



# Pet Reservoir Anglers Access

REGION: NORTH WEST



Brown trout



Rainbow trout

## Getting There

Pet Reservoir is at Ridgley, 15 km south of Burnie via the B18 Ridgley Highway.

## Background

Pet Reservoir is a 4210 ML dam originally constructed in 1956. The reservoir is managed by TasWater for domestic water supply. Surrounded by gently sloping grassy banks with many sheltered shorelines, the Pet is a quiet and peaceful destination limited to foot access only.

## Recreational Fishery Management

The Inland Fisheries Service maintains the population of rainbow trout to supplement natural recruitment of brown trout in the Pet River.

## Angling Notes

There are four access points around the reservoir with varying distances to walk to the shore. Boating is prohibited therefore all shore-based angling methods are practised. As most of the banks are open, gently sloping and grassed there are ample opportunities for set rod bait fishing, fly or lure casting. Fishing with worms or artificial baits under a float is popular.

## 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.

## 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.

## Warning



ANGLING  
REGULATIONS  
APPLY



DEEP  
WATER



SNAKES



FALLING  
TREES AND  
LIMBS

## Pet Reservoir 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 style="list-style-type: none"> <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.

## 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.

## Access Rules



Foot access only.



No littering.



No animals permitted.



No camping.



No fires permitted.



No swimming.



No alcohol permitted.



All boating including canoes and kayaks are prohibited.

Please stay within the permitted access areas. Failure to comply with access rules will result in access being revoked and prosecution.

To Burnie

