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Are you ready to have fun?

Please ensure you and your group are well prepared and equipped for all possible hazards and delays. Check park closures, weather information and Fire Danger Rating before setting out. Optional side trips and alternate routes noted are not included in this walks overall grade, length or time estimate. Please allow extra time for resting and exploring areas of interest. The authors, staff and owners of wildwalks take care in preparing this information but will not accept responsibility for any inconvenience, loss or injury you may experience. Please take care, have fun - Happy Walking.

Getting there You can get to Canoon Tennis Courts carpark (gps: -33.7495, 151.1022) by car or bus. Car: There is free parking available.

This is a circuit, so you will finish back at the start.

Find up to date and more information inlcuding; travel directions, weather, park closures and walker feedback at <u>http://wild.tl/st</u>

0 | Canoon Tennis Courts

This is a series of tennis and netball courts in South Turramurra and is used regularly for training, competition and leisure.

0 | Canoon Tennis Courts carpark

(380 m 7 mins) From the tennis courts car park, the walk follows the service trail away from the courts. The trail passes through the metal gate and down the long hill, passing through another gate and arriving at the signposted intersection with the Step Track.

0.38 | Int of STEP Track and Canoon Road service trail

(440 m 9 mins) Turn left: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'STEP Track' sign down along the bush track, winding down some steps to the bottom of the hill and up the other side. The walk continues along to a rock platform, where it turns right and crosses a wooden boardwalk, following the STEP track markers up the long rocky hill to the intersection with the Ulm Street track.

Veer right: From the intersection, the walk follows the STEP track markers along the thin management trail, along to the intersection with the 'scenic views' lookout track.

0.81 | Optional sidetrip to Scenic Lookout

(90 m 2 mins) Turn right: From the intersection, the walk follows the 'Scenic Views' sign down the hill along the rocky track for approximately 100 metres to the scenic lookout. At the end of this side trip, retrace your steps back to the main walk then Veer right.

0.81 | Scenic Lookout

This lookout is a great side trip from the STEP Track in the Lane Cove National Park, as it provides you with a great view through the forest, looking down into the valley at a range of local flora.

0.81 | Int of STEP and Scenic Lookout tracks

(300 m 5 mins) Turn left: From the intersection, the walk follows the 'STEP' sign up the short hill and along the thin management trail, then comes down to the intersection with the Cove Street management trail.

Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the management

trail down the long winding hill, to the intersection on the STEP Track.

1.12 | Int of STEP Track

 $(290 \ m \ 6 \ mins)$ Turn right: From the intersection, the walk follows the STEP track marker off the management trail and down through the bush. The trail turns right at the STEP Track marker and continues up the rocky track and along the side of the hill, flattening out and continuing down past a bushfire regeneration plaque. The walk heads down the steep rocky track to the intersection with the Great North Walk trail.

1.41 | Int of GNW and the STEP track (east)

(580 m 10 mins) Turn sharp right: From the intersection, this walk follows the GNW arrow post and STEP Track markers along the management trail, whilst keeping the river to your left. The trail undulates through the valley (weedy in places) and tall forest for just shy of 600m, to come to a clear intersection at the bottom of a sealed management trail (on your right). This intersection is marked with another 'STEP Track' map/sign and a 'The Great North Walk' sign.

1.99 | Int of GNW and the STEP track

(680 m 13 mins) Turn right: From the intersection, the walk follows the sealed management trail up the steep hill. The trail flattens out and turns around a left-hand bend, continuing steeply up the side of the valley to the signposted intersection with the STEP Track. Veer left: From the intersection, the walk follows the service trail up the hill onto the gravel trail. The trail climbs steeply up through a

metal gate, flattens out while then climbs up the long hill, passing through another metal gate to reach the Canoon road tennis courts car park.

