

Short Walks

1 Eucalypt Trail

Batemans Bay North

This short aromatic trail winds through a tall wet sclerophyll forest environment boasting 11 different eucalypt species; Blackbutt, Sydney Blue Gum, Grey Ironbark, Monkey Gum, Rough Barked Apple, Sydney Peppermint, Red Bloodwood, Spotted Gum, Woollybutt, White Stringy Bark and Bangalay. Facilities include picnic tables and basic barbecues.

Length: 500m
Time: 20 minutes return
Grade: Easy
Access: 17 km North of Batemans Bay on eastern side of the Princes Highway in the Kioloa Rest Area.

2 Depot Beach Rainforest Walk

This is a loop track that winds through coastal rainforest. Information signs along the track explain the past existence of rainforest in the area. You can take a leisurely stroll along the small beach and across the rock platforms to see rock pools and a myriad of sea-life, colour and unusual patterns.

Length: 700m
Time: 30 minutes
Grade: Easy
Access: Starts and finishes at Depot Beach carpark

3 Ancient Headlands

A leisurely walk looping around ancient headlands and scenic beaches begins at the Dark/Myrtle Beach car park, off the Old Coast Rd south of South Durras and the resort.

Follow the track directly in front of the car park until you reach a fork. Go left to Dark Beach and explore the black shingle-covered southern section. Return to the fork to extend this walk and follow the right track 400m south to the beautiful Myrtle Beach, stopping to admire this stunning ancient headland from the platform on the way.

Length: 2.5km return
Time: 1 hour
Grade: Easy to moderate
Access: Dark/Myrtle Beach Car-Park

4 Durras Discovery Trail

Murrumbidgee National Park

The walk commences with steps over a gentle climb and descent then becomes flat and easy. The trail features a viewing platform, several boardwalks and some timber bridges and gates. Ferns and spotted gums are predominant flora while stands of palms native to this region abound. The walk begins and ends by the shores of Lake Durras, regarded as one of the most unspoiled waterways in NSW.

Length: 1.5 km
Time: 45 minutes
Grade: Easy
Access: Take the North Durras/Depot Beach turnoff from the Princes Highway 14km north of Batemans Bay, then Durras North Road and turn into dirt track marked: 'Discovery Trail' and continue to the carpark near the lake.

5 Penance Grove

Monga National Park

Enjoy a picnic by the peaceful Mongarlowe River, only 500 metres from the Penance Grove car park, before embarking on this stunning walk. This beautiful gully is shrouded in cool, temperate rainforest. Ancient plumwood trees form a cathedral-like canopy over a huge stand of tree ferns. A variety of delicate ferns, mosses and lichen cling to their trunks and give the grove its luminous colour and patches of tall mosses grow like miniature pine forests. Lyrebirds are often seen scratching through the leaves.

Length: 300m
Time: 15 minutes
Grade: Easy with wheelchair access (for first 70m).
Access: via River Forest Road (from Kings Highway).

6 Waratah Walk

Monga National Park

A short stroll along the Waratah Walk leads to the gently flowing Mongarlowe River. Between October and December waratahs bloom along the banks. Mongarlowe River Picnic Area is well equipped with picnic tables, barbecues, toilets and the area is suitable for people with disabilities.

Length: 300m loop
Time: 10 minutes
Grade: Easy
Access: Mongarlowe River Picnic Area, via River Forest Road (from Kings Highway)

7 Mangrove Walk

Cullindulla Creek Nature Reserve

7000 years of shoreline events are preserved in the "chenier" dune complex at Cullindulla Creek Nature Reserve, studied by scientists around the world. One of the largest stands of mangroves south of Sydney it has significant Aboriginal mid-dens and burial sites. The walk winds through exceptional landscape via a 300m boardwalk, the beach and a track. There are informative signs enroute.

Length: 2 km loop
Time: 50 minutes
Grade: Easy
Access: Cullindulla Creek Nature Reserve, Myamba Parade, Surfside.

8 Banksia Walk

Burrewarra Point

Burrewarra Point has a charming walk through a mature banksia forest with views of the coast and hinterland. It is a fine place to spot whales from September to November. In autumn, the large grey-green flower spikes of the banksia open, attracting a variety of nectar eating birds. Please note the cliff edges are not fenced making the walk unsuitable for toddlers and small children.

