

# Camden Lake Anglers Access

**REGION: NORTH** 

Brown trout

### Getting There

Camden Lake is located 45 Km northeast of Launceston via the A3 Tasman Highway, C405 Camden Hill Road and Diddleum Road. A dedicated parking area and shore access is located on the eastern shore off Diddleum Road.

#### Background

Camden Lake was created in 2019 by the damming of Camden Rivulet for the Scottsdale Irrigation Scheme. The lake has a surface area of 200 ha and a capacity of 9,300 ML when full.

#### Recreational Fishery Management

It is anticipated that the small population of resident trout will grow quickly in the first few seasons. Good natural recruitment is expected in Camden Rivulet upstream of the lake and should maintain the trout population in subsequent seasons. Both rainbow and brown trout are present in Camden Rivulet upstream of the lake.

#### Angling Notes

Bait, lure and fly-fishing are permitted methods. Fishing the flooded margins of the lake early in the season should be productive using wet flies or earthworms. Motorised boating (Including electric motors) is not permitted and there is no boat ramp therefore canoes, kayaks and sit on tops are ideal options and provide access to the western and southern bays. As the weather warms up lure and dry fly fishing will become the preferred methods. To check the latest lake level go to **www.tasmanianirrigation.com.au/dam-levels** 

# Code of Conduct

- Please observe the no access area around the dam and spillway
- 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.

#### 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.

## Camden Lake Angling Regulations

To fish in any open public 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*.

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
<ul> <li>Fly fishing</li> <li>Artificial lures</li> <li>Bait fishing</li> </ul>	From the first Saturday in August to the Sunday nearest the 30th April.

Note: Angling is permitted from 1 hour before sunrise to 3 hours after sunset. You may only fish from a non-motorised boat at Camden Lake.

#### 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.

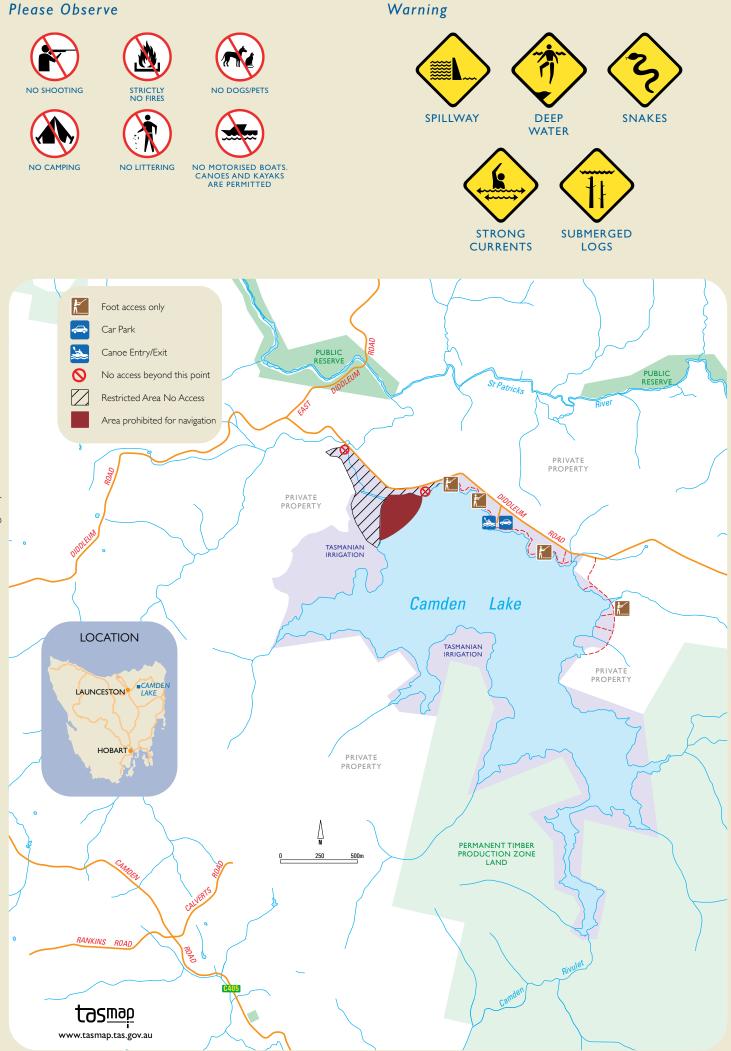
Report any unusual fish captures or algal sightings immediately to the Inland Fisheries Service

> Report illegal activities to Bushwatch 1800 333 000



Brown and Rainbow trout illustrations Trevor Hawkins





To A3 Tasman Highway