


Waterfall Way



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 Dangar Falls, near Dorrigo

Details

 Open leg route

 212.7KM / 132.2MI (Est. travel time 3 hours)

If the name of this road trip has you picturing rainbow-draped waterfalls and magical ferny valleys of rainforest, you're not wrong.

From coastal Coffs Harbour to inland Armidale – with five stops along the way – this journey celebrates the wilderness and wonder of the NSW Mid North Coast.

Waterfall Way



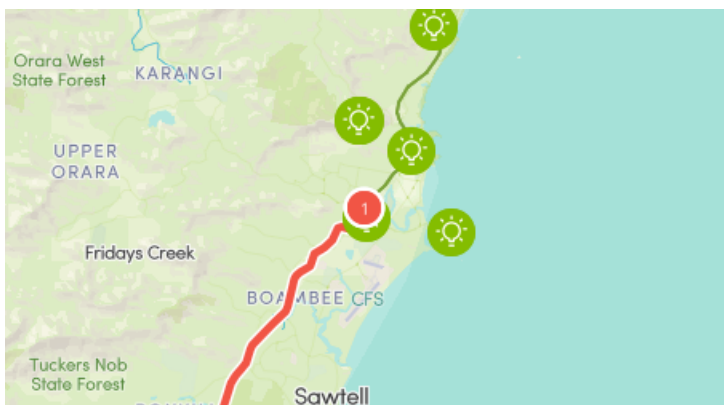
1 Coffs Harbour



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i A kangaroo at Emerald Beach, Coffs Harbour



GET DIRECTIONS

The Coffs Coast is your starting point for this epic day trip and you'll want to begin with a few adventures. In the town of Coffs Harbour, the Big Banana Fun Park welcomes you with a 13m banana sculpture (the original Big Thing); inside are attractions ranging from waterslides to a 4D simulator and mini-golf. Save some energy to hike around Muttonbird Island Nature Reserve (Giidany Miirlarl), a place of Aboriginal significance and an important nesting ground for migratory shearwaters.

The other migratory species you'll see here are humpback whales, breaching and blowing between the Solitary Islands from June through October. For a loftier look, take the plunge with Coffs Skydivers, offering breathtaking – literally – views over the coast's long stretches of sand.

Driving out of town, pause at Sapphire Beach to learn about the local Gumbaynggirr people on a Wajaana Yaam Adventure Tour, exploring the marine park and offering a taste of bush tucker. Navigate inland for 15min to Sealy Lookout (Niigi Niigi) – from the Forest Sky Pier, 15m above ground, you can gaze over Ulidarra National Park and all the way to the coast. This is also your view at TreeTops, an adventure park with ziplining, Tarzan swings and trapezes.

Sights & Activities

The Big Banana



Muttonbird Island Nature Reserve



Niigi Niigi - Sealy Lookout



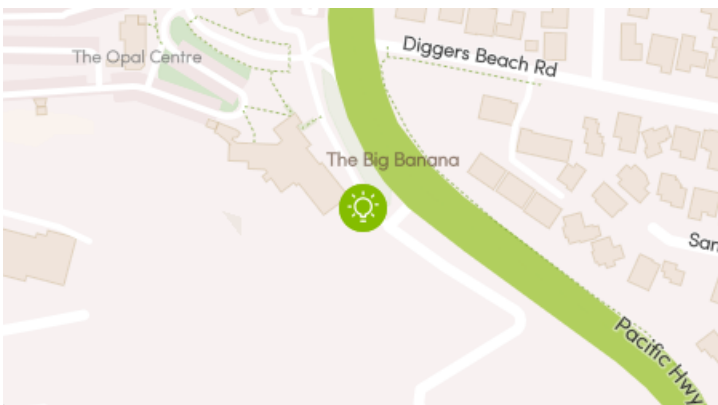
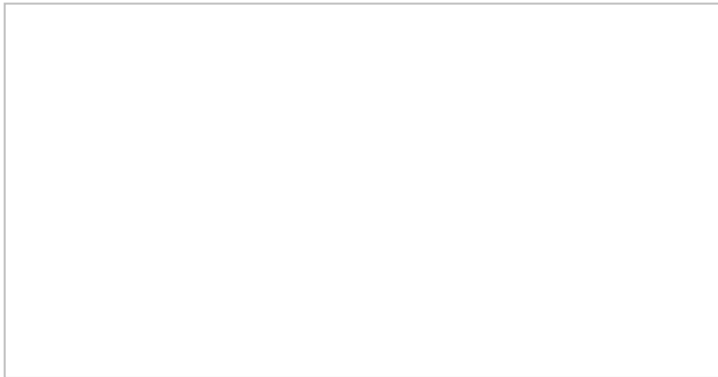
TreeTops Coffs Harbour
Wajaana Yaam Gumbaynggirr Adventure Tours



