

# Centennial Parklands Foundation Dedications Program and Policy

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## About Centennial Parklands Foundation

Covering over 360 hectares, Centennial Parklands is the largest urban parklands in the Southern Hemisphere. It is also one of the world’s most visited public parks, with more than 31 million visits per year. Home to over 15,000 trees and abundant wildlife, this critical green belt in the heart of Sydney provides a vital connection with nature for the wellbeing of the community.

Despite the common perception that Centennial Parklands' operating costs are covered by the NSW State Government, the reality is that the park is 100% self-funded for its operational expenses.

Centennial Parklands Foundation (CPF) was founded in 1998 by the Centennial Park and Moore Park Trust (CPMPT). Centennial Parklands Foundation was established to raise funds and engender community support to protect and enhance the vital green open spaces of Centennial Parklands. As an environmental charity, the Foundation focuses on enhancing environmental and educational outcomes to ensure a sustainable Parklands for present and future generations.

CPF raises funds through major philanthropy, corporate giving, dedications and community fundraising initiatives, and it is with your gracious support Centennial Parklands can continue to prosper.



## Dedication opportunities at Centennial Parklands

Dedicating a bench or picnic table set is a perfect way to create a lasting connection to the magnificent Centennial Parklands. Whether you're looking to honour a loved one, mark a milestone, or celebrate special occasions such as an engagement, wedding, or the birth of a child, this unique and meaningful gift is a tribute to cherished moments and those we love.

Each dedication lasts for a ten-year period, after which you can choose to renew, ensuring your connection to the park endures. There are a number of options for you to choose from:

### Dedicate a bench

For a donation of \$11,000 you have the choice of several locations, each offering a unique perspective of Centennial Parklands. Whether you favour the inviting atmosphere of Grand Drive, the tranquil beauty of Federation Valley, or the charming views overlooking the stunning ponds, we'll help you find the perfect spot.

### Dedicate a bench at a premium location

For a donation of \$16,000 we offer the opportunity to place your dedication at a prime, scenic location within the park in either the captivating Ian Potter Children's WILD PLAY Garden or the picturesque Rose Garden and Column Garden.

### Dedicate a picnic table set

For a donation of \$15,000, you can dedicate a picnic table set (1 table and 2 benches) in a special place for family and friends to gather, celebrate special moments and create lasting memories.

### Your dedication package will include:

- Choice of a bench or picnic table set dedication at an available location
- Plaque affixed to the bench or picnic table set with wording in accordance with Centennial Parklands Foundation's Plaque Policy
- Dedication certificate and photos
- Subscription to our seasonal eNewsletter
- Tax deductible receipt for your donation.





# Bench and Picnic table set dedication policy

Updated: December 2023

## Donation

- Standard bench: \$11,000 per bench
- Premium bench: \$16,000 per bench
- Picnic table sets \$15,000 per set (1 table and 2 benches)

## Dedication period

The dedication period is for 10 years.

All dedications are subject to the approval of Centennial Parklands Foundation and Centennial Park and Moore Park Trust.

## Conditions

- Plaque wording is subject to the Furniture Plaque Policy and the approval of Centennial Parklands Foundation.
- Each donor is responsible for informing and updating the Foundation of their current contact details. If the Foundation is unable to contact the donor at the cessation of the dedication period, the bench/picnic table set will be made available to the public for re-dedication.
- The bench/picnic table set remains the property of Centennial Park and Moore Park Trust and for the use of all Park visitors.

## Design and location

The design, dimensions, colour and location of the bench/picnic table set are in accordance with the Centennial Park and Moore Park Trust Furniture Design Manual. The Trust retains control over the horticultural design and plantings around each dedicated bench or picnic table set.

## Maintenance

Centennial Park and Moore Park Trust is responsible for the ordering, installation, and maintenance of the bench/picnic table set. The maintenance of the bench will be over the 10-year period and will include one (1) refurbishment as deemed required by Centennial Park and Moore Park Trust. If the bench/picnic table set or plaque is damaged or vandalised Centennial Park and Moore Park Trust will repair or replace at their discretion.

## Plaque policy

**Updated: December 2023**

As part of the dedication of a bench/picnic table set in Centennial Parklands, you have the option of installing a plaque on the item.

### Rules and guidelines

- Your choice of wording is to be simple and in the spirit of celebration (not in memoriam).
- Your plaque wording can include a message in a language other than standard English, only if accompanied by a NAATI certified translation of the foreign language.
- The 'year' is to be the year of the donation.
- Due to the limited space on the plaque not all requests can be accommodated.
- All wording must be approved by Centennial Parklands Foundation.
- Please allow approximately 8 weeks for manufacture and installation.

### Plaque format

- Dedicated to
- By/From or a short message (max 10 words)
- Year of donation



# Frequently Asked Questions

## What are the different dedication options?

There are a number of different dedication opportunities on offer within the park. These include:

**Standard benches** – For a donation of \$11,000 you have the choice of several locations. Whether it's the inviting atmosphere of Grand Drive, the tranquil beauty of Federation Valley, or the impressive views over our stunning ponds, we will help you find the perfect spot.

