

Walk to the base of Blowering Cliffs or the top of Warongong Sugarloaf for truly spectacular and ever-changing scenery. As you hike the tracks, you'll see imposing granite cliffs and the rolling countryside of the Tumut River valley spread out before you. Have your camera at the ready to capture the views of the Blowering Peaks Wilderness and the sparkling Blowering Reservoir. This area is a must if you want to see mobs of grey kangaroos and emus, or try your luck fishing for trout or the iconic Murray cod.

11km return, 4–5 hours

Grade 4

Warongong Sugarloaf walking track

- Blowering 1:25 000
- Talbingo 1:25 000

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Blowering Feshore walks

Most attractions are easily accessed along the Snowy Mountains Highway, from Tumut or Talbingo.

Local heritage and wildlife. Shorter routes: If you're after a shorter walk, it's around a 1 hour return walk to Bald Hill lookout, then return to the highway. Explore the tracks and trails on foot, by bike or 4WD. Walks to cascading waterfalls and panoramic lookouts. National Park. Head off the beaten track along secluded Tumut area is your launch pad into northern Kosciuszko National Park. Nestled in the foothills of the Snowy Mountains, the

- Yarrangobilly 1:25 000
- Courabryra 1:25 000
- Talbingo 1:25 000

Topographic maps perfect for a hot summer day. Choose from short, easy walks or longer, more challenging options.

Talbingo area walks

Return along the same track and make use of Log Bridge Creek campground for a leisurely picnic, or set up camp for the night.

It's common to see eastern grey kangaroos, emus and wallabies along this track. Birdwatchers will be able to identify native honeyeaters, firetails, parrots and raptors. Return along the same track and make use of Log Bridge Creek campground for a leisurely picnic, or set up camp for the night.

It's quite steep in sections, but you're rewarded with ever-changing views of the Blowering Reservoir. Turn right, off the management trail and on to the sign posted walking track, then follow until you reach a bridge over the creek. You'll have a view of Blowering Falls trickling down the granite cliffs. Continue walking for around 200m until you see a sign that marks the end of the track.

5km return, 2–3 hours

Grade 4

Blowering Cliffs walking track

Shorter routes: If you're after a shorter walk, it's around a 1 hour return walk to Bald Hill lookout, then return to the highway.

Extensive views over the Tumut River valley to the north and Blowering Reservoir to the south-west. Return the grass trees. Once you reach the top, you'll be treated to



Emus *Dromaius novaehollandiae*. Photo: Murray Vanderveer/DPE

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Follow the walking track, which runs parallel to Jounama Creek and the valley floor, to the end where you'll reach a large natural pool. It's the perfect place for a picnic, to drop a fishing line in or paddle your feet after the walk. As you relax and unwind in this idyllic spot, you might find yourself in the company of wallabies and eastern grey kangaroos. Return the same way.

6km return, 1–1.5 hours

Grade 4

Jounama Creek walking track

This walk starts at Jounama Creek campground, 500m off the Snowy Mountains Highway, near Talbingo. From the campground, walk 1km to the end of the gravel road, where the walk begins.

4km one-way 1.5–2 hours

Grade 4

Old Mountain Road walking track



Jounama Creek. Photo: Murray Vanderveer/DPE

Set out along the trail from Jounama Creek campground, and you'll soon meet the track head for the short but heart-pumping Old Mountain Road walking track. This high-energy walk heads uphill above the creek valley, and is well worth the effort for the breathtaking views of the Bogong Peaks, Jounama Pondage and Blowering Reservoir.

2.2km return, 1.5 hours

Grade 4

Buddong Falls walk

From the campground and picnic area it's an easy 400m to a viewpoint above the upper falls, which drop 20m. Listen out for lyrebirds amongst the smooth-barked tea tree.

Alternative routes: You can also start this track from the RMS stockpile on the Snowy Mountains Highway, around 5.5km southbound past the Talbingo turnoff. It involves a steep descent, so organise a car shuffle at the bottom.

