

Solitary Kiosk Loop

5 hrs 30 mins 9.4 km Circuit

WildWalks

Hard track

950m

This is a great walk, with much to offer photographers and those who only have a day in Katoomba. The walk descends into the valley from Solitary Kiosk before climbing up the scenic (and steep) Furber steps and soaking up the views around the rim of the valley. A great way to take in both the valley and the cliff tops of Katoomba.

Blue Mountains National Park

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Solitary Kiosk and Restaurant

Solitary Restaurant offers fine dining in a heritage-listed building overlooking the beautiful Jamison Valley, as well as housing a kiosk for a more casual lunch. The kiosk is open for lunch 7 days a week, from 10am to 4pm (opens 11am weekdays in winter). The kiosk provides a casual dinning experience, with breakfast foods from \$10 and lunches around \$15 per dish. The restaurant is open for lunch 7 days from 12-4.30pm, and dinner on Fridays and Saturdays from 6pm. Light lunches start from \$14, and dinners from \$55 for a mouthwatering 2 course meal. Contact details - 90 Cliff Drive, Leura Falls Ph: 02 4782 1164. More info.

Jamieson Lookout

Jamieson Lookout is a fenced lookout at the east end of the Federal Pass track, and just off Prince Henry Cliff Walk. The lookout has a bench seat and provides great views up the Jamison Valley, along Kings Tableland escarpment and past Mount Solitary. The lookout is perched up on a large rock buttress, giving views unobscured by trees.

Fern Bower

Fern Bower is an especially pleasant part of the Blue Mountains National Park, protected from heat and providing a great environment for fern trees, bracken ferns and moss to thrive. Fern Bower is a signposted area along the Federal Pass walking track, just below Jamieson Lookout and next to Linda Creek. This is a nice place to stop, rest and enjoy the bird noises.

Lila Falls

Lila Falls is a thin waterfall on Linda Creek. The Federal Pass crosses the creek (on a bridge) in front of these falls, just below the intersection with the amphitheatre. The waterfall is not the most spectacular one in this valley, but it is a nice cool spot to catch your breath.

Marguerite Cascades

Marguerite Cascades are a series of small cascades finishing with a taller waterfall of a few metres height, dropping into a shallow sandy pool. The cascades are on Linda Creek and a small bridge crosses the creek at the base of the falls as part of the Federal Pass walking track. The cascades are a nice place to sit and listen to the water running and the local birds in this cool shady area.

Before You walk

Bushwalking is fun and a wonderful way to enjoy our natural places. Sometimes things go bad, with a bit of planning you can increase your chance of having an ejoyable and safer walk. Before setting off on your walk check

- 1) Weather Forecast (BOM Central Tablelands District)
- 2) Fire Dangers (Greater Sydney Region)
- 3) Park Alerts (Blue Mountains National Park)

4) Research the walk to check your party has the skills, fitness and equipment required

5) Agree to stay as a group and not leave anyone to walk solo

Think before you TREK

The 'Think before you TREK' program developed by NSW Police & NPWS promotes the benefits of planning ahead for your bushwalking trip by using an easy to remember acronym:

- **T** Take adequate supplies of food, water, navigation and first aid equipment.
- **R** Register your planned route and tell friends and family when you expect to return.
- Emergency beacon (PLB's) should be carried on walks with
- significant gaps in mobile coverage (check terrain profile).
- **K** Keep to your planned route and follow the map and walking trails.

Topo Maps

The maps provided on wildwalks are helpful, but there are times where you may need maps covering a broader area. Maps that cover this walk include;

1:50 000 Map Series:Six Foot Track 1:25 000 Map Series:89301S KATOOMBA 1:100 000 Map Series:8930 KATOOMBA



Grade

This walk has been graded using the AS 2156.1-2001. The overall grade of the walk is dertermined by the highest classification along the whole track.

| | 4 | Grade 4/6 Hard track | | |
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| and | Length | 9.4 km Circuit | | |
| | Time | 5 hrs 30 mins | | |
| lice & | Quality of track | Rough track, where fallen trees and other obstacles are likely (4/6) | | |
| | Signs | Directional signs along the way (3/6) | | |
| | Experience Required | Some bushwalking experience recommended (3/6) | | |
| len th | Weather | Weather generally has little impact on safety (1/6) | | |
| ng | Infrastructure | Limited facilities, not all cliffs are fenced (3/6) | | |

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 Int of Cliff Drive and Prince Henry Cliff Walk (gps: -33.7216, 150.3195) 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 http://wild.tl/skl

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0 | Int of Cliff Drive and Prince Henry Cliff Walk

(140 m 4 mins) From Cliff Drive, opposite the car park behind Solitary Restaurant, this walk follows the 'Prince Henry Cliff Walk to Federal Pass' sign, down the short set of wooden steps to the intersection with the Echo Tree Lookout track.

Turn right: From the intersection, the walk heads along the bush track, away from the Echo Tree Lookout, winding along the well-defined bush track for a short while before coming to the signposted intersection of the track to Leura Forest.

Turn left: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Leura Forest' sign along the bush track, winding down the hill for a short while before dropping down a set of wooden steps, to the signposted intersection with the 'Jamieson Lookout' track.

0.14 | Optional sidetrip to Jamieson Lookout

(20 m 1 mins) Turn sharp left: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Jamieson Lookout' sign along the short bush track to the rock shelf at the Jamieson Lookout. At the end of this side trip, retrace your steps back to the main walk then Veer left.

