

# COFFS COAST ATTRACTIONS

## Coffs Harbour

It is believed that the first Europeans to the area were escaped convicts taking refuge on Muttonbird Island. Timber getters were the first to settle in the area in 1841 and the busy Port was frequented by up to 450 ships a year until the Carywell was wrecked in 1865. The loss of the Carywell had increased navigation hazards and led to a shipping boycott of the harbour until the construction of a lighthouse in 1878. The town was originally named 'Korff's Harbour' by John Korff in 1847. It was renamed Coffs Harbour when the town site was reserved in 1861.

Timber cutting remained the most important industry well into the 1900's, thriving after the completion of the Jetty in 1892. Other industries which became popular in the region included fruit growing, gold mining, dairying, and sugar cane farming. Many of these earlier ventures failed. One industry which didn't fail was the banana growing industry. Fijian Bananas were introduced by Herman Reick in 1881 and by the 1900's, the banana growing industry really took off. Population boomed during the construction of the railway and the harbour break wall. Banana growing gained further momentum in the 1920's as the plantations to the north were wiped out by disease.

With the arrival of the railway in 1915 and the completion of the link through to Sydney in 1923, the tourism industry in Coffs Harbour developed rapidly. Today Coffs is one of the most popular destinations on the New South Wales north coast.



*Looking towards Muttonbird Island, Coffs Jetty beach and marina with town in background*

Coffs Harbour sits in a unique position; it is where The Great Dividing Range descends from the inland plateau to meet the Australian East Coast. Offshore, are the Solitary Islands. Distinctive in its features, it is where the warm waters from the north meet the temperate currents from the south. In-between the forested hills of The Great Dividing Range and blue waters of The Pacific Ocean lies the sub-tropical city of Coffs Harbour.

Whether your stay at Bonville Golf Resort is for golf, relaxation or more active pursuits, activities are available both on-site as well as in the surrounding Coffs Coast region. We'd be happy to arrange any of the following activities or visits to local attractions on your behalf.

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## TOURIST ATTRACTIONS

### *The Big Banana*

Toboggan run, ice skating, water park, café & souvenirs.

Located: Pacific Highway, 3 min north of Coffs Harbour

Open: Daily

Contact: 6652 4355

### *Botanic Garden*

Native and exotic flora on a 20 hectare site

Located: Hardacre Street (off Harbour Drive), Coffs Harbour

Open: Daily 9.00am - 5.00pm

Cafe Open: Weekdays from 11am - 3pm and weekends from 9am - 5pm

Contact: 6648 4188

### *The Butterfly House*

Large display of butterflies, Maze and Tea Rooms

Located: Strouds Road, Bonville

Open: Tuesday - Sunday 9.00am - 4.00pm

Contact: 6653 4766

### *The Clog Barn*

Clog making, gifts, coffee house, miniature Dutch village

Located: Pacific Highway, Coffs Harbour

Open: Daily 8.00am - 5.00pm

Contact: 6652 4633

### *Carobana Confectionary Factory*

Sample the delicious flavours of carob, honeycomb and wide selection of sweet treats, made on-site at Coffs Coast's own confectionery factory.

Located: James Small Drive, 5 min north of Coffs Harbour

Open: Monday to Saturday, 10.00am - 4.00pm

Contact: 6653 6051

### *Coffs 9 Pin Bowling*

Located: Pacific Highway, (Behind McDonalds South), Coffs Harbour

Open: Wednesday to Monday (Closed Tuesdays)

Open 7 days during NSW School Holidays

Contact: 6652 2068

### *Dorrigo Rainforest Centre and Dorrigo Skywalk*

Skywalk, bush walks, café and shop.

