

NT Parks and Reserves



Are Pets Allowed?

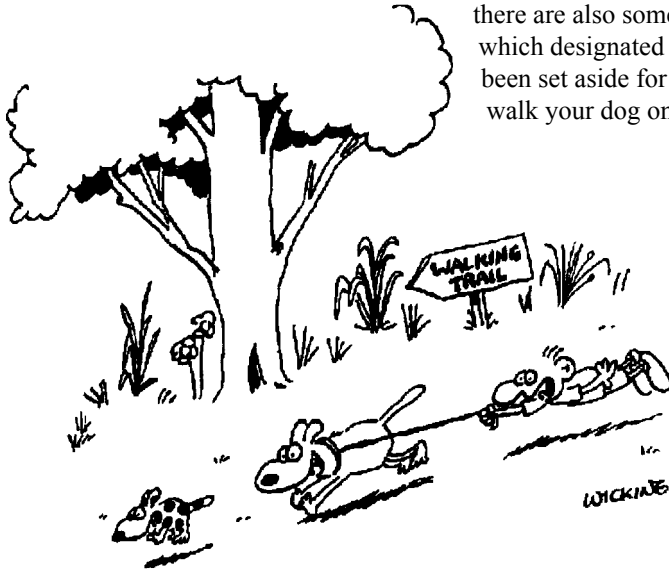
The Parks and Reserves of the Northern Territory are set aside as conservation and recreation areas for you to enjoy and for native animals to live in safety.

To keep our parks as great places for people and native animals, pets are generally *not permitted* in Northern Territory Parks and Reserves.

Exceptions to the Rules:

Seeing and hearing guide dogs are permitted in all Parks. They must however, be held on a leash by the owner at all times. A permit is not required.

Some Parks have designated areas (listed on the back of this sheet), they are generally carparks. This allows dog owners to visit some sites with their animals. Dogs must be tied up and provided with shade and water. However, there are also some Parks in which designated areas have been set aside for you to walk your dog on a leash.



Rules concerning taking pets into Northern Territory Parks and Reserves have become necessary because:

- dogs and cats are hunters by nature and will kill native birds and animals if given a chance;
- barking dogs scare native animals and annoy visitors;
- pets can foul picnic areas, creating a health hazard.

Our National Parks are the best chance that wildlife has of surviving in today's world. Contribute to the conservation effort by leaving your pets at home.

Dogs may be used during the hunting season in Northern Territory Hunting Reserves. You must obtain a permit from the Parks and Wildlife Commission first and keep all dogs on a leash when not hunting.

The four designated hunting reserves are:

- Harrison Dam*
- Howard Springs Hunting Reserve*
- Lambells Lagoon*
- Shoal Bay Coastal Reserve.*

Before you visit Northern Territory Parks and Reserves, check with the local Parks and Wildlife office. Be sure of the conditions relating to pets in the Parks you are visiting.

Park visitors found to be in breach of these regulations are subject to on-the-spot fines.

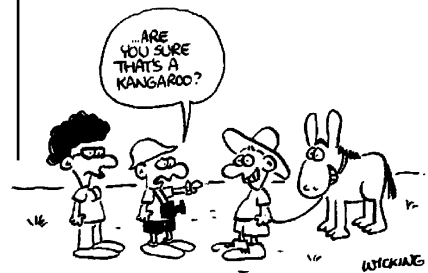
Where Can I Leave my Pet?

If it is necessary for your pet to travel with you, it makes sense to check ahead and see where you can leave them whilst visiting certain Parks.

A range of dog kennels and catteries exist near most major towns. Advice on these facilities can be obtained from local regional Tourism Associations;

- Tourism Top End - (08) 8980 6000,
- Katherine Visitor Centre - (08) 8972 2650,
- Tourism Central Australia - (08) 8952 5800.

Separate rules apply for taking horses, donkeys, mules and camels (or any other animals) into Northern Territory Parks and Reserves. For further information contact the regional offices listed below.



