

## Kincumber to Terrigal (via Glasson's Trail)

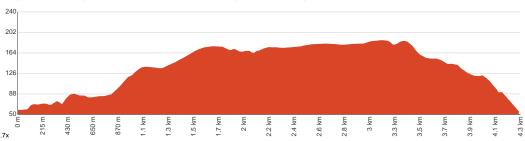
2 h to 4 h







This walk explores the main highlights of Kincumber Mountain Regional Reserve. Starting on the Glasson's trail, the walk explores a variety of forests along the way to Honeman's Rock and picnic area. After a rest, you visit a large cave on Kanning Walk and continue to the views at Colin Watters Lookout. You then follow a track down the ridge, passing some interesting rocky outcrops before arriving at the end of Sandringham Close, Terrigal. Let us begin by acknowledging the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we travel today, and pay our respects to their Elders past and present.



| Class 4 of 6<br>Rough track, where fallen trees and other obstacles are likely |   |
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| Quality of track   | Formed track, with some branches and other obstacles (3/6)          |
| Gradient   | Very steep (4/6)  |
| Signage  | Minimal directional signs (4/6)                                     |
| Infrastructure   | Generally useful facilities (such as fenced cliffs and seats) (1/6) |
| Experience Required  | Moderate level of bushwalking experience recommended (4/6)          |
| Weather  | Weather generally has little impact on safety (1/6)                 |

Getting to the start: From The Entrance Road, A49

- Turn on to Avoca Drive then drive for 930 m
- At roundabout, take exit 2 onto Avoca Drive and drive for another 3.2 km
- At roundabout, take exit 1 onto Avoca Drive and drive for another 1.5 km
- Turn left onto Island View Drive and drive for another 180 m
- Turn slight left onto Panorama Parade and drive for another 145 m
- Turn left onto Waterford Boulevard and drive for another 55 m
- Turn left onto Kincumber Street and drive for another 330 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
- $\bullet$  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.



Bushwalking is fun but also can be dangerous. All information here is general and your personal and specific situation needs to be considered. You need to be prepared to cope with all kinds of errors and/or omissions. Neither the authors nor publishers accept responsibility or liability for any inconvenience, loss or injury sustained.

