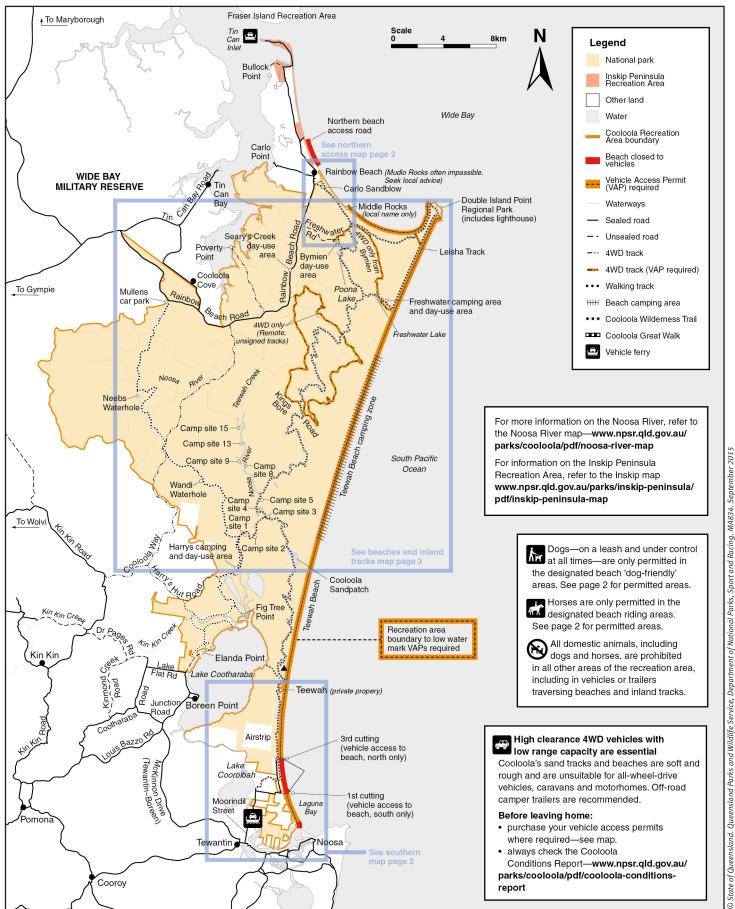
Cooloola access map

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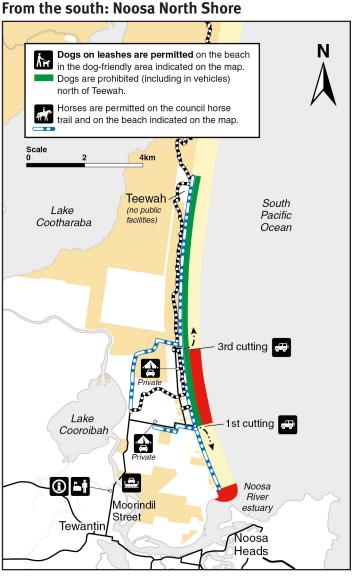
Beach entry maps

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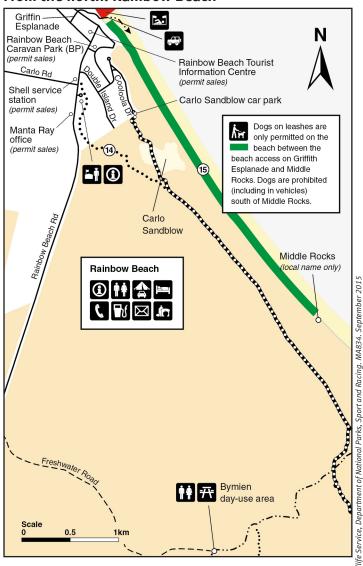
Vehicle access permits are required before driving on Cooloola's beaches-Noosa River estuary to Middle Rocks-and some inland 4WD roads, including Freshwater Road.

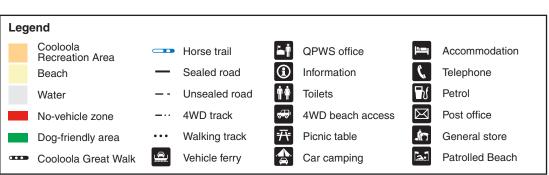
- Engage 4WD and drive to the conditions.
- Aim to traverse beaches 2 hours either side of low tide.
- Keep off fragile foredunes.
- All road rules apply.

Warning! Exposed sand dunes and sand cliffs are unstable and may collapse without warning. Climbing on, sliding down or digging into them is dangerous and can lead to serious injury or death.



