

Baltzer Lookout, Hanging Rock

3 hrs 30 mins 7.6 km Return

952m

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Hard track

This walk to Baltzer Lookout rewards you with excellent scenery and a view over the stunning Hanging Rock (aka the Finger). The track is mainly management trail, and would be great on a mountain bike (to the end of the management trail). The large cliff edges are unfenced and quite exposed, so do take care. Although short and relatively unchanging in scenery, the walk to Baltzer Lookout is well worth it.

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Blue Mountains National-Park

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Blue Mountains National Park

1044m

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 Baltzer Lookout car park (gps: -33.6099, 150.2975). Car: There is free parking available.

This is a return, 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/blhr

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(3.5 km 1 hr 8 mins) From the car park, the walk passes around a gate and follows the management trail. The management trail winds through the bush for some time before arriving at a large clearing with a fence and warning/danger sign. There is a great view from this point.

3.54 | Baltzer Lookout cul-de-sac

(240 m 7 mins) Continue straight: From the clearing, the walk heads up past the 'Warning' sign to wind around a metal fence. The track passes a rocky knoll and then comes down to a small clearing where it turns left to follow the clifftop down the hill for approximately 80m. The track comes to Baltzer Lookout on the cliff edge.

3.78 | Baltzer lookout

Baltzer Lookout, Blue Mountains NP, is the best place for viewing and accessing Hanging Rock. It also offers spectacular views over the Grose Valley. The lookout is named after W.J. Baltzer, who was part of a group created by Myles J Dunphy to recommended that the Grose Valley become a wildlife sanctuary, in 1933. The Grose Valley and much of the surrounding area is now protected. <u>More info.</u>

3.78 | Hanging Rock

Hanging Rock, Blue Mountains NP, sits high on the southern side of Grose Valley. It is a spectacular example of 'geological time is now', with this large spire of sandstone precariously hanging out from the cliff. The cliff is popular with rock climbers and other recreationists, while walkers can best view Hanging Rock from Baltzer Lookout.

