

BUNDANOON AREA

5 walks

[regional satellite map](#)

Use 1:25,000 topographic maps; Wingello 8928-4-S, Caoura 8928-3-N, Bundanoon 8928-1-N

Bundanoon area is situated on the southern tablelands approximately 15km south of Moss Vale.

1. Bundanoon, Morton National Park - A series of 16 walks of various lengths can be undertaken from Bundanoon through this section of Morton National Park. An excellent leaflet describing the walks can be obtained from shops in Bundanoon or at the Park entrance, which has a small camping area. Erith Coal Mine, Fairy Bower Falls, [Fern Tree Gully](#), The Amphitheatre, Ferntree Gully, Echo Point and Glow Worm Glen are a few of the more popular walks worth taking. There are many lookouts which provide stunning views of Bundanoon Creek gorge. This is a spectacular area well worth a day or two exploration. Birding is very good with species such as Crescent and White-naped Honeyeater, Satin Bowerbird, Superb Lyrebird, Eastern Spinebill, Grey shrike-thrush, Yellow-throated Scrubwren, Peregrine Falcon, Pilotbird and Rockwarbler to name a few.

2. Stingray Swamp - 6km, easy grade, possible water crossing after rain. An excellent walk through the diverse environments of Stingray Swamp Flora Reserve, wildflower display in spring is impressive and good general birding for highland species including; White-eared and Brown-chinned Honeyeaters, Flame Robin, Yellow-tailed Black Cockatoo, Spotted Quail-thrush, Southern Emu-wren and Eastern Rosella. Drive south along the Wingello Rd. from Bundanoon and cross the railway bridge at [Penrose](#). Turn right (northeast) and follow the Old Argyle Rd. road towards Penrose State Forest. Park your car at Paddy River bridge. Walk over the river bridge and take the first track to the right (Webbers Rd.) Follow this until you come to Sunshine Wattle track on your right, follow this east over a small fern-clad brook then up a slight rise. At the top turn left and follow until you reach [Stingray Rd.](#) Follow for approximately 1km, then take the 4WD track on your right and follow this south for about 1km then turn left onto an un-named

4WD track and cross a small sandy creek crossing and up a gentle rise into scribbly-gum woodland. After around 100m a track will appear on your left, follow this for 200m to a beautiful swimming hole which overlooks Stingray Swamp. From here follow the lesser track in an easterly direction for 500m until you rejoin Old Argyle Rd. (farm land should be on the eastern side of the road). Turn right and follow the road back (about 1 km) to the intersection of Penrose Forest Way and Old Argyle Rd, crossing Paddys River ford (wet feet). Turn right and its 500m to your car.

3. Stingray Rd.- Baronga Creek. 12.5km, easy grade. Follow the direction above to Penrose Forest Way. After crossing Paddys River, turn northeast along [Webbers Rd.](#) and follow this until you come to Stingray Rd. and park your car. Follow Stingray Rd. in a large loop (consult Wingello topographic map) which eventually crosses Baronga Ck. and leads to the intersection with Webbers Rd. Follow this in a southerly direction back to your car. Diverse native forest and woodland habitats and planted pine trees with elevated views over Stingray Swamp. Birds are equally diverse with species such as Scarlet Robin, Grey Currawong, Wonga Pigeon, Hooded Robin, Superb Fairy-wren, Brown Goshawk, Buff-rumped Thornbill, Golden and Rufous Whistler.

4. Long Point Lookout. 4km return, steep to very steep grades. Follow Wingello Rd. through [Tallong](#) and approximately 2km west of Tallong turn south along Long Point Rd. until you reach the lookout car park. Spectacular views over Shoalhaven gorge. The track leads south from the car park descending along a spur down to Shoalhaven River. Tall open forest with sandy flats and casuarinas by the river. Birds include Rockwarbler, Superb Lyrebird, Wedge-tailed Eagle and Rainbow Bee-eater

5. Badgery's Lookout. 3km return, steep to very steep grades. Follow Wingello Rd. to Tallong and turn south along Caoura Ridge Rd. Follow the signs to [Badgery's Lookout](#), spectacular views of Shoalhaven Gorge. The track descends from the car park down a spur to the Shoalhaven River. Open forest and casuarina along the river. Good general birding with species including Rockwarbler, Bell Miner, White-winged Chough, Peregrine Falcon, Striated, Brown, Yellow-rumped and Buff-rumped Thornbill.