

# 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



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.

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O Avalon Beach (Westview Parade)

# Key

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



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

### Beach Wheelchairs and Beach Walker

Borrow beach wheelchairs or a beach walker for free from these locations.

#### **Keith Holmes Reserve**

Equipment Available:

- Hippocampe beach wheelchair
- Track and Trail beach wheelchair
- Beach walker

The beach walker and Hippocampe are portable and can be taken to different locations. The Track and Trail is not to be dismantled. It is designed to stay assembled for easy access at Keith Holmes Reserve.

Bookings are made by contacting Mandurah Ocean Marina Chalets

Address: 6 The Lido, Mandurah

Phone: 9535 8173

Email: chalets@marinachalets.com.au

**Office Hours:** Monday - Thursday 9am to 3pm, Friday and Saturday 9am to 5pm, Sunday closed

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

#### Mandurah's Eastern Foreshore

Equipment Available:

- Mobi Beach Wheelchair
- Platypus Aquatic Wheelchair
- A hoist is available in the Changing Places facility

#### **Booking Information**

No booking is necessary. A Master Locksmiths Access Key (MLAK) is required to access this equipment. Loan keys are not available. Please note that beach wheelchairs are not to be taken away from the Eastern Foreshore.

**Address:** Beach wheelchair storage room on the Eastern Foreshore within the toilet block.

Scan the QR code for

beach wheelchair usage details and how to apply for an MLAK.



#### Track and Trail beach wheelchair







Mandurah Surf Life Saving Club and Port Bouvard Surf Life Saving Club offer beach wheelchairs for borrowing during patrol hours. Contact the clubs for details.

#### **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 access to Changing Places. Located next to the Mandurah Visitor Centre and on Mandurah's Eastern Foreshore, Changing Places facilities offer a secure, clean space for people with disability who need extra room 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 Locksmiths Access Key (MLAK). Companion Card holders qualify for a free MLAK. If you are not a cardholder, contact the National Disability Services to check your eligibility. Please note that no loan key option is available in Mandurah, so people are encouraged to apply for their own key.

**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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