Length: 1.5 km return
Time: 50 minutes
Grade: Easy
Access: Guellilla Bay turnoff on George Bass Drive, south of Batemans Bay

9 Eurobodalla Regional Botanic Gardens

The gardens sit on 42 hectares of forest, growing and displaying plants native to the region. Enjoy sharing the gardens with a variety of birds and other native wildlife. Features include display gardens, a sensory garden, herbarium, nursery, arboretum, picnic and barbecue areas, a Visitors Centre and cafe. Admission is free. Open Wed to Sun, 9am - 4pm and every day of the NSW School & Public Holidays, except Good Friday and Christmas Day.

Length: 6 tracks from 500m to 2km, 6 km in total
Time: from 20 minutes to 2 hours
Grade: Easy - 2 tracks with limited mobility access
Access: Turn east off Princes Highway, 5 km south of Batemans Bay.

Walking tips

- Remember to use sunscreen
- Take and drink plenty of water during your walk
- Always walk with another person or make sure someone knows of your whereabouts and an approximate return time
- Topographic maps are available from Batemans Bay and Narooma Visitor Centres
- The preservation of our natural assets requires the cooperation of all who visit our National Parks and Nature Reserves. Please observe the rules.
- Fees may apply in some National Parks, please ensure that you have the right permits.



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Eurobodalla Visitor Information Centres

- Princes Highway Batemans Bay 2536
- Moruya Library, Vulcan Street Moruya 2537
- Princess Highway Narooma 2546

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10 Mogo Bushwalk

Mogo State Forest

Tucked in behind the historic town of Mogo, Mogo Bushwalk meanders through wet and dry eucalyptus forests. This walk provides a shady haven in summer and is suitable for all the family. The forest features majestic spotted gums with an understorey of burrawang cycads. Swamp wallabies often dart through the bush and in autumn and early winter, male lyrebirds display their magnificent tail feathers.

Length: 1.6 km

Time: 20 minutes return

Grade: Easy with some steps

Access: Eastern side of Princes Hwy at Mogo via Tomakin Road then James Street.

11 Coman's Mine

Dampier State Forest

In the 1880s, Ned Coman mortgaged his property to finance a gold mining investment; Coman's Mine. A walking trail takes you through this historic site. The walk begins with a relatively steep bush staircase, descending to a trail that was originally part of the horse tramway. Along the track are many artefacts, including a pile of quartz rocks that marks the entrance to the mine tunnel that Coman and his partner Bloomfield originally dug. The track begins 5km out of Nerrigundah along Comans Road in Dampier State Forest.

Length: 1.5km return

Time: 30 minutes

Grade: Easy to Moderate

Access: Car park off Comans Road

12 Historic Town Walk

Bodalla

Take a walk back in time through Bodalla to ponder the village as it was. Beginning at the All Saints Church, continue south past the Bodalla Cottage, Memorial Hall, Bakery, Post Office and onto the Old Police Station where you cross over the highway to the fire shed. Continue south and turn down Sutcliffe Street. At the Old Bodalla School follow the street north passing the Uniting Church, Stone Shed and complete the walk at Bodalla Arms Hotel.

Length: 3.5km return

Time: 2 hours

Grade: Easy

Access: Main street of Bodalla

13 Box Cutting Rainforest Walk

Bodalla State Forest

The walk descends into a gully of grey myrtle rainforest featuring trees laden with mosses and lichens. Bright orange and white fungi glow in the cool shade and bird's-nest ferns grow in the dense canopy. Wonga Pigeons, Lyrebirds, Satin Bowerbirds and Crimson Rosellas are regulars in the rainforest.

Length: 700m

Time: 35 minutes

Grade: Easy with some steep sections

Access: Kianga Road on Tourist Drive 4 (Princes Highway, Narooma)

14 Mill Bay Boardwalk

Narooma

The 350 metre Mill Bay Boardwalk from Apex Park (on the northern side of the inlet) is the perfect way to appreciate the natural beauty of Narooma and watch the many activities on its expansive waterway. Look out for large schools of fish and stingrays as you walk. Continue your walk over the bridge and wind your way along Riverside Drive past mangroves to the seafood eateries and cafes at Forsters Bay. Or follow the foreshore in front of the caravan park around past the jetty to Rotary Park and on to Australia Rock and the breakwall at the Wagonga Inlet Entrance.