Return the same way (add 1 hour), enjoying the downhill track, and detour to pretty Jounama Creek, near the campground.

The track follows Talbingo Mountain's first road, built in 1860 during the Kandra gold rush. Today, the only traffic you're likely to see is a colourful variety of birdlife, including yellow-tailed black cockatoos. In summer, wildflowers including purple kunzea and white-flowered tea tree bloom on the lower slopes.

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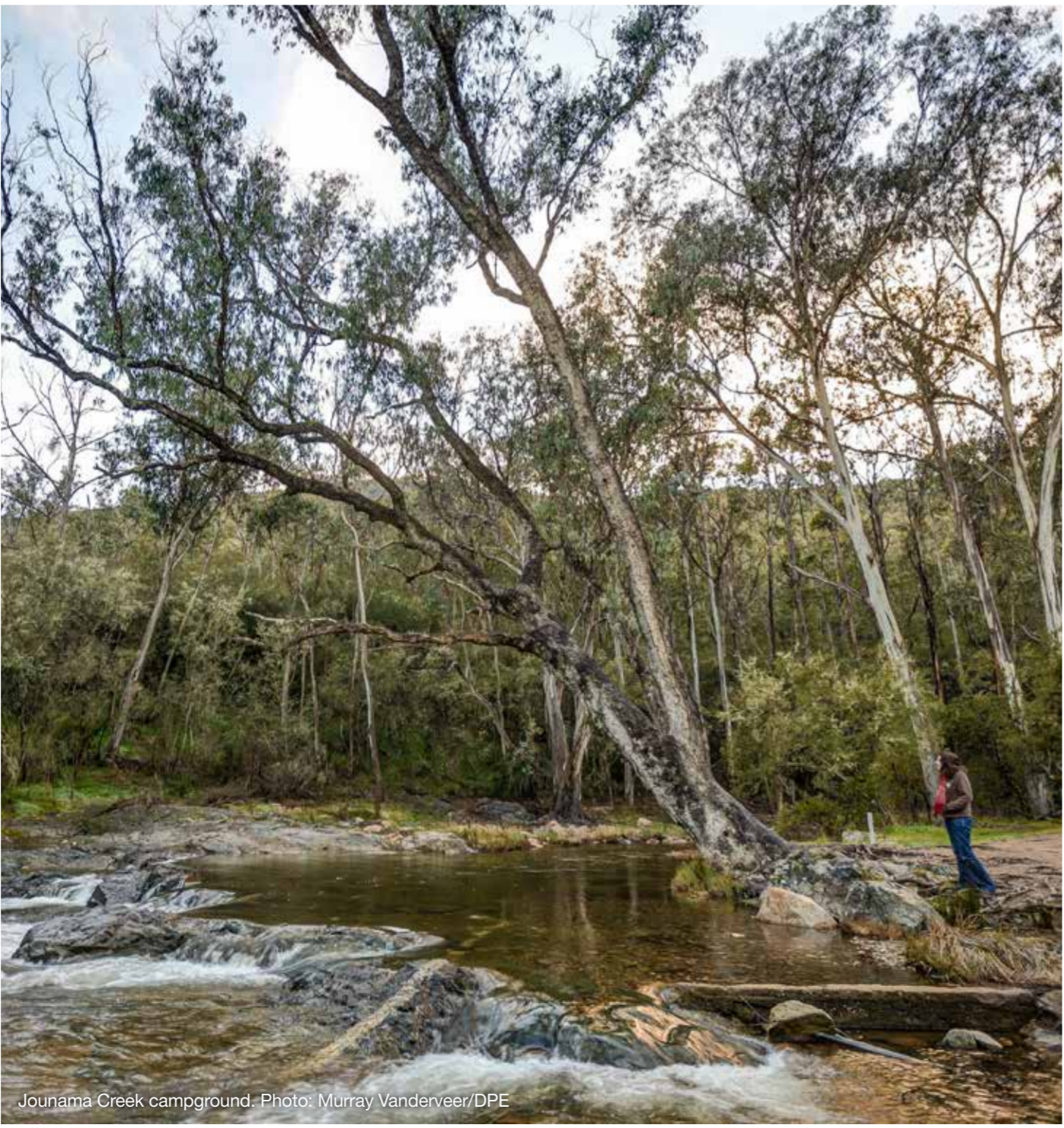
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Jounama Creek campground. Photo: Murray Vanderveer/DPE

