

# **Litchfield National Park**



Litchfield National Park is an ancient landscape shaped by water. It features numerous stunning waterfalls which cascade from the sandstone plateau of the Tabletop Range.

The Park covers approximately 1500 sq km and contains representative examples of most of the Top End's natural habitats.

Intriguing magnetic termite mounds, historical sites and the weathered sandstone pillars of the Lost City are a must for visitors. Whilst shady monsoon forest walks provide retreats from the heat of the day.

Aboriginal people have lived throughout the area for thousands of years. It is important to the Koongurrukun, Mak Mak Marranunggu, Werat and Warray Aboriginal people whose Ancestral Spirits formed the landscape, plants and animals and are still present in the landscape today.

**Access** (see map)

The Park is about 120 km southwest of Darwin, on sealed roads via Batchelor. In the dry season it is also possible to get to the Park via Cox Peninsula Road (some unsealed sections) and the Daly River Road (4WD).

## When to Visit

This Park is spectacular at any time. The falls flow year round and are most spectacular in the wet and early dry season.

# What to See and Do

Camping - see map for details. Non powered caravan camping sites are only available at Wangi Falls. 4WD camping areas (dry season only) are at Tjaynera Falls (Sandy Creek), Surprise Creek Falls and downstream from Florence Falls. Walk-in camping sites are available along Walker Creek. (dry season

only). Camping fees apply. (See Camping Information sheet). Generators are not permitted in Litchfield National Park



Accommodation, dining and camping - are also available outside the Park at several commercial sites.



Picnicking - shady spots available, see map.



Kiosk - located at Wangi



Swim - Florence Falls, Buley Rockhole, Wangi Falls, Walker Creek, Cascades, Tjaynera Falls and Surprise Creek Falls are designated swimming areas. Note: some waterways can become unsafe after heavy rain and are closed for swimming heed warnings.





# No swimming

Walking - beautiful, quiet

- Swim only in designated areas - heed all signs.



walks leave from most popular sites. Signs in the carparks and along the tracks will show you the way. They vary between short strolls and walks of 1 to 3 km.



4WD Tracks - The Lost City and Reynolds River tracks open during the dry season when conditions permit. Check road conditions on 1800246199 prior to your visit, or visit the website www.roadreport.nt.gov.au



Fuel is not available in the



Water in this park is not treated. Boil water before drinking, or bring your own.



The Tabletop Track is a 39 km circuit bushwalk. Track access at Florence Falls, Greenant Creek, Wangi Falls and Walker Creek. You must camp in designated campgrounds.

Walkers, notify a reliable person of your intended route and expected

A satellite phone or personal locator beacon is also recommended.

# **Safety and Comfort**

- Swim only in designated areas.
- Observe park safety signs.
- Carry and drink plenty of water.
- Wear a shady hat, insect repellent and sunscreen.
- Wear suitable clothing and footwear.
- Scrub Typhus is transmitted by microscopic bush mites on grasses and bushes - avoid sitting on bare ground or grass; use a ground cover.
- Carry a first aid kit.
- Avoid strenuous activity during the heat of the day.
- Note locations of Emergency Call Devices.
- Ensure your vehicle is well maintained and equipped.
- Beware of theft, lock vehicles and secure valuables.

#### Please Remember

- Put your rubbish in the bin or take it away with you.
- Keep to designated roads and tracks.
- All cultural items and wildlife are protected.
- Pets are not permitted.
- Don't feed native animals.
- Nets, traps and firearms are not permitted.
- Take care with fire, light fires only in fireplaces provided.
- Avoid using soaps and detergent in or near waterways.
- Camp in designated areas.
- Collect firewood (fallen timber) from main Litchfield Park Road.
- Generators are not permitted in this Park.
- Observe all fishing regulations.
- Check that your vehicle is not transporting weeds and pests like Cane Toads.

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