

# Mandurah Accessible Beach Guide

Plan before you go



The City of Mandurah is dedicated to fostering an accessible and inclusive community for people with disability. This guide outlines the facilities available at various beaches and connected open spaces spanning Mandurah's south, central, and north areas.

The provided information is designed to empower people with disability to plan their visits, ensuring beach days are stress-free and enjoyable.

Whether someone wants to swim, relax, enjoy the view, or have a picnic with friends, this resource assists in making informed choices about accessible beach options in the area.

#### **Beach Accessibility Social Stories**

To assist with planning a visit to a beach in Mandurah, you can find a Social Story™ about the experience on the City's website. Simply scan the QR codes or click the links below to access the video and PDF document versions.

A Social Story<sup>™</sup> helps to explain new experiences and environments, offering support to people who are nervous about visiting a place or event for the first time.

**Website:** https://www.mandurah.wa.gov.au/explore/getting-around/accessible-facilities-and-services

QR code for video:



**QR** code for PDF version:





For more information about access and inclusion in Mandurah for people with disability **scan this QR code or visit the website:** www.mandurah.wa.gov.au/community/programs-and-activities/access-and-inclusion



### **Popular Accessible Beach Locations**

The beaches listed below were chosen by local people with disability as preferred locations, attributed to the accommodating natural environment and the availability of accessible amenities.

- Doddi's Beach (Shayne Street)
- Falcon Bay
- Keith Holmes Reserve
- Madora Bay Beach Road
- San Remo (Mandurah Surf Life Saving Club)
- Town Beach (Dolphin Drive)



To access reviews of local beaches, and to share your experiences, **visit the Spinal Life Accessible Australia web app** at www.accessibleaustralia.com.au or **scan this QR code**.



This guide highlights beach locations with accessible toilet amenities. For additional details about public toilet facilities in Mandurah, scan the QR code or visit the National Toilet Map website at toiletmap.gov.au

The website provides comprehensive information on location, accessibility, and opening hours of toilet facilities at beaches across Mandurah.





#### Key

Refer to this key to explore the accessible facilities outlined for the beaches on the following two pages.

| 4 1 4       | Accessible toilet                                 |
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| PŁ          | ACROD parking                                     |
| <b>6</b>    | Pram ramp   |
| 5           | Connecting pathways                               |
|             | Accesible play equipment                          |
|             | Accessible water fountain                         |
|             | Accessible shelter and seating                    |
|             | Accessible BBQ                                    |
| @           | Beach matting                                     |
| <b>60</b>   | Accessible lookout                                |
| <b>****</b> | Views of ocean/water (without being on the beach) |
| <u>پي</u>   | Accessible shower                                 |
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#### **Beach matting**

Beach matting is installed between December and February. New beach matting locations are being explored to provide safe and easy access. Some beaches have had matting removed due to deterioration and unsafe conditions of the specific areas.

Beach matting is **currently** provided at the following locations:

- Keith Holmes Reserve: Matting provided to the water and shade shelter.
- Orion Road: Approx 20m of matting, does not reach the water.
- Shayne Street (Doddi's Beach): Approx 15m of matting, does not reach the water and accessed from a grassed area.
- Town Beach (Off Dolphin Drive): Depending on tide, matting reaches close to the water.

Borrow a beach wheelchair or walker for easier access on the sand. Find more details on pages 8-9. Beach matting might develop sand bumps over time, which can make it challenging to maneuver beach wheelchairs. It's a good idea to visit the locations beforehand and have two people available to assist in navigating the wheelchair over uneven surfaces.

