OUTBACK
Please note: This map should be used as a basic guide and is not guaranteed to be free from error or omission.
**CULGOA NATIONAL PARK**
36,330ha

Sit in the shade of the coolabah trees flanking the floodplain of the Culgoa River and watch the passing bustards, falcons, honeyeaters and cockatoos or the kangaroos and emus on the open grass plains. Walk along the riverbank through coolabah woodlands or over sand hills carpeted in wildflowers following spring rains. This is a remote park that is subject to road and park closures during inclement weather.

Access: 100km north of Brewarrina or 180km north-east of Bourke. Unsealed dry-weather public roads and unsealed roads within the park may be closed when wet.

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**GUNDABOOKA NATIONAL PARK**
92,131ha

Mount Gundabooka rises to 500m among the rust-coloured cliffs, gorges and hills of the Gundabooka Range. The region is of great significance to the local Ngiyampaa and Paakantji people and the range has a history of ceremonial gatherings and rock art. Be sure to take Mulgowan (Yappa) Aboriginal Art Site walking track to see some ancient Aboriginal rock art up close.

Dry Tank has a camping and picnic area that's accessible by car and is large enough for campervans and has shelters, picnic tables and hybrid flush toilets. Little Mountain walk is a 4.2km walk from Dry Tank picnic area through mulga woodlands to nearby Little Mountain and you can head to the summit for a view of the north-west escarpment of the Gundabooka Range.

Yanda campground is located in the Gundabooka State Conservation Area on the Louth/Bourke road on the Darling River. It has hybrid flush toilets, barbecues and shelters, rainwater tanks and it is suitable for camping and caravans with nine sites available. There's accommodation available for groups in the Belah Shearers' Quarters and Redbank Homestead.

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**KINCHEGA NATIONAL PARK**
44,260ha

Meander amongst the massive river red gums that silhouette the Darling River or witness history unfold as you wander along the lake's dry shores and over the red sand dunes. This area has withstood the test of time, enduring droughts and floods. Sit back and relax; enjoy watching the birds flit past and spot the kangaroos and emus.

Explore the Aboriginal sites and European structures, such as the Kinchega Woolshed or stop for a break at one of the many picnic areas, including Morton Boulka and Lake Cawndilla.

Emu Lake camping area has a toilet, fire pits and ample room for tents and vans. Along the Darling River Drive there are over 30 camp sites, a number with toilets, picnic tables and fire pits.

You can also stay in the Kinchega Shearers' Quarters (bookings essential, phone (08) 8080 3200) near the Kinchega Woolshed and Visitor Centre.

Access: 111km south-east of Broken Hill along the sealed road to Menindee. Unsealed roads within the park may be closed when wet. Vehicle entry fees and camping fees do apply.
MOUNT GRENFELL HISTORIC SITE
1,357 ha

Hundreds of Aboriginal paintings in reds, yellows and ochres colour the rock overhang of Mount Grenfell. In 2004, this historic site was handed back to the Ngiyampaa people, who now lease it to the NSW Government. The three main art sites are within easy walking distance of the carpark, or you can take the 5km Ngiyampaa walk, which reveals the breathtaking scenery of the area.

Access: 40km west of Cobar along the Barrier Highway, then 32km of unsealed road north (impassable after rain).

MUTAWINTJI HISTORIC SITE
486ha

This site, which in 1998 was formally handed back to its traditional owners, contains one of the best collections of Aboriginal rock art in NSW. To protect its unique cultural heritage, visitors need to visit the historic site as part of a tour. Contact the Broken Hill National Parks office for details.

There is no camping at the historic site, but you can stay at Homestead Creek campground.

Access: From Broken Hill, take Silver City Highway (sealed and unsealed) towards Tibooburra and look for the Mutawintji National Park turnoff on your right (road is susceptible to closures). From Tibooburra, take Silver City Highway towards Broken Hill and look for the Mutawintji National Park turnoff on your left.

MUTAWINTJI NATIONAL PARK
68,912ha

The rugged, mulga-clad Bynguano Range is dissected by colourful gorges, rockpools and creek beds lined with red gums. Scattered among rocks and overhangs are galleries of Aboriginal rock art and engravings. The park was returned to its traditional owners in 1998 and is held on their behalf by the Mutawintji Local Aboriginal Land Council.

The Homestead Creek campground is on the main road and 1km on from the self-serve visitor centre. Enjoy the serenity of the Australian outback and savour uninterrupted sunrises and sunsets and the mesmerising brightness of the stars.

Backpack camping is permitted within the Mutawintji Wilderness Area, with registration forms required (forms available from the Broken Hill National Parks office).

Travellers are encouraged to carry extra water while visiting this park.

Access: 130km north-east of Broken Hill; turn east off the road to Tibooburra. In wet weather both the public road and roads within the park may be closed. Check conditions before travelling. There are no entrance fees, however, camping fees apply.