0.14 | Jamieson Lookout

Jamieson Lookout is a fenced lookout at the east end of the Federal Pass track, and just off Prince Henry Cliff Walk. The lookout has a bench seat and provides great views up the Jamison Valley, along Kings Tableland escarpment and past Mount Solitary. The lookout is perched up on a large rock buttress, giving views unobscured by trees.

0.14 | Int of Federal Pass and Jamieson Lookout Tracks

(90 m 3 mins) Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the dirt path, heading down the long set of wooden and rocky steps. The walk winds down past a picnic chair under a cliff overhang, and continues down the steps into the valley and through the forest to the Fern Bower information sign.

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0.23 | Fern Bower

(340 m 14 mins) Continue straight: From the information sign, the walk follows the track down the steps, passing a 'Rich History' information sign before coming down to the signposted intersection with the Amphitheatre track, at the top of a metal staircase.

Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Federal Pass Leura Forest' sign down the long metal staircase, to cross the bridge over Linda Creek in front of Lila Falls.

0.57 | Lila Falls

Lila Falls is a thin waterfall on Linda Creek. The Federal Pass crosses the creek (on a bridge) in front of these falls, just below the intersection with the amphitheatre. The waterfall is not the most spectacular one in this valley, but it is a nice cool spot to catch your breath.

0.57 | Lila Falls crossing

(180 m 11 mins) Continue straight: From the Lila Falls, this walk follows the track heading down the hill, winding down a wooden walkway keeping the creek to the left. The track hugs the rock wall and passes under a shallow overhang. The walk continues down a staircase, then turns back down into the gully where it come to the taller and slender Linda Falls. After passing Linda Falls the walk follows the wooden steps down through the gulley, crossing the creek again before heading down to the Marguerite Cascades.

0.75 | Marguerite Cascades

Marguerite Cascades are a series of small cascades finishing with a taller waterfall of a few metres height, dropping into a shallow sandy pool. The cascades are on Linda Creek and a small bridge crosses the creek at the base of the falls as part of the Federal Pass walking track. The cascades are a nice place to sit and listen to the water running and the local birds in this cool shady area.

0.75 | Marguerite Cascades

(320 m 11 mins) Continue straight: From the 'Marguerite Cascades', this walk follows the timber steps downhill, winding steeply for a short while until coming to an intersection with a faint track, marked with a timber 'Federal Pass' sign, just beside a foot bridge.

Veer right: From the intersection, this walk crosses Linda Creek just below a pleasant cascade using the foot bridge with a handrail. This walk then continues along the bush track that winds along the valley floor, to the signposted 'Leura Forest'. From here, the walk continues along the wide bush track, passing a few picnic tables, and winding through the forest to an open area with a large gazebo and an information sign at the intersection of the Federal Pass and the Dardenelles tracks.

1.07 | Leura Forest

Leura Forest is a great picnic area in the Jamison Valley at the junction of the Federal Pass and Dardenelles Tracks. This place was home to a popular tea house (also known as 'Lady Carrington Dining Hall') from the late 1800's. Today walkers can still enjoy the historic rotunda and the foundations of the original tea house. The picnic area provides a great rest spot under the shade of the lilli pilli and coachwood forest.

1.07 | Leura Forest (Int of Federal Pass and Dardenelles

(3.3 km 1 hr 39 mins) Continue straight: From Leura Forest, the walk follows

the 'Federal Pass' sign towards 'Scenic Railway'. Shortly after crossing a small creek using a little bridge, the track begins to steadily go downhill then flatten out. The environment surrounding the bush track at this point is quite dense and, while very pretty, it is difficult to see views of the surrounding area, although there are occasional glimpses of Sublime Point Service Trail on the left. After a while, the track begins to steadily climb to a signposted intersection with 'Dardenelles Pass'. There are several signposts and a bench seat.

Veer left: From the intersection, the walk follows the 'Federal Pass' sign towards 'Scenic Railway', keeping the main cliffs on the right. Not long after the intersection, the track passes 'under the sisters' rock formation (signposted). From here, the track turns and continues along a relatively stretch and, at several points, passes some notable rock formations and caves embedded in the cliffs. There are occasional good views that are not shrouded by the trees. The walk continues until coming to the base of Katoomba Falls, crossing these using a metal bridge know as 'Cooks Crossing'. (Just across the bridge, there is a picnic table.)

Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk heads south-west away from Katoomba Falls along the bush track, soon passing the signposted 'Turpentine Tree'. Shortly after this tree, the track comes to an intersection with another bush track and set of stairs (on the right, signposted as 'Furber Steps').

Turn right: From the intersection, this walk heads up the stairs. After the first section, the walk flattens out slightly as it zigzags up the hill. The track also goes under several large overhangs before coming to an intersection and a 'Vera's Grotto' sign.

4.38 | Optional sidetrip to Vera's Grotto

(30 m 3 mins) Turn right: From the intersection, the walk follows the 'Vera's Grotto' sign along the bush track, winding down a set of wooden steps to Vera's Grotto Lookout at the bottom. At the end of this side trip, retrace your steps back to the main walk then Continue straight.

4.38 | Vera's Grotto

Vera's Grotto is a pleasant little spot located amongst the cascades on Witches Leap creek. This is a great area for lunch on a hot day, as it is always kept cool by the falls and the shade from the surrounding trees. When venturing to the grotto, you may be lucky enough to spot the Whistler and Yellow Robins. Superb Lyrebirds are also heard and even seen frequently in the surrounding area.

