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## SCHOOL INFORMATION

To ensure your experience with Forest Adventures is as effortless and enjoyable as possible we've created this helpful information pack outlining everything you need to be aware of before your visit.

*The pricing in this document ONLY applies OUTSIDE weekends and school holidays.*

### WHAT IS FOREST ADVENTURES?

Forest Adventures is a high-wire adventure course set among the treetops. With 77 activities spread over 6 courses of varying height and difficulty, students of all ages (from 7 years old) and abilities can enjoy a fun, safe and rewarding experience. Starting off at just 3 meters and working right up to 19 meters above the forest floor, the activities increase in difficulty; getting wobblier, longer and more challenging as you progress. Each course has a series of fun and challenging activities that wind their way through the treetops.

### FOREST ADVENTURES SAFETY SYSTEM

Forest Adventures uses the ultra-safe Bornack system. This revolutionary smart belay system safeguards against accidental disconnection from the safety lines at all times. Once you are attached at the start of a course you can't disconnect until you are back on the ground at the other end. The Bornack system guarantees your complete safety, so you can make the most of your time in the treetops.

## SCHOOL BOOKING OPTIONS

Pricing include equipment fitting, safety briefing, climbing and any food or rest breaks. Students will have a selection of courses available depending on their heights, ages and any applicable visit objectives. For multiple bookings the group price is based on the total number for all bookings.

Please consider preparation time when booking. See **RUN OF ACTIVITIES** for more details.

School Group Rates:

	Price
High Ropes	\$32 per student
Team Building	\$12 per student
Archery	\$12 per student

- One teacher free per 10 students, extras charged at student rate

**PLEASE NOTE:** All adults wishing to climb must also be booked in so we are aware of the total number of climbers there will be on the day. Please advise us ahead of time if you wish to have parents pay for themselves, otherwise they will be included in the total invoice.

## MINIMUM HEIGHT REQUIREMENTS

Students may complete as many courses as they can within their allotted visit time frame, however the courses available to them depends on their height.

The minimum height requirements are as follows:

Students height **1.10m** – access up to 2 courses

Students height **1.20m** – access up to 4 courses

Students height **1.30m** – access up to 5 courses

Students height **1.40m & over** – access to all 6 courses

## SUPERVISION REQUIREMENTS

Our staff are always on hand to provide general supervision and assistance, however active supervision is required at all times and must be provided by the school. Our required supervision ratios are as follows:

Students **7 to 9** years old – **1 adult** (participation is required) for every **3 children**.

Students **10 to 18** years old – **1 adult** (participation not required) for every **8 children**.

Students **18** years old & over – direct supervision not required.

\* **Please note** – students with disabilities and special needs require 1 on 1 assistance from a caregiver provided by the school whilst undertaking the activities.

To ensure supervision is comprehensive we require adults to supervise from the ground as well as from the activities themselves. It is important that all teachers, parents and guardians providing supervision on the day are aware that they may not be able to climb. If you cannot provide the number of adult supervisors, please let us know and we will add more staff at an additional cost.

## SAFETY EQUIPMENT & WEIGHT RESTRICTION

All participants are required to be fitted with a climbing harness and helmet. Forest Adventures has a maximum weight limit of 120kg. All participants over 100kg are required to be fitted with additional safety equipment. Course access for all participants, regardless of weight, is reliant on being able to safely fit the required safety equipment.

## HOW TO PLAN FOR YOUR VISIT TO FOREST ADVENTURES

### WEATHER

Forest Adventures is open rain or shine. Students should dress appropriately for the expected weather conditions (a light waterproof jacket is highly recommended when rain is forecast). In the event of potentially unsafe weather conditions i.e. extreme rain, wind or lightning, we will contact you to discuss your booking options.

### CLOTHING

Students should wear clothing suited to exercise in an outdoor environment, including closed toe shoes, which they don't mind getting a little grubby! **No sandals or slip off shoes are allowed.** Long hair needs to be tied low so that a helmet will fit properly.