From the north: Rainbow Beach







Beach and inland tracks map

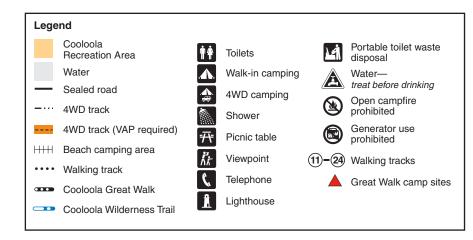
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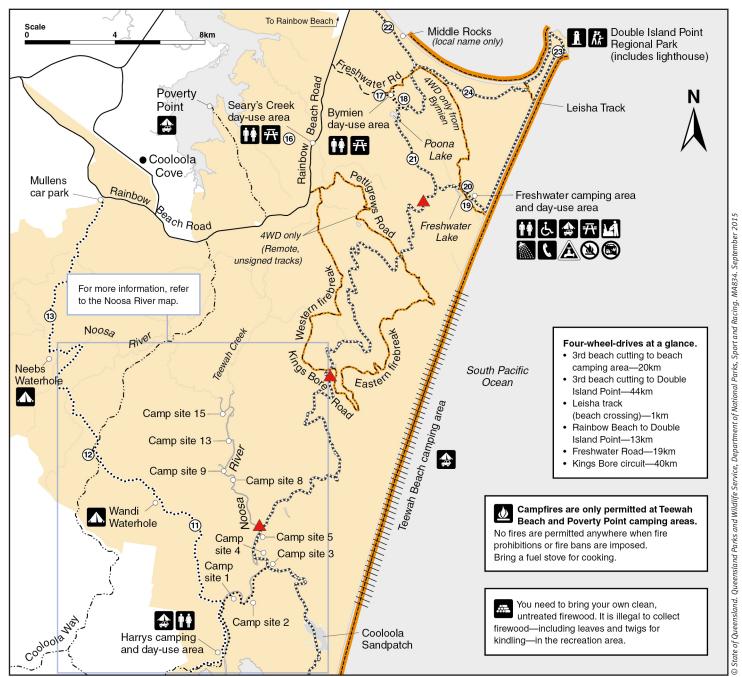
Camping in Cooloola?

Permits are required before setting up camp.

Book online **www.qld.gov.au/camping**, over-the-counter, or phone 13 QGOV (13 74 68).

- Bring a portable toilet when camping in areas without facilities.
- Consider others—keep camp size small.
- · Keep noise to a minimum after 9pm.
- Domestic animals are prohibited.





Walking track information

Cooloola Recreation Area, Great Sandy National Park

Choose walks to suit your group's ability

Each track is classified according to its most difficult section; other sections may be easier. Choose walks suitable for your groups experience and fitness.

Expect some soft sand, which can make walking time slow and tiring.



Grade 2 walks

Formed track. May have gentle hills and some steps. Clearly signposted. No experience required.

(16) Seary's Creek car park (Rainbow Beach Road) to Seary's Creek

Distance: 200m (return) **Time:** 10mins

(17) Dundathu circuit (Bymien day-use area)

Distance: 250m (return) **Time:** 10mins

18 Bymien day-use area to Poona Lake

Distance: 4.2km (return) **Time:** 1hr 30 mins

19) Freshwater camping area to Freshwater Lake

Distance: 2.4km (return) **Time:** 50mins

Freshwater Lake circuit (Freshwater camping area)

Distance: 4.7km (return)

Time: 2hrs



Grade 3 walks

Formed track, some obstacles, 20km or less. May have short steep hills and many steps. Some experience recommended.

Rainbow Beach QPWS information centre to Carlo Sandblow

Distance: 3.8km (return) **Time:** 1hr 30mins

(15) Rainbow Beach township to Coloured sands

Distance: 6km (return) **Time:** 2hrs

(21) Freshwater Lake car park (Freshwater Road) to Bymien day-use area

Distance: 17km (return)

Time: 5hrs

(22) Rainbow Beach to Bymien day-use area

Distance: 15km (return)

Time: 5hrs

Teewah Beach (Double Island Point)

to lighthouse

Distance: 2.2km (return)

Time: 45mins

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Grade 4 walks—extended overnight walks

Rough track. May be long and very steep with few directional signs. For experienced bushwalkers.

Compile an emergency plan and inform someone who cares for your safety.

Cooloola Great Walk

Distance: 102km (one way)

Time: allow 5 days.

Do not attempt this 5-day walk without a topographic map.

Refer to Cooloola Great Walk for detailed track information www.npsr.qld.gov.au/parks/great-walks-cooloola

(24) Rainbow Beach to Double Island Point

Distance: 30km (return) **Time:** one full day

Cooloola Wilderness Trail

Distance: 47.9km one way **Time:** allow 3–5 days.

Refer to the upper Noosa River map for more detail on The Cooloola Wilderness Trail and camping areas south of Harry's Hut.

(11) Harrys camping and day-use area to Wandi waterhole camping area

Distance: 9.5km (one way) **Time:** 3hrs 30mins

(12) Wandi waterhole camping area to Neebs waterhole camping area

Distance: 13.1km (one way) **Time:** 4hrs 30 mins

Neebs waterhole camping area to Mullens car park

Distance: 8.1km (one way) **Time:** 2hrs 30mins

In an emergency phone Triple Zero (000).

For further information: www.npsr.qld.gov.au/parks/cooloola

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