4.38 | Int of Furber Steps and Vera's Grotto Track

(180 m 9 mins) Turn left: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Scenic Skyway' sign up the wooden steps and across the short wooden boardwalk to the other side. The track continues with the hand railing on the left, until reaching the base of the Furber Steps. From here, the walk continues up the concrete steps, zigzagging steeply up the side of the cliff, until reaching the Furber Lookout at the base of the last flight of steps.

Continue straight: From the Furber Lookout, this walk heads up the concrete stairs, climbing to the top. The walk passes the 'Furber Steps' signpost and continues along the bush track, winding up along the side of the hill until coming to the intersection of the Furber Steps and the Lynes Point tracks.

Turn left : From the lookout, this walk follows the bush track, heading down the short metal staircase to the intersection of the Lynes Point bush track at the bottom.

Continue straight: From the lookout, this walk heads up the stairs, climbing to the top. Here it continues along the bush track, winding past a large rock overhang with a bench seat underneath and through the forest for a short while, to the signposted intersection of the 'Underfalls Walk'.

Continue straight: From the intersection, the track follows the bush track heading up the hill, winding up through the forest for a short while. Soon the

track bends slightly around to the right and comes to the Rainforest Lookout, at the base of the set of wooden steps.

4.55 | Rainforest Lookout

Unlike many lookouts in the area, Rainforest Lookout does not offer sweeping valley views. Instead, this lookout offers an opportunity to get up close and personal with the canopy of the rainforest. Spend some time in the cool shade listening to the birds and Witches Leap creek passing by. A sign at the lookout explains that there once were wood-fired barbeques here for picnics, but removed due to the toll on the local environment.

4.55 | Rainforest Lookout

(80 m 1 mins) Turn left : From the Rainforest Lookout, this walk heads up the wooden steps, climbing to the top where it comes to a 'T' intersection with the 'Round Walk' track.

Turn left: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Scenic Skyway' sign down the wooden steps, then flattens out for a short distance before continuing up the other side, climbing up the long, steep set of wooden steps. At the top, the walk comes to the intersection of the Round Walk and the Juliets Balcony track (unsignposted).

4.63 | Optional sidetrip to Juliets Balcony

(10 m) Turn left: From the intersection, this walk heads up the short set of wooden steps, winding up to the raised rock platform, and along the bush track to the edge of the fenced-off rock shelf. At the end of this side trip, retrace your steps back to the main walk then Veer left.

4.63 | Juilets Balcony

Juliets Balcony is a spectacular lookout, perched on top of a rock buttress near Orphan Rock, under the Scenic Skyway. The lookout provides sweeping views of the start of the Kedumba Valley, from Katoomba Falls to the Three Sisters. The lookout is accessed by a staircase, off the Furber Steps track. The fenceline continues along the lookout, forming a long, fenced balcony.

4.63 | Int of Katoomba Falls Round Walk and Juliets Balco

(110 m 3 mins) Veer right: From the intersection, this walk heads to the top of the metal stairs. The track then continues steeply up through the bush, climbing to Vanimans Lookout.

4.74 | Vaniman's Lookout

Vaniman's Lookout is a fenced, long and narrow lookout on the cliff edge, opposite Reids Plateau. The view looks directly over the Three Sisters across the Kedumba Valley, under the Scenic Skyway. The lookout was considered one of the finest views on the Three Sisters in the 1900's. The lookout was named after Chester Melvin Vaniman in 1905, a well-know adventurer and artist from the USA, who visited the Blue Mountains in 1903. <u>More info.</u>

4.74 | Vanimans Lookout

(300 m 6 mins) Turn left: From Vanimans Lookout, this walk heads up the wooden steps, climbing up the hill through the bush until it comes to the intersection with the Prince Henry Cliff Walk.

Veer right: From the intersection, the walk follows the 'Caravan Park' sign along the bush track that winds along the side of the hill, heading through the forest to the signposted intersection of the Prince Henry Cliff Walk at the back of the park, near the Katoomba Falls Kiosk.

5.03 | Int of Katoomba Kiosk Track and Prince Henry Cliff

(30 m 1 mins) Veer right: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Reids Plateau' sign down the concrete stairs, passing a 'Greenspace Project' sign. The walk continues down to the bottom of the stairs and to the intersection of the Katoomba Falls Walk and the Prince Henry Cliff Walk (unsignposted).

5.06 | Int of Prince Henry Cliff Walk and Reids Plateau l

(70 m 2 mins) Turn left: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Prince Henry Cliff Walk' signpost down the hardened footpath, winding down some wooden steps to the bottom of the hill, where it flattens out and continues through the forest for a short distance before coming to the intersection of Solitary Lookout track.

5.13 | Optional sidetrip to Solitary Lookout

(20 m I mins) Turn right: From the intersection, this walk heads down the wooden steps and along the bush track, winding through the forest for a short while before dropping down some concrete steps to Solitary Lookout. At the end of this side trip, retrace your steps back to the main walk then Turn right.

5.13 | Solitary Lookout

This unnamed lookout, near Katoomba falls, looks straight out across the Kedumba Valley to Mount Solitary. Although the Three Sisters are not visible, visitors can see Narrow Neck plateau and Ruined Castle to the right. The lookout is fenced, and there is a chair where you can sit and watch the Scenic Skyway go back and forth.

5.13 | Int of Solitary Lookout track and Prince Henry Cli

(60 m 3 mins) Continue straight: From the intersection, the walk follows the footpath down the gentle hill for a short distance and arrives at the Kedumba River lookout.

