

Bungle Bungle Walks

Kungalahayi Lookout

Location: Three kilometres along the track from the Visitor Centre.

Distance & Grade: 500 metres return. Allow 5 to 10 minutes. Easy, gradual climb.

What will you see: Panoramic 360-degree views of spinifex-covered ridges flowing to the majestic cliffs of the western escarpment of the Bungle Bungle massif and the 500 million-year-old limestone ridge. At sunset these blaze in brilliant reds and yellows against a backdrop of purple hues from the evening sky.

Cathedral Gorge & Piccaninny Creek

Location: Begin at Piccaninny Creek car park, 27km south of the Visitor Centre.

Distance & Grade: Three kilometres return. Allow one to two hours. Moderate. There are some short steep slopes and narrow ledges to be negotiated.

What will you see: Trail follows Piccaninny Creek, spurs off through domes to look out over Piccaninny Creek. Striped sandstone beehives, creek beds and potholes, looming cliffs, evidence of waterfalls that cascade down steep rock faces during the wet season, honeycomb weathering, opening into a huge amphitheatre.

Domes Walk

Location: Begin at Piccaninny Creek car park, 27km south of the Visitor Centre.

Distance & Grade: One kilometre circuit trail. Allow 10 to 30 minutes. Easy, relatively flat walking surface mostly along firm creek beds.

What will you see: The trail winds around sandstone domes that rise majestically from the spinifex-covered sand plains.

Echidna Chasm Walk

Location: Begin at Echidna Chasm car park, 20 kilometres north of the Visitor Centre.

Distance & Grade: Two kilometres return. Allow 45 minutes to one hour. Moderate, walking along riverbed with a challenging short climb at the end.

What will you see: A spectacular long narrow chasm, with striking colour variations dependent on the angle of the sun beaming into the chasm, with livistona palms waving from the 200-metre high ridges above. Popular for photography.

Osmand Lookout Walk

Location: Begin at Echidna Chasm car park, 20 kilometres north of the Visitor Centre.

Distance & Grade: 500 metres return. Allow 15 minutes. Easy, gradual climb.

What will you see: Take in the grandeur of the Osmand range and the sweep of Red Rock Creek as it drains into Osmand Creek.

Mini Palms Walk

Location: Begin at Mini Palms car park, 19 kilometres north of the Visitor Centre.

Distance & Grade: 5 kilometres return. Allow two to three hours. It is initially easy but then becomes challenging as steep slopes and large blocks of fallen rock have to be negotiated.

What will you see: Pebbly, dry creek beds lead to high cliffs, undulating over fallen blocks of cliff face before an ascent to the first viewing platform reaching a vortex of rocks and palms. Another ascent leads to the top platform for an awe-inspiring view into a high, narrow amphitheatre – The Mini Palms Gorge.