

Buderim Forest Park

A world of towering trees, cool streams, waterfalls and the cracking calls of whipbirds.



In the heart of Buderim less than one kilometre from Buderim Village, at the foot of Quorn Close, is a 45 hectare subtropical paradise of towering trees, cool streams, meandering tracks and waterfalls that offer the perfect spot to relax on a hot summers day. Managed by Maroochy Shire Council, Buderim Forest Park is the jewel in the Council's crown of several hundred parks. The entrance to Buderim Forest Park from Quorn Close is located just past the timeless Queenslander style Bed and Breakfast known as the Buderim White House.

Edna Walling Memorial Garden

A lovely walkway garden with timber archways, native shrubs and drifts of ground cover occupies the centre of the parking area. Maintained by the Buderim Garden Club and dedicated to the memory of Edna Walling, this delightful walkway pays tribute to her ability to weave 'magic' into the gardens she designed.

Picnic and Barbeque Areas

After entering the park, covered picnic tables, benches and barbeques are laid out amid the grass and trees. A toilet block is also located there.

Circuit track

Well designed tracks edged with weathered stones follow the line of Martin's Creek, and form stepping stones down the slopes and through the trees. The sound of water grows louder as the creek widens and quite suddenly you come upon Serenity Bridge which spans the creek. Serenity Bridge was dropped into its location by helicopter. This is an excellent platform from which to view Serenity Falls with its deep rock pools, shallow caves and giant boulders.

From the north end of Serenity Bridge follow the steps down to crystal clear water at the base of the falls where you can wander or laze along side the refreshing shallows. The creek gurgles softly and intermittent bird calls can be heard. Allow yourself to be enveloped by the forest.

The well maintained Circuit track can be walked in either direction and takes about 20 minutes to complete.

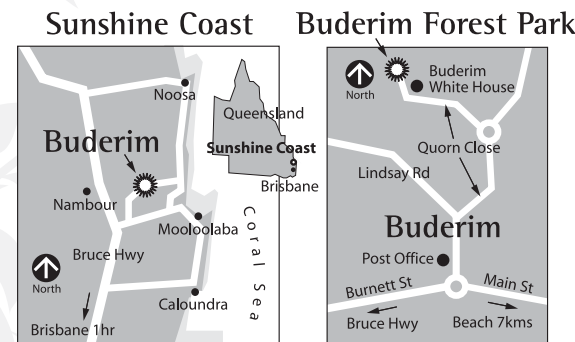
Walking track

The Walking track to the Boardwalk continues from Serenity Falls along the right side of the creek under Serenity Bridge to a creek crossing. On one side, view a steep hill of ferns and on the other, Piccabeen trees with fronds giving striated patterns of light and shade. At times the sky is blotted out. At other times light and sun suddenly break through. Continue along the left side of the creek crossing over two small bridges to the Palm forest. Tall palms welcome you to the boardwalk. Walking from Quorn close entrance to Harry's Restaurant and back will take at least an hour with no stops. Use caution in the wet season!

Boardwalk

This wonderful elevated 500 metre boardwalk is framed by tropical and subtropical trees. It is wheelchair accessible and specially designed to allow visitors to enter the sensitive wet areas. Access to the boardwalk from Lindsay Road is past an old Buderim house relocated here and beautifully restored now known as Harry's Restaurant. There is another picnic area with barbeques and tables built by Buderim Rotary between Harry's and the creek. A utility block is located on the boardwalk just in from the entrance. A picturesque rotunda also installed by Buderim Rotary is slightly further along the boardwalk.

Once accessible only by the intrepid, Buderim Forest Park is an adventure available to all. The serenity and beauty of this special place is magic!



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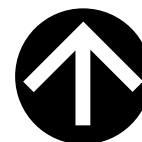
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SUNSHINE COAST AUSTRALIA



NORTH

heelchair access



Bridge or
Viewing areas

Road

Circuit track

Walking track

Creek

Major points
of interest

Toilets

Conservation
Reserve

Parking