Reserve is located on private property. Access has been provided by the goodwill of the owners and is a privilege not a right. We ask that you help us maintain the site and access by following the access rules and code of conduct.

Talbots Lagoon is remote and very exposed. Visitors should be well prepared as sudden changes in weather can occur at any time of the year. Mobile phone coverage is inconsistent - please ensure you have notified someone of your plans.

Camping and overnight parking is not permitted. Camping is available at Waratah Ph. 6439 7100.

Recreational Fishery Management

Talbots Lagoon is managed as a wild trout fishery. Natural recruitment maintains the quality of the angling. To protect spawning fish all waters flowing in to Talbots Lagoon are closed to angling at all times.

Angling Notes

Talbots Lagoon is generally shallow with many snags and submerged trees and is ideal for wading and kayaks. Anglers should be aware of submerged hazards and soft sediments. All methods of angling can be productive including fly fishing, spinning and bait fishing. The lagoon is a renowned dry fly fishery particularly during the late spring and summer when dun and spinner hatches can be prolific. Mudeye fishing can also be productive in the evening.

Code of Conduct

- Be aware of and comply with fishing regulations.
- Respect the rights of other anglers and users.
- Protect the environment.
- Carefully return undersized, protected or unwanted catch back to the water.
- Fish species and other organisms must not be relocated or transferred into other water bodies.




Talbots Lagoon Angling Regulations

To fish in any open inland water in Tasmania you must hold a current Inland Angling Licence unless you are under 14 years of age. A summary of the regulations are contained within the *Tasmanian Inland Fishing Code*.

Note: Angling is permitted from 1 hour before sunrise to 3 hours after sunset. Waters flowing in to Talbots Lagoon are closed to angling at all times. You may only fish from a non-motorised boat at Talbots Lagoon.

Species	Minimum size	Bag limit
Brown trout, Rainbow trout	300 mm	5 *

* Combined daily bag limit of 5 fish can only include 2 fish exceeding 500 mm in length.

Method	Season
 Fly fishing  Artificial Lures  Bait Fishing	From the first Saturday in August to the Sunday nearest the 30th April.

Pest Fish Management

Anglers can help reduce the spread of pests in Tasmanian waterways. It is an offence to use fish or fish products for bait or to transfer fish between waters. Significant penalties apply.