Winter access and closures

Walking tracks and riding trails may be affected by snow during winter. Several areas of northern Kosciuszko National Park are closed to vehicle traffic from the June to October long weekends each year.

Before setting out, it's a good idea to contact Tumut Visitor Centre and check park alerts for updates or closures that may affect your visit to the Tumut area.

Ph: (02) 6947 7025 or visit: nationalparks.nsw.gov.au/alerts



The Snowy Mountains Highway. Photo: Murray Vanderveer/DPE

Staying safe

Many parts of Kosciuszko National Park are remote and rugged places. Be aware of the risks and take responsibility for your own safety and the safety of any children in your care. Remember to plan ahead, choose walks and activities to match your stamina and fitness level, and tell someone where you're going and when you'll be back.

Weather can change quickly, and conditions may be unpredictable. Always check the weather before leaving and change your plans if bad weather is approaching.

Think about filling in a trip intention form and hiring a Personal Locator Beacon from one of our visitor centres. Phone coverage in the park is patchy and cold can affect batteries.

Visit: nationalparks.nsw.gov.au/alpine-safety

Walking grades

Grade 3 walk
 Gentle hills, formed track with some obstacles, sign posted with occasional steps. Some bushwalking experience recommended.

Grade 4 walk
 Short steep hills. Sign posted rough track with occasional steps and many obstacles. Recommended for experienced bushwalkers.



Buddong Falls. Photo: John Spencer/DPE

Accommodation and campgrounds

Outside winter, you can spend the night at heritage Currango Homestead. Year-round accommodation is available at historic Yarrangobilly Caves House and Lyrebird Cottage.

There are also plenty of campgrounds with a range of facilities in this area of the park, including:

- Buddong Falls campground
- O'Hares campground
- Humes Crossing campground
- Jounama Creek campground
- Log Bridge Creek campground
- Rock Flat campground
- The Pines campground
- Yachting Point campground

For more information or to book, call 1300 072 757 or visit: nswparks.info/campkosci