Coffs Skydivers



The Big Banana



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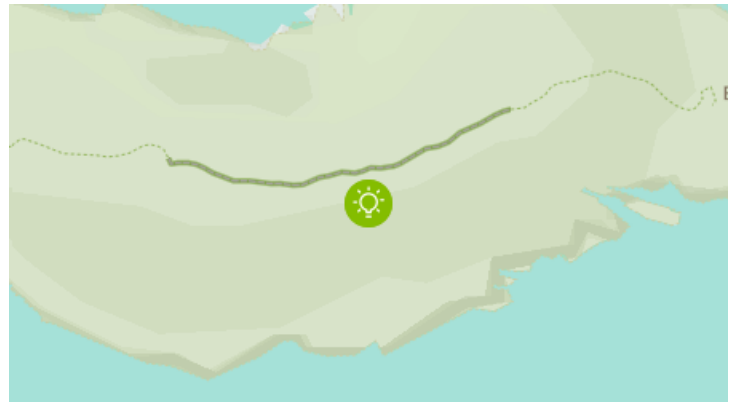


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Muttonbird Island Nature Reserve



Photo: Rob Cleary



Marina Drive, Coffs Harbour, New South Wales, Australia, 2450

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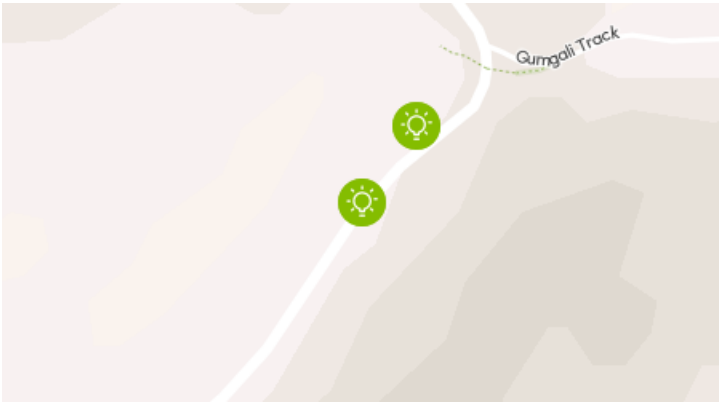
Birdwatching

The Eastern lookout offers spectacular views of the Solitary Islands. Explore the area's Aboriginal cultural significance on a school excursion, or enjoy some whale watching

Niigi Niigi – Sealy Lookout



Forestry Corporation of NSW



Sealy Lookout Drive, Coffs Harbour, New South Wales, Australia, 2450

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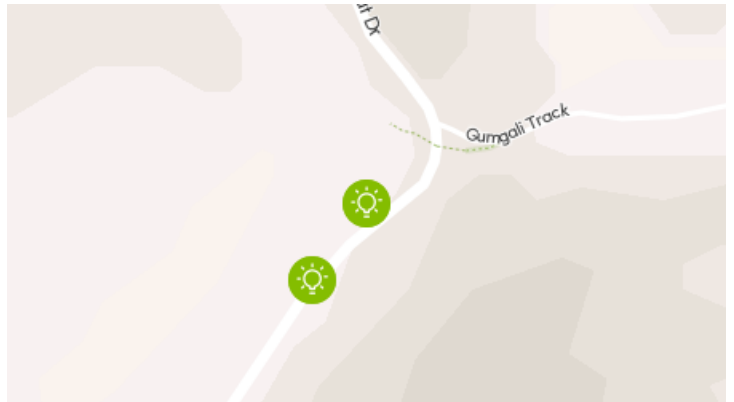
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- Public Toilet, Picnic Area Picnic Area, Cafe
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The Forest Sky Pier is located at Sealy Lookout, within Bruxner Park Flora Reserve, Orara East State Forest – only five kilometres from Coffs Harbour.

TreeTops Coffs Harbour



Treetops Adventure



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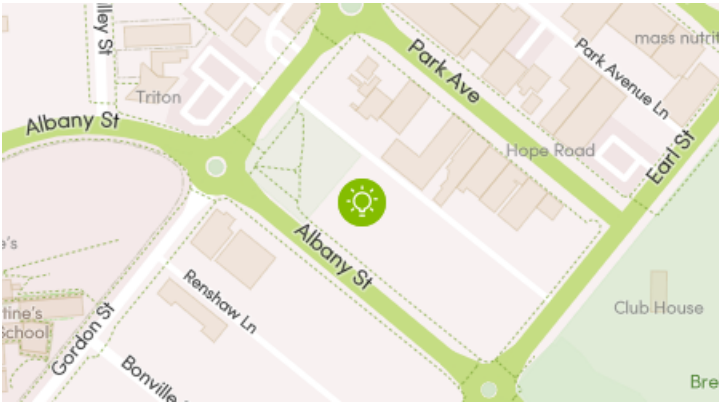
- Public Toilet, Picnic Area Picnic Area Public Toilet
- \$32 ~ \$59 AUD Parking

Treetop Adventure Park is a recreation activity in the tree tops, where participants slide down flying foxes, move from tree to tree on suspension bridges