5.19 | Kedumba River lookout

This unnamed, fenced lookout is at the bend in the track along Kedumba River, at the top of Katoomba Falls. The lookout gives great views across the valley to Mount Solitary and Narrow Neck. There are also glimpses of the Katoomba Falls as it drops away, far into the valley below.

5.19 | Kedumba River lookout

(180 m 4 mins) Veer left: From the lookout, this walk heads north along the bush track, winding along the left-hand side of the gully. The walk comes to the Kedumba River and follows it upstream through the forest, until the track bends down to the river crossing, just downstream of the cascades.

5.37 | Katoomba Cascades

Popular with locals and visitors alike, these picturesque cascades are on the Kedumba River. The cascades are nestled in the bend on Cliff Drive, near Katoomba Park. There are stepping stones across the creek at the bottom of the falls and a bench seat in the shade. There are a few small clearings where visitors can sit and enjoy the falls.

5.37 | Katoomba Cascades

(130 m 3 mins) Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk crosses to the eastern side of the creek and continues up the wooden steps, winding to the top of the hill. From here, the track bends to the right and continues along through the park for a short while until coming to the intersection of Cliff Drive.

5.5 | Katoomba Falls Park

(280 m 7 mins) Turn right: From the intersection (by the signposted mobility parking bay on Cliff Drive, about 120m from Katoomba Falls Road), this walk follows the 'Cliff View Lookout 10 mins' sign gently uphill along the stenciled concrete path (with handrails on the right) for about 60m. This walk then meanders along the path gently downhill for about 45m to come to a start of the second handrail(on the left) and this walk becomes a bit steeper downhill. After about 60m this walk flattens and continues gently uphill for about 80m to come to a 3-way intersection with the 'Skyway East Station' staircase (on the left).

Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the stenciled concrete path keeping the handrails on the right, almost immediately passing under the cables of the 'Skyway' cable car. This walk continues for about 40m and goes up and over a gentle rise to come to a concrete platform marked by the 'Cliff View Lookout' sign on the fence.

5.77 | Cliff View Lookout

This large, fenced wheelchair accessible lookout provides great mountain views of Mt Solitary, Kedumba Valley, Narrow Neck and across to Scenic World. There's a bench seat at the back of the lookout to enjoy the views from. The lookout fence is 1.2m high, the platform is 7.8x5.5m wide.

5.77 | Cliff View Lookout

(240 m 8 mins) Turn left: Keeping the lookout and the valley to the right, the walk follows the bush track heading up and away from the cliffs, winding through the thick scrub until it passes a picnic bench, and continues along for a short while to Wollumai Lookout.

6.01 | Wollumai Lookout

Wollumai Lookout is a small, fenced lookout on the side of the Prince Henry Cliff Track. The lookout is on a sandstone platform at the base of a cliff, and looks over a much larger drop into the Jamison Valley. There is a bench seat to enjoy the views over the valley, including Mount Solitary, Narrow Neck and glimpses of the Three Sisters.

6.01 | Wollumai Lookout

(100 m 3 mins) Continue straight: With the lookout and the valley to the right, the walk follows the bush track as it winds along the side of the hill through thick scrub for a short distance, before heading down some concrete steps and continuing through a patch of tall gum trees, until it comes to the Allambie Lookout.

6.11 | Allambie Lookout

Allambie Lookout is a small, fenced lookout on the side of the Prince Henry Cliff Track. The lookout provides an opportunity to enjoy the valley view and the sights of the Three Sisters, Kings Tablelands and Mount Solitary.

6.11 | Allambie Lookout

(140 m 4 mins) Continue straight: From Allambie Lookout, this walk follows the bush track heading east, keeping the lookout and the valley to the right. The walk winds down a few wooden steps and continues along the bottom of a short rock cliff. The track then comes to base of a long set of wooden steps which it climbs to the top, coming to a short metal staircase which leads up to the Lady Darley Lookout.

6.25 | Lady Darley Lookout

Lady Darley Lookout is a moderately-sized, fenced lookout, found on the Prince Henry Cliff Track. The lookout can also be accessed directly by a track from Panorama Drive. There is an information sign describing the view and the traditional naming of the natural features. The panoramic views from the lookout are great, from Kings Tableland on the left to Mount Solitary, Narrow Neck and parts of Scenic World on the far right.

6.25 | Lady Darley Lookout

 $(200 \ m \ 8 \ mins)$ Veer right: From the lookout, this walk follows the 'Grand Cliff Top Track' sign towards Echo Point, heading down the wooden steps and along the side of the hill. After a short while, the track joins onto a concrete footpath, coming to the Kedumba View at the information sign a short distance later.

6.46 | Kedumba View

(210 m 7 mins) Turn left: Keeping the Kedumba View to the right, the walk

follows the footpath along the side of the hill, winding through the bush until coming to the intersection of the Echo Point and the Queen Elizabeth Lookout paths.

6.67 | Int of Echo Point and Queen Elizabeth Lookout trac

(70 m 3 mins) Veer left: From the intersection, this walk heads up the concrete ramp, climbing up the gentle hill to Echo Point.

6.74 | Echo Point

Echo Point is the Blue Mountains' most famous and popular lookout, home to one of the best photo opportunities for the Three Sisters. Visited by over two million tourists each year, this popular spot also serves as the starting point for many great walks in the area. The lookout is well fenced, has information signs and stunning views across the valley to the Three Sisters and Mount Solitary. There are mounted binoculars and seats nearby.

