



St Clair Lagoon Anglers Access

REGION: CENTRAL



Brown trout



Rainbow trout

Getting There

St Clair Lagoon is 180 km north west of Hobart via the A10 Lyell Highway.

Background

St Clair Lagoon is a flooded complex of natural lagoons, marshes and channels. The water levels can fluctuate dramatically. At normal levels the large main lagoon consists of weedy marshes along the western banks and open wadeable flats over the eastern half. Both Lake St Clair and St Clair Lagoon are within the Cradle Mountain, Lake St Clair National Park. Park fees apply and Park Passes are to be displayed on vehicles and boats. Park Passes are available from the visitor's centre at Cynthia Bay. Foot access for anglers beyond the Pumphouse Point gate is via the Fishermans Trail.

Recreational Fishery Management

St. Clair Lagoon is managed as a wild trout fishery with naturally recruiting populations of both brown and rainbow trout.

To protect the unique flora and fauna these waters are reserved for artificial lures and flies only, bait fishing is not permitted within National Parks.

Angling Notes

The lagoon is renowned for tailing fish during periods of high water and consistent hatches and polaroiding throughout the summer months.

Code of Conduct

- The Pumphouse Point road, buildings and flume are reserved for guests only.
- Foot access beyond the Pumphouse Point gate is via the Fishermans Trail.
- 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.

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

Report illegal activities to Bushwatch 1800 333 000

St Clair 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*.

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	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.

Please observe

- Foot access via Fishermans Trail.
- Keep to formed roads and tracks.
- Do not litter – Please take your rubbish with you.
- Firearms are prohibited.
- Fuel stove only area: Do not light fires.
- All flora is protected: do not cut or break any vegetation.

Warning



ANGLING REGULATIONS APPLY



DEEP WATER



STRONG CURRENTS

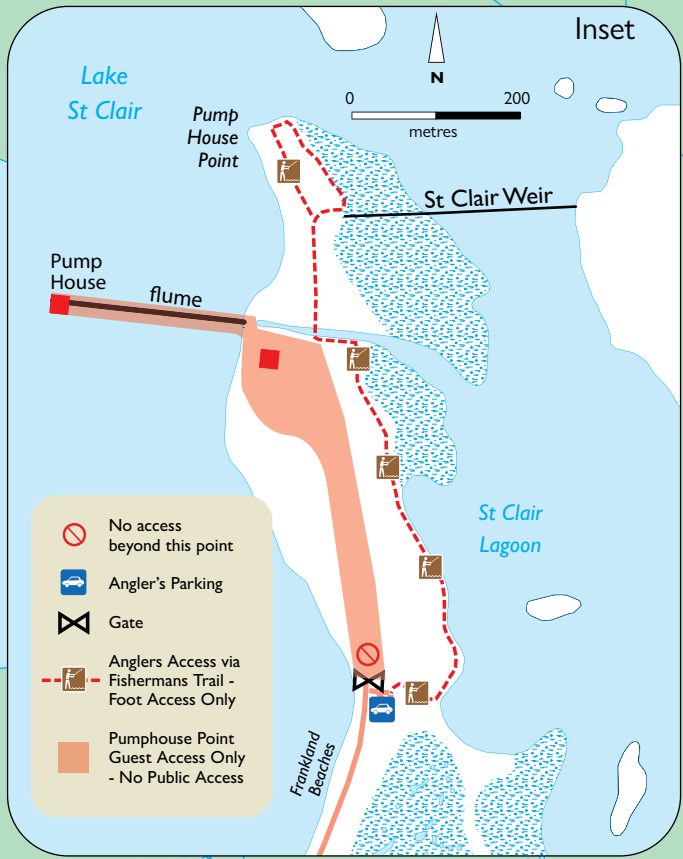


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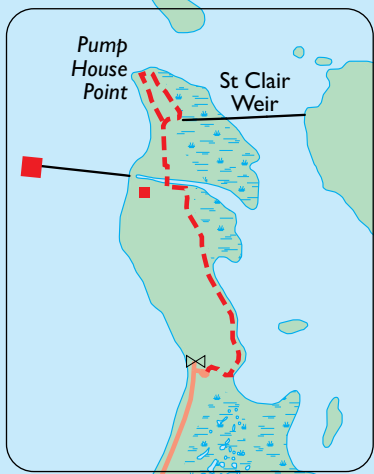
FALLING TREES AND LIMBS