### REFRESHMENT

Due to the physical nature of the activities it is essential students bring plenty of food and water along for the day. Forest Adventures does not provide free water to climbers.

### GROUP MANAGEMENT

Large groups will need to be split into smaller ones to help us process them as quickly as possible.

Participants are not required to stay in these groups once the safety briefing has been completed. Please be aware that trying to organise groups in a different manner will likely result in a longer processing time. Also, please plan your visit to allow ample climb time (minimum of 1.5 hours on activities plus processing time) for all participants.

## RUN OF ACTIVITIES

Here is a brief outline of what to expect on the day:

### WELCOME AND CHECK-IN

Upon arrival you will be greeted by our staff and asked to provide the exact number of people participating for the day.

### EQUIPMENT FITTING

All participants will be fitted with a harness and helmet by our staff.

### SAFETY BRIEFING

Our staff will lead the participants and supervisors through our safety briefing, explaining safety rules, and demonstrating proper use of equipment on a small practice course. All participants are then required to complete the practice course themselves to demonstrate understanding of the rules and use of safety equipment. Only those who competently complete this practice course will be allowed to advance onto the higher courses.

### PROCESSING TIME

Forest Adventures endeavours to have climbers in the trees as quickly as possible but must maintain proper procedures to ensure safety. You will need to take into account time for check-in, equipment fitting, safety briefing and participant practice course completion when considering the total time you wish to spend at Forest Adventures. This time will vary from group to group based on the number of participants, age and other factors such as confidence and ability. Large groups of 40 or more will be split into smaller groups to make equipment fitting and safety briefings more manageable.

The following times are approximate and given as a rough guide for how long it will take from checking in to all participants completing a practice course. Please enquire directly

for an estimate for your group.

GROUP SIZE	TIME TO ALLOW
10	Approx 20 min
20	Approx 30 min
30	Approx 30 min
40	Approx 45 min

## CLIMB

Normally high ropes sessions run for two hours per group, including equipment fitting and safety briefing. For larger groups though please allow some flexibility and discuss with our team at the time of booking if any extra time will be required.

