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THE GREAT STUPA WALKING TRAIL

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1. GANESH TEMPLE

This temple is built in traditional Nepalese style in honour of the Hindu God, Ganesh. Built in memory of Brishti Shresta and dedicated to all known and unknown children around the world who have passed away from brain cancer.



2. QUAN YIN GROTTO

Quan Yin represents the compassionate aspect of the Buddha. This 7-metre-tall statue was sculpted in Vietnam in poly-marble and hand painted here at the stupa.



3. FOUR HARMONIOUS FRIENDS

This life-size statue of the four brothers represents an important Buddhist teaching of working together harmoniously. It has been made by a sculptor from Thailand named Joy.



4. THE BAHAI STAR

The Bahai faith believes humanity is one family bound together in a global society. Funding was raised by the Bahai community as part of our interfaith installations.



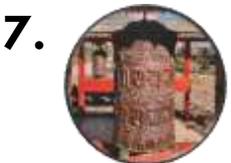
5. THE GREAT STUPA PRAYER WHEELS

Each wheel contains 20 million 'Om Mani Padme Hum' mantras. Spin the wheels clockwise to energise the compassionate energy for the world. Hand-made from copper in Nepal.



6. BODHI FOREST

The Buddha attained enlightenment after meditating under a Bodhi tree. Our trees come from cuttings of that original tree, brought to Australia by His Holiness the Dalai Lama.



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8. GOLDEN THAI BUDDHA

This Buddha statue was offered to the Great Stupa by a benefactor. It was made from fiberglass in Thailand. The Buddha's eyes have been painted by a Tibetan artist.



9. HEART SUTRA WALL

Carved from solid granite in Vietnam, the heart sutra is in English on one side and Vietnamese on the other. This famous sutra of the Buddha is a teaching on wisdom.



10. ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI

St Francis is known as the patron saint of the environment and animals. This statue was offered by the Catholic Diocese of Sandhurst and blessed by Bishop Les Tomlinson in May 2018.



11. IK OANKAAR

This mantra is sacred to Sikhs all over the world. It symbolises one with God and one with humanity. It is the first of its kind in Australia and was unveiled in November 2019.



12. WISHING WELL

Ring the bell and a beautiful sound will echo throughout the Peace Park. Toss in a coin and make a wish to benefit all beings.