Length: 700m to 4 km return

Time: 30 minutes to 2 hours

Grade: Easy, level, wheelchair access on boardwalk

Access: The walk starts at the boat ramp off Centenary Drive on the northern side of the inlet.

15 Mystery Bay

Narooma

From Mystery Bay camping area follow the bush track north to Billy's Beach, an important Aboriginal site and great for families. This small beach is enclosed by headlands and protected from the wind by the surrounding bushland. At the northern end of the beach explore the rock pools which are full of marine life. Don't forget to bring a camera to capture the magnificent views of Montague Island.

Length: 1km return

Time: 40 minutes

Grade: Easy

Access: Council Camping ground at Mystery Bay.

Long Walks

16 The Corn Trail

Monga National Park

The Corn Trail follows the route used by the pack horse teams of early settlers in the 1830s as they traded produce, mainly corn grown in the fertile valley, with their neighbours on the southern tablelands. The Trail crosses high mountain ridges and deep rainforest valleys. Some parts of the track are very steep and most people follow the trail downhill. Car parks at either end enable car shuffling. Toilets are available at Mongarlowe Picnic Area, a short drive from the Dasyurus Picnic Area.

Length: 15 km one way

Time: 5 - 6 hours downhill

Grade: Moderate to difficult

Access from the top: From Batemans Bay, follow the Kings Highway for 40km and turn left into River Forest Road to the Dasyurus Picnic Area.

Access from the bottom: From Batemans Bay, follow the Kings Highway for 29.5km and turn left into Misty Mountain Road, then right onto No Name Road (last section is 4WD only).

17 The Coast Walk from Pebbly Beach to Snake Bay

Murramarang National Park

The northern section of Murramarang National Park is spectacular, with pristine beaches, colourful heath and great vantage points. The walking track from Pebbly Beach to Snake Bay is a perfect taste of this special landscape in a half-day walk. From the car park, take the track to Clear Point (1.7km), a lovely grassy headland with fantastic views and where kangaroos often graze. Explore the rock platforms around the point if you're feeling adventurous. Continue on to Snake Bay where the track ends. Return to Pebbly Beach the way you came. BBQ's, picnic tables and toilets are available there.

Length: 7.8 km return

Time: 3.5 hours

Grade: Moderate

Access: Follow the Princes Highway 14km north of Batemans Bay and turn right into Mount Agony Road. Follow for 8km to Pebbly Beach campground carpark.

18 Durras Mountain

Murramarang National Park

Durras Mountain is a steep climb but worth the effort for the 360 degree bushland views at the top. Walk around the summit to find the keyhole views where seats are strategically positioned for maximum wow-factor. On a clear day, view landmarks such as Montague Island and Pigeon House Mountain. A rewarding walk for photographers and in spring you might be lucky to spot a whale or two. Start your walk at the Pebbly Beach campground carpark, where BBQ's, picnic tables and toilets are available.

Length: 7.5km return

Time: 3.5 hours return

Grade: Moderate to difficult

Access: Follow the Princes Highway 14km north of Batemans Bay and turn right into Mount Agony Road. Follow for 8km to Pebbly Beach campground carpark.

19 Broulee Island Nature Reserve

Broulee Island is joined to the mainland by a permanent sandbar and is always accessible. Find it at the southern end of North Broulee Beach or park at Broulee Surf Club and head north around the rocks to 'Shark Bay' where a short beach walk leads you to the island. Photographers will enjoy the ocean vistas across pristine rock pools. The walk features a wonderful display of native plants and is known as a wonderful place for marine birdlife - including the superb fairy wren and white bellied sea eagle.

Length: 3.5 km return

Time: 1 hour, 2 hours if you include the beach walk

Grade: Moderate

Access: Follow the Princes Highway 21km south of Batemans Bay and turn left into Broulee Road (becomes Coronation Drive). Park here or walk north from Broulee Surf Club.