## BREAKS

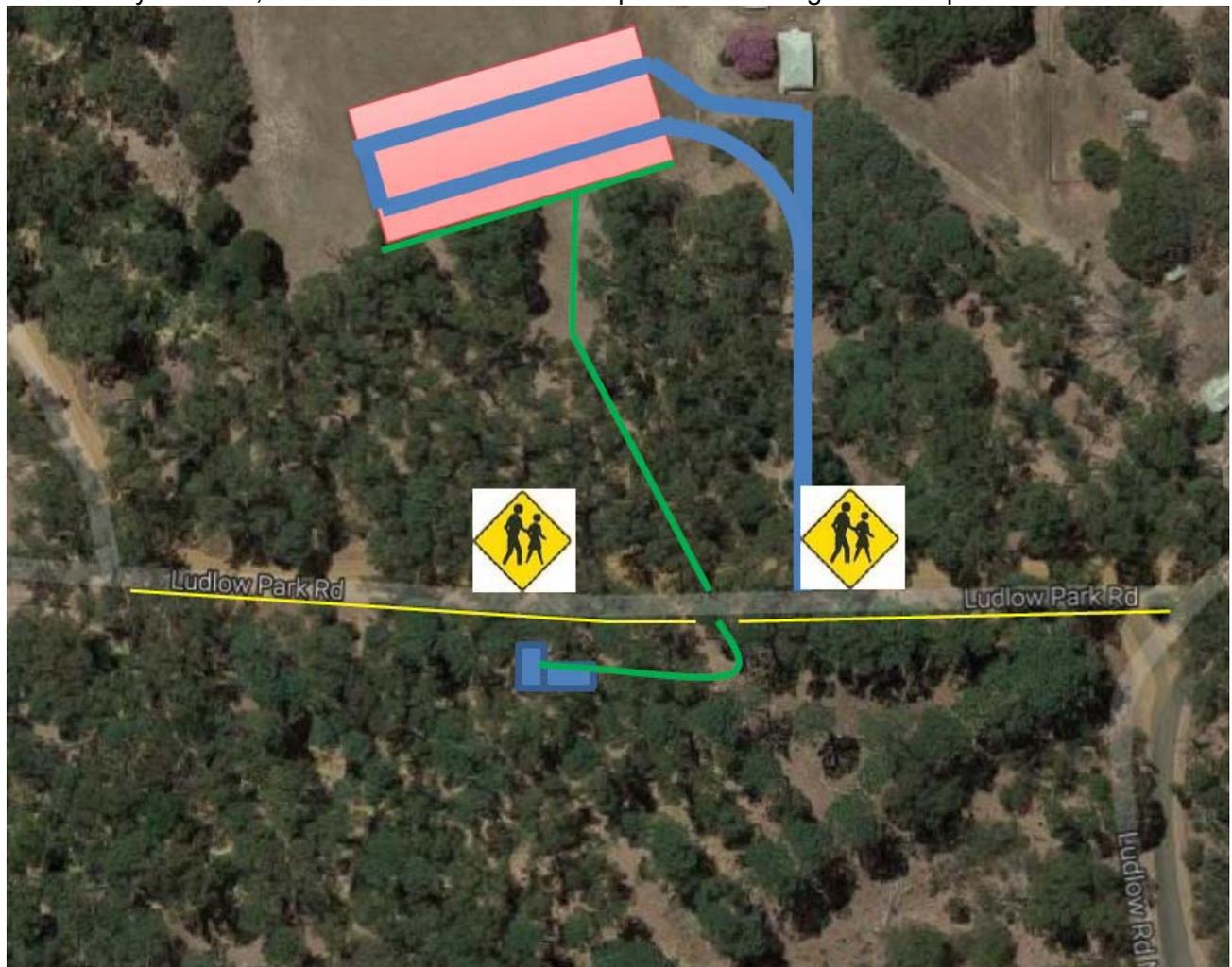
You are welcome to schedule breaks during your visit. At the end of each course the students arrive back on the ground, so it is not disruptive to their course progression to take a small break. For large groups we recommend allowing students to take breaks as needed, rather than stopping as a group, as this will give them more climbing time.

## COURSE COMPLETION AND EQUIPMENT RETURN

To ensure you are able to leave on time, participants will be able to start their last course approximately 30 minutes prior to your departure. Upon completion of the session students will be asked to return their safety equipment to the fitting area where our staff will be on hand should they require assistance.

## BUS PARKING

For safety reasons, it is **ESSENTIAL** that buses park in the designated car park area



## ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES

Forest Adventures offers additional activities that you can choose from at an additional cost. Those activities are only offered for group bookings of high rope course sessions. Those activities are highly recommended for groups larger than 30 as it allows groups to be split between the high rope courses and the other activities.

## ARCHERY

Participants are taught archery safety and how to shoot a recurve bow at targets up to 15m away in our custom built archery range. Minimum age requirement is 10 years old & **closed in shoes are mandatory. Sessions run for 1 hour.**