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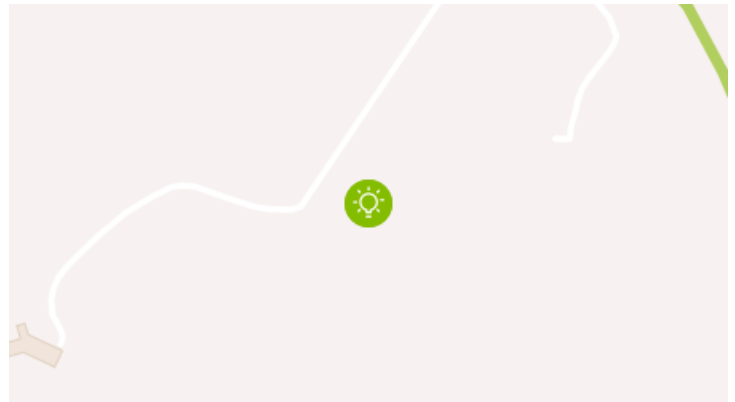
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Wajaana Yaam Adventure Tours run tours in 3 amazing locations across the Coffs Coast. The tours take place on the homelands of the Gumbaynggirr tribal

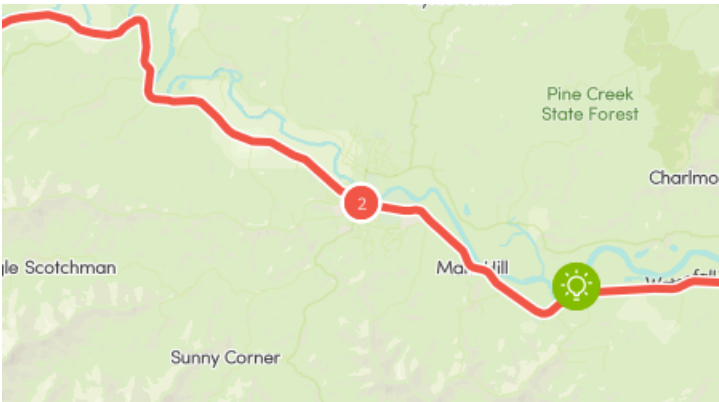
2 Bellingen



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📍 Kayaking on the Bellingen River, Bellingen



🚗 Arrive via car from **Bellingen**
36KM / 22MI ~ *Approximately 28 minutes*



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It's a 30min drive south to Bellingen, your route weaving through Bongil Bongil National Park, home to one of NSW's largest populations of koalas, as well as 165 species of birds. From here, follow the road west – you're now officially on the Waterfall Way, enveloped by forest in the foothills of the Great Dividing Range.

The bohemian town of Bellingen is known for many things, a laid-back lifestyle, eclectic cafes and independent boutiques among them. But its namesake river steals the show, this 70km waterway snaking across numerous national parks as well as emerald valleys, where wide-eyed cows graze.

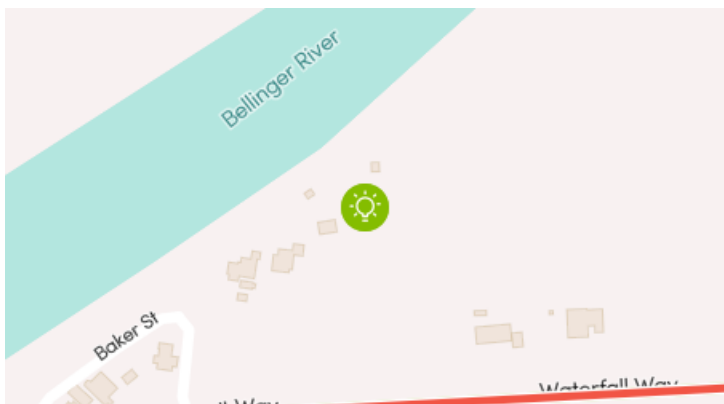
The best way to get a feel for this lush countryside is on the water, gliding (or splashing, depending on your energy levels) about with Bellingen Canoe Adventures. If you're lucky you'll spot the river's critically endangered snapping turtles, as well as cormorants, wood ducks and figbirds.

Sights & Activities



Bellingen Canoe Adventures

Bellingen Canoe Adventures



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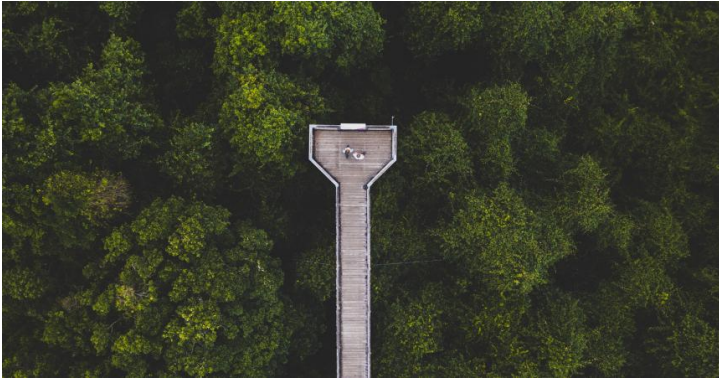
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Bellingin Canoe Adventures offers canoe trips to all ages, from beginners to the more advanced - flatwater, whitewater, sunset and full moon tours are available.