6.74 | Echo Point

(90 m 4 mins) Turn left: From the formal Echo Point Lookout, this walk heads away from the view, uphill across the wideopen concrete area. After 30m the walk passes a large concrete seat (on the right), where the walk continues for another 20m to pass a similar seat (also on the right). The walk continues up to the the front of the visitor center (on the right) and the mobility parking area (on the left).

6.82 | Echo Point Information Centre

This modern building at Echo Point is a great source of information. It is open daily from 9am-5pm (except Christmas Day). There is a large range of books, maps and information about the area (and ice creams). There are toilets opposite the entrance, and mobility parking opposite. For more information, phone 1300 653 408. <u>More info</u>

6.82 | Echo Point Information Center

(30 m 1 mins) Continue straight: From the front of the visitor center, this walk heads gently uphill, following the 'Three Sister walk' sign. The walk soon passes the toilet block and veers right to pass under the stone archway and come to an intersection with a path (on the right) just past the 'Blue Mountains National Park' sign.

6.85 | Echo Point Archway Intersection

(430 m 12 mins) Turn right: From the archway, this walk follows the lower of the two footpaths heading away from Echo Point, for approximately 30m, before coming to the intersection of the Spooners Lookout track.

Turn left: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Three Sisters' arrow gently uphill along the concrete path, keeping the main valley behind and to the left. The track then leads up, past a short fence, to a clear intersection with the Three Sisters Walk.

Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Three Sisters 400m' arrow downhill along the concrete path, keeping the valley to the right. After about 15m the walk leads past a stone seat (on the left), with a blue tongue lizard sculpture. The walk continues gently downhill for another 60m to pass another sandstone seat (on the left). From here the path winds gently downhill for another 70m to find yet another sandstone seat (on the left). The path continues downhill for another 45m to find a clear intersection marked with a large 'Three Sisters Walk' sign. On the right is a small flat loose gravel area with two seats.

Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Three Sisters, Giant Stairway' sign moderately steeply downhill along the smooth concrete path. After about about 90m this path leads past stone seat (on the left) in a small sandstone overhang. Check the miniature cicada sculptures above the overhang. From here the this walk continues a downhill along the path for about 30m to find the fenced Oreades Lookout (on the right).

7.28 | Oreades Lookout

(20 m 1 mins) Continue straight: From Oreades Lookout platform, this walk follows the main path down the steps, keeping the valley views to the right. At the bottom of the first set of steps the walking comes to an intersection with a track (on the left).

7.3 | Lady Game Lookout

Lady Game Lookout is a narrow, fenced lookout above the Three Sisters. The track to this lookout starts just near the archway which marks the start of the Giant Staircase. Lady Game Lookout provides a bird's-eye view over the Three Sisters and is a popular stop whilst exploring the area.

7.3 | Int of the Lady Game Bushtrack and the Three Siste

(360 m 10 mins) Turn left: From the intersection, the walk follows the bush track up the rock steps and continues up the ridge, coming to an intersection with another track, signposted as the 'Prince Henry Cliff Walk'.

Veer right: From the intersection, the walk follows the 'Leura Cascades' sign along the bush track, winding around through the bush and following the cliffs (further down the hill to the right) around the valley until coming to the intersection with the Lady Carrington Lookout track.

7.65 | Optional sidetrip to Lady Carrington Lookout

(20 m 1 mins) Turn right: From the intersection, this walk heads out to the cliffs, going down a small flight of stairs and following the metal railing. Shortly after, the walk breaks out onto a fenced-off rockshelf, signposted as Lady Carrington Lookout. At the end of this side trip, retrace your steps back to the main walk then Veer right.

7.65 | Lady Carrington Lookout

Lady (Cecelia) Carrington was wife of Lord (Charles Robert Wynne) Carrington. The couple explored parts of the Blue mountains in the late 1800's and had a number of places named in their honour. Lady Carrington Lookout is long, narrow and fenced (twice). The lookout is perched up on a sandstone block and provides views over Jamison Valley.

7.65 | Int of Prince Henry Cliff and Lady Carrington Look

(170 m 4 mins) Veer left: From the intersection, the walk follows the 'Leura Cascades' sign along the bush track which winds through the forest, gradually climbing up a long gentle hill. The track then flattens out and follows a metal fence-line to the 'Tallawarra Lookout' shortly after (marked on some maps as 'Tallawalla Lookout').

7.82 | Tallawarra Lookout

Tallawarra Lookout is a small, fenced lookout near Silver Mist Picnic Area, along Prince Henry Cliff walk. The lookout provides an excellent view of Sublime Point and Kings Tableland. Leura Falls and Gordon Creek both flow through the valley below. There are a few bench seats just near the lookout. (Note: the lookout is marked as 'Tallawalla Lookout' on some maps.)

7.82 | Tallawarra Lookout

(60 m 2 mins) Veer left: From the lookout, this walk follows the 'Leura Cascades' sign along the bush track winding around the edge of the valley for a short while before coming to the fenced-off rock platform signposted as 'Millamurra Lookout'.

7.88 | Millamurra Lookout

Millamurra Lookout is on a fenced, elevated rock platform on the side of the Prince Henry Cliff Walk. There are views of the Jamison Valley, including the Leura Falls Creek and Sublime Point. There is also a great view along the Kings Tableland escarpment to the right.

7.88 | Millamurra Lookout

(750 m 15 mins) Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the bush track, keeping the valley down to the right, as it continues along for a short while before coming to the Honeymoon Lookout, which is up the hill on the left-hand side of the track. The track passes the lookout and comes to the intersection of the bush track heading up to the lookout straight after.

