

Summer By The Sea 2025, delivered by Coastcare Victoria, on behalf of the Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action (DEECA).

This document is an Event Access Key. It outlines details about the upcoming event, accessibility details and other safety considerations. The Coastcare Victoria team has endeavoured to provide a comprehensive document, however please let us know via the email below if we have left out critical accessibility information.

If you require further support to be able to attend this event, email [Coastcare.victoria@delwp.vic.gov.au](mailto:Coastcare.victoria@delwp.vic.gov.au)

Coastcare Victoria acknowledges and respects Victorian Traditional Owners as the original custodians of Victoria’s land and waters, their unique ability to care for Country and deep spiritual connection to it. We honour Elders past and present whose knowledge and wisdom has ensured the continuation of culture and traditional practices. DEECA is committed to genuinely partnering with Victorian Traditional Owners and Victoria’s Aboriginal community to progress their aspirations.



#### Event overview

This is a Rockpool Ramble guided beach walk provided by Habitat Connection on Monday 13 January commencing 4.30pm – 6.00pm. Everyone will meet at Croft Bay, Bay of Islands Coastal Park situated on Eastern Maar Country.



This event will be delivered in all-inclusive language using props. The person running your event is Margaret O’Toole and their contact details are 0407165125.



Come along and join a marine naturalist exploring the rock platform exposed at low tide. Learn about the amazing and sometimes bizarre life of the critters we come across & how they adapt to survive their harsh home environment. Wear suitable footwear.



Learn more about the Country on which you will be learning, engaging and enjoying

Eastern Maar Aboriginal Corporation have produced their Country Plan, Meerreengeeye Ngakeepoorryeeyt. This document outlines outcomes of the conversation to date - conversations that will continue as the nation organises and develops in response to issues in the community and the opportunities we seek, starting with our native title negotiations and rights. If you would like to read it before attending the event, please follow this link: <https://easternmaar.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/eastern-maar-country-plan.pdf>



#### Getting there

- Crofts Bay, Bay of Islands Coastal Park

- Parking available in carpark
- No public transport



Arriving at the location

- Access to the beach is an unmarked track and small car park just to the east of the main Bay of Islands carpark.
- The track is sandy and unsuitable for prams and wheelchairs.



Inside the location

Outdoor event



Facilities

- No Toilets
- No Drinking water
- Assistance dogs welcome at Parks Victoria Parks and Reserves



Quiet time

No toilets on site  
No drinking water available so please bring your own



Safety information

All events for Summer By The Sea have appropriate safety planning documentation completed. All staff running events will have Working With Children Checks, and it will be ensured that the ratio of leaders:children at events will be followed.

However, if you have any safety concerns at any point during the event, please alert your event leader or call 000 if there is an emergency.



## Summer By The Sea statement

Summer By The Sea is designed to be an inclusive space for everyone in the community to come together to enjoy Victoria's beautiful coastal and marine environments. Coastcare Victoria acknowledges not every event can always be completely accessible, however the Coastcare Victoria team strives to do everything it can to provide a fun, friendly and welcoming time for all.

DEECA has developed an 'Access and Inclusion Plan 2021-2024', which outlines DEECA's commitment to supportive, accessible and inclusive spaces for its staff and the wider community. DEECA's vision for diversity, inclusion and belonging is a [culture] that embraces individual differences in all forms and fosters innovation. DEECA lives its diversity and inclusion values when people are connected, embracing different viewpoints, have equal opportunity, feel they belong and know their unique contribution is valued and leverage the experience and ideas of others. To learn more about the 'Access and Inclusion Plan 2021-2024', please follow this link:

<https://www.deeca.vic.gov.au/our-department/diversity-and-inclusion>