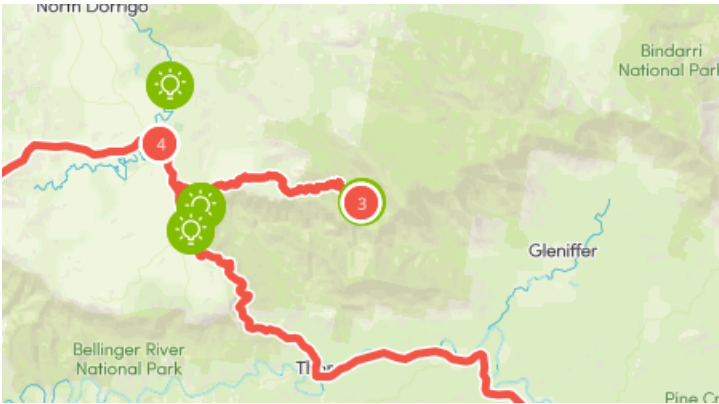
3 Dorrigo National Park



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i Dorrigo Skywalk in Dorrigo National Park



Arrive via car from **Dorrigo National Park**

38KM / 24MI ~ *Approximately 43 minutes*



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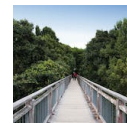
Your journey further west along Waterfall Way takes you deep into the heart of World Heritage-listed forest in Dorrigo National Park. This is part of the most extensive strip of diverse rainforest on the planet, and you'll have a front-row seat on the Crystal Shower Falls Walk, a 3.5km loop that takes you over a suspension bridge, past ancient trees and behind a waterfall. Look out for lyrebirds and grey goshawks along your route.

For a bird's-eye view, make a beeline for the Dorrigo Rainforest Centre and adjoining Skywalk. The former is the starting point for the region's many hikes, with detailed maps and guides available to lead you on adventures through this truly humbling patch of wilderness. The latter is a 70m walkway through the tree canopy, 21m above the forest floor, your backdrop the peak of McGraths Hump and your outlook green valleys and gorges.

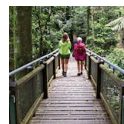
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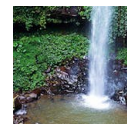
Dorrigo Rainforest Centre



Skywalk Lookout



Wonga Walk

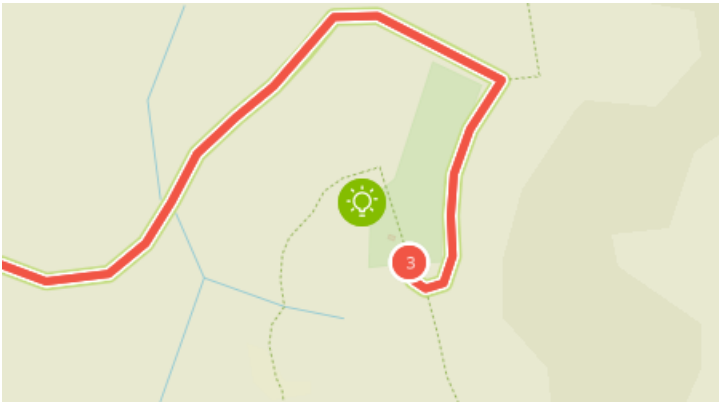


Crystal Shower Falls Walk

Dorrigo Rainforest Centre



📍 NSW Government



📍 Dorrigo National Park, Dorrigo Mountain, New South Wales, Australia, 2453

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🆓 Free Entry 🧑 Picnic Area 🍷 Picnic Area

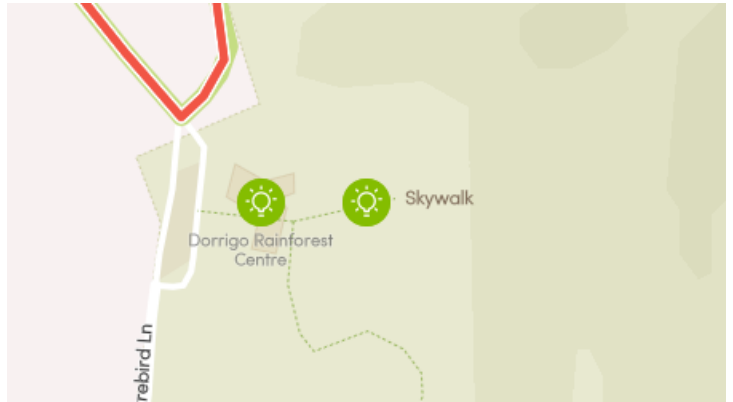
🦋 Birdwatching, Walks, WiFi

Learn about the National Park's flora and fauna in the intriguing education area at the Dorrigo National Park Rainforest Centre.

Skywalk Lookout



📍 Destination NSW - #155164



📍 Corner Dome Road and Lyrebird Lane, Dorrigo Mountain, New South Wales, Australia, 2453

📞 1300 072 757

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🚭 Non-smoking 🍷 Cafe, Barbeque, Kiosk 🦋 Lookouts

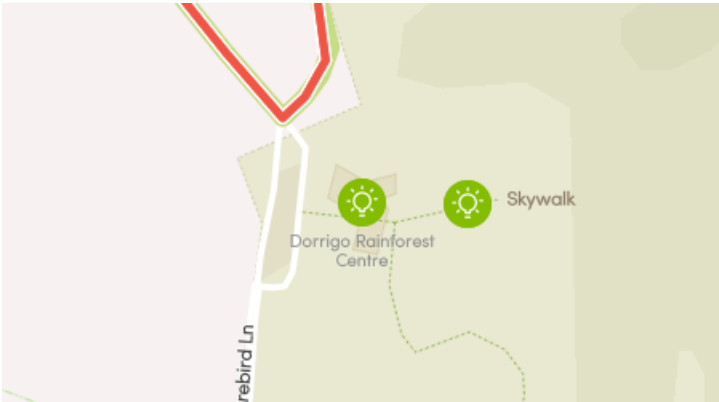
🚗 Parking

Directly connected to Dorrigo Rainforest Centre, Skywalk lookout offers a bird's-eye view of the surrounding landscape. Perched right on the edge of the escarpment, the

