

# 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 End of Kissing Pt Rd, Turramurra (gps: -33.7584, 151.1098) by car or bus. Car: There is free parking available. You can get back from Int. Opposite the end of Lady Game Drive (gps: -33.7734, 151.1352) by car or bus. Car: There is free parking available.

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### 0 | End of Kissing Pt Rd, Turramurra

(320 m 7 mins) From the end of Kissing Point Rd, the track heads down the asphalt management trail. The track heads down the hill passing several houses and comes to an intersection with a track going off to the left at the 'Walking and Service Trails in the Lane Cove Valley' sign.

# 0.32 | Int of GNW and Kissing Point Road path

(870 m 18 mins) Turn left: From the intersection, this walk follows the GNW arrow post away from the face of the aluminium 'Lane Cove Valley' map sign along the dirt trail. After about 30m, this walk crosses an ephemeral creek on a rock platform, coming to a spot behind some houses. Continue straight: From the creek, this walk follows the management trail along the side of the hill, initially keeping the houses up to your left. The trail soon leads past a high tension power line tower and along the side of the hill and gently up for about 200m to another metal high tension power line tower. Here the trail bends left and leads up a fairly steep but short hill, where the trail then leads more gently uphill for another 400m before another short, steep climb. From the top of this climb, the trail continues for about 70m before crossing over a rock platform and coming to an intersection (about 25m below the Koombalah Ave gate, on your left). Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the main trail gently along the side of the hill, keeping the valley to your right. After about 40m, this trail leads to an intersection with a track (on your right), marked with a GNW arrow post (just as this trail bends left).

# 1.19 | Int of the GNW and the South Turramurra High Schoo

(490 m 13 mins) Veer right: From the intersection, this walk follows the GNW arrow post east down along the rocky track (away from the management trail). The rocky track follows a series of concrete access points and timber steps for about 230m to then cross a short section to timber boardwalk/bridge. After this the track continues, keeping the Lane Cove River a short distance to your right, for about 80m to come to a three-way intersection marked with a GNW arrow post.

Veer right: From the intersection, this walk follows the GNW arrow post gently downhill, keeping the valley to your right for about 30m to come to a faint intersection with a track (on your right - this faint track leads down to an old weir).

Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the main track east, keeping the valley to your right. After about 120m, this track leads down (becoming steeper as it goes) to the cross the weir and bridge over Avondale Creek to find a pleasant sandy beach on the Lane Cove River. This last crossing may become impassable after heavy or prolonged rain.

Here the track bends left and climbs up the timber steps a short distance to come to a T-intersection with a wide trail marked with a GNW arrow post and a 'Lane Cove Valley' aluminum sign and map.

### 1.68 | Int of the GNW and the Avondale creek service trai

(210 m 4 mins) Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the GNW arrow post downhill along the management trail, keeping the Lane Cove River a short distance to your right. After about 120m, the trail crosses a small gully then leads gently uphill for about 70m to come to an intersection with a track (on your right) marked with a GNW arrow post.

### 1.89 | Int of the GNW and the West Pymble service trail l

(760 m 18 mins) Continue straight: From the intersection, the walk follows the GNW arrow post south along the track (leaving the wide trail behind). The track gently winds along the side of the hill for about 300m to pass under some high tension power lines. Then over the next 300m, the track becomes rockier and undulates more, passing among some grass trees to come to the top of a small rocky rise. Here the walk heads down these rocks to find a three-way intersection, marked with a GNW arrow post (almost under the high tension power lines).

Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the GNW arrow post south, gently downhill for about 100m to come to a faint intersection with a track (on your left) marked with a GNW arrow post.

Veer right: From the intersection, the walk follows the GNW arrow post south, downhill for about 30m to come to a three-way intersection, marked with a GNW arrow post (and a sign pointing right to 'Marsfield').

### 2.65 | Int of GNW and Christie Park track

(550 m 11 mins) Veer left: From the intersection, the walk follows the GNW arrow post east, gently down along the side of the hill (keeping the valley to your right). After about 80m, this walk steps off a small rock platform then crosses two flat timber bridges over Congham Creek. Here the track continues for another 100m (passing close to a few houses) to cross a small gully then climb up a few timber steps. About 70m further along the track, this walk passes a concrete sewerage access point to come to an intersection with a faint track on your left (that leads a short distance to a management trail), marked with a GNW arrow post.

Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the GNW arrow post along the mostly flat track, keeping the valley to your left (running parallel with the high tension power lines, up to your left). After about 150m, this track leads close to a high tension power line tower, then comes to a locked green shed opposite a fenced-off pipe bridge (down in the valley to your right).

Continue straight: From the green shed, this walk follows the track as it winds along the side of the hill, keeping the valley to your right and initially keeping the high tension power line tower on your left. After about 150m, this track winds up to a clear intersection with the Gloucester Ave fire trail, marked with a set of NPWS AND GNW arrow posts (just under the high tension power lines).

#### 3.2 | Int of GNW and Gloucester Ave service trail (sth)

(30 m 1 mins) Turn right: From the intersection, the walk follows GNW arrow post gently downhill along the wide trail, keeping the power poles to your right. After about 30m, the trail leads to an intersection with a track (on the right, near the second power pole), marked with another set of NPWS & GNW arrow posts (before the locked gate).

### 3.23 | Int of GNW and Gloucester Ave fire trail

(610 m 12 mins) Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the

GNW arrow post, heading under the power lines and along track whilst leaving the management trail behind. After about 30m, this track leads down the hill and a few stone steps to cross Quarry Creek then climbs up a few steps and follows the mostly flat track through the bush for about 400m, to come to the end of a weedy section marked with a concrete sewerage access point. Here the rocky track climbs up the side of the hill for about 200m, through open eucalypt forest with some limited views right over the valley, for about 200m before passing large metal pipe (crossing the Lane Cove River). About 30m after passing the pipe, the track winds up to come to a clear intersection with a wide management trail, where a 'Thornleigh Oval' sign points back down the hill.

#### 3.84 | Int of GNW and Yanko Road tracks

(250 m 6 mins) Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Lane Cove Weir' sign south and gently downhill along the management trail. The trail winds downhill for about 200m to cross a concrete bridge over Rudder Creek (beside a concrete sewerage pipe). Here the trail leads uphill for another 80m to come to an intersection with the GNW track (on your left), marked with 'The Great North Walk' sign.

#### 4.1 | Int of GNW and Rvde Road track

(320 m 7 mins) Turn left: From the intersection, this walk heads up the service trail following the sign to 'Ryde Rd, West Pymble'. The track tends right before slowly turning left, as it heads up the hill for approximately 200m to the intersection opposite the Lady Game Drive intersection.