O'Hares campground. Photo: Elinor Sheargold/DPE



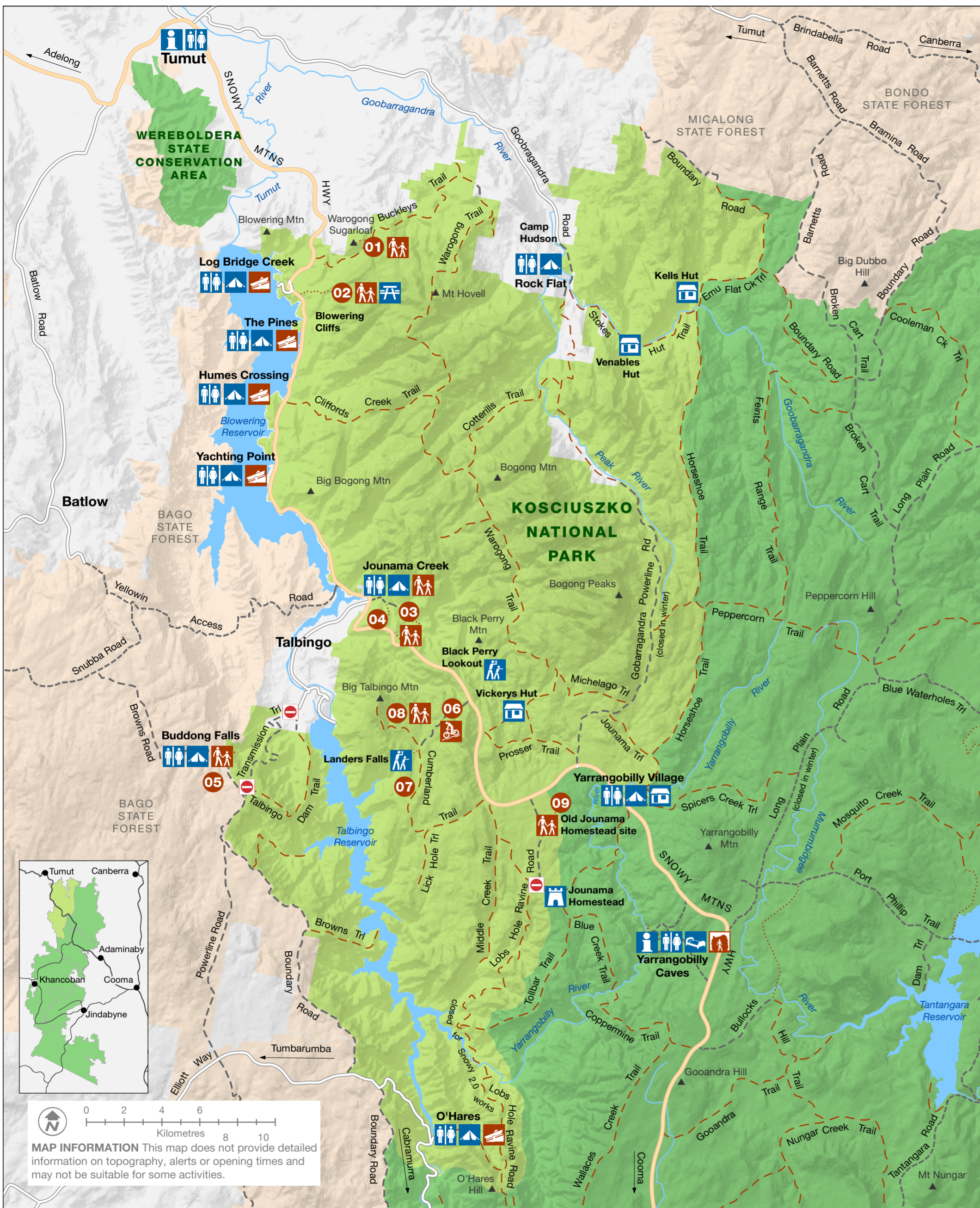
Experience Tumut area tracks and trails

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Tumut area	Unsealed road - may not be accessible in wet weather	Featured walking track or mountain bike trail	Campground	Boat ramp
NPWS reserves	4WD trail - may not be accessible in wet weather	Road closed	Picnic area (day use only)	Caves
Other reserves	Management trail - no public vehicular access	Visitor information	Historic hut	Walking track
Highway/Sealed road	Walking track/Shared use track	Toilets	Historic ruin	Mountain bike trail
		Accommodation	Lookout	

Hume and Hovell track

The Hume and Hovell track stretches 426km from Yass to Albury, passing close to Tumut and Talbingo. It's recommended for experienced, self-sufficient hikers only. The walking track follows a mix of public roads, fire trails, purpose-built single tracks and over 100 footbridges, with 17 campgrounds along the way. There are several points near Tumut and Talbingo where you can access the Hume and Hovell track to walk a shorter section. Some sections of the walking track may be closed at times due to ongoing works. Contact Tumut Visitor Centre for more information, including the latest updates, maps and guide books. Visit: humeandhovelltrack.com.au

Cumberland Range walks and rides

Head into the mountains, high above Talbingo where you'll find a stunning landscape ideal for walks and rides. Follow shady trails to dramatic viewpoints of Landers Falls, Talbingo and Blowering Reservoirs. Keep your eyes peeled for this area's native birds and wildlife including kangaroos, swamp and red-necked wallabies. Cumberland trail is narrow, winding and has blind crests. It's slippery when wet. Be aware of walkers, riders and 4WD vehicles. There are no facilities in this part of the park, so please come well-prepared.