Wonga Walk



Photo: Rob Cleary



Lyrebird Lane, Dorrigo, New South Wales, Australia, 2453



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Walks, Hiking

Take a walk amongst subtropical rainforest and 600-year-old trees along the Wonga walk in Dorrigo National Park, home to the Tristania and Crystal Falls. The

Crystal Shower Falls Walk

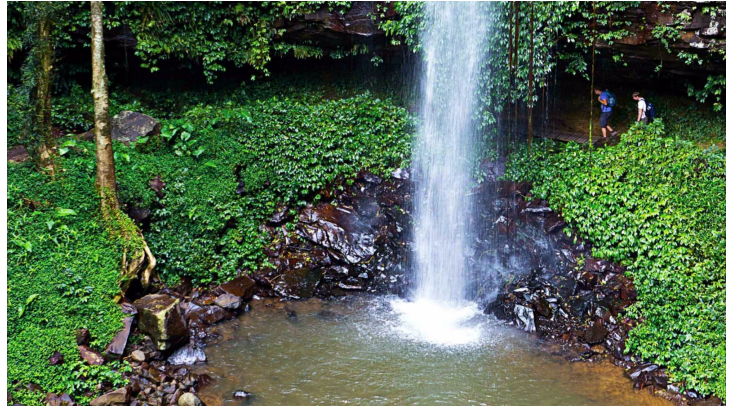
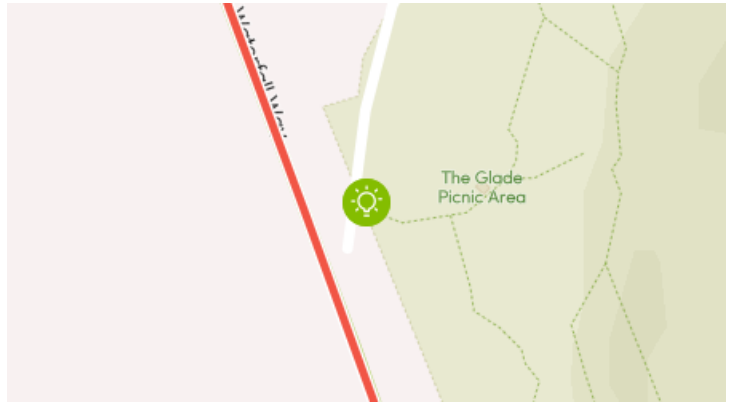


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Lyrebird Lane, Dorrigo Mountain, New South Wales, Australia, 2453



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Walks, Hiking

Walk through lush rainforest to reach Crystal Shower Falls in Dorrigo National Park near Coffs Harbour. Enjoy spectacular views from the rocky cavern behind the

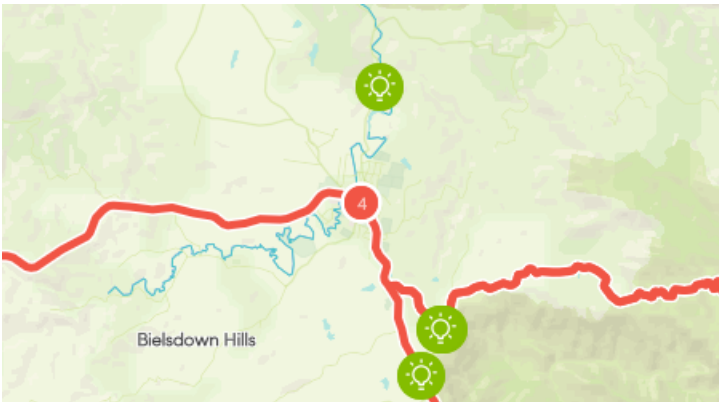
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Have a swim at Dangar Falls near Dorrigo



Arrive via car from **Dorrigo**
13KM / 8MI ~ *Approximately 24 minutes*

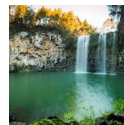


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The small town of Dorrigo in the Northern Tablelands is surrounded on almost every side by national parkland: its namesake to the east, where you've just come from, as well as Junuy Juluum to the north and Oxley Wild Rivers to the south. It's an idyllic base for bushwalkers, who head off from here on treks through the dense subtropical rainforest.

