

1 h to 1 h 15 min



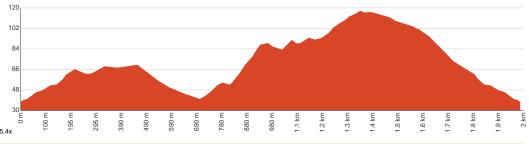
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A beautiful walk, taking in some of the scenic highlights of the lower section of the Rumbalara Reserve. The walk covers a great variety of vegetation, from quite dry eucalypt forest through to rainforest. The tracks are well formed, with a lot of steps in the steeper sections, making the walking a little easier. This is a great walk to see some of the excellent scenery in Rumbalara. A very short, optional sidetrip takes you to a sculpture of Charles Sturt, adding some more variety to the walk. The easy access from Gosford train station also makes it a great walk for those using public transport. 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 4 of 6 Rough track, where fallen trees and other obstacles are likely	
Quality of track	Formed track, with some branches and other obstacles (3/6)
Gradient	Very steep (4/6)
Signage	Directional signs along the way (3/6)
Infrastructure	Limited facilities, not all cliffs are fenced (3/6)
Experience Required	Some bushwalking experience recommended (3/6)
Weather	Weather generally has little impact on safety (1/6)

Getting to the start: From York Street, A49

- Turn on to Henry Parry Drive then drive for 1.7 km
- Turn right onto Donnison Street and drive for another 250 m
- Keep left onto Henry Wheeler Place and drive for another 45 m
- Continue and drive for another 30 m

Before you start any journey ensure you;

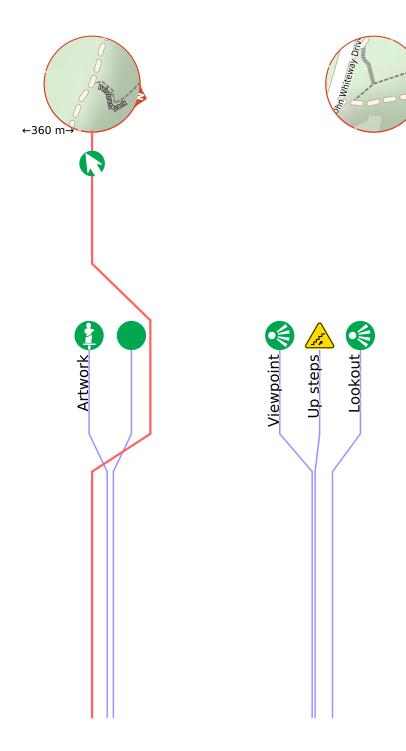
- Tell someone you trust where you are going and what to do if you are late returning
- Have adequate equipment, supplies, skills & knowledge to undertake this journey safely
- Consider weather forecasts, park/track closures & fire dangers
- \bullet Can respond to emergencies & call for help at any point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

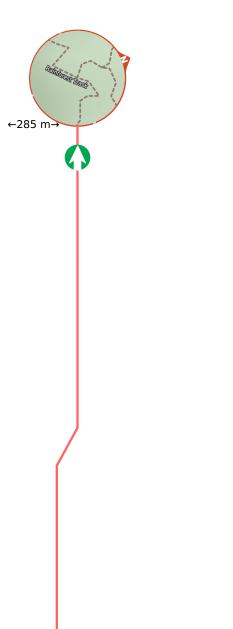




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Getting started: From the car park, this walk follows the 'Rumbalara Environmental Education Centre' arrow along the paved footpath to the trackhead at the back of the buildings, signposted 'Walking Trail'.



After another 60 m come to "Casuarina".



Commonly known as the she-oak, sheoak, ironwood, or beefwood, casuarinas have 'delicate, slender ultimate branches and leaves that are no more than scales, making the tree look more like a wispy conifer'. There are 17 species of Casuarina 'native to Australasia, southeastern Asia, and islands of the western Pacific Ocean'.



About 15 m past the end is "Statue".

Turn around and retrace your steps back the 60 m to the main route.

Back at the main route continue straight and follow on from the 1.3 km waypoint.

From the Rainforest Track **veer left** (a vehicle track).



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After another 200 m come to the "Ouraka Lookout" (10 m on your right).



Then head up the steps (about 140 m long)



This picturesque spot with fantastic views over Gosford and the surrounding areas, including Brisbane Waters, is located within the Rumbalara Reserve, along the Casuarina Walk. It is a beautiful spot to sit and enjoy the views for a while during a walk in the reserve.

