

FORESTGLEN PARK BROWNS PLAINS

Towns and cities across Australia are speckled with parks to which gardeners can travel to see the local and ornamental flora, but to also observe the various Council priorities to public space and conservation.

One interesting park, not overly extravagant, is Forestglen Park. The local council seems to have noted the need by the public for a community park that provides open space yet offers a degree of aesthetics and function. It has also become a popular wedding photograph location for the district.

A circular concrete walkway around the perimeter provides an ideal surface for morning runs or bicycles. A covered BBQ area is well sited to oversee the children's play area.

Two additional covered areas cater for the need of larger groups and gatherings.

The ornamental formal gardens at the front of the gardens display well manicured hedges of hibiscus and ixora underplanted with liriopse. In contrast the majority of the Park reflects the rugged nature of native species with banksias, leptospermums, paperbarks, native oaks, matt reeds, coastal rosemary and a few palms. Orange fruit of the tuckeroo (*Cupaniopsis anacardioides*) are much admired by residents as they drive past and the native birds.

This is not a location of spectacular beauty or of award winning design, but it is a valuable asset to the local people who can admire some plants on display in their local park.

Location

Parkland Avenue, Browns Plains