Located: Dome Road, Dorrigo

Open: Daily

Contact: 6657 2309

### *Holiday Lanes Ten Pin Bowling*

Located: Cox Lane (off Pacific Highway), Coffs Harbour

Open: 7 days

Contact: 6652 5666

### ***Jungle Bungle Children's Playground***

Children's adventure playground, Café

Located: Lyster Street, Coffs Harbour

Open: Tuesday - Sunday and 7 days during NSW School Holidays

Contact: 6650 9600

### ***Legends of Surf Museum***

Over 120 boards, photographic display, history of surfing

Located: Gaudrons Road, Sapphire, 10 min north of Coffs Harbour

Open: Daily 10.00am - 4.00pm

Contact: 6653 6536

### ***Pacific Sapphire Fossicking Centre***

All equipment supplied

Located: Bruxner Park Road (10 minutes north of the City Centre)

Open: Friday to Monday

Contact: 6651 9053

### ***Pet Porpoise Pool***

Dolphin and sea lion show, Swim with the Dolphins

Located: Next to Coffs Creek, Coffs Harbour Jetty

Open: Daily Shows at 10.30am & 2.15pm.

Contact: 6659 1904

### ***Tabatinga***

Children's Indoor Adventure Centre & Cafe

Located: Corner Pacific Highway and Bray Street

Open: Daily 9.00am - 5.00pm

Contact: 6658 0924

## **GOLF COURSES**

### ***Coffs Harbour Golf Club***

27 hole championship course offering 3 layouts

Located: Earl St, Coffs Harbour

Contact: 6652 3244

### ***Sawtell Golf Club***

Par 71, 18 hole Course

Located: Bayldon Rd, Sawtell

Contact: 6653 1006

### ***Nambucca Heads Island Golf Club***

Par 70, 18 hole course

Located: Stuart Island, Nambucca Heads

Contact: 6569 4111

## **ARTS AND CRAFT**

### ***Australian Wildflower Jewellery***

Jewellery and pewter

Located: 6km west of Coffs Harbour on Bennett's Road

Open: Monday to Saturday 10.00am - 5.00pm

Contact: 6651 5763

### ***Bellingen Markets***

Located: In the centre off town, turn left at Church Street  
Held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of every month

### ***Bunker Cartoon Gallery***

Australia's only public cartoon gallery  
Located: Corner Albany & Hogbin Drive, Coffs Harbour  
Open: 7 days a week 10.00am - 4.00pm  
Contact: 6651 7343

### ***Coffs Harbour Regional Gallery***

Collection of Regional works as well as travelling exhibitions  
Located: Rigby House, Corner Coff and Duke Streets, Coffs Harbour  
Open: Tuesday to Saturday 10.00am - 4.00pm (Closed Public Holidays)  
Contact: 6648 4863

### ***Cooinda Art Gallery***

Collectable Aboriginal desert art  
Located: First Avenue, Sawtell  
Contact: 6658 7901

### ***Deep Sea Moonlight Pearls***

Affordable jewellery including freshwater pearls and semi precious stones  
Located: First Avenue, Sawtell  
Contact: 6653 2322

### ***Historical Museum***

Located Harbour Drive, Coffs Harbour  
Open: Tuesday to Friday 10.00am - 4.00pm  
Contact: 6652 5794

### ***The Honey Place***

Varieties of honey, gifts, pottery and plants  
Located: Pacific Highway, Urunga, 25 min south of Coffs Harbour  
Open: Daily 8.30am and 5.00pm  
Contact: 6655 6160

### ***Jeffrey Baker Art Studio***

Located: 72 Moonee Street, Coffs Harbour  
Open: Wednesday to Saturday 10.30am - 5.00pm and Sunday 2.00pm - 4.00pm.  
Contact: 6652 8099

### ***Jetty Markets***

140 stalls including art and food stalls  
Located: Jetty Village Shopping Centre Carpark, Harbour Drive  
Open: Every Sunday from 8.00am - 2.00pm  
Contact: 0407 896 481

### ***Lake Russell Gallery***

Local artists, exhibits and tea rooms  
Located: Smiths Road, Emerald Beach (14km north of Coffs Harbour)  
Open: Daily 10.00am - 5.00 pm  
Contact: 6656 1092