20 Big Hole and Marble Arch

Deua National Park

Arguably one of the top ten walks in Australia, this is a must do for serious walkers. The thrilling start to this walk involves fording the knee-deep Shoalhaven River. An easy walk through stunning landscapes then leads to a viewing platform where the chasm known as 'Big Hole' spreads out before you. More adventurous hikers who continue to Marble Arch will be rewarded with the sight of wide bands of marble in the walls of the canyon and cavern roof and beautiful ferns clinging to the lower sides of the canyon. There is also a natural spring. Do not attempt this walk after

or during rain or if the Shoalhaven River is noticeably swollen and take a map or GPS.

Length: 10 km return to Marble Arch

Time: 5 hours return

Grade: Moderate

Access: Approx 38km south of Braidwood on Krawarree Road. Park at Berlang Camping Area in Deua National Park.

21 Bingie Dreaming Track

Eurobodalla National Park

The walk begins at Coila Beach at Tuross Head. The track follows part of the dreaming track used by the Brinja-Yuin people, offering vantage points for whale watching, eucalyptus forests, heathlands and wildflowers in spring and a variety of birds all year round. Take the track along the foreshores of Coila Lake, beach and bush to Congo. For a shorter walk, start or turn around at Bingie or do a car shuffle at either end. A detailed brochure and map is available at Eurobodalla Visitor Centres.

Length: 25km return Tuross Head to Congo; 11km return Tuross Head to Bingie

Time: 8 hours Tuross Head to Congo; 5 hours to Bingie

Grade: Moderate to difficult (some sand)

Access: Follow the Princes Highway 19km south of Moruya and turn left into Tuross Head. Roadside parking is available on Tuross Boulevard.

22 Lake Brou to Potato Point

Eurobodalla National Park

This is a long, wild and natural beach walk in the Eurobodalla National Park. From the park opposite the shops in Dalmeny, cross the wooden footbridge across the Lake Mummaga inlet onto Dalmeny Beach and head north. You will come to the mouth of the magnificent Lake Brou after about 4 km, right near a stretch of distinctive sandy red cliffs. This is a possible turning point; or continue on to Jemisons Point and then to Potato Point, where you can enjoy a rest and the view from the bench seat high on the south side of the point.

Length: 14km return (or 8km return to Brou Lake)

Time: 4 to 5 hours return

Grade: Medium

Access: Follow the Princes Highway 3km north of Narooma and turn right into Dalmeny Drive (Tourist Drive 5). Park near the Dalmeny shops.

23 Mystery Bay to 1080 Beach

Eurobodalla National Park

From the beach car park at Mystery Bay, walk along Lamont Young Drive to the Eurobodalla National Park entrance. A 10 minute stroll will find you at Pooles Beach. Continue along the bush track for 50 minutes to 1080 Beach (pronounce it like the locals, 'ten-eighty'). Return the way you came or at low tide it may be possible to reach Mystery Bay via the shoreline, traipsing over the rocks. For this route, take the stepped boardwalk down to the beach and go north around the headland and along a broken and rocky section of the coast offering plenty of interest for walkers. At Mystery Bay, take the opportunity to walk out on Boat Harbour Point, a rocky outcrop linked by a sandbar.

Length: 5km return

Time: 2 hours return

Grade: Moderate

Access: Follow the Princes Highway 17km south of Narooma and turn left into Mystery Bay Road. Park at the beach carpark or the entrance to Eurobodalla National Park on Lamont Young Drive.

24 Gulaga Tilba

Gulaga National Park

A forested ancient volcano, Gulaga and the surrounding landscape are important for Aboriginal people and especially significant to the Yuin women of the South Coast of NSW. Gulaga is reported as the place of ancestral origin for Yuin people, while the mountain symbolises the mother and provides a basis for Aboriginal spiritual identity. Take the gravel path from Pam's Store in Tilba Tilba and continue up the mountain. At 'Halfway Rock' the Battery Trail leads 1.6km off the main track around the side of the ridge to the foundations of the mine manager's residence. Return to the main track and 30 minutes later you should reach 'The Saddle' - a great rest spot. Push on to the summit where magnificent giant granite tors are hidden.

Length: 14km return

Time: 5 hours return

Grade: Hard

Access: Follow the Princes Highway 20km south of Narooma and turn right at Tilba Tilba turn-off. Park near Pam's Store.

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