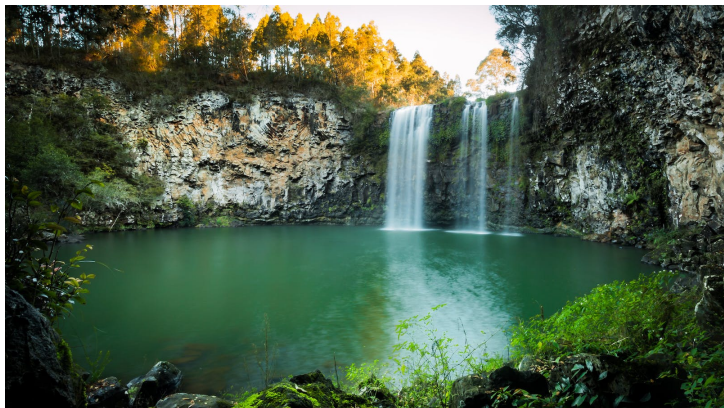
Leave the town behind and, just 2km later, you'll have a delicate mist settle over you at Dangar Falls. This place is like a pocket of Eden, the waterfall cascading 30m over basalt cliffs into a lagoon enveloped by mossy rocks. Whether you take this waterfall in from the elevated viewing platform or along the walking trail skirting its froth, this is one spectacular way to feel the force of NSW's nature.

Sights & Activities

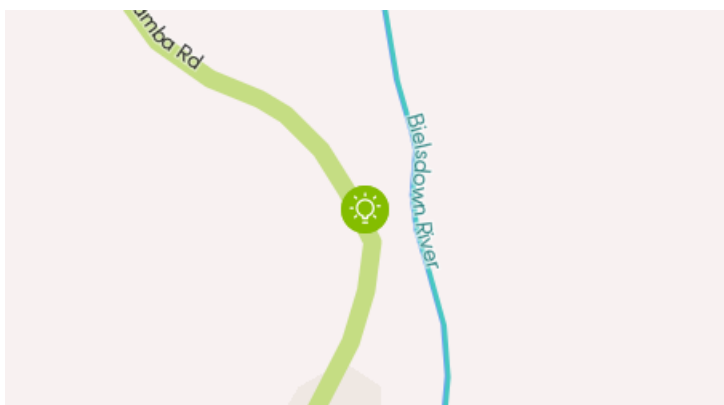



Dangar Falls


Dangar Falls



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Lookouts

Two kilometres north of Dorrigo town centre is Dangar Falls, a beautiful 30-metre waterfall set amidst scenic agricultural and dairy farmland. There's a car park,

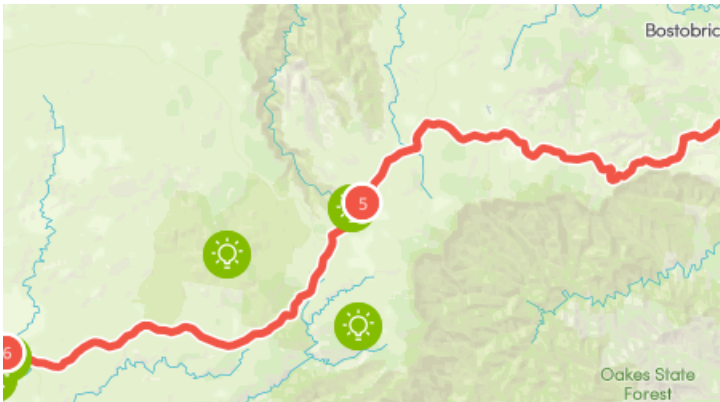
5 Ebor



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Ebor Falls on the Guy Fawkes River



Arrive via car from **Ebor**
46KM / 29MI ~ *Approximately 30 minutes*



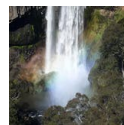
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It's a short and winding road west from Dorrigo through yet more rainforest to the village of Ebor. This is the heartland of the Waterfall Way, with easy access to countless national parks. To your south is New England National Park, its volcanic landscape of Gondwana forest-clad valleys and steep cliffs home to more than 100 species of birds. There are hikes that last anywhere from a few minutes to a few days.

Before you venture too far out of town, take a scenic pit stop at Ebor Falls. Here, the Guy Fawkes River thunders over cliffs, dropping 100m in two cascades. Pick your lookout: from where the water falls, mid-way down the drop or at ground level, giving you vast valley views. There's a trail linking them, with seasonal orchids and everlasting daisies along the way.

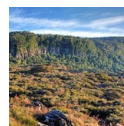
Driving south you'll pass through Cathedral Rock National Park, covered with wildflowers in spring and banksias year-round. Clamber over piles of enormous granite boulders at Cathedral Rock, an expanse reaching 200m high and extending more than a kilometre.

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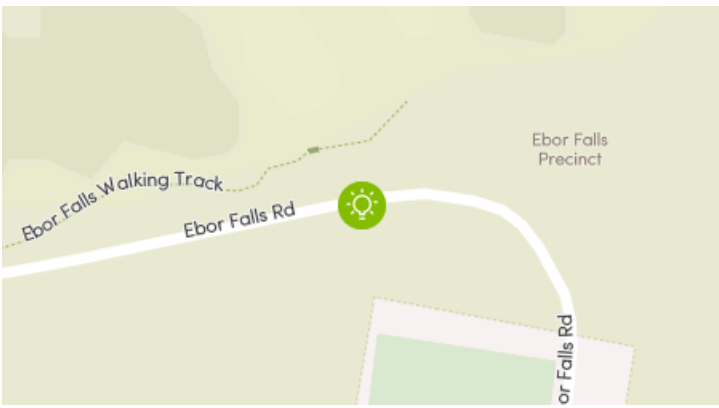
Ebor Falls


