DESCRIPTION

Peak Head is the Torndirrup Peninsula's southernmost peak and can be reached only via a rugged 4.3 km return walk track, which is steep in sections providing a challenging but rewarding experience.

Some rock scrambling is required to reach the peak's summit and walkers must be aware of slippery rocks and that rock climbers may be on the cliffs below.

There are magnificent views of Eclipse Island, West Cape Howe, Bald Head and the vast Southern Ocean where whales can be seen breaching between June and September.

The heathland along this walk comes alive in wildflower season.

To travel to the start point from the Town Square turn into Grey Street West through Carlyle St, turn right into Princess Royal Drive. Turn left into Frenchman Bay Road. Travel to Stony Hill Road. Drive along this road for 1.4km and turn into the gravel track signposted to Peak Head.



Dogs are not allowed in the National Park

Toilets are at the car park above Frenchman Bay Refreshments at Discovery Bay

Grade: Four (4)
Distance: 4.3km
Gradient: Very Steep

Quality of path: Formed track some obstacles

Signs: Limited signage

Experience: Some bushwalking experience

recommended

Time: 2 to 2.5 hours
Steps: Many steps

WALK NOTES

- From the car park ascend the steps to the boot cleaning station. It is imperative that you brush your shoes/boots in order to prevent the spread of Dieback (Phytophthora cinnamomi) in this sensitive area.
- Walk down the sandy track through the Peppermint trees, Xanthorrhoea, Banksia and Pimelea bushes. After only a few metres the open southern ocean can be seen as well as Peak Head.
- 3. As the track veers around to the right, Eclipse Island with its lighthouse becomes visible.
- After 1km the track becomes steeper and even though the cliff edge is still a distance away do not venture off the track.
- 5. When the track begins to ascend to Peak Head the track is still sandy but be mindful of exposed tree roots.
- 6. Walking uphill notice the limestone ridge over to the right and the views towards the Blowholes and the Cave Point Lighthouse.
- 7. Follow the cairns across the first granite dome and into the Hakea bush for approximately 30 metres.
- 8. TAKE CARE OVER THE GRANITE IF WET AND WINDY
- 9. Arrive at the granite dome, which leads to the summit of Peak Head.
- 10. Scramble up the rock here to the top or a safer way would be to veer to the left and then right alongside the vegetation.
- 11. Arrive at the summit and enjoy the views to Bald Head in the east and West Cape Howe in the west.
- 12. Return via the same route.

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