

Coastal walks



WAVERLEY CLIFF WALK

The paths, boardwalks and stairways linking the parks along the Cliff Walk were opened in 2004.

The 3km Cliff Walk links parks in Dover Heights to Vaucluse, offering views of Sydney Harbour and Pacific Ocean cliffs.

Remnant vegetation along the walk includes 'hanging swamps' at south Diamond Bay Reserve and coastal heath at Eastern Reserve. Together with sandstone formations this provides habitat for a variety of geckos and skinks.

Hawkesbury sandstone cliffs up to 80m high can be found along the way, dating from the Triassic Period, 200 million years ago.

A radio telescope was installed by the CSIRO at Rodney Reserve in the 1950s. A commemorative replica and plaque mark the location.

BONDI TO BRONTE COAST WALK

This 4km walk takes in Bondi, Tamarama and Bronte, where beachside parks offer picnic shelters, barbecues, play areas and other facilities. South of Bronte, a new boardwalk follows the coastline past historic Waverley Cemetery, with platforms providing seating and breathtaking views.

Bondi Pavilion

- Refreshments
- Wheelchair access
- Toilets
- Playground
- Lookout
- Lockers

Bondi Pavilion

This 1928 building now houses a theatre, art gallery, change rooms, lockers, cafés and the Marine Discovery Centre.

Bondi Beach & Park

The park was created in 1882, but 'sea bathing' remained illegal until 1902. Now Australia's most famous beach.

Bondi Baths (Icebergs)

Built in the 1880s, the baths later became home to the Icebergs Club, whose members swim all winter.

Surf lifesaving clubs

The Lifesavers were established at Bondi, North Bondi, Bronte and Tamarama in the early 1900s. Together with Waverley Council's professional lifeguards, surf lifesaving clubs continue to save many lives.

Aboriginal occupation

Look for Aboriginal rock carvings of a shark by the path at Mackenzies Point.

Marine protected areas

It is illegal to collect invertebrates such as crabs, octopus or mussels in the Intertidal Protected Area. In the Aquatic Reserve neither invertebrates nor gropers may be caught.

Whales and dolphins

Whales migrate along this coast in June-July and October-November. Pods of dolphins enter Bondi Bay.

Tamarama Park

Once home to a theme park with a mini-railway along the clifftop, now a charming beachside park.

Bronte Park & Baths

Bronte is named after Admiral Lord Nelson, Duke of Bronte. The Baths were built in 1887 to cater to the new 'sea bathing' fad.

Waverley Cemetery

Established in 1877, this is the resting place of many famous Australians. Open to the public during the day. Please stick to the paths. Sorry, no dogs.

Wheelchair access to most of the boardwalk from mobility carpark in cemetery

Bush regeneration

Areas of original native bush are found along the walk. Regeneration is carried out by volunteers. There is also remnant native vegetation in Bronte Gully at the back of Bronte Park.

MAP LEGEND

- Cliff walk
- Coastal walk
- Main roads
- Refreshments
- Picnic Area/ BBQs
- Paid Parking
- Wheelchair access
- Toilets
- Playground
- Lookout
- Lockers
- Steps
- Marine protected area

DISTANCES

- Ben Buckler Point to Waverley Cemetery Distance: about 4km Time: 90 minutes
- Ben Buckler Point to Bondi Beach Distance: 0.5km Time: 10 minutes
- Bondi Promenade Distance: 1km Time: 15 minutes
- South Bondi to North Bronte Distance: 1.5km Time: 45 minutes
- South Bronte to Waverley Cemetery Distance: 1km Time: 20 minutes
- Waverley Cemetery to Coogee Beach Distance: 2.6km Time: 75 minutes

DISABILITY ACCESS

The promenades, parks and beaches at Bondi and Bronte are accessible. Stairs on the walk are as marked.

SUN PROTECTION

Although parks offer shade and shelter, the walk itself does not. Don't forget your hat, sunscreen and drinking water.

DOGS

Dogs are allowed on the Coast Walk and beach promenades if they are on a lead. They are not allowed in parks, beaches or the cemetery. Bags are available at points along the walk – please clean up after your furry friend.

GETTING THERE

TO	FROM	BUS ROUTE
Bondi	Bondi Junction	381, 382
Bondi	Bondi Junction, City, Circular Quay	333, 380
North Bondi	Circular Quay, City, Bondi Junction	389
Bronte Beach	Bondi Junction, Central Station, City	378
Tamarama Beach	Bondi Junction	361
Coogee	Central Station, City, Circular Quay	374