

Port Beach to North Mole - 2 page summary

This document provides a description of the walk with only the key details from the main document.

The starting point is the main beach area at Port Beach. There is plenty of carparking here. The turnaround point is at the end of North Mole.

NOTE: There is only one way to do this walk and that is an out and back walk – see below.

The best way to get using public transport is to take any of buses 999, 998, 103 or 107 from the Fremantle train station. Get off at the bus stop just after the old traffic bridge opposite the Rose Hotel. Walk north along the footpath and follow the slip road heading towards the beach which joins Tydeman Road. It's a walk of about 1km to the end of Tydeman Road at the T junction with Port Beach Road. Cross the road at the traffic lights and the starting point is the toilet block opposite the traffic lights.

The Figure over the page shows the route. The total one-way distance is 3.24 km, but this is an out and back walk only so the total distance of the walk is 6.48 km.

Any toilet blocks are noted below in the text in *italics*. These are also sources of potable water. Any additional drinking water taps and showers are also noted in *italics*.

At the start there is a *café/restaurant, toilet block, showers and drinking taps at the start*. Head south through the carpark and onto the path that runs next to Port Beach Road. After about 500m the path bends right, which is the start of the land reclamation area for Rous Head. The path passes through shaded area made from old containers to celebrate the port, and there is a drinking fountain just passed these structures.

The path continues, bends left and passes a raised area that has become a nesting area for certain migratory bird species, which has been fenced off and protected. The path continues along the edge of the wall at the edge of the land reclamation area, and the wall blocks the view of the ocean in some locations. After about 1.3km passed the bird nesting area the reclaimed area narrows significantly to be just a road and walls. Continue with caution along the road for about 750m where the road widens to a carpark and turns right and continues for another 200m passed a *toilet block* on to a red lighthouse, which is the turn around point, and walk back the way you came.

There are great views from the end of the North Mole, especially down the coast

Getting back to the start from the turn around point – if you don't want to do an out-and-back walk

This is a straight out and back walk and you will finish where you started.

Garry Middle, February 2018



