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Practical planner

Packing, last towns, dogs, fires, Friday Plan B, and official Forestry Corporation / RFS links. From **Bago State Forest Guide** — print this page or open the matching PDF.

Verify before you go. Closures, fire bans and roads change. Roads close for hazard trees, harvest and fire recovery. Check the Bago official forest page and Forestry Corporation closures. Independent, unofficial, not Forestry Corporation, not NPWS. Not independently walked.

1. Before you leave the last town

Status

- ☐ Forestry Corp closures opened this morning
- ☐ NSW RFS total fire ban checked
- ☐ Hazards Near Me saved offline
- ☐ Bago tourism map PDF saved offline
- ☐ Friday Plan B if you are aiming at Paddys River Dam

Fuel & food

- **Tumbarumba** — NSW lists the dam on Back Creek Road
- **Batlow** — Pilot Hill is less than half an hour from here
- **Tumut** — northern town
- **Talbingo** — toward the Blowering foreshore

No official line that fuel is sold inside the forest. Fill up before the seal ends.

2. Pack

Must

- ☐ Drinking water (a tap is not listed at the dam or the picnic areas)
- ☐ Warm layer — alpine ash plateau, nights get cold
- ☐ Rubbish bags (pack out)
- ☐ Gas cooker (solid fuel is off on a Total Fire Ban day; no fires in pine plantations where the sign says so)
- ☐ Printed map / offline maps
- ☐ First aid
- ☐ Torch / headlamp

If the dog is coming

- ☐ Lead (the Bago map says on a lead; under effective control in this State forest)
- ☐ Extra water and food for the dog
- ☐ Bags to pick up
- ☐ Stay in the State forest — not Kosciuszko National Park
- ☐ Watch for 1080 warning signs

3. Dogs, fires, the dam

Dogs

Welcome in this State forest under effective control, and on a lead where the map says so. Pick up. Not in Kosciuszko National Park next door.

Fires

No fires on Total Fire Ban days, including solid-fuel barbecues. Use an existing fireplace in a picnic or camp area when Forestry Corp allows it. No fires inside pine plantations where the sign says so. Do not cut standing timber. Emergency: 000.

Paddys River Dam is small. Passive water only: kayak, fish, small electric motor. No powerboats, jet skis or waterskiing. After rain or snow, forest roads can be slippery. Give way to heavy vehicles. Enter at your own risk.

4. Friday Plan B

1. Picnic at Pilot Hill or Sugar Pines and leave while it is still light. Those lawns are not camps.
2. Blowering foreshore camping is still first-come, and minor tracks can be closed. It is not a booking for the lake.
3. Town bed: Tumbarumba, Batlow, Tumut or Talbingo.

You cannot reserve a site at Paddys River Dam. NSW Government lists it as Back Creek Road, Tumbarumba NSW 2653, with a public toilet. Bring water.

5. Official (use these, not this sheet, for live status)

- Bago page: https://www.forestrycorporation.com.au/visit/forests/bago
- Closures: https://www.forestrycorporation.com.au/visit/closures
- Tourism map PDF: https://www.forestrycorporation.com.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0008/1619837/FCNSW1093-Bago_Tourism-Map090326.pdf
- Camping rules: https://www.forestrycorporation.com.au/visit/virtual-visitor-centre/camping-in-nsw-state-forests
- RFS FDR / TOBAN: https://www.rfs.nsw.gov.au/fire-information/fdr-and-tobans?a=1421
- Visiting line: 1300 655 687 · visit@fcnsw.com.au is theirs, not this guide · Emergency: 000
- This guide: https://www.bagostateforest.com.au/

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