



# Cumberland State Forest



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## Escape the everyday at Cumberland State Forest

Cumberland State Forest is the Hills District's best kept secret. A 40 hectare oasis of bushland in Sydney's north western suburbs, Cumberland State Forest is a fantastic place to visit if you want to escape the city and get back to nature.

Scenic walking trails, family picnic areas and barbecue facilities make it a popular destination for Sydneysiders and tourists alike.

The forest site is part of lands traditionally visited by Dharug, Guringah and Gammeriagal Aboriginal peoples to obtain resources for daily life. Cumberland State Forest was established in 1939 after previous agricultural clearing in 1908.

A third of the forest was planted as an arboretum, and the rest naturally regenerated – creating Australia's only metropolitan State forest.



There is much to enjoy at the forest. Explore tall eucalypt forest or moist rainforest on our Forestry and Palm Gully walking trails or touch, hear and smell your way along the wheelchair and stroller-friendly Sensory Trail. Bring a picnic or supplies to cook lunch on one of our free barbecues or visit Café Saligna.

Take your dog for a walk through the trees and get a glimpse of the rich diversity of birdlife in the forest – noisy parrots and lorikeets abound, or you can seek out the more unusual eastern whipbird and satin bowerbird.

Learn about sustainable forest management at our Forest Visitor Centre or be adventurous and experience the forest from the treetops at the TreeTop Adventure Park.

With free parking all year round, three walking trails, four picnic areas, three barbecue areas, a cafe, treetop adventure course and a garden centre, there's something to suit all ages and a variety of interests!





## What's on

There is a **volunteer bushcare program** run every Tuesday and Saturday morning. This is a great way to enjoy the forest whilst helping to keep it clean and minimise weed growth to maintain the natural biodiversity. It's also a great way to meet new people with similar interests.

A school education program is also run through booked excursions. These are self-guided by teachers for K-Yr2 and led by forest rangers for Yr3-6 students.

For bookings and terms and conditions, please see the website [www.forestrycorporation.com.au](http://www.forestrycorporation.com.au)



## Forests beyond Cumberland

Our award-winning forests and tourist attractions are free to visit and include the Forest Sky Pier at Coffs Harbour, the largest Red Bloodwood tree in the southern hemisphere at Old Bottlebutt near Port Macquarie and countless kilometres of mountain bike trails, picturesque camping areas and beautiful walks.

- Open seven days a week
- Free entry
- Pitch a tent
- Have a picnic
- Take your dog
- Ride your horse
- See the sights by road, bike or on foot





## Contact us

### Forest Visitor Centre

95 Castle Hill Road West Pennant Hills NSW 2125

#### Normal gate opening times

7 days 8.30am – 5.00pm

#### Daylight Saving

8.30am – 6.00pm

*When gates are closed please call 1300 136 102 for assistance. A gate opening fee applies.*

#### To find out about volunteering, contact:

[info@fcnsw.com.au](mailto:info@fcnsw.com.au)

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



This forest is part of lands traditionally visited seasonally by Dharug, Guringah and Gammeriagal Aboriginal Peoples to obtain resources for daily life. One of more than 500 State forests in New South Wales, Cumberland was established in 1939 after previously being cleared for agriculture. One third of the forest was planted as an arboretum and the rest naturally regenerated—creating Australia's only metropolitan State forest. Cumberland is an example of the sustainable forest management principles Forestry Corporation of NSW employs to harvest timber, protect biodiversity and provide community amenities in the State forests of New South Wales.





## Opening times

7 days a week: 8.30am–5pm (6pm during daylight saving). When gates are closed please call 1300 136 102. An on the spot gate opening fee applies.

**Closed Christmas Day.**

## Key

-  Forest Visitor Centre
-  TreeTops Reception
-  TreeTops Zone
-  Café Saligna
-  Plants Plus
-  Community education shelter
-  Picnic areas
-  BBQ areas
-  Walking track
-  Toilets
-  Wheelchair access
-  Public parking
-  Bus Parking
-  Buildings
-  Regrowth forest
-  Arboretum
-  Dam
-  Driving direction
-  Creek
-  Fire trail
-  Firetower
-  Emergency assembly point

-  Sensory Trail –350m loop (30 mins) easy grade
-  Palm Gully Trail –1km (1 hour) moderate grade
-  Forestry Trail –1.3km (1 hour) moderate grade
-  The Great North Walk

## Regulations

-  Dogs must be on a leash. All droppings must be picked up—bags are provided in picnic areas
-  A 25 km/h speed limit applies
-  10 km/h in shared zones
-  Park in designated areas only
-  Please place rubbish in garbage and recycle bins provided
-  Please stay on marked walking trails
-  No camping
-  No fires and no collection of firewood, gas BBQs only
-  All vehicles (including motorbikes) must stay on sealed roads and be road registered
-  No bicycles on walking trails
-  No illegal rubbish dumping
-  Penalties apply in accordance with the Forestry Act 2012 and associated legislation
-  Report any suspicious or illegal activity to (02) 9872 0111.



## WARNING

You are visiting a forest containing many unseen and unpredictable hazards that cannot be removed or controlled. These may be exacerbated during periods of extreme weather—fire, flood, wind and rain. Because of this you are entering the forest at your own risk.

Other forest hazards include, but are not limited to, overhead hazards from tree limbs and uneven or slippery surfaces.

Watch out for vehicles and pedestrians.

Forestry Corporation of NSW or its employees are not responsible for any damage caused to your person or property.

In the event of an emergency please call 000.

