Wyrrabalong National Park

ABOUT WYRRABALONG
Wyrrabalong National Park provides great opportunities for bushwalking, sightseeing, picnicking, swimming, surfing and fishing. The southern section near Bateau Bay has spectacular coastal views, abundant wildflowers in spring and excellent places to watch migratory whales from late May to August.

The northern section of the park occupies the barrier dune system separating Tuggerah Lakes from Tuggerah Beach. You can explore the rainforest, wetlands and beautiful Red Gum Forest on the lake side or visit popular surfing beaches on the ocean side.

BUSHWALKING

THE COAST WALKING TRACK (3.5 km one-way – medium)
Stretching from north of Forresters Beach to the northern end of Bateau Bay Beach, this walk can be completed in smaller sections if desired. The track passes through beautiful forests and along cliff tops, providing stunning views of the coast line, excellent for whale watching from late May to August. The track provides a fabulous display of wildflowers, particularly flannel flowers and ground orchids, in late winter and early spring.

RED GUM TRAIL (2.3 km return – easy)
This easy walk is in wonderful Red Gum Forest. Walk through a magical forest of magnificent angophoras whose trunks turn pink-orange after shedding bark — an amazing sight. Link up with the 1.3 km Burrawang Track to complete the circuit.

WETLAND TRAIL (0.9 km – easy – off Red Gum Trail)
The Wetland Trail provides a link to Evans Road, Toukley, and traverses the swamp mahogany and paperbark-fringed wetlands connecting the Red Gum Trail.

LILLYPilly LOOP TRAIL (4.6 km – return – easy)
In the northern section of Wyrrabalong NP, this circuit track through the rainforest takes you under a canopy of towering corkwoods and cabbage tree palms while providing great views over the wetlands bordering Tuggerah Lakes.

CRACKNECK LOOKOUT
Crackneck Lookout is ideal for a family picnic. The views from this site stretch to the north past Norah Head and over Tuggerah Lake and The Entrance. An excellent site for whale watching from late May to August when humpbacks head north on their annual migration to warmer breeding and mating waters off Queensland.

Whales are frequently seen breaching and tail slapping. Watch for the blow as the whale surfaces for air. NPWS frequently has whale watch days at this location; check the website www.wildaboutwhales.com.au.

IMAGES
MAIN: Angophoras are a striking feature of Wyrrabalong and Bouddi national parks. Photo: OEH.
ABOVE: Walking in Wyrrabalong NP. Photo: OEH.
LEFT: Bouddi beach scene. Photo: Bob Peters / OEH.
CARING FOR YOUR NATIONAL PARKS

- Please respect Aboriginal sites and places, they are protected.
- All native plants and animals and rock formations are protected.
- Fires are not permitted in coastal parks. Free gas barbecues are available at a number of areas.
- Leave dead wood and rocks where you find them, they provide important habitat for many animals.
- Please use rubbish bins where provided, otherwise take your rubbish with you when you leave.
- Please leave your pets at home – they are not permitted in national parks, state conservation areas or nature reserves.
- Please do not feed native animals as this may make them sick.
- Drive carefully. Vehicles, including motorbikes, must keep to formed public roads. Unregistered vehicles, including motorbikes, are not permitted.

DISCOVERY PROGRAMS

To find out about guided Discovery Activities phone 4320 4205 or visit our website:

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