

Black Mountain Summit Walk



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Alive with discovery

What you'll find

Enjoy native plants and animals and spectacular views of Canberra from one of Australia's most well-known mountains. Walk through the Australian National Botanic Gardens (ANBG) and Black Mountain Nature Reserve (BMNR) to the summit of Black Mountain. The path climbs quite steeply through dry sclerophyll forest comprising Scribbly Gum (*Eucalyptus rossii*), Red Stringybark (*Eucalyptus macrorhyncha*) and Cherry Ballart (*Exocarpos cupressiformis*). Many shrubs, herbs and grasses in the understorey add colour, especially in spring, and the bird life is abundant. The summit viewing platform (812 metres above sea level) has great views of Canberra and Telstra Tower.

Telstra Tower has three viewing platforms which are open from 9.00 am to 10.00 pm daily. Admission is \$7.50 for adults and \$3.00 for children and concession card holders. The 40 minute, 2 km Forest Track circles the summit of Black Mountain and affords excellent views across Canberra.

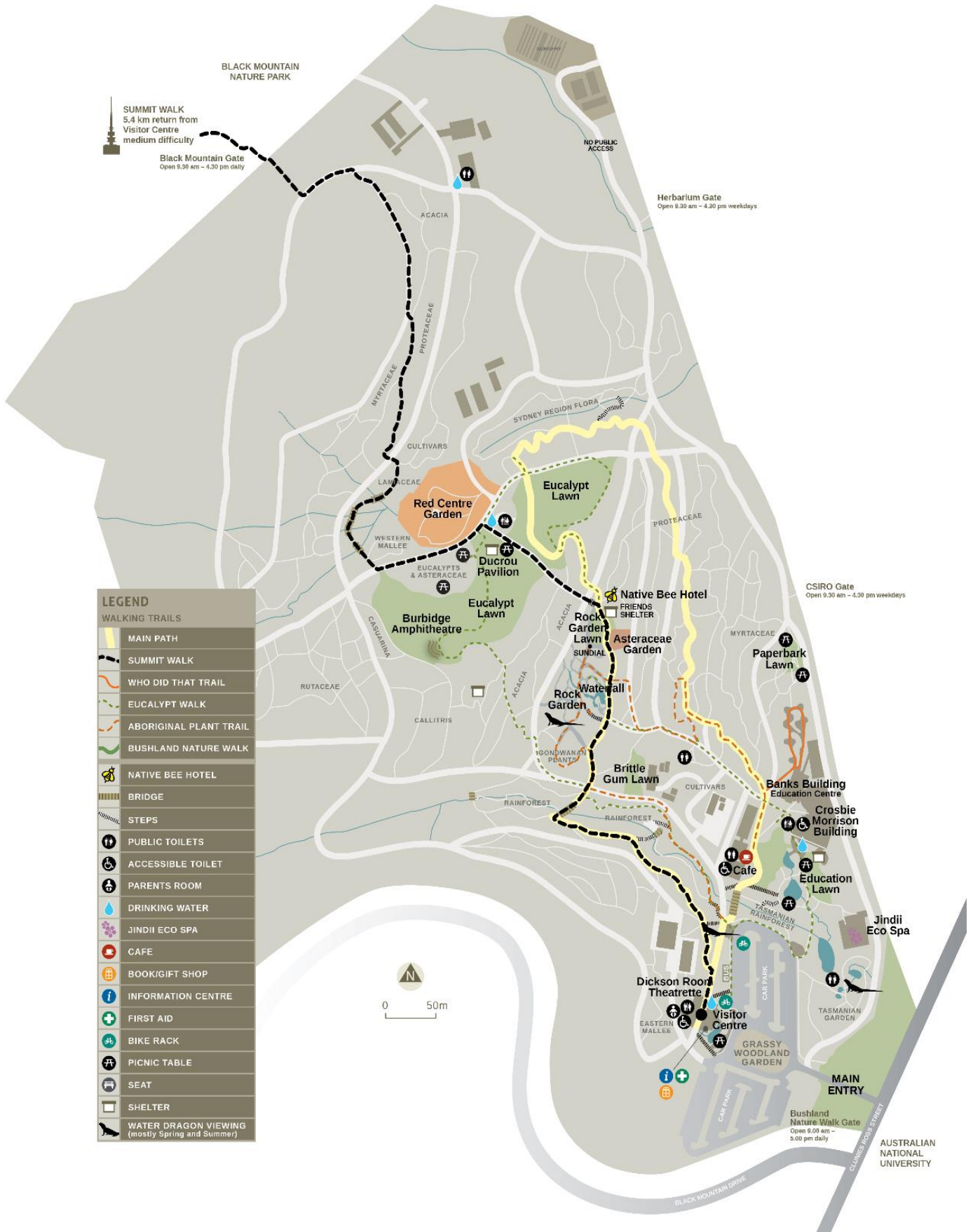
Dogs and other domestic pets and bicycles are not allowed. Sturdy footwear and water are recommended.

- **Grade – Medium difficulty (steep sections)**
- **Departs from the Visitor Centre**
- **5.4 km – 1.5-2 hours return**
- **Gate open from 9:30am-4:30pm**

How to get there

Follow the Main Path until you reach the top of the Rock Garden Lawn. From here the route is marked with a combination of blue directional signs pointing to the Black Mountain Gate and Black Mountain Summit Walk (pictured) and pale green metal posts with a Telstra Tower symbol (pictured). These directions (also on the map on the back) will take you to the Black Mountain Gate of the ANBG which is open from 9.30 am – 4.30 pm daily. Once you pass through this gate you will be in the BMNR and you should utilise the BMNR map and the signage directing you along the path.





LEGEND

WALKING TRAILS

- MAIN PATH
- SUMMIT WALK
- WHO DID THAT TRAIL
- EUCALYPT WALK
- ABORIGINAL PLANT TRAIL
- BUSHLAND NATURE WALK

Facilities

- NATIVE BEE HOTEL
- BRIDGE
- STEPS
- PUBLIC TOILETS
- ACCESSIBLE TOILET
- PARENTS ROOM
- DRINKING WATER
- JINDII ECO SPA
- CAFE
- BOOK/GIFT SHOP
- INFORMATION CENTRE
- FIRST AID
- BIKE RACK
- PICNIC TABLE
- SEAT
- SHELTER
- WATER DRAGON VIEWING (mostly Spring and Summer)



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