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PAROO-DARLING NATIONAL PARK

272,000ha

Before your visit, learn about the area and its people at the White Cliffs visitor centre. Visit Peery Lake and see the fascinating birdlife and spectacular natural beauty of this unique park.

The Coach and Horse campground lies on the eastern Darling River at Wilga. There are camping fees and an entrance fee per vehicle to this section of the park. Bring your own drinking water and food and ensure you are self-sufficient as this is an isolated campground. Facilities include gas barbecues, non-flush toilets and shelters.

Enjoy a drive through the park, stopping to observe the wildlife, or walk along one of the many tree-lined creeks. You can also book a ranger-led tour during autumn, winter and spring school holiday periods (book at the Paroo-Darling Visitor Centre, White Cliffs).

Access: The park is in a number of separate sections and can be accessed from several points: 33km east of White Cliffs along the Mandalay Road, 80km north of Wilcannia along the Wanaaring Road, 60km east of Wilcannia on the East Road to Bourke. Roads may be closed when wet.

STURT NATIONAL PARK

340,329ha

An enormous arid landscape with its own beauty, a place of space and solitude. The rolling red-sand dunes of the Strzelecki Desert ripple through the western section, graduating past surprising wetlands and gibber plains. Flat-topped ‘mesas’ or ‘jump-ups’ and fantastic views characterise the landscape. Enjoy the self-guided loop drives accessible by 2WD or go 4WD trekking along the Middle Road, passing through uniquely diverse terrain with lookout along the way providing magnificent views. Explore the walks at Fort Grey, Olive Downs, Dead Horse Gully and to the summit of Mount Wood – most walks are easy to moderate and allow for a short loop walk of 1–3 hours.

The camp sites of Olive Downs, Dead Horse Gully, Fort Grey and Mount Wood campground are equipped with barbecues, toilets and shelters and are suitable for caravans, but bring your own water and please respect the ‘no wood-fire’ policy.

Mount Wood Homestead and Mount Wood Shearers’ Quarters are both accommodation for the self-sufficient travellers. Bookings are essential for these isolated venues. The homestead accommodates up to 11 people in five rooms, with linen and towels provided for guests. Full kitchen facilities and shared bathrooms are within the complex.

The Shearers’ Quarters can accommodate up to 32 people (8 rooms, each equipped with bunk beds and mattresses). There is a communal kitchen and dining area and a separate amenities block. There is a minimum requirement of eight guests to book this property. Guests must bring all of their own supplies, including food, water and bedding.

Access: 335km north of Broken Hill along the partly sealed Silver City Highway and 430km west of Bourke (unsealed). Check the conditions after rain as public roads and roads within the park may be closed. Vehicle entry fees and camping fees apply.

VISITOR CENTRES

Broken Hill
183 Argent Street, Broken Hill
Ph (08) 8080 3200

PAROO DARLING NATIONAL PARK
White Cliffs Visitor Centre
Keraro Road, White Cliffs
Ph (08) 8083 7900

Buronga
Corner of Sturt Highway and Melaleuca Street, Buronga
Ph (03) 5021 8900

Bourke
51–53 Oxley Street, Bourke
Ph (02) 6830 0200

Tibooburra
51 Briscoe Street, Tibooburra
Ph (08) 8091 3308
**DRIVES AND ITINERARIES**

Connect, explore and discover the hidden secrets of all that Outback NSW has to offer.

The lower Darling–Murrumbidgee region straddling the Victorian border offers a base to immerse yourself in the majestic wetland wonders and striking outback landscapes of Perry Sand Hills and Mutawintji National Park.

Venture up to the intersection where NSW, South Australia and Queensland meet and try out the Corner Country loop joining Broken Hill, Tibooburra and Bourke.

On this loop you can find the striking red earth juxtaposed with bright blue skies at Gundabooka National Park, learn about Aboriginal history at the Mount Grenfell Historical Site, and camp beside a magical lake at Paroo Darling National Park.

There’s nowhere else on earth quite like Outback NSW, and these drives and itineraries will help you get there.

To view a range of outback itineraries, visit nationalparks.nsw.gov.au.

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**GREAT PLACES TO STAY**

**GUNDABOOKA NATIONAL PARK**

Heritage accommodation is available at Gundabooka National Park. There’s the Belah Shearers’ Quarters, which sleep up to 12 and are suitable for small groups.

The Redbank Homestead is a fully renovated cottage with Darling River frontage, sleeping up to 12. It’s part of Yanda Station, which is now part of the Gundabooka State Conservation Area. Experience authentic outback rustic living, including red dirt and unusual wildlife. Visitors booking the Belah Shearers’ Quarters or Redbank Homestead are required to bring their own bed linen, pillows, blankets, towels, food and fuel.

Call 13000 PARKS (13000 72757) or visit nationalparks.nsw.gov.au/bookings.
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