Strickland Falls Loop Trail

1 Hr 1.8 km Circuit

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Moderate track

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A loop walk with plenty of excellent scenery. The walk starts in the dry eucalypt forest around the Banksia Picnic Area and soon descends into lush green rainforest remnants, filled with ferns and cabbage tree palms. The walk includes some great scenery along the base of the cliff line and around the falls, although the falls themselves are often just a trickle. A great walk to experience a slice of the beautiful scenery of the Strickland State Forest.

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Strickland State Forest

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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 Traveling by car is the only practical way to get to Banksia car park (gps: -33.3733, 151.3225). 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/sflt

0 | Strickland State Forest

The Strickland State Forest, managed by State Forests of NSW, is located on the NSW Central Coast, close to the F3. The Strickland State Forest has a wide range of vegetation, including patches of rainforest along the sheltered creeks. The walking tracks take in some beautiful scenery, including a mixture of native forest and the remnants of an old arboretum. 'Strickland is no longer actively harvested and is managed for education and recreation purposes'. The 'Friends of Strickland' undertake projects including the construction of walking tracks. Note: Access into Strickland is during the daytime only with the entrance gate being unlocked between 7am and 5pm (Apr - Oct) and between 7am and 7pm (Nov - Mar) More info.

0 | Banksia car park

(50 m 1 mins) From the car park (near the end of Strickland Rd in the Strickland State Forest), this walk passes around the gate and goes across the picnic area to the track intersection at the opposite end. There is a track signpost ('Strickland Falls Loop Trail') a little to the left.

0.05 | Banksia Picnic Area

This picnic area is in the Strickland State Forest, on the NSW Central Coast. The facilities include picnic tables, pit toilets, BBQ fire places, garbage bins and tank water. A few bush walking tracks start from the picnic area.

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(870 m 26 mins) Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the bush track past the 'Gosford Lookout' sign,

towards the rock platform (the lookout). At the rock platform lookout, the track bends to the right and descends gently, using steps cut into the rock in places. The vegetation on this section of the walk changes from relatively dry forest at the picnic area to moist forest filled with ferns and cabbage palms as the track descends. After a short distance, the walk arrives at an intersection signposted 'Cabbage Tree Trail'.

Veer right: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Strickland Falls Trail' arrow along the bush track, keeping the valley to the left. The track meanders through some beautiful scenery with ferns, cabbage palms and boulders. A cliff line is often visible through the trees to the right. After a while, the walk crosses a gully below some imposing cliffs and continues further before reaching the signposted 'Strickland Falls'.

0.92 | Strickland Falls

Strickland Falls are a short walk from the Banksia Picnic Area in the Strickland State Forest, Central Coast, NSW. The falls are often just a trickle, but will be more impressive after good rain. The scenery around the falls is still beautiful with moist rainforest scenery to enjoy.

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(740 m 18 mins) Turn sharp right: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Banksia Picnic Area' arrow along the bush track, going up the steps. The walk climbs up through a series of boulders, with some nice overhangs along the way. The vegetation becomes much drier as the walk climbs out of the valley. After a while the track comes to an intersection with the road, signposted 'Strickland Falls'.

1.66 | Int of Strickland Falls trail and Strickland Rd

 $(90 \ m \ 2 \ mins)$ Turn right: From the intersection, the walk follows the road to the gate in the car park , just before the picnic area.