Cathedral Rock National Park




New England National Park

Ebor Falls







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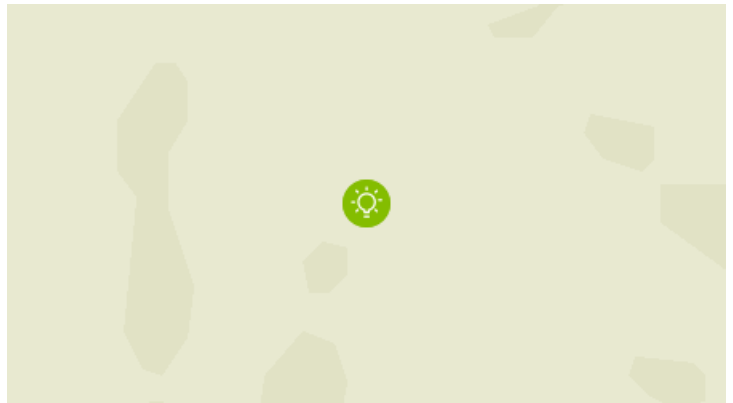



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-  Non-smoking
-  Barbeque
-  Lookouts
-  Parking

A great stop-off between the coast and Armidale along Waterfall Way, Ebor Falls offers spectacular waterfall views, scenic lookouts and a picnic area.

Cathedral Rock National Park

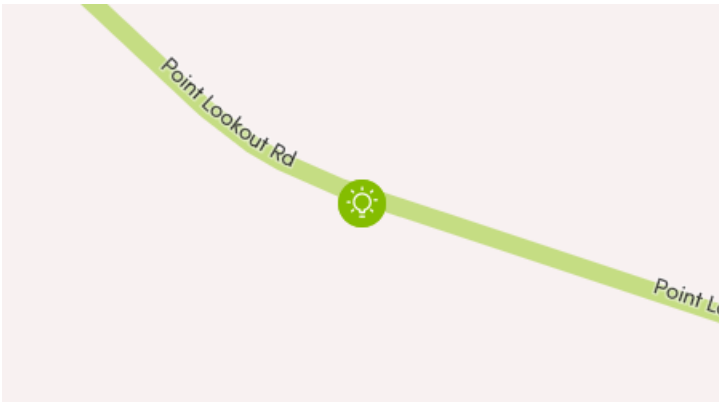


 Cathedral Rock National Park, Ebor, New South Wales, Australia, 2453




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New England National Park






 Point Lookout Road, Brinerville, New South Wales, Australia, 2454

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GET DIRECTIONS

-  Non-smoking, Picnic Area
-  Picnic Area
-  Camping, Scenic Drives, Swimming, Walks, Hiking, Lookouts

Enjoy the spectacular natural beauty of New England National Park. It's home to World Heritage rainforest, and boasts magnificent views, fantastic walking and various accommodation

6 Wollomombi



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The lookout over Wollomombi Falls - Leah Pippas, NPWS



Arrive via car from

Wollomombi

39KM / 24MI ~ *Approximately 24 minutes*



GET DIRECTIONS

It's around 30km from Cathedral Rock to Wollomombi, a tiny village set high on the edge of the Oxley Wild Rivers National Park in the Northern Tablelands. This vast expanse of protected land is a dramatic union of ridges and gorges, rocky outcrops and rushing rivers, which tumble over the cliffs at Wollomombi Falls – the cascade can drop 220m after heavy rains.

Catch a glimpse from the lookout, or lace up your hiking boots and wander through World Heritage-listed forest of red gum and yellow box, home to the state's largest population of brush-tail rock wallabies.

Set out on the Wollomombi Walking Track and your path will cross the Wollomombi River, a known habitat for the elusive platypus. When you reach the gorge, gaze skywards to see wedge-tailed eagles and peregrine falcons surfing thermals overhead, before the 4km trail ends at neighbouring Chandler Falls, smaller than Wollomombi but just as impressive.

