

Campbell Drive to Snapper Point

(Darkinjung & Guringai Country)

🔥 1 h 30 min to 1 h 45 min









This walk follows the Coast Track to Frazer Beach, along the Geebung and (overgrown) Grass Tree Tracks. From the northern end of Frazer Beach, the walk heads across the exposed rockshelf to Snapper Point Beach, then on to Snapper Point (consider tide and sea conditions before setting out). From Snapper Point, there are more great ocean views and a lookout which views a large sea cave. If you have extra time, the side trip to Wybung Head is worth the effort. A very diverse walk exploring many of the highlights in the park. Let us begin by acknowledging the Darkinjung & Guringai people, Traditional Custodians of the land on which we travel today, and pay our respects to their Elders past and present.



Class 5 of 6 Rough unclear track	
Quality of track	Rough unclear track (5/6)
Gradient	Short steep hills (3/6)
Signage	No directional signs (5/6)
Infrastructure	Limited facilities, not all cliffs are fenced (3/6)
Experience Required	High level of bushwalking experience recommended (5/6)
Weather	Forecasted & unexpected severe weather likely to have an impact on your navigation and safety (5/6)

Getting to the start: From Pacific Motorway Onramp

- Turn on to Motorway Link Offramp then drive for 16.5 km
- Turn right onto Kanangra Drive and drive for another 1.7 km
- Turn left onto Campbell Drive and drive for another 670 m
- Continue onto Campbell Drive and drive for another 155 m

Before you start any journey ensure you;

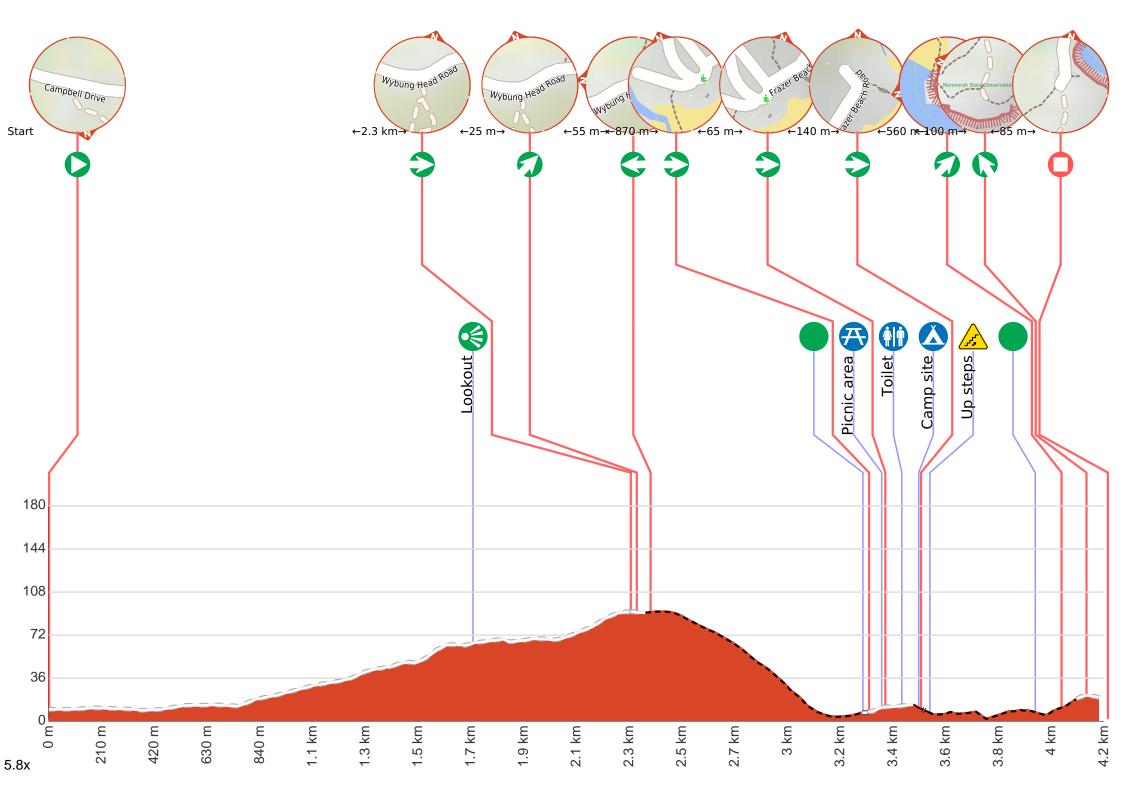
- Tell someone you trust where you are going and what to do if you are late returning
- Have adequate equipment, supplies, skills & knowledge to undertake this journey safely
- Consider weather forecasts, park/track closures & fire dangers
- Can respond to emergencies & call for help at any point
- Are healthy and fit enough for this journey

If not, change plans and stay safe. It is okay to delay and ask people for help.