### ***Mountain Ash Pottery***

Pottery, arts and crafts

Located: 1492 Coramba Road, Coramba

Open: Tuesday to Sunday 9.00am - 5.00pm and 7 days during NSW School Holidays

Contact: 6654 4316

### ***The Old Butter Factory***

Arts and craft, café

Located: Doepel Lane, Bellingen

Open: Daily 8.00am - 5.00pm

Contact: 6655 2150

### ***The R D Opal Centre***

Opals and gems, handmade pottery

Located: Pacific Highway, 4 min north of Coffs Harbour

Open: Daily 9.00am - 5.00pm

Contact: 6652 8235

### ***Southern Cross Pottery***

Located: Caba Close, 6km south of Coffs Harbour

Open: Monday - Friday 9.00am - 5.00pm, weekends and holidays 10.00am - 4.00pm

Contact: 6658 1110

### ***Woolgoolga Art Gallery***

Located: Turon Parade, Woolgoolga

Open: Daily 10.00am - 4.00pm

Contact: 6654 1054

### ***Yarrawarra Aboriginal Cultural Centre, Gallery & Bush Tucker Cafe***

Located: Red Rock Road, Corindi Beach (10 minutes north of Woolgoolga)

Open: 7 days 9.00am - 4.00pm

Contact: 6640 7100

### ***The Yellow Shed***

Hyde Street, Bellingen.

Craftworks and garden centre.

Operates: Daily 9.00am - 5.00pm

Contact: 6655 1189

## **AIR ACTIVITIES**

### ***Coffs City Skydivers***

Located: General Aviation, Christmas Bells Drive, Coffs Harbour Airport

Contact: 6651 1167 or 0400 916 600

### ***Strathair Helicopters***

Located: Dakota Drive, Coffs Harbour Airport

Contact: 6652 7508

## **FISHING TOURS**

### ***Adriatic III***

Deep sea fishing charters.

Located: Coffs Harbour Marina

Contact: 0412 522 002

### *Cougar Cat 12*

Providing Reef and Game charters. Pick up available on demand. All fishing gear, bait, and morning and afternoon teas provided.

Located: Pier 1, Coffs Harbour Marina

Contact: 6584 8624

## **4WD TOURS**

### *4WD Discovery Tours*

Day tours, night tours, tagalongs. Resort pick-up available

Contact: Matt & Jodie on 6651 1223 or 0419 993 965

### *Getaway 4WD Tours*

Day tours, night tours, tagalongs. Resort pick-up available

Contact: John on 6652 4541

### *Mountain Trails 4WD*

Day tours, night tours, tagalongs. Resort pick-up available

Contact: Chrissy on 6658 3333

## **BUS AND VAN TOURS**

### *Beach to Bush Buggy Tours*

Located: Jetty Foreshore, Coffs Harbour Jetty

Contact: 6651 3564 or 0408 513 564

### *Busways Bus Group*

Bus tours

Located: O'Keefe Drive, Coffs Harbour

Operates: Daily

Contact: 6652 2744

### *Heritage Tours*

Different bus tours every day Tuesday to Sunday. Resort pick-up available

Located: William Street, Coffs Harbour

Operates: Tuesday to Sunday

Contact: 6651 3862

## **GO KARTS**

### *F1 Kart Hire*

2 stroke 100cc engines. All gear supplied

Located: Stadium Drive, Coffs Harbour.

Open: Daily from 10.00am

Contact: 6658 5664

### *Raleigh Raceway & Fun Park*

International Go-Kart track, Fun Park with waterslide and tractor rides

All gear supplied. Tandem carts available.

Located: Raleigh, 15 km south of Coffs Harbour.