LOCATION

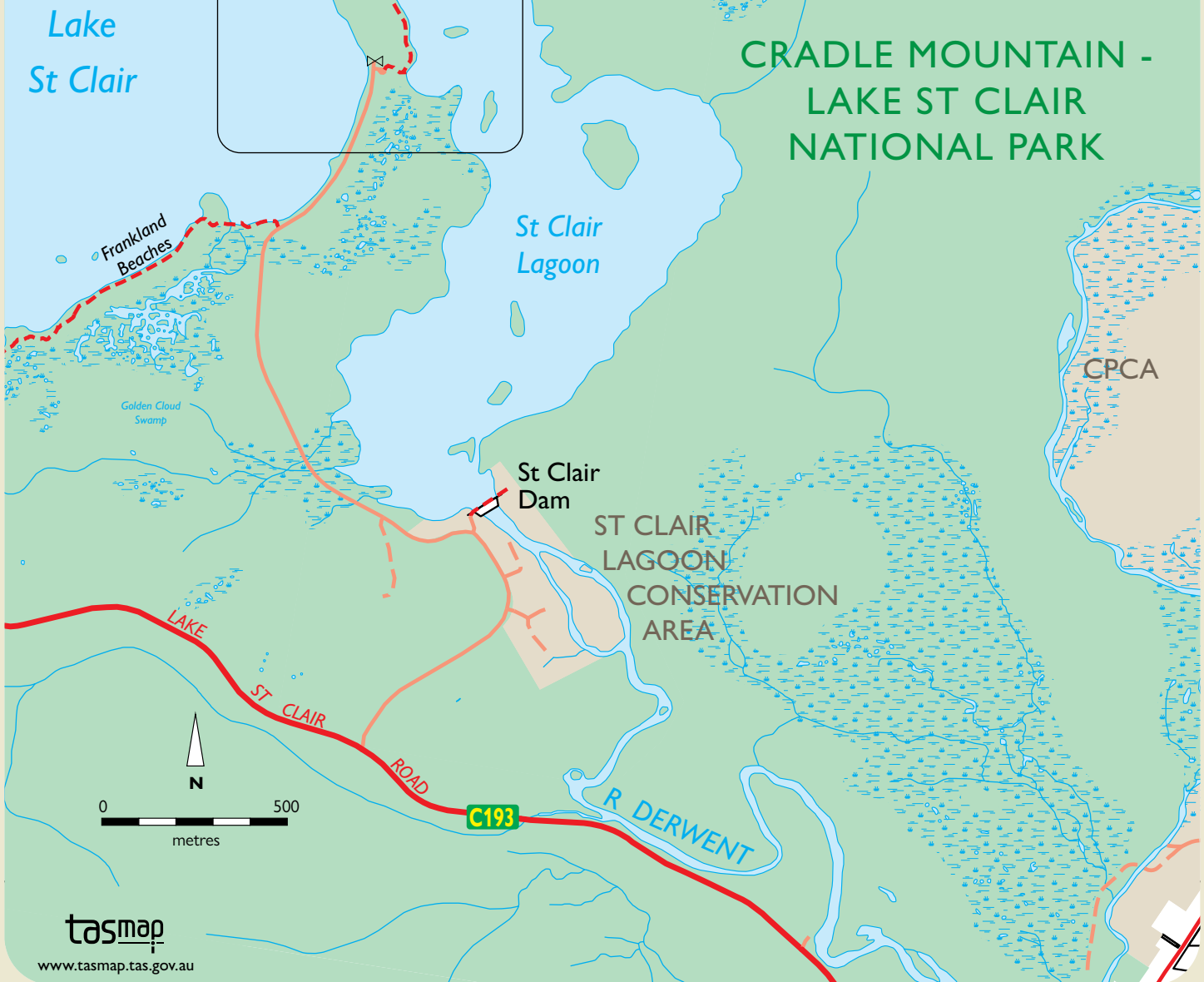


Derwent Basin

See Inset



CRADLE MOUNTAIN - LAKE ST CLAIR NATIONAL PARK



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To Derwent Bridge