**Premium benches** – For a donation of \$16,000 we offer the opportunity to place the dedication within a prime, scenic location within the park. Choose between the captivating Ian Potter Children's WILD PLAY Garden, or the picturesque Rose Garden and Column Garden.

**Picnic table sets** – For a donation of \$15,000, dedicate a special place for family and friends to gather, celebrate special moments, and create lasting memories. Picnic table sets consist of 1 table and 2 benches.

## Do you have a list of available benches/picnic table sets to dedicate in the park?

We have maps and photos showing you where our available benches and picnic sets are located within the park. As the available dedication opportunities change regularly, our maps are updated often. Please ask our friendly Centennial Parklands Foundation team for a copy of our most updated maps and photos.

## How long does it take to finalise a dedication and/or installation?

The dedication of new benches and picnic sets runs in phases throughout the year. Each phase is approximately 3-4 months. From the time the dedication is secured with a payment the bench/picnic table set undergoes a major refurbishment before your plaque is installed. We'll keep in touch during the process and advise on timelines throughout.

## How long does a plaque stay on the bench or picnic table set?

The plaque will remain for the duration of the dedication period, which is 10 years and begins from the date of installation.

## Can the wording on my plaque be in another language, or contain symbols, or script other than standard English?

The plaque format needs to include:

- Dedicated to
- By/From or a short message (max 10 words)
- Year of donation

However, we can include a message in a language other than English and simply require a NAATI certified translation of your message to go on the plaque.

## Can I reserve my dedicated bench or picnic table set for personal use?

Benches and picnic table sets are a wonderful way for all park visitors to sit, relax and enjoy the beautiful surrounds of Centennial Park. For this reason, we are unable to offer the opportunity to reserve any dedicated benches or picnic table sets for exclusive personal use.

## Can I make a dedication for more than 10 years?

Yes, you can dedicate a bench or a picnic table set for an extended period of time. Some people have chosen to make a dedication and secure their legacy for 15, 20 or 30 years.

### What happens after the 10-year period?

At the end of your 10-year dedication period the bench/picnic table set will be offered for renewal. As the current donor, you have the first option to renew or release the bench/picnic table set for re-dedication. If you choose to renew, we will have the plaque upgraded along with a refurbishment of the bench/picnic table set. If you choose not to renew the dedication, your plaque will be removed and made available for collection or posted to your address.

### Can I pay in instalments?

Some donors have come together and pooled resources with family and friends to honour a loved one, or to give the dedication as a present for a family member. We can accept multiple payments between family and friends to cover the cost of the dedication, but we cannot accept instalments over an extended period.

To secure your dedication the whole cost must be covered. Payments for the bench/picnic table set can be made by credit card or by direct deposit to the Centennial Parklands Foundation bank account.

### Is my donation tax-deductible?

As Centennial Parklands Foundation is a registered charity all donations over \$2 are 100% tax deductible and Centennial Parklands Foundation will provide a tax receipt following your donation.

### My dedication is for a gift, do I receive anything I can present to the recipient?

With the completion of each new dedication Centennial Parklands Foundation will provide you with a special dedications pack to keep as a memento or provide as a gift. Each pack contains a thank you letter, certificate of dedication, a map and photos of the bench/picnic table set in its location.

### What is included in the dedication?

- A guaranteed dedication for your loved one or special memory for a 10-year period.
- A major refurbishment of the bench or picnic table set.
- Design, manufacture, and installation of a plaque with a personalised message on your bench or picnic table set.
- A dedication pack including photos, map, dedication certificate and a tax-deductible receipt.

### Where will my donation go?

Donations received through the Dedication Program contribute directly towards the maintenance of the bench or picnic table set, for your enjoyment and the public. Remaining funds are then directed to the Centennial Parklands Foundation Legacy Fund supporting the ongoing Conservation, Nature Education and Community Health & Wellbeing initiatives and programs within the Parklands.

**Our friendly team would be delighted to discuss your plans or arrange an in person meeting with you to present the dedication opportunities currently available. Should you have any additional inquiries please feel free to reach out to us at [foundation@centennialparklands.com.au](mailto:foundation@centennialparklands.com.au) or call us at (02) 9339 6653.**



### Staff use only

Staff member:	
Date:	
Donor no:	
Furniture no:	

## Bench and Picnic table set dedication enquiry/application

### Donor details

First Name:		Surname:	
Address:			
Home phone:		Mobile:	
Email:			

### Bench or Picnic table set details

Bench or Picnic table set number (if known):	
Preferred location:	

### Dedication details

Dedicated to:	
From:	
Occasion:	
Wording for plaque:	
Plaque policy provided and accepted:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

### Payment details

<input type="checkbox"/> Cash	<input type="checkbox"/> Cheque No .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Direct deposit	
Credit card:	<input type="checkbox"/> Visa <input type="checkbox"/> MasterCard <input type="checkbox"/> American Express		
Name on card:			
Card number:		Expiry Date:	
CCV:			

### Donor declaration

Approval for recognition in Foundation publications:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Dedication policy provided and accepted:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

I declare that the information provided in this application is true and correct at the time of signing.

Signature:	Date: