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COOBOWIE WATER TANK AND SHED

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The name Coobowie comes from an Aboriginal word meaning “Wild Fowl Water,” the theme and presence of water birds is unique and special to the town.

Our design focuses on the distinctive bird life of Coobowie, inspired by the Coobowie Estuary and its wonderful bird hide.

The birds depicted are the Great Egret, Black Swan, Royal Spoonbill, Pelican, Cape Barren Goose, Pied Oystercatcher.

The flowers chosen are local flora: Templetonia retusa, Native Pigface, Mallee Bush Pea, Coastal White-Mallee, Osborne’s Eyebright, Clover Glycine.

We aim to present the connection between water and living things, such as the uniqueness of these range of birds that rely on water as their home. And water’s relationship to the land and its contribution to the abundance of nature, colours and beauty.



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SOUTHERN YORKE PENINSULA  
WATER TOWER MURAL TRAIL  
SHORTLISTED STAGE

PROPOSED DESIGN- COOBOWIE WATER TANK AND SHED

The rodeo is an important part of the history of Coobowie, so we wanted to depict this on the adjacent shed to contrast against the soft, curved surface and subject matter of the water tower. The rodeo scene is tough and chaotic on the hard iron surface. It also features a tranquil sunset and the feeling of dust and soil that is so quintessential of the Australian landscape.



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