- Topographic maps
- Talbingo 1:25 000
 - Yarrangobilly 1:25 000

6 Landers Falls lookout walk

10.6km return, 3.5-4.5 hours **Grade 3**

Landers Falls lookout walk takes you to 2 lookouts, which are sure to impress you with dramatic views of Landers Creek waterfall and Talbingo Reservoir in the valley below. If you're in a 2WD, you'll need to park at the Cumberland trail 2WD carpark, 300m from the Snowy Mountains Highway turnoff. From there, it's a 10.6km return walk to the lookout. In summer, all-wheel drive vehicles can continue 4.5km along Cumberland trail to the carpark (vehicle access closed in winter). From here, it's a 1.6km walk to the lookout. You can also mountain bike as far as the carpark, then walk to the lookout.

Once you reach the carpark, follow the Landers Creek Falls lookout signs downhill, cross the creek, then turn right and head steadily uphill. The steep last few hundred metres bring you to Talbingo lookout, high above Landers Creek valley. Take in the views of Talbingo Reservoir and the Bago Plateau, then continue another 300m along the final, rocky and uneven section of the track, to Landers Falls lookout. Perched on the rim of a deep gorge, the lookout greets you with fabulous views of Landers Creek Falls as it emerges from the cliff off to the right. It cascades into a rocky ravine and into Talbingo Reservoir.



Tumut River. Photo: Elinor Sheargold/DPE

The area around the lookout is surrounded by Tingiringi forested woodlands that open into snow gums and grasslands as you approach the summit of Talbingo Mountain. Return the same way.

7 Cumberland ride

Intermediate, 28.8km return, 5-7 hours

Breathe in the fresh mountain air and give your legs a workout on this longer mountain bike ride on the Cumberland Range.

From the Snowy Mountains Highway, ride along the Cumberland trail for 4.8km to the junction with Talbingo Mountain trail and the 4WD carpark. Allow plenty of extra time if you plan to take in the views from Landers Falls lookout (walking track only), or detour to Big Talbingo Mountain. From the 4WD carpark, continue 5.7km along Cumberland trail where you'll meet Lickhole trail. Then travel 3.9km east to reach the Snowy Mountains Highway. You can return the way you came, for a 28.8km return ride. Alternatively, you can cycle 5.8km north along the highway, to the Cumberland trail turnoff, for a 20.2km loop.

8 Talbingo Mountain trail

Intermediate, 18.8km return, 3-5 hours

This challenging mountain bike ride rewards you with spectacular views over Talbingo and the Tumut River valley to Blowering Reservoir. From the Snowy Mountains Highway, ride along the Cumberland trail for 4.8km until you reach the 4WD carpark. Turn right onto Talbingo Mountain trail and follow it for around 4.4km. The track climbs 340m, through

forested woodlands that open into snow gums and grasslands as you approach the summit of Talbingo Mountain. Return the same way.

9 Jounama Heritage walk

3.2km return, 1-1.5 hours **Grade 3**

This short, easy walk takes you to the site of 3 old grazing lease homes in this area. Take the Lobs Hole Ravine turnoff from the Snowy Mountains Highway, north of Yarrangobilly Caves. Follow for around 1.8km, past the rustic log gates to the heritage walk's carpark. It's a 200m walk to the Old Jounama Homestead site, dating from the late 1800s. Only garden plants now remain. Continue 1km through an open, grassy and shrubby plain to reach Glendella Homestead site. In its heyday, Glendella was the 3-bedroom home of Alf Agett, the mailman for the area between Yarrangobilly Caves and Ravine. The third and final stop along Jounama Heritage walk is Faraway Homestead site, a further 500m along the track after crossing Dip Creek. Cattle and sheep grazed here and oats were grown on the large site until it was abandoned in the early 1950s. Return the same way.



Cumberland trail 4WD, mountain bike and walking track. Photo: Elinor Sheargold/DPE