Continue straight: From the intersection, the walk follows the bush track, keeping the valley and the cliffs down the hill to the right as it winds through the forest, until it comes to the signposted 'Honeymoon Point', shortly after the metal fence starts of the right.

Veer left: From the intersection, this walk follows the bush track heading away from the lookout, keeping the valley down the hill to the right as it winds down a set of wooden steps to the signposted Banksia Streamlet.

Continue straight: Keeping the valley down the hill to the right, the walk crosses the streamlet at the wooden bridge. The track continues up the wooden steps on the other side to the top of the hill, where the track flattens out and continues past a picnic chair and along the side of the hill to the Lomandra Lookout.

8.63 | Lomandra Lookout

Lomandra Lookout is a fenced lookout along Prince Henry Cliff Walk, near Katoomba. Unlike other lookouts in the area, there are no sweeping distant views, but atop this cliff there is a great close-up view of the canopy of the surrounding bush. There is a bench seat on the rock platform, making a nice place for a rest.

8.63 | Lomandra Lookout

 $(330 \ m \ 9 \ mins)$ Continue straight: From the Lomandra Lookout, this walk follows the bush track, keeping the valley down to the right, as it winds through thick forest along the side of the hill, winding all the way around and up a set of wooden steps to the signposted intersection of the 'Burrabarroo Lookout' track.

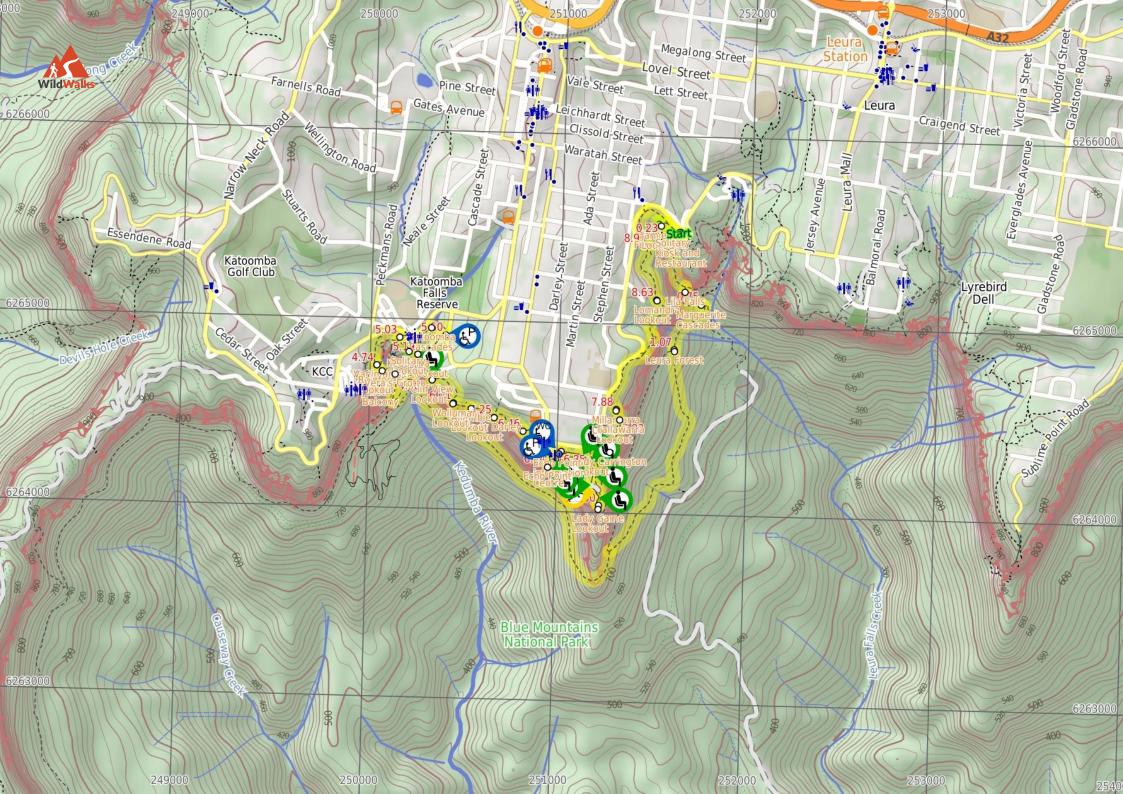
8.97 | Int of Prince Henry Cliff Walk and Burrabarroo Loo

(440 m 12 mins) Veer left: From the intersection, the walk follows the 'Leura Cascades' sign, climbing up the wooden steps and continuing along the bush track that winds through the forest, until coming to the intersection with the Carrington Park track.

Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Leura Cascades 1km' sign down the wooden steps and along the bush track, winding through the forest until coming to the signposted intersection of the 'Leura Forest' Track.

Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Leura Cascades' sign along the well-defined bush track, winding through the bush to the signposted intersection of the Echo Tree track at the bottom of the short set of stairs.

Turn left: From the intersection, this walk follows the short set of wooden steps up to Cliff Drive, opposite the car park behind Solitary Restaurant.



