

BUNGONIA NATIONAL PARK

Bungonia National Park covers a strip of the Southern Tablelands from the spectacular limestone of Bungonia Creek southwards along the escarpment, west of the Shoalhaven River.

The National Park is one of NSW's oldest conservation reserves with sections of the park first protected as a water reserve in 1872. Lands were reserved for the preservation of caves in 1902.

Whilst early attempts were made to develop the caves for tourism purposes, this work was hampered by foul air and the difficulty of providing public access. Many of Bungonia's caves are just as steep and precipitous as the surrounding landscape and they can only be explored by well-equipped and experienced cavers.

PARK HIGHLIGHTS

Adventure caving is one of Bungonia's best known activities and the caves are among the deepest on the Australian mainland. The caves have been described in the book *Under Bungonia* by Julie & Peter Bauer.

A number of bushwalking routes have spectacular views from lookouts around the escarpment edge. Adams Lookout and Bungonia Lookdown are easily accessible via short, paved pathways close to the main car parks. The most popular easy walk is the Green Track, which is suitable for young families and covers just over 5km of undulating ground on the plateau.

Longer walks include the Red Track which follows a spectacular 4-5 hour track through the Bungonia Slot Canyon. When setting out on the longer walks, leave early in the day to ensure a safe return before nightfall. Visitors entering the park via the Trestle Track must not obstruct access to private property and must register at the park office.

Rock climbing, canyoning, canoeing, abseiling and picnicking are other activities enjoyed at Bungonia. These drawcards remain the area's main attractions, ensuring that a visit to Bungonia National Park caters for a wide range of interests and abilities.

GETTING THERE

Bungonia National Park is 190km southwest of Sydney, 140km northeast of Canberra and 35km east of Goulburn. Access is via the village of Bungonia (25km east of Goulburn or 15km south of Marulan). At Bungonia follow the signposts to Bungonia National Park, a further 10km along Lookdown Road.

PICNIC AREAS AND CAMPING

Day use facilities (toilets, picnic tables and gas barbecues) are provided at David Reid, Adams and de Kerilleau car parks.

The camping area has a modern amenity block with hot showers and flushing toilets. A large enclosed communal camp kitchen with disabled access has gas cook tops, food preparation area and a gas room heater (available in winter). A small conference room is also available for hire.

Note: Groups wishing to use the camping area are advised to book in advance.