Open: Racetrack Daily 9.00am - 5.00pm

Fun Park Holidays and weekends 10.00am - 4.30pm

Contact: 6655 4017

## **HORSE & CAMEL RIDING**

### *Bushland Trail Rides*

Breakfast ride, twilight ride, adventure trail, full-day trek on demand  
Breakfast & twilight rides only operate during the months of daylight savings  
Located: Grays Road, Halfway Creek, 50 km north of Coffs Harbour  
Contact: 6649 4491 or 6649 4487

### *Coffs Coast Camels*

Camel rides along Boambee Beach  
Located: Boambee Beach (near Deep Sea Fishing Club)  
Open: Daily Tuesday - Sunday 9.30am - 3.30pm  
Contact: Allan on 0466 883 240 or Lionel on 0417 464 546

### *Valery Trails*

Trail Rides, breakfast and overnight rides on demand  
Located: Valery Road, Valery, 25 km south of Coffs Harbour  
Operates: Daily 10.00am & 2.00pm  
Contact: Mary on 6653 4301

## **SCUBA DIVING/SNORKELLING**

### *Jetty Dive Centre*

Daily dive and snorkelling in the Solitary Islands Marine Park  
Located: Harbour Drive, Coffs Harbour Jetty  
Contact: 6651 1611

### *Pacific Blue*

Daily dives in the Solitary Islands Marine Park  
Located: High Street, Coffs Harbour Jetty  
Contact: 6652 2759

### *Solitary Islands Snorkelling & Dive Adventures*

Snorkelling in the Solitary Islands Marine Park  
Located: Deep Sea Fishing Club boat ramp, Marina Drive, Coffs Harbour  
Contact: Matt on 6651 2401 or 0408 807 931

## **KAYAKING, CANOEING AND SURF RAFTING**

### *Bellingen Canoe Adventures*

Canoes for hire, guided tours and moonlight tours.  
Located: Tyson Street (off Waterfall Way), Fernmount, 5km east of Bellingen  
Operates: Daily  
Contact: 6655 9955

### *Liquid Assets*

Sea kayaking, surf rafting, flat water kayaking in Bongil Bongil National Park  
Located: High Street, Coffs Harbour Jetty (Departs from Charlesworth Bay)  
Contact: Bob or Suzanne on 6658 0850

## **WATER ACTIVITIES**

### *Coffs Harbour Jet Ski Hire*

Located: Park Beach  
Contact: 0418 665 656

### *Lee Winkler's Surf School*

Located: Coffs Harbour and Sawtell  
Contact: 6650 0050

### *Water Rat River Cruises*

Scenic river cruises. Resort pick-up available

Located: Anchors Wharf Restaurant, Urunga, 20 min south of Coffs Harbour

Contact: 6655 6439 or 0407 210 473

## **WHITE WATER RAFTING**

### *WOW Rafting*

Operates on the Nymboida River, Resort pick-up available

Contact: 1800 640 330 or 6654 4066

### *Liquid Assets*

Operates on Goolang Creek. Resort pick-up available.