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| Start | Int of Cliff Drive and Prince Henry Cliff Walk -33.7216,150.3195 (GR Katoomba, 516655) | 9 -6 | 140 m 4 mins | From Cliff Drive, opposite the car park behind Solitary Restaurant, this walk follows the 'Prince Henry Cliff Walk to Federal Pass' sign, down the short set of wooden steps to the intersection with the Echo Tree Loo |
| 0.14 | Int of Federal Pass and Jamieson Lookout Tracks -33.721,150.3183 (GR Katoomba, 515655) | 0 -6 | 20 m 1 mins | Optional sidetrip to Jamieson Lookout. Turn sharp left: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Jamieson Lookout' sign along the short bush track to the rock shelf at the Jamieson Lookout. |
| 0.14 | Int of Federal Pass and Jamieson Lookout Tracks -33.721,150.3183 (GR Katoomba, 515656) | 0 -36 | 90 m 3 mins | Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the dirt path, heading down the long set of wooden and rocky steps. |
| 0.23 | Fern Bower -33.7217,150.3184 (GR Katoomba, 515655) | 10 -168 | 340 m 14 mins | Continue straight: From the information sign, the walk follows the track down the steps, passing a 'Rich History' information sign before coming down to the signposted intersection with the Amphitheatre track, at th |
| 0.57 | Lila Falls crossing -33.7243,150.3198 (GR Katoomba, 517652) | 37 -90 | 180 m 11 mins | Continue straight: From the Lila Falls, this walk follows the track heading down the hill, winding down a wooden walkway keeping the creek to the left. |
| 0.75 | Marguerite Cascades -33.725,150.3207 (GR Katoomba, 517651) | 50 -14 | 320 m 11 mins | Continue straight: From the 'Marguerite Cascades', this walk follows the timber steps downhill, winding steeply for a short while until coming to an intersection with a faint track, marked with a timber 'Federal Pas |
| 1.07 | Leura Forest (Int of Federal Pass and Dardenelles Tracks) -33.7271,150.3192 (GR Katoomba, 516649) | 392 -285 | 3.3 km 1 hr 39 mins | Continue straight: From Leura Forest, the walk follows the 'Federal Pass' sign towards 'Scenic Railway'. |
| 4.38 | Int of Furber Steps and Vera's Grotto Track -33.7284,150.3032 (GR Katoomba, 501647) | 27 -3 | 30 m 3 mins | Optional sidetrip to Vera's Grotto. Turn right: From the intersection, the walk follows the 'Vera's Grotto' sign along the bush track, winding down a set of wooden steps to Vera's Grotto Lookout at the bottom. |
| 4.38 | Int of Furber Steps and Vera's Grotto Track -33.7285,150.3032 (GR Katoomba, 501647) | 93 -19 | 180 m 9 mins | Turn left: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Scenic Skyway' sign up the wooden steps and across the short wooden boardwalk to the other side. |
| 4.55 | Rainforest Lookout -33.7281,150.3025 (GR Katoomba, 501647) | 5 -3 | 80 m 1 mins | Turn left : From the Rainforest Lookout, this walk heads up the wooden steps, climbing to the top where it comes to a 'T' intersection with the 'Round Walk' track. |
| 4.63 | Int of Katoomba Falls Round Walk and Juliets Balcony Track -33.7287,150.3023 (GR Katoomba, 500647) | 1 0 | 10 m | Optional sidetrip to Juliets Balcony. Turn left: From the intersection, this walk heads up the short set of wooden steps, winding up to the raised rock platform, and along the bush track to the edge of the fenced-off rock shelf. |
| 4.63 | Int of Katoomba Falls Round Walk and Juliets Balcony Track -33.7287,150.3023 (GR Katoomba, 500647) | 11 -4 | 110 m 3 mins | Veer right: From the intersection, this walk heads to the top of the metal stairs. |
| 4.74 | Vanimans Lookout -33.7278,150.3022 (GR Katoomba, 500648) | 29 -6 | 300 m 6 mins | Turn left: From Vanimans Lookout, this walk heads up the wooden steps, climbing up the hill through the bush until it comes to the intersection with the Prince Henry Cliff Walk. |
| 5.03 | Int of Katoomba Kiosk Track and Prince Henry Cliff Walk -33.7265,150.3035 (GR Katoomba, 502649) | 0 -5 | 30 m 1 mins | Veer right: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Reids Plateau' sign down the concrete stairs, passing a 'Greenspace Project' sign. |
| 5.06 | Int of Prince Henry Cliff Walk and Reids Plateau loop -33.7267,150.3034 (GR Katoomba, 501649) | 1 -13 | 70 m 2 mins | Turn left: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Prince Henry Cliff Walk' signpost down the hardened footpath, winding down some wooden steps to the bottom of the hill, where it flattens out and continues th |
| 5.13 | Int of Solitary Lookout track and Prince Henry Cliff Walk -33.727,150.304 (GR Katoomba, 502648) | 0 -10 | 20 m 1 mins | Optional sidetrip to Solitary Lookout. Turn right: From the intersection, this walk heads down the wooden steps and along the bush track, winding through the forest for a short while before dropping down some concrete steps to Solitary Lookout. |