PARK FEES

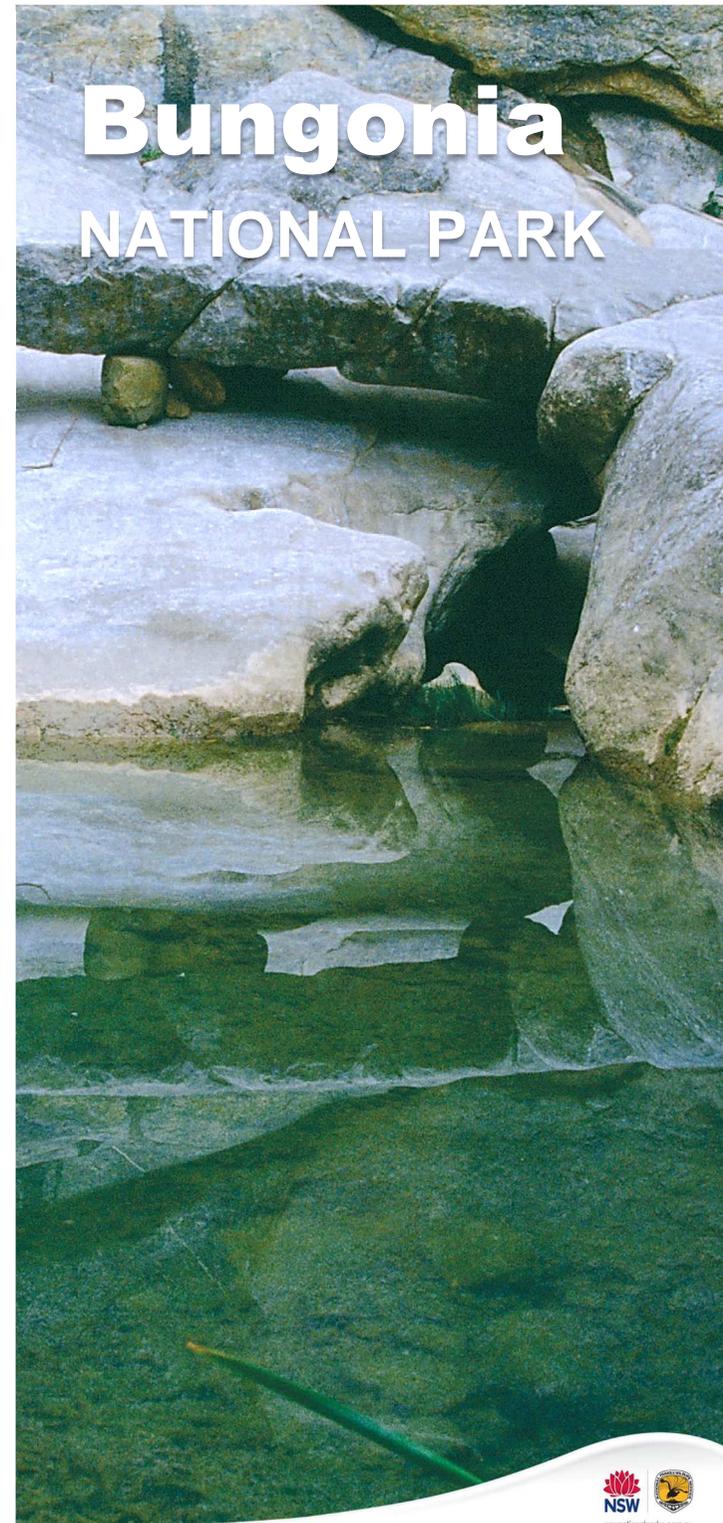
A park use fee applies to all vehicles entering the park (including motorbikes) unless you hold a NSW National Parks Annual Pass.