½ and full day tours. All meals included

Contact: Rob or Suzanne on 6658 0850

### *Wildwater Adventures*

Operates on the Nymboida River and Goolang Creek, Resort pick-up available

Contact: 6653 3500

## **WINERIES**

### *Raleigh Winery*

Located: 20 min south of Coffs Harbour on the Bellingen River

Open: Wednesday to Sunday 10.00am - 5.00pm and 7 days during NSW School Holidays

Contact: 6655 4388

### *Two Tails Winery*

Located: Orara Way, Nana Glen

Open: 7 days

Contact: 6654 3633

### *Friday Creek Vineyard*

Located: Friday Creek Road, Upper Orara, 15 min from Coffs Harbour

Contact: 6653 8221

## **WHALE WATCHING (June-November)**

### *Cougar Cat 12*

Located: Coffs Harbour Marina

Operates: Daily

Contact: 6584 8624 or 0412 652 003

### *Pacific Explorer*

Located: Coffs Harbour Marina

Operates: Daily

Contact: Lee on 6652 8988

### *Spirit of Coffs Harbour II*

Located: Coffs Harbour Marina

Contact: 6650 0155

### *Solitary Island Snorkelling Adventures*

Located: Deep Sea Fishing Club boat ramp

Contact: Matt on 6651 2401 or 0408 807 931

### *Jetty Dive*

Located: High Street, Coffs Harbour Jetty

Contact: 6651 1611

## BEACHES

### *Corindi Beach*

At the northern-most edge of the Coffs Coast are Corindi and Arrawarra Beaches. Both beaches have summer lifeguard patrols in the areas nearest the caravan parks. At Arrawarra Headland Reserve there are picnic tables, toilets, a beach shower and gravel boat ramps. Corindi Beach is great for surfing, swimming and snorkelling, but there are plenty of rock pools for young children to explore. It also boasts the Yarrowarra Aboriginal Corporation's arts centre and bush tucker walk. And if you get bored of the sun, sand and surf, a boardwalk accessible from the northern end of Corindi Beach takes you through rare, coastal rainforest.

### *Diggers Beach*

Diggers Beach is renowned for its waves by the local surfers. It is patrolled for the summer school holidays and is a popular spot with both locals and visitors. If you've always wanted to learn to surf, Diggers Beach is a great place for the whole family to get the skills with the help of expert instructors. Diggers Beach Reserve offers a playground, electric barbecues, picnic shelters, two viewing platforms and beach showers.

### *Emerald Beach*

Emerald Beach boasts a range of facilities including, children's playground, electric barbecues, picnic shelters, toilets, beach showers, a boat ramp and it is close to the shops. The beach is patrolled in the summer holidays. Emerald's main shopping area runs down towards the beach.

### *Park Beach*

Park Beach, Coffs Harbour's main surf beach, is patrolled daily during most of the summer as Park Beach is the home of the Coffs Harbour Surf Life Saving Club. Park Beach is a popular area for water sports, fishermen, and surfers. Swimmers should be aware Park Beach can be prone to strong rips particularly at the creek mouth. Park Beach is within close proximity to camping facilities, hotel and motel accommodation, cafes, restaurants and the local shopping facilities. Adjacent to the beach car park is Park Beach Reserve, which is on the banks of Coffs Creek. The reserve is a popular family area for both visitors and locals. Park Beach Reserve boasts many facilities such as BBQ's, picnic tables, children's play areas, shady trees and toilet facilities.

### *Sapphire Beach*

Sapphire Beach just north of Coffs Harbour is patrolled at its southern end. Patrols run throughout the school summer. Access to the beach is through the village of Sapphire, via Crystal Waters drive, which offers playground facilities, parking, beach showers and shops.

### *Sawtell Beach*

Sawtell Beach lies along the village of Sawtell. The Beach is patrolled daily during most of the summer, and is a popular surf, swimming and fishing beach. The headlands are popular for watching the migrating whales and taking in the incredible coastline views. At the southern end of Sawtell Beach you will find Sailors Bay, an area sheltered by a small island which can be reached at low tide. Here you will find a boat launching ramp, nearby parking, and tidal rock pools. Sawtell itself boasts an abundance of cafes, boutique clothes shops, a variety of restaurants, reserves, BBQ facilities, showers, toilets, popular picnic areas, children's playgrounds and a variety of accommodation facilities all within close walking distance to the main beach.

### *Woolgoolga Beach*

The sweeping bay of Woolgoolga Beach stretches from the picturesque picnic spot of Woolgoolga Lake to the headland above the town. Immediately behind the patrolled southern end is the reserve with a playground, electric BBQ's, picnic shelters, toilets/change room, beach shower and a boat ramp. A mere surfboard's length away are Woolgoolga's shops, cafes and restaurants.

## **NATIONAL PARKS, STATE FORESTS AND RESERVES**

### *Bindarri National Park*

Getting there: Bindarri National Park is 20 km west of Coffs Harbour. Access is via Upper Orara and Dairyville, or from Ulong.