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| 5.13 | Int of Solitary Lookout track and Prince Henry Cliff Walk -33.727,150.304 (GR Katoomba, 502648) | 3 -18 | 60 m 3 mins | Continue straight: From the intersection, the walk follows the footpath down the gentle hill for a short distance and arrives at the Kedumba River lookout. |
| 5.19 | Kedumba River lookout -33.7273,150.3045 (GR Katoomba, 503648) | 22 -4 | 180 m 4 mins | Veer left: From the lookout, this walk heads north along the bush track, winding along the left-hand side of the gully. |
| 5.37 | Katoomba Cascades -33.726,150.3053 (GR Katoomba, 503650) | 18 -1 | 130 m 3 mins | Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk crosses to the eastern side of the creek and continues up the wooden steps, winding to the top of the hill. |
| 5.50 | Katoomba Falls Park -33.7264,150.3061 (GR Katoomba, 504649) | 10 -28 | 280 m 7 mins | Turn right: From the intersection (by the signposted mobility parking bay on Cliff Drive, about 120m from Katoomba Falls Road), this walk follows the 'Cliff View Lookout 10 mins' sign gently uphill along the stencil |
| 5.77 | Cliff View Lookout -33.7285,150.3054 (GR Katoomba, 503647) | 25 -29 | 240 m 8 mins | Turn left: Keeping the lookout and the valley to the right, the walk follows the bush track heading up and away from the cliffs, winding through the thick scrub until it passes a picnic bench, and continues along fo |
| 6.01 | Wollumai Lookout -33.7296,150.3066 (GR Katoomba, 504646) | 10 -13 | 100 m 3 mins | Continue straight: With the lookout and the valley to the right, the walk follows the bush track as it winds along the side of the hill through thick scrub for a short distance, before heading down some concrete ste |
| 6.11 | Allambie Lookout -33.7299,150.3076 (GR Katoomba, 505645) | 19 -11 | 140 m 4 mins | Continue straight: From Allambie Lookout, this walk follows the bush track heading east, keeping the lookout and the valley to the right. |
| 6.25 | Lady Darley Lookout -33.7303,150.3089 (GR Katoomba, 507645) | 36 -27 | 200 m 8 mins | Veer right: From the lookout, this walk follows the 'Grand Cliff Top Track' sign towards Echo Point, heading down the wooden steps and along the side of the hill. |
| 6.46 | Kedumba View -33.731,150.3105 (GR Katoomba, 508644) | 29 -8 | 210 m 7 mins | Turn left: Keeping the Kedumba View to the right, the walk follows the footpath along the side of the hill, winding through the bush until coming to the intersection of the Echo Point and the Queen Elizabeth Lookout |
| 6.67 | Int of Echo Point and Queen Elizabeth Lookout tracks -33.7322,150.3118 (GR Katoomba, 509643) | 1 -19 | 70 m 3 mins | Veer left: From the intersection, this walk heads up the concrete ramp, climbing up the gentle hill to Echo Point. |
| 6.74 | Echo Point -33.7327,150.312 (GR Katoomba, 510642) | 22 -3 | 90 m 4 mins | Turn left: From the formal Echo Point Lookout, this walk heads away from the view, uphill across the wideopen concrete area. |
| 6.82 | Echo Point Information Center -33.7321,150.3124 (GR Katoomba, 510643) | 0 -1 | 30 m 1 mins | Continue straight: From the front of the visitor center, this walk heads gently uphill, following the 'Three Sister walk' sign. |
| 6.85 | Echo Point Archway Intersection -33.732,150.3127 (GR Katoomba, 510643) | 19 -47 | 430 m 12 mins | Turn right: From the archway, this walk follows the lower of the two footpaths heading away from Echo Point, for approximately 30m, before coming to the intersection of the Spooners Lookout track. |
| 7.28 | Oreades Lookout -33.7344,150.3147 (GR Katoomba, 512641) | 0 -11 | 20 m 1 mins | Continue straight: From Oreades Lookout platform, this walk follows the main path down the steps, keeping the valley views to the right. |
| 7.30 | Int of the Lady Game Bushtrack and the Three Sisters Footpath -33.7345,150.3148 (GR Katoomba, 512640) | 40 -20 | 360 m 10 mins | Turn left: From the intersection, the walk follows the bush track up the rock steps and continues up the ridge, coming to an intersection with another track, signposted as the 'Prince Henry Cliff Walk'. |
| 7.65 | Int of Prince Henry Cliff and Lady Carrington Lookout Tracks -33.7318,150.3153 (GR Katoomba, 513643) | 0 -12 | 20 m 1 mins | Optional sidetrip to Lady Carrington Lookout. Turn right: From the intersection, this walk heads out to the cliffs, going down a small flight of stairs and following the metal railing. |
| 7.65 | Int of Prince Henry Cliff and Lady Carrington Lookout Tracks -33.7318,150.3153 (GR Katoomba, 513643) | 6 -17 | 170 m 4 mins | Veer left: From the intersection, the walk follows the 'Leura Cascades' sign along the bush track which winds through the forest, gradually climbing up a long gentle hill. |

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| 7.82 | Tallawarra Lookout -33.7305,150.316 (GR Katoomba, 513645) | 6 -3 | 60 m 2 mins | Veer left: From the lookout, this walk follows the 'Leura Cascades' sign along the bush track winding around the edge of the valley for a short while before coming to the fenced-off rock platform signposted as 'Mill | | |
| 7.88 | Millamurra Lookout -33.73,150.3159 (GR Katoomba, 513645) | 49 -52 | 750 m 15 mins | Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the bush track, keeping the valley down to the right, as it continues along for a short while before coming to the Honeymoon Lookout, which is up the hill | | |
| 8.63 | Lomandra Lookout -33.7247,150.3182 (GR Katoomba, 515651) | 25 -23 | 330 m 9 mins | Continue straight: From the Lomandra Lookout, this walk follows the bush track, keeping the valley down to the right, as it winds through thick forest along the side of the hill, winding all the way around and up a | | |
| 8.97 | Int of Prince Henry Cliff Walk and Burrabarroo Lookout Tracks -33.7221,150.3177 (GR Katoomba, 515654) | 32 -24 | 440 m 12 mins | Veer left: From the intersection, the walk follows the 'Leura Cascades' sign, climbing up the wooden steps and continuing along the bush track that winds through the forest, until coming to the intersection with the | | |