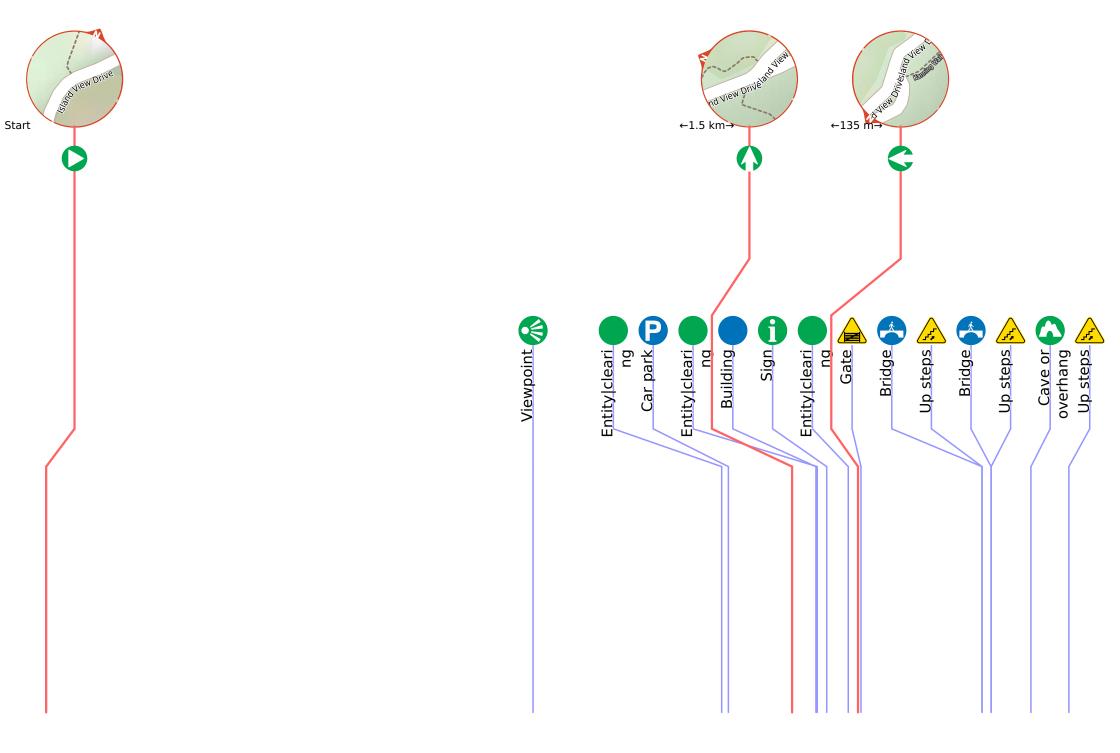


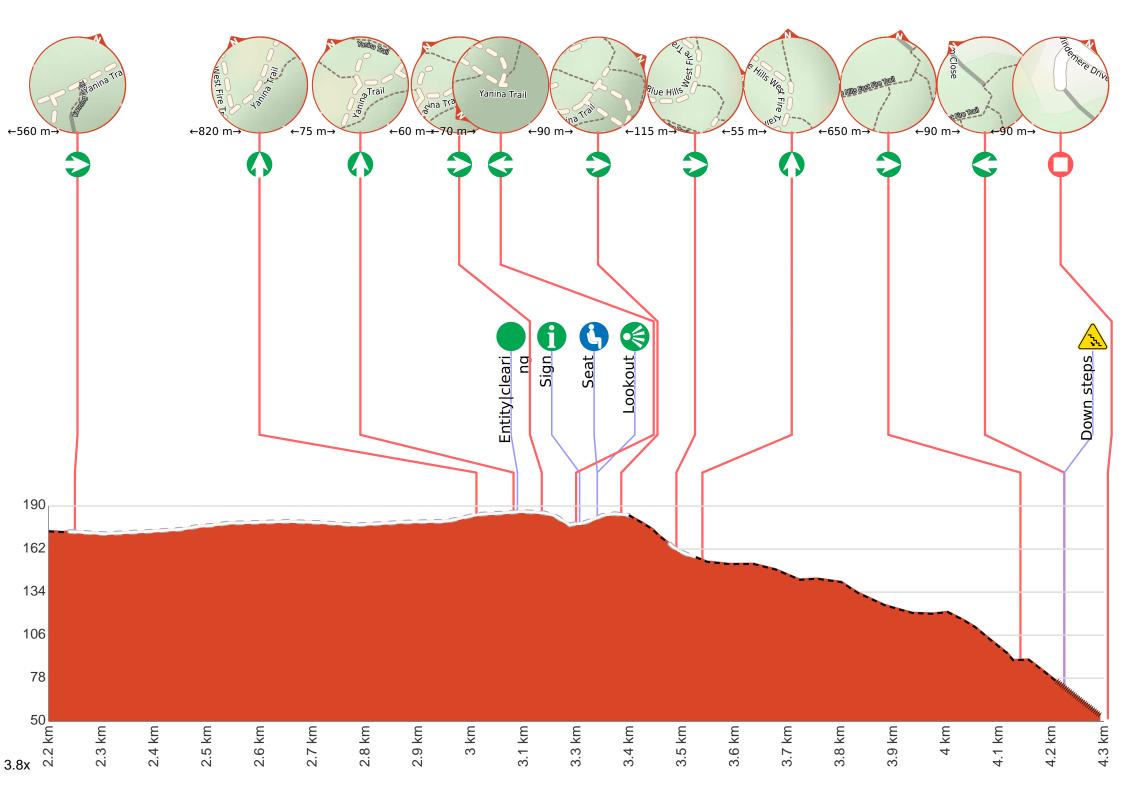
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Getting started: From the car park (about 230m from the end of Kincumber St past the 'Kincumber Mountain Regional Reserve' sign), this walk heads to the back of the car park, through the gap in the fence and turns right. The walk follows the track, keeping the water tank up the hill to the right. The walk leads up some timber steps through the rocks and, soon after passing the water tank, the track comes to a 'T' intersection with a management trail. Veer left: From the intersection, this walk follows the wide management trail away from the water tank and gently down the hill, keeping the valley to the left. The trail meanders through the bush for about 300m, rounding a wide sweeping righthand bend - during this bend, the walk comes to a rocky outcrop with a view into the valley (on the left). From here, the walk continues around the bend and up the hill. As the walk enters a more lush section of forest, the trail becomes narrower for a while. The trail then begins to climb again as it widens back out, before coming to a locked gate and road. The walk crosses the road, coming to a small clearing on the other side.

From the Island View Drive **Start** (a walking track).

After another 890 m (from the Island View Drive) **continue straight**.

After another 105 m come to the viewpoint.

After another 250 m (from the Island View Drive) **continue straight**, to head along Island View Drive (a vehicle track). After another 135 m find the "Glasson's Trail Picnic Area" (30 m on your left).



At the lower end of the overflow car park, near the top of Glasson's Trail, is a single picnic table and shelter. There are no other facilities here. A short distance from the main picnic area, this is an alternative spot for those wanting a picnic table amongst more native trees.

After another 15 m pass the car park (20 m on your left).

After another 180 m find the "Honeman's Rock" (40 m on your left).



Honeman's Rock (aka Honeyman's Rock) is a large rock outcrop in front of the mud brick building, in the Honeman's Rock Picnic area. The exposed section of rock is 60m long and about 30m wide, with the western side having a significant unfenced drop. The rock is named after Cecil Lyle Honeman who became a lease holder on the mountain in 1962. The rock has a large depression that once filled with water, and a drain has been dug to keep the pool empty and clear of rubbish.



From the Island View Drive **continue straight**, to head along Island View Drive. After another 50 m find the "Mud Brick Building" (10 m on your left).