Things to see & do: Bushwalk through pristine old-growth forests to discover a cascade of waterfalls as the Urumbilum River plunges down from the Great Dividing Range. Take the challenging climb to Tuckers Knob, overlooking the steep, dense rainforests above Tallowood Point. In dry weather, explore the northern regions of the park by 4WD on rough roads.

Drive to the lookout point at the junction of Jersey Bull Road and Range Road for wide, spectacular views from the Orara Valley down to Coffs Harbour.

### *Bongil Bongil National Park*

Getting there: Access to the park, in all weather conditions, is via Williams Road, east of the Pacific Highway at Bonville. The southern end of the park can be accessed via Tuckers Road at Repton, and the northern end via Lyons Rd.

Things to see & do: So much is on offer - bushwalks, coastal dunes, littoral rainforests, a recently constructed picnic area and waterways that are ideal for kayaking, canoeing and fishing. Bongil's creek side picnic area has BBQ facilities, a large undercover area, open tables and plenty of grass for those who wish to have their picnic the 'traditional way'.

### *Bruxner Park Flora Reserve*

Getting there: Turn west off the Pacific Highway 5 km north of Coffs Harbour. Follow the winding road as it climbs through banana plantations to The Gap. Turn left to Sealy Lookout or proceed straight ahead on the Reserve Road.

Things to see & do: Admire the sweeping panoramas north and south along the coast and out to sea from lookout points at Sealy Lookout and Korora Lookout. Pause for a picnic or barbecue at Sealy Lookout, Halfway Creek or Swans Road Crossing. Take a drive tour through the park - pause at the Vincent Tree, a 65 m-high Flooded Gum close to the road. Choose your short walk and explore the Forest Reserve, with its mix of ancient eucalypts and luxuriant rainforest. Trails begin at The Gap, Halfway Creek Picnic Area and Swans Road Crossing. Walks range from one to three kilometres.

### ***Cathedral Rock National Park***

Getting there: Cathedral Rock National Park is 70 km east of Armidale. Access to Barokee Rest Area close to the foot of Cathedral Rock is via the Round Mountain Road, off the Armidale-Grafton road. To the north, the Native Dog Rest Area is off the Ebor-Guyra Road.

Things to see & do: High on the New England Tablelands, the Cathedral Rock National Park features sub-alpine heath lands, wildflowers and tall eucalypt forests. Take the 2.5 hour walk, rock-hop and scramble to the summit of Cathedral Rock and enjoy magnificent 360 degree views.

Choose one of the other walks, from an easy half-hour stroll to the 10.4 km traverse of the park between Barokee and Native Dog Creek. Picnic or camp at Barokee and Native Dog Rest Areas.

### ***Dorrigo National Park***

Getting there: Located on the Dorrigo Plateau one hour's drive west of Coffs Harbour along the Waterfall Way.

What to see & do: Walking tracks will take you through waterfalls, and glades, where you can walk with the wildlife. There are two picnic areas to choose from, or simply enjoy a coffee and cake at the rainforest centre. The rainforest centre has a gift shop and an interpretation centre. Here you can also walk over the top of the rainforest canopy, on the skywalk, and view the magnificent valley out as far as the South Pacific.

### ***Moonee Beach Nature Reserve***

Getting there: Turn east off the Pacific Highway onto Moonee Beach Road, 13 km north of Coffs Harbour.

Things to see & do: Paddle a kayak or row a dinghy on the quiet estuary of Moonee Creek. Enjoy superb sea and coast views from one of the headland walking tracks - watch for a whale! Surf, dive, beach walk or swim at one of the beaches. Discover the historic sites on Dammerels Headland. Camp at a privately-owned caravan park at Moonee Beach or Emerald Beach.

### ***Muttonbird Island Nature Reserve***

Getting there: Walk across the causeway to the island, just a short stroll from Coffs Harbour Jetty and Marina.