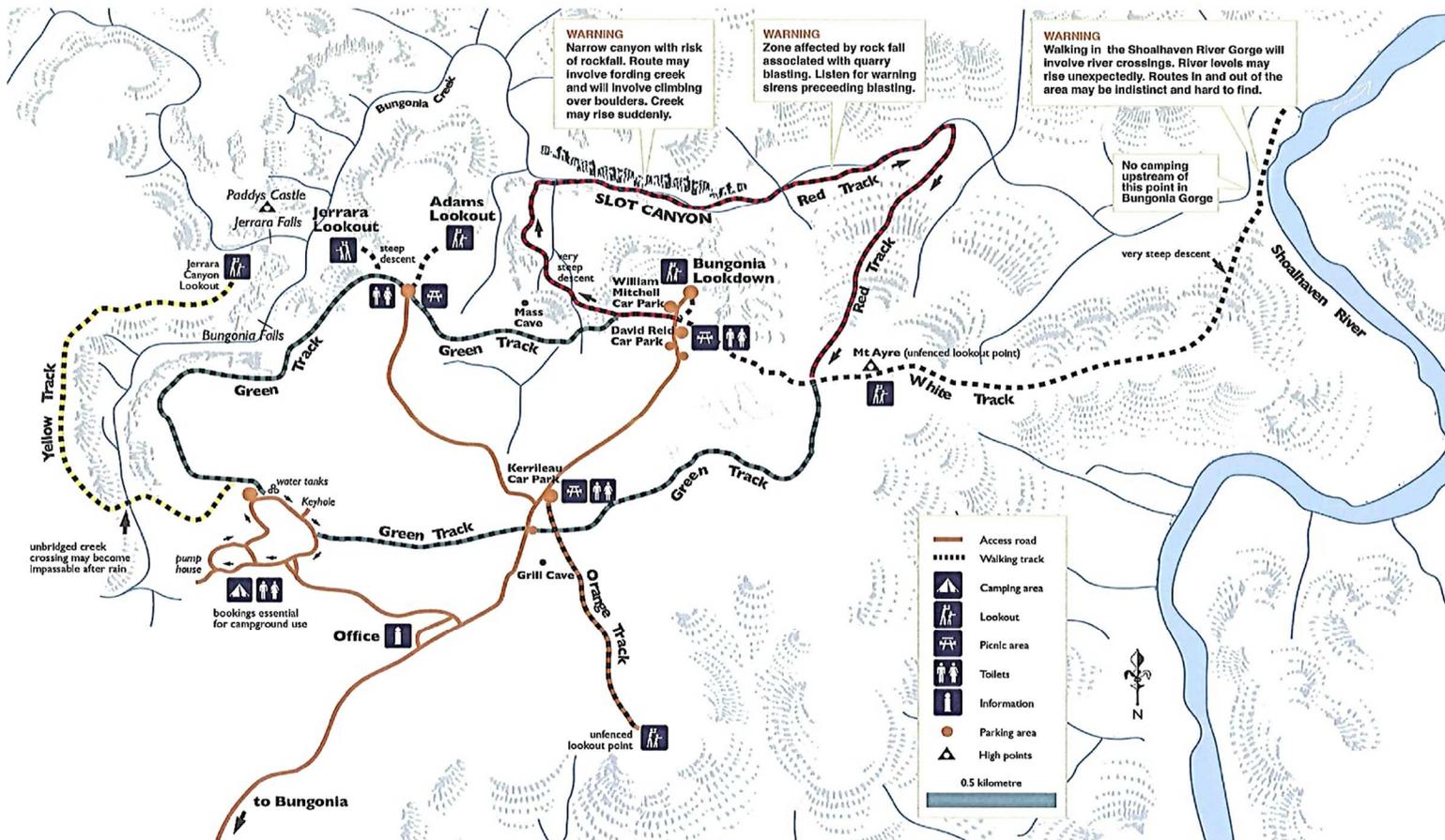
CAMPING FEES

Additional fees apply for camping for adults and children (5-15 years). Rates change for peak and off-peak times. Check your dates, review availability and prices and book online at www.nationalparks.nsw.gov.au/bookings

FURTHER INFORMATION

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WALKING TRACK DETAILS

GREEN TRACK (Scenic walk)	Easy/Moderate
6.7 km - 3 hour return	
YELLOW TRACK	Moderate
2.5 km - 2 hour return	
ORANGE TRACK	Easy
1.2 km - 1 hour return	
RED TRACK	Hard
3.8 km - 5 hour return	
WHITE TRACK	
To Mt Ayre 1.5 km - 1 hour return	Easy
Mt Ayre to Shoalhaven River 3 km - 4 hour return	Hard

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS

The 1:25 000 maps which cover Bungonia National Park;
 Caoura 8928-III-N Bungonia 8828-II-N
 Koorngaroo 8828 -II-S Touga 8928-III-S

STAYING SAFE IN PARKS

Bungonia National Park is a rugged natural area containing cliffs and steep gorges. Visitors should exercise caution when exploring the site and children should be supervised at all times.

Remember to plan ahead, choose your walks and activities to match your fitness level. Tell someone where you're going and when you'll be back. Please note that anyone undertaking any of the adventure activities at Bungonia must complete the visitor intentions register at the park office prior to setting off.

For information about staying safe in parks visit www.nationalparks.nsw.gov.au/safety

BEFORE SETTING OUT

Please be sure to enter the details of your intended walk or other adventure sports activity in the register located on the verandah of the park office.

This information is vital in the event of a search and rescue operation being required. It also assists people to plan their activities so as to reduce crowding in caves and at abseil sites.

PLEASE REMEMBER

- Leave your pets at home.
- Record your safe return in the activity register book at the office.
- 'Go' before you go. Please go to the toilet before undertaking caving activities.
- Keep your noise to a minimum (generators are not permitted).
- Keep to formed roads.
- Chainsaws are not permitted.
- Wood fires not permitted.
- Take your rubbish out with you when you leave.
- All flora and fauna are protected.
- Keep soap and other detergents well away from any waterways.
- Please don't feed the wildlife as this can damage their health.

NOTES

- Specialist equipment is required to enter caves and to undertake activities such as abseiling and canyoning.
- Rock climbing at Bungonia is technically very advanced and should only be undertaken by fully experienced and well equipped parties.



Enjoy stunning views across the Shoalhaven River from Mt Ayre