



# Towlers Bay Walk



4 hrs Moderate track

8.4 km Circuit

**1** 402m

This walk explores another ridge of Ku-ring-gai Chase National Park and heads down a steep hill to the Towler's Bay community. You can explore the village and the ferry wharf before walking past the Youth Hostel on the walk back up. The Youth Hostel is available for an overnight stay, but book ahead. Please remember you are visiting a small community please respect the privacy of the local people.

192m

12m

#### 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 West Head Road (gps: -33.6187, 151.2642). Car: A park entry fee is required for driving into the park.

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 <a href="http://wild.tl/tbw">http://wild.tl/tbw</a>

#### 0 | West Head Road

(2.9 km 56 mins) Starting from the gate on West Head Road, this walk follows the management trail. After about 2km, the trail starts to go downhill and turns to the right - there is a nice view over Morning Bay and up the Pittwater. Further down the hill, there is a sign marking the boundary of the National Park. (Soon after this, there is an optional sidetrack on the right, leading to a small dam - worth a short detour.) Approximately 100m after this optional sidetrip, the main trail comes to a track intersection.

## 2.87 | Park Boundary

(1.1 km 27 mins) Turn right: From the intersection, the walk follows the track to the right that heads south. Before long, it comes to another intersection at the back of some houses (To the right is a track to Lovett's Bay). The walk turns left and follows the main track east - it is back from the water, but you will see many tracks which lead to homes and the water. Near the end of the track, you will see Woody Point and the Ferry Wharf in Morning Bay.

## 4.02 | Woody Point

(600 m 22 mins) Turn left: From Woody Point, there are signposts leading to the Youth Hostel. The walk follows Bona Crescent behind the houses (travelling with the power lines) until coming to a track on the left - the walk follows this road up the hill to another track intersection, where it turns right and follows the path up to the Youth Hostel.

## 4.62 | Youth Hostel

(940 m 24 mins) Turn around: From the YHA, this walk

heads back down to the intersection and turns right, following this track past a number of side tracks before coming to the Park boundary.

#### 5.56 | Park Boundary

(2.9 km 1 Hr) Veer right: This walk follows the main management trail back up the hill to West Head Road. After about 100m, the walk passes the National Park boundary, marked with a sign (the track on the left leads to a small dam, a worthwhile short detour). Keeping to the main trail, this walk heads up the hill. Just as the steep uphill starts to flatten out, walkers are rewarded with views up the Pittwater. The main trail continues north-west back to West Head Road.