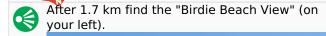


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Getting started: From Campbell Dr (800m east of the intersection with Blue Wren Dr), this walk heads south around the locked gate, though a clearing then follows the 'Coast Track' sign along the management trail. After about 350m, the management trail ends, and the walk crosses a small creek using a timber boardwalk. The walk heads up a series of timber steps (where the track is now lined with timber) and across a small clearing, then back through tall dense heath for about 200m. Here, the track is no longer lined with timber edging, but is still clear as it soon bends left and heads up the wide ridge through the low heath, with great district views behind. The track continues up the hill as Birdie Beach comes into view (on the right) and, just after a significant left-hand bend, the track comes to the top of the hill with a great view down Birdie Beach (now behind).

From the Campbell Drive **Start** (a vehicle track).



Birdie Beach View is an informal lookout found on a sweeping bend along the Geebung Track, north of Birdie Beach. The view south over Red Ochre Beach and along Birdie Beach is fantastic. Norah Head can be seen in the distance, past Bird Island. Since the re-vegetation of the track to Birdie Beach Lookout this is the best point from which to enjoy the view. A great spot to enjoy the coast.



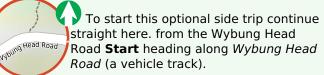
After another 540 m **continue straight**.



After another 85 m turn right.



Start of an optional side trip: An optional side trip to Tip of Wybung Head.





After 420 m head through/around the gate.

After another 80 m find the "Wybung Whale Watching Area" (40 m on your left).



The Wybung Whale Watching Area is a small clearing perched on Wybung Head, just a short walk from the end of Wybung Head Rd. The clearing on the top of the hill provides sweeping views of the ocean. A sign hidden among the scrub provides information about the migrating mammals. There is no shade or wind protection on this exposed grassy knoll, but it does provide a great spot to watch the migration. Northern migration from June to July and southern migration from Sept to Oct.



After another 165 m come to the end.

About 100 m past the end is "Wybung Head".



Wybung Head is distinct headland found at the end of Wybung Head Rd, and provides great views up and down the coast. Wybung is a local Aboriginal word meaning 'Dangerous Sea'. The narrow headland has sheer unfenced cliffs all around, and sweeping views of the ocean. There is no shade, or protection from the wind. A great spot to enjoy the pounding sea.



Turn around and retrace your steps back the 670 m to the main route.



Back at the main route turn right and follow on from the 2.4 km waypoint.



After another 55 m (from the Wybung Head Road) turn left (a walking track). After another 840 m find the "Frazer Beach" (20 m on your right).



Frazer Beach is a 650m-wide sandy beach, facing south-east. The beach is a popular swimming area with a patrol service provided during Christmas, Easter and April School Holidays. The back of the beach is home to Bongon Lagoon. Up the hill near the road is a large car park, several picnic tables, an amenities block (with shower and toilets), an emergency phone and Frazer camping ground. There is limited natural shade, but the beach is a interesting place to explore and relax.



After another 25 m turn right.



After another 50 m find the "Frazer Beach Picnic Area" (25 m on your right).



Frazer Beach Picnic Area is found at the end of Frazer Beach Rd. There is a great view over the the beach and out to sea. There are a couple of sheltered tables and more unsheltered tables, as well as direct access to the beach down the stairs. An amenities block is just above the upper car park, as well as an emergency telephone.



After another 15 m turn right.



After another 45 m (from the Frazer Beach Road) **continue straight**, to head along Frazer Beach Road.



After another 20 m pass the toilet (70 m on your left).



After another 65 m come to the "Frazer Beach campsite" (on your right).



After another 9 m (from the Frazer Beach Road) **turn right** (a footpath).



After another 35 m head up the steps (about 10 m long)



After another 410 m find the "Snapper Point Beach" (10 m on your left).



Snapper Point Beach is an informally named beach, just north of Frazer Beach and south of Snapper Point. The deep south-west facing sandy beach has a rock platform either side. Some rusted rubbish has washed up on the beach but otherwise the beach feels remote and secluded. Access to the beach is possible along the rocky shore line, but only during low tides and low seas.



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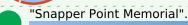
Start of an optional side trip: An optional side trip to Snapper Point Memorial.



To start this optional side trip turn sharp right here. **Start**.



After another 55 m come to the end.





Snapper Point is located north-east of Frazer Beach and is home to a memorial to 7 lives lost on this point in the ten years before 1979 (when the plaque was placed). Since then, three more names have been added to the memorial. Please heed the warning and avoid your name appearing here. Snapper Point is a popular rock fishing spot, with a large flat platform providing great panoramic views of the ocean. A 'Life Buoy' sign points to two nearby floatation aids if needed.



Turn around and retrace your steps back the 55 m to the main route.



Back at the main route continue straight and follow on from the 4.1 km waypoint.



After another 100 m veer left.



After another 85 m come to the end.



A gate.



About 15 m past the end is "Snapper Point Cave Lookout".



The Snapper Point Cave Lookout is on the northern side of Snapper Point car park (at the end of Snapper Point Rd). The fenced lookout enjoys views over a large inlet with a Frazer Blowhole and the large sea cave. The cave was mined for pebbles during 1975/76. Now protected as part of the State Conservation Area, the cave and this inlet stands as a monument to the struggle of power between the sea and the rocks.