**Archery: \$12 per student**

**\*\* All rates include GST. Subject to change.**

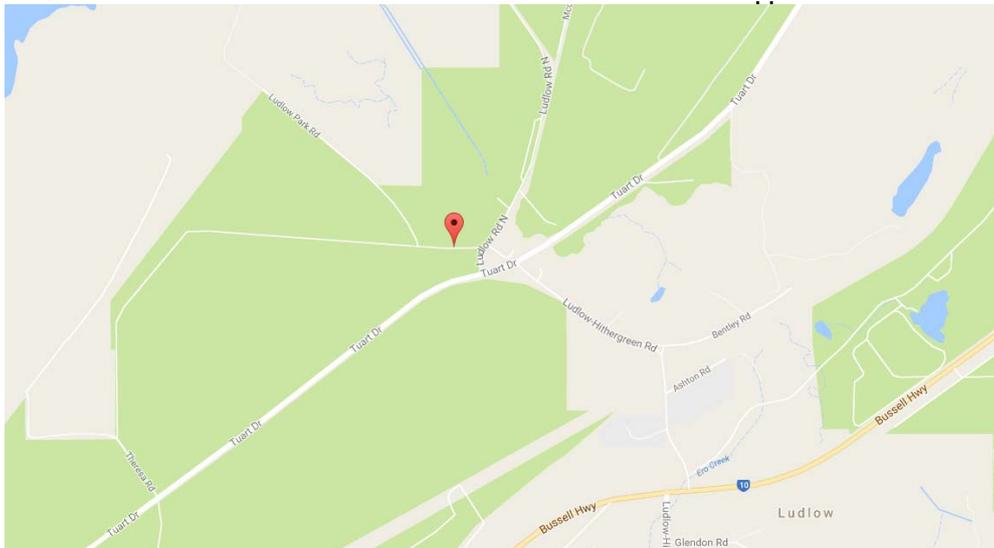
## TEAM BUILDING

Designed so that students learn the fundamental skills of how to work together to achieve a common goal, our team building sessions include a variety of activities specifically tailored to each group. One of our most popular and successful activities is the Challenge Course; a series of physically challenging activities that promote teamwork and engagement from all participants. **Sessions run for 1 hour.**

**Team Building: \$12 per student**

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## HOWTOFINDUS



### **Address:**

21, Ludlow Park Rd  
Wonnerup, WA 6280

Forest Adventures is located in the Ludlow Forest at the Corner of Tuart Drive and Ludlow Park Road, at the "Old Mill" location, only 12kms drive north of Busselton or 35 kms south of Bunbury, 2kms off Bussell Hwy.

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Please read the following terms and conditions carefully.

### BOOKING AND DEPOSIT

We do not require a deposit for school group bookings. However it is your responsibility to inform us of changes to your booking or numbers. An invoice will be generated on the day to reflect your final numbers and will be emailed directly to the person who booked.

### CHANGE IN GROUP SIZE

At least 48 hours' notice is required when you have a decrease in group size of 4 or more for bookings of fewer than 30, or 15% for groups of 30 or more. We require this notice period as your final numbers will affect other groups and staffing levels. Any additions to bookings should be advised as soon as possible, and are subject to availability.

We understand there can be unforeseen absences on the day of your booking and therefore we will only charge for climbers not present if your group decreases by 15% or more. It is important that you keep in touch with us if you are unsure of your final group numbers to avoid any additional charges. Should you fail to notify us of a decrease within this time frame, a non-arrival fee of \$10 per person will be charged.

### RESCHEDULING, CANCELLATION AND POOR WEATHER

A booking may be rescheduled up to 48 hours prior to your visit, provided that the new date of the reservation is available and within 6 weeks of the original booking. A booking may be cancelled up to 5 days prior to your visit.

Forest Adventures is an all-weather outdoor activity. However, if you have a concern with the forecast, please contact us at least 48 hours prior to your booking to discuss your options. If 48 hours' notice is not given and your reason for cancellation is due to unfavourable weather conditions and Forest Adventures deems that the weather conditions are safe to allow climbing, full payment will not be refunded. Please note, Forest Adventures will take your group's demographic into consideration when short notice (less than 48 hours) is given due to unfavourable weather conditions.

In the circumstances that Forest Adventures deems that the weather conditions (forecast or present on the day of your visit) make it unsafe to allow climbing, we will contact you as soon as possible to discuss your options regarding either rescheduling or cancellation.

### SOCIAL MEDIA

Forest Adventures has Facebook and Instagram pages on which we post updates and photos about recent group visits. If you would prefer your students are not photographed by our staff for social media purposes, please let us know. We love receiving pictures from our groups so if you want to share any with us, please email them to [enquiries@forestadventures.com.au](mailto:enquiries@forestadventures.com.au)

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch with us. Thank you,

Forest Adventures Management