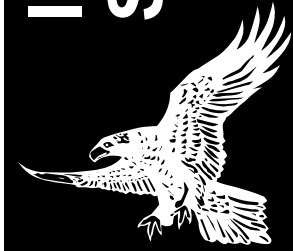
Parks & Wildlife Commission of the Northern Territory

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ALICE SPRINGS NT 0871
Ph: (08) 8951 8250

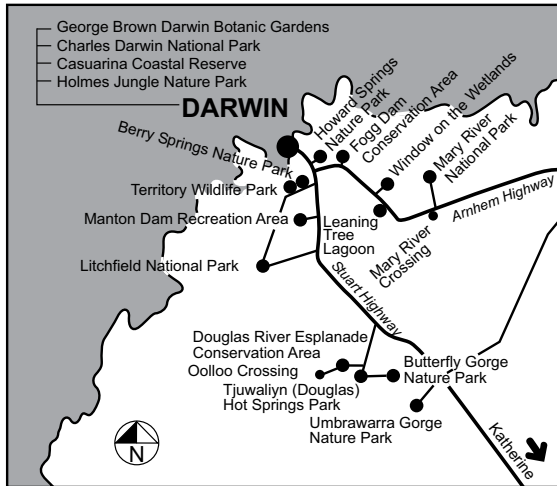
Regional Offices
Darwin - 25 Chung Wah Tce, Palmerston.
Ph: (08) 8999 4555
Katherine - Giles St, Katherine.
Ph: (08) 8973 8888



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Dogs may only be taken into designated areas in the following Parks and Reserves. It is your responsibility to check park fact sheets or signs, or find out from a Ranger where designated areas are within the Park or Reserve.



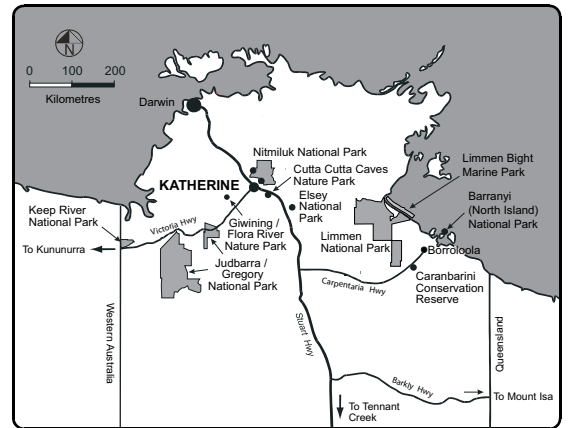
Darwin Region

- George Brown Darwin Botanic Gardens
- Casuarina Coastal Reserve
- Holmes Jungle Nature Park
- Leaning Tree Lagoon Nature Park
- Mary River Crossing
- Ooloo Crossing



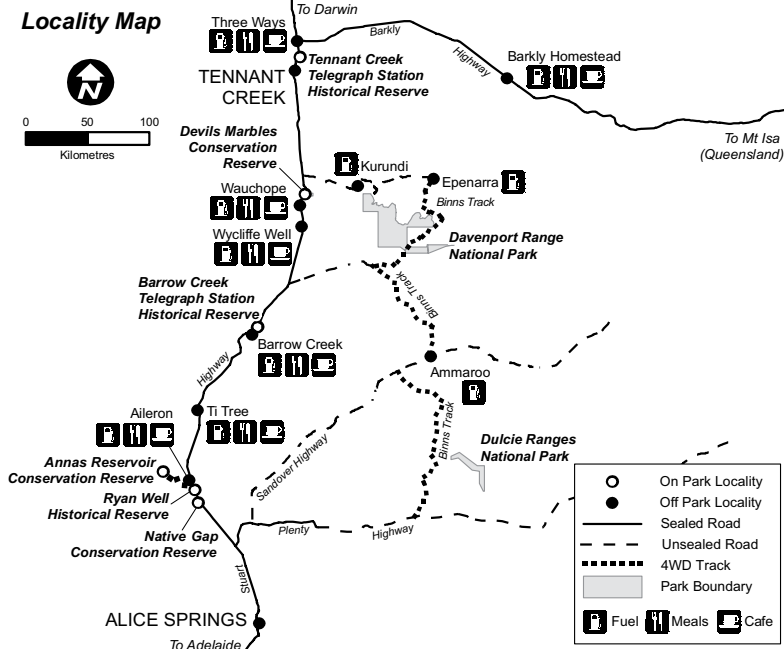
Katherine Region

- Judbarra / Gregory National Park
- Victoria River Depot Historical Reserve



Tennant Creek - Alice Springs Regions

- Alice Springs Telegraph Station Historical Reserve
- Attack Creek Historical Reserve
- Central Mt Stuart Historical Reserve
- Karlu Karlu / Devils Marbles Conservation Reserve
- Henbury Meteorites Conservation Reserve
- John Flynn's Grave Historical Reserve
- John Flynn Historical Reserve
- Owen Springs Reserve
- Ryan Well Historical Reserve
- Tennant Creek Telegraph Station
- Watarrka National Park



Alice Springs Region