Protect our Waters

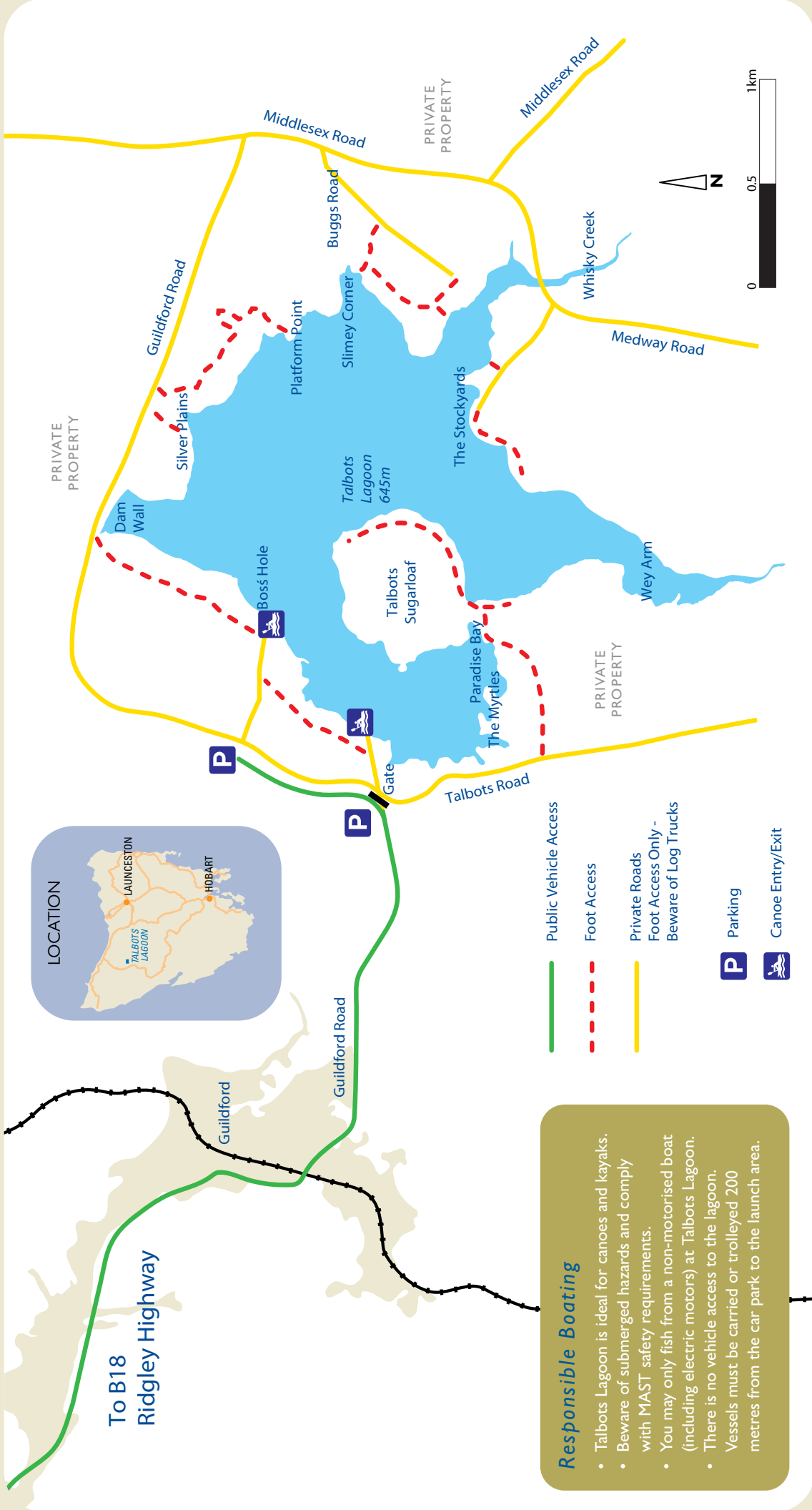
Recreational anglers have a responsibility to look after fisheries resources for the benefit of the environment and future generations.

- Do not bring live or dead fish, fish products, animals or aquatic plants into Tasmania.
- Do not bring any used fishing gear or any other freshwater recreational equipment that may be damp, wet or contain water into Tasmania. Check, clean and dry your fishing equipment before entering Tasmania.
- Do not transfer any freshwater fish, frogs, tadpoles, invertebrates or plants between inland waters.
- Check your boat, trailer, waders and fishing gear for weed and other pests that should not be transferred before moving between waters.
- Do not use willow (which is a plant pest) as a rod support as it has the ability to propagate from a strike.

Report any unusual fish captures or algal sightings immediately to the Inland Fisheries Service

Report illegal activities to Bushwatch 1800 333 000

Brown trout and Rainbow trout illustrations Trevor Hawkins



Responsible Boating

- Talbots Lagoon is ideal for canoes and kayaks.
- Beware of submerged hazards and comply with MAST safety requirements.
- You may only fish from a non-motorised boat (including electric motors) at Talbots Lagoon.
- There is no vehicle access to the lagoon. Vessels must be carried or trolleyed 200 metres from the car park to the launch area.

Please Observe

- STRICTLY NO FIRES
- NO UNAUTHORISED SHOOTING
- NO LITTERING
- NO CAMPING
- NO MOTORBIKES
- NO MOTORISED BOATING
- DOGS UNDER EFFECTIVE CONTROL
- ANGLING REGULATIONS APPLY
- DEEP WATER
- STRONG CURRENTS
- SNAKES
- FALLING TREES AND LIMBS
- LOG TRUCKS
- SUBMERGED HAZARDS

Warning