Things to see & do: Enjoy wonderful 360° views to the Solitary Islands and the Pacific Ocean, along the coast and back across Coffs Harbour to the inland ranges. Watch for a migrating humpback whales between June and September. See the nesting sites of thousands of wedge-tailed shearwaters - learn the life story of these birds, including their amazing annual migratory flight to Southeast Asia and back to burrows on Muttonbird Island.

### ***Ngambaa Nature Reserve***

Getting there: The reserve is 30 km south-west of Macksville and 10 km north-west of Kempsey. Access is on unsealed forest roads from Eungai Creek or via the Tamban Forest Drive from Frederickton.

Things to see & do: Take the Tamban Forest Drive, a 90 km round trip on gravel roads through the hills and forests of the reserve. Pause at the Collombatti Fire Lookout Tower for panoramic views of the region. Take a break at Cedar Park Picnic Area. Stroll into the forest, with its stand of red cedars, festooned with ferns and orchids - listen for a lyrebird or rainforest pigeon.

### ***Nymboi Binderay National Park***

Getting there: The park is 25 km north of Dorrigo, with access via Bostobrick or Cascade. Access to the northern parts of the park is on Black Mountain Road from Grafton, Nymboida or Glenreagh.

What to see & do: Enjoy riverside camping and bushwalking along the wild Nymboida River, with its steep-sided gorges, roaring rapids and calm reaches. Join a guided rafting adventure on the Nymboida's world-famous white water. Mountain bike a remote track, swim in a quiet river pool, camp at Platypus Flat or The Junction. See the sights of the southern parts of the park on the half-day Moonpar Forest Drive between Bostobrick and Cascade. Stroll through old-growth forest at the Norman Jolly Memorial Grove.

### ***Wedding Bells State Forest Tour***

Getting there: Take the Bruxner Park Road, 5 km north of Coffs Harbour - from the Bruxner Park Flora Reserve follow the bitumen road, signs direct you on the drive tour.

Things to see & do: The tour is an 80 km self-guided round trip through the varied vegetation and landscapes of the Wedding Bells State Forest. Allow at least four hours for the trip -add extra time to do some of the scenic forest walks along the way. Admire the views from Sealy Lookout - take the short side trip to Mt Coramba Lookout. Pause at the Woolgoolga Creek Reserve for a picnic and take the riverside rainforest walk along Woolgoolga Creek.

### ***Woolgoolga Creek Flora Reserve***

Getting there: Turn west off the Pacific Highway at the Woolgoolga roundabout, 25 km north of Coffs Harbour. Turn left again into the reserve, 3 km along Woolgoolga Creek Road.

Things to see & do: Discover sub-tropical rainforest and wet eucalypt forest. Listen for the call of bush birds such as cockatoos, fruit pigeons and bowerbirds. Take a stroll through the luxuriant rainforest, along the old logging tramway beside Woolgoolga Creek for the 3 km return walk to the waterfalls and old town water storage. Pause for a picnic at the reserve with its tables, BBQs and toilets.

## *Yarrahappini National Park*

Getting there: Turn east off the Pacific Highway 7 km south of Macksville at the Yarrahapinni sign in Donnellyville. Follow signs through the forest along Rosewood Creek Road, Way Way Creek Road then back to Scotts Head Road.

Things to see & do: Self-guided 30 km round trip explores the blackbutt forests and riverside rainforests on Way Way Creek. Allow at least 2 hours, with time for a short walk and a detour to the spectacular lookout on Mt Yarrahapinni. See how a long history of careful forestry management in the area has promoted a patchwork of forest ages with natural regeneration. Take a break at The Pines Picnic Area, bordered by tall plantations of native hoop pines planted in the 1930s. Take the Way Way Creek Forest Walk from The Pines - look up into the rainforest canopy to see ferns, lianas and orchids. Climb the steep, winding 4 km Tower Road to the Mt Yarrahapinni fire tower and lookout - views stretch from Crescent Head to Coffs Harbour and inland to the Great Divide.