Sights & Activities



Wollomombi Walking Track

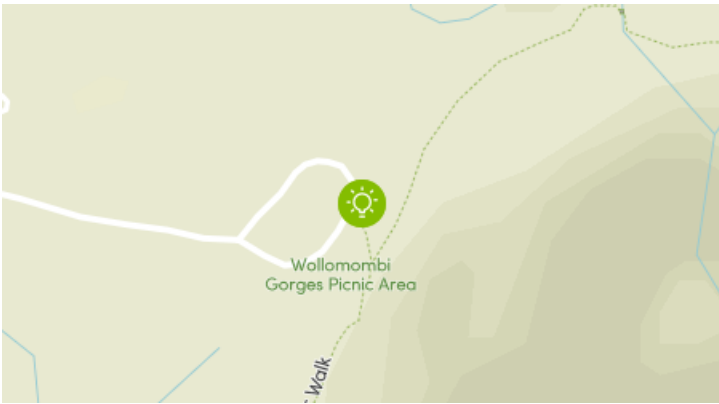


Wollomombi Falls

Wollomombi Walking Track



Photo: J Lehmann



Wollomombi Falls Road, Hillgrove, New South Wales, Australia, 2350



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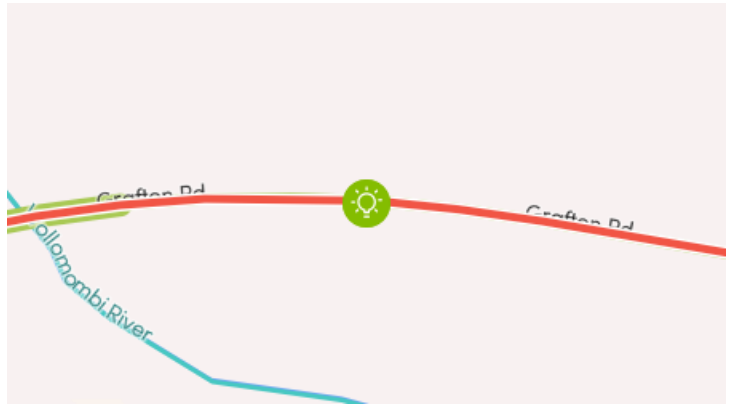
🚶 Walks, Hiking

It's all waterfalls and wilderness on this easy walk around the rim of the Wollomombi Gorge high in the falls country of the Northern Tablelands,

Wollomombi Falls



Armidale Visitor Information Centre



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Wollomombi, New South Wales,
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Public Toilet

Barbeque

Public Toilet

Birdwatching, Walks,

Hiking

\$6.00 AUD*

* Prices for overnight camping:
AUD6 per adult per night. AUD3.50
per child per night Entry to the
National Park is free

The Wollomombi Falls are one of the highest falls in Australia. The spectacular single fall from the undulating plateau country around Wollomombi to the floor.

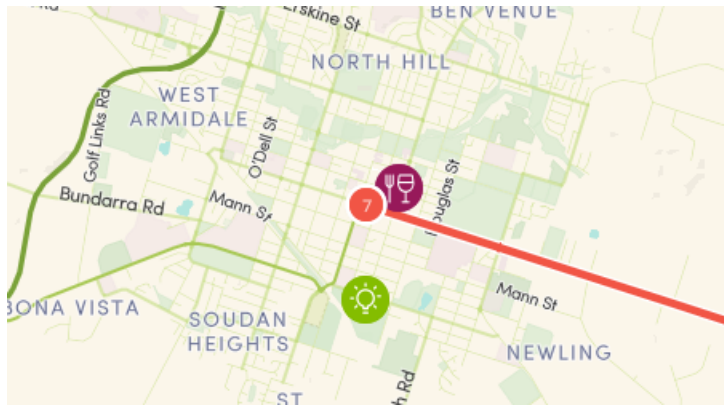
7 Armidale



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Autumn colours across the city of Armidale



Arrive via car from **Armidale**
41KM / 26MI ~ *Approximately 28 minutes*



GET DIRECTIONS

Follow the Waterfall Way west for another 42km and you'll reach your final destination on this road trip. Armidale's leafy streets are lined with grand heritage buildings and churches – it's known locally as the 'Cathedral City' for good reason.

The structure housing the New England Regional Art Museum is much more modern, however. The significant collection at this gallery covers Australian works from the 1880s to present day, uniting everything from abstract art to originals by landscape painter Arthur Streeton.

A full day of hiking, waterfall chasing, canoeing and culture seeking is thirsty work, so it's a good thing the city has establishments like the Welder's Dog. This popular microbrewery makes some of the tastiest fizzy beverages you'll find in Australia, from a flavourful Indian pale ale to a zingy ginger beer and even a boozy lemonade infused with pea blossoms.

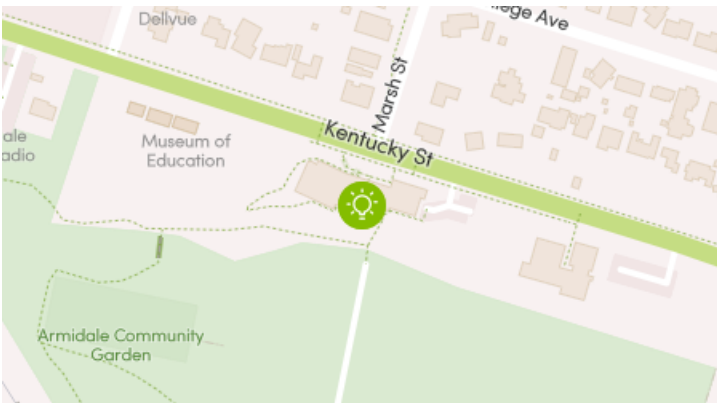
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New England Regional Art Museum



The Welders Dog

New England Regional Art Museum



📍 106 -114 Kentucky Street, Armidale, New South Wales, Australia, 2350



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The Welders Dog



📍 The Welders Dog



📍 120 Marsh Street, Armidale, New South Wales, Australia, 2350

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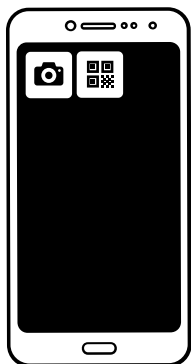
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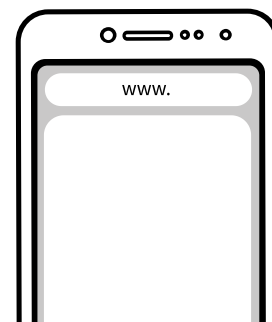
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