The mud brick building is a landmark in the main picnic area at Kincumber Mountain, and is a popular spot to gather. Also known as 'Kincumber Mountain Information Centre', 'The Kiosk', 'Kincumber Kiosk' and 'Kincumber Mountain Kiosk', the building was constructed in 1986 with funding from Community Employment Programme. The building is generally locked but can be booked through the local Lions Club for special events. The building has a rain water tank, small kitchen and one main large room. The verandah also provides good shelter.

After another 20 m pass the "Kincumba Mountain Kiosk" (30 m on your left).

After another 45 m find the "Honeman's Rock picnic area" (45 m on your left).



Honeman's Rock picnic area is a large picnic area at the top end of Island View Drive. This picnic area has a couple of large grassy areas, composting toilets, free electric BBQs, picnic tables, shelters, garbage bins, drinking water and information signs. The picnic area is home to a mud brick building (available for hire) and Honeman's Rock, from which the area derives its name. There is a fair amount of parking available next the picnic area, and some extra spaces a few hundred meters down the road. After another 4 m (from the Island View Drive) **turn sharp right**, to head along Island View Drive.



After another 15 m (at the intersection of Island View Drive & Kanning Walk) **turn left**, to head along Kanning Walk (a walking track).

After another 6 m head through/around the gate.



After another 245 m cross the bridge (about 35 m long)



Then head up the 12 metal steps (about 35 m long)



Then cross the bridge (about 15 m long)

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After another 65 m find the "Kanning Walk Cave" (10 m on your left).



The main cave on Kanning Walk is surprising large for a sandstone environment. The cave has two main sections. There is a large cabin about 7m wide and 9m deep. A small tunnel extends about 10m further to a small chamber at the back. The entrance to the cave is behind two large boulders, providing extra shelter. It is believed that A. A. Glasson lived in the cave in the early 1930's, which was not uncommon during the depression. The cave has proved to be a great place to rest on hot days.

After another 80 m head up the 12 earthen steps (about 75 m long)



After another 55 m (at the intersection of Yanina Trail & Kanning Walk) **turn** right, to head along Yanina Trail (a vehicle track).



After another 760 m (at the intersection of Yanina Trail & Blue Hills West Fire Trail) **continue straight**, to head along Yanina Trail.



After another 60 m (from the Yanina Trail) **continue straight**, to head along Yanina Trail.

**Start of an optional side trip**: A little optional side trip taking you to Nyari Lookout for westerly views.



To start this optional side trip turn left here. from the Yanina Trail **Start** (a vehicle track).

Find the Tower Clearing at the start.



This clearing is found between Nyari and Colin Watters Lookouts. The clearing is next to a large communication repeater tower. There is some natural shade and a solitary picnic table on the northern side.

After another 85 m turn left.

After another 125 m (from the Blue Hills West Fire Trail) **continue straight**. After another 15 m come to "Nyari Lookout".



The signposted and unfenced Nyari Lookout is found beside the Sandringham Trail and is also know as Nyari Point. The views from this point are filtered through the trees and extend north-west over Erina and a small section of the Brisbane Water to Rumbalara Reserve. Not the greatest views around.

A seat., has a backrest.

- Continue another 0 m to find Nyari Lookout at the end.
- Turn around and retrace your steps back the 155 m to the main route.
- Back at the main route turn sharp left and follow on from the 3.1 km waypoint.



After another 75 m (from the Yanina Trail) **continue straight**, to head along Yanina Trail.

After another 8 m find the "Tower Clearing" (10 m on your left).



This clearing is found between Nyari and Colin Watters Lookouts. The clearing is next to a large communication repeater tower. There is some natural shade and a solitary picnic table on the northern side.



After another 50 m (from the Yanina Trail) **turn right**, to head along Yanina Trail.

After another 40 m (from the Yanina Trail) continue straight, to head along Yanina Trail.



After another 40 m pass the sign (on your left).

After another 35 m pass a seat (5 m on your right)., has a backrest.



Then find the "Colin Watters Lookout" (20 m on your left).



A plague explains that this lookout was named in 1992 in honour of the Colin D Watters, who was Senior Parks Supervisor with Gosford Council. The fenced lookout provides great view south-east, down Picketts Valley to Avoca Lake and Beach. The lookout is also home to an information board, bench seat, picnic table and garbage bin. This lookout offers one of the best views in the park and makes a great spot to stop and rest.



From the Yanina Trail **turn left**. to head along Yanina Trail.

After another 9 m (from the Yanina Trail) continue straight, to head along Yanina Trail. Keep left.





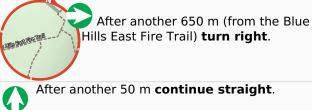
After another 30 m continue straight.



After another 85 m (from the Blue Hills West Fire Trail) **turn right**, to head along Blue Hills West Fire Trail (a vehicle



After another 55 m (from the Blue Hills West Fire Trail) continue straight (a walking track).



After another 40 m turn left. Then head down the steps  $\mathbf{\tilde{x}}$ 