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|---|-----|-----|-----|----------|-----|--|-----|--|---|--------------------|---|-----------|
| Acerosa Boulevard South   | Yes |     | No  | Yes      | Yes | Yes (near<br>Boardwalk<br>Blvd, play<br>areas is in<br>sand) | Yes | No   | Yes (with<br>support, near<br>Broadwalk Blvd) | Yes                | No  | Yes       |
| Avalon Beach<br>(Westview Parade)                                     | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes      | Yes | No   | Yes | Yes  | Yes (with support)                            | Yes (with support) | No  | No        |
| Eastern Foreshore   | Yes |     | Yes | Yes      | Yes | Yes  |     | Yes  | Yes (with support)                            | NA                 | No  | Yes       |
| Falcon Bay  | Yes |     | Yes | Yes      | Yes | Yes  | Yes | Yes  | Yes   | Yes                | No  | Yes       |
| Henson Street   | Yes |     | Yes | Yes      | Yes | Play area is in sand   | Yes | Yes  | Yes (with<br>support)                         | No                 | No  | Yes       |
| Hunter Street (Florida Beach)   | Yes |     | Yes | No       | No  | No   | No  | No   | Yes   | No                 | No  | Yes       |
| Keith Holmes<br>Reserve<br>(The Lido, Mandurah)                       | Yes |     | Yes | Yes      | Yes | Yes  | Yes | Yes  | Yes   | NA                 | Yes, to the<br>water and shade<br>shelter | Yes       |
| Madora Bay Beach Road   | Yes |     | Yes | Yes      | Yes | No   | No  | Yes  | No  | Yes                | No  | No        |
| Mandurah Surf Life Saving Club (San<br>Remo)                          | Yes |     | Yes | Yes      | Yes | Yes (not all accessible)                                     | No  | Yes  | Yes   | Yes                | Yes (approx.<br>15m)                      | Yes       |
| Melros Beach  | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes      | Yes | No   | No  | Play area<br>in sand<br>nearby<br>at Melros<br>Reserve | Yes (with support<br>at Melros<br>Reserve)    | No                 | No (approx.<br>30m concrete<br>pathway)   | Yes       |
| Novara Foreshore Reserve<br>(Cnr Owen Ave and Dampier Ave,<br>Falcon) | Yes |     | Yes | Yes      | Yes | Yes  | Yes | Yes  | Yes   |                    | No  | Yes       |
| Orion Road  | Yes |     | No  | Yes      | Yes | No   | No  | No   | No  | Yes                | Yes (approx.<br>20m)                      | No        |
| Osprey Waters<br>Foreshore Playground (Egret Point Rd,<br>Erskine)    | Yes |     | Yes | Yes      | Yes | Yes  | Yes | Yes  | Yes   | No                 | No  | Yes       |
| Port Bouvard Surf Lifesaving Club<br>(Pyramids Beach)                 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes      | Yes | No   | Yes | Yes  | No  | No                 | No  | Yes       |
| Shayne Street<br>(Doddi's Beach, Halls Head)                          | Yes |     | Yes | Yes      | Yes | No   | Yes | Yes  | No  | No                 | Yes (approx.<br>15m)                      | Yes       |
| Town Beach  | Yes |     | Yes | Yes      | Yes | Play area is in sand   | Yes | No   | Yes (not an accessible BBQ)                   | No                 | Yes, close to<br>water                    | Yes       |

# Beach Wheelchairs and Beach Walker

A Hippocampe beach wheelchair, Track & Trail beach wheelchair and a beach walker are available for community to borrow at no cost from the Mandurah Ocean Marina Chalets (next to Keith Holmes Reserve).

Bookings can be made by completing an application form at the Mandurah Ocean Marina Chalets. Alternatively, the application form can be completed online and emailed to the Chalets.

Mandurah Ocean Marina Chalets **Address:** 6 The Lido, Mandurah

**Phone:** 9535 8173

Email: chalets@marinachalets.com.au

Office Hours: Mon - Thurs 9am to 3pm, Fri &

Sat 9am to 5pm, Sun closed

The storage key may be provided outside of regular hours by sharing the lock-box details.





For more information about how to hire beach access equipment please **scan the QR code** or **call 9550 3777**.





The Mandurah Surf Life Saving Club and the Port Bouvard Surf Life Saving Club both have a beach wheelchair available to borrow during the hours that the nearby beaches are patrolled. Contact the clubs directly for more information.

#### **Mandurah Surf Lifesaving Club**

**Phone:** 9518 1419

**Email:** administration@mandurahslsc.asn.au **Address:** 40 Orestes Street, San Remo

#### **Port Bouvard Surf Lifesaving Club**

**Phone:** 9582 2787

Email: admin@portbouvardslsc.com.au

Address: 101 Southport Boulevard, Dawesville

#### **Changing Places**

Spend more time exploring Mandurah with accessible facilities designed for everyone. With a facility located next to the Mandurah Visitor Centre, Changing Places provide a secure, clean facility for people with disability who need space and assistance to use the toilet when out and about.

Changing Places feature a ceiling hoist, adult-size change table and room for two support people.

## How to access a Changing Places facility?

Changing Places facilities are unlocked using a Master Locksmith Access Key (MLAK). Companion Card Holders qualify for a free MLAK. If you are not a cardholder, contact the National Disability Services to check eligibility.

Email: changingplaces@nds.org.au

**Phone:** 1800 617 337



**Scan the QR code** for more information and for locations of other Changing Places facilities in Mandurah.



#### **Recreational Options at Beach Destinations**

Mandurah's beaches offer a variety of activities, and below are some options based on recent reviews by local people with disability.

**Falcon Bay Beach** is a local favourite with a café conveniently located across the road. Enjoy the view, check out the play equipment, and consider staying for a barbeque. Access is made easy with pathways, accessible toilets and parking. Beach matting is not available at this location due to safety concerns arising from sand and tides.

**Madora Bay Beach** is a popular destination, featuring an accessible boardwalk viewing platform, accessible toilet, and a conveniently located park across the road—a perfect spot for quality time with family and friends.

**San Remo Beach** is an ideal location for a picnic with stunning ocean views from the viewing platform and lookout. It offers an accessible toilet, play equipment, and a cafe serving coffee and other treats during specific hours. It's also a place to borrow a beach wheelchair with limited beach matting for supported sand access—confirm availability with the Mandurah Surf Life Saving Club.

While exploring Mandurah's beaches, consider checking out the Estuary Pool on the **Eastern Foreshore**. It offers both ramp and stair access. The adjacent beach has a ramp, making it ideal for beach wheelchair access.













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For more information visit: relayservice.gov.au

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