

Judbarra / Gregory National Park

The Eastern Section

If the Victoria Highway is open, walks and campgrounds in this sector are usually accessible. However, the Old Victoria River Crossing and Victoria River Access are only accessible during the dry season.

 **Gumil Lookout and Campground**
Located 27 km east of the Victoria River Roadhouse – access is via a steep and winding 4WD track, which is not suitable for caravans and some trailers. This highpoint provides spectacular views out across the escarpment.

 **Sullivan Creek Campground**
Located on the banks of a permanent waterhole, 17 km east of the Victoria River Roadhouse. Accessed from the Victoria Highway, camping facilities are basic - pit toilet, fire places and picnic tables.

Victoria River Roadhouse
This commercial business on the Victoria River has camping, accommodation, meals, telephones, fuel and limited supplies.

 **Victoria River Boat Ramp**
Road is 2WD accessible all year round. Can close due to seasonal flooding.

Escarpment Walk

 **Distance:** 3 km return
Time: 1.5 hours
 **Grade:** 3 - moderate walk with some steep sections.

Situated on the Victoria Highway, 2 km west of Victoria River Roadhouse. Discover stories of the *Nungali-Ngaliwurru* and *Wardaman* people as you climb this rocky path with its spectacular views of the surrounding landscape.

Old Victoria River Crossing

 4WD access only. Stunning views and road relics.

Joe Creek Picnic Area and Ngawilbinbin Walk

 **Distance:** 1.7 km loop
Time: 1 hour
 **Grade:** 4 - moderate to difficult.
Situated off the Victoria Highway, 10 km west of Victoria River Roadhouse, access is via 2 km of unsealed 2WD road, (seasonal closures occur). Nestled in a valley below Livistona-crowded scree slopes, just being at the Joe Creek picnic area is awe-inspiring. The Ngawilbinbin Walk leads up a steep rocky slope to the base of the escarpment wall. Follow this wall to see

Aboriginal paintings and enjoy fabulous views of the surrounding escarpment and valley below.

The Western Section

Fishing and four wheel driving are the most popular activities in the western section of the Park. But there are also walks and historic features to explore.

Timber Creek

A range of camping and other accommodation is available along with medical assistance, police, meals, public telephones, fuel and supplies.

Along the Victoria Highway ...

 **Big Horse Creek Campground**
On the Victoria Highway, 10 km west of Timber Creek. Open all year, it is a popular base for anglers who launch their boats using the sealed boat ramp. Facilities include toilets, fire places, picnic tables and limited water (use sparingly).

Gregory's Tree

 **Distance:** 500 m return
Time: 30 minutes
 **Grade:** 1 - short easy walk with wheelchair access.

Situated off the Victoria Highway, 9 km west of Big Horse Creek Campground. Access is via a 3 km unsealed 2WD road, often corrugated. Gregory's Tree is an Aboriginal sacred site and a registered heritage site. Here you can enjoy views of the Victoria River while reading accounts of the early explorers. A boardwalk surrounds the magnificent boab where Baines, the expedition artist, marked the arrival and departure dates of Gregory's North Australia Expedition from the base camp here.

Down the Bullita Access Road ...

Turning south off the Victoria Highway, 10 km east of Timber Creek, the unsealed Bullita Access Road leads to campgrounds, walks and historic sites. **A 4WD with high clearance is recommended and access is unsuitable for caravans.** The Bullita Access Road may close at times from December to April.

The Park's 4WD network can also be reached via the Buchanan and Buntine Highways. The 4WD tracks close due to seasonal flooding from late November to May. Information about the 4WD network is provided in the 'Judbarra /

Gregory National Park 4WD Tracks' Information Sheet.

Calcite Flow Walk

 **Distance:** 600 m return
Time: 30 minutes
Grade: 2 - short, easy walk.

Situated 14 km from Bullita Homestead along the Limestone Gorge access road. Stromatolites (fossilised prehistoric life forms) feature on this walk with spectacular views of interesting limestone formations.

Limestone Gorge Campground

 Situated 2 km from the Calcite Flow Walk carpark (see above),
 along a 4WD track on a large boulder creek bed. From here you can easily access Limestone Creek Billabong, fish the East Baines River, and enjoy spectacular views along Limestone Ridge Loop Walk.

Limestone Ridge Loop Walk

 **Distance:** 1.8 km loop
Time: 1 hour
Grade: 3 - moderate walk.

Starting at the Limestone Gorge Campground, this walk winds through a karst (limestone) landscape and offers views of the East Baines River valley from the ridges.

Bullita Campground

 On the banks of the East Baines River, 60 km south of Timber Creek, near the historic Bullita Homestead and stockyard. It is a short walk to the East Baines River from the campground.

Bullita Homestead

 The old Bullita Homestead is a reminder of the Park's pastoral past. You can enjoy the engaging Homestead display or discover the stockyards, made and still maintained, with local Lancewood and Bloodwood trees.

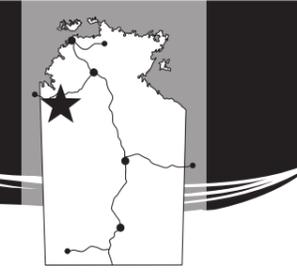
Down the Buchanan Highway ...

Turning south off the Victoria Hwy, 27 km east of Timber Creek, this road formed gravel road takes you south to Top Springs and Yarralin.

 **Lupayi Campground and Jasper Gorge.** Situated 48 km south of the Victoria Highway, this campground is next to a small creek and is only a 9 km drive to Jasper Gorge.



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Judbarra / Gregory National Park features spectacular range and gorge scenery and significant traces of Aboriginal culture, European exploration and pastoral history.

The *Ngarinyman, Karrangpurru, Nungali, Malngin, Wardaman, Ngaliwurru* and *Bilinara*, Aboriginal people are the traditional owners and joint managers of this land; and they welcome you to Judbarra.

The Park covers a huge area (13,000 km²) in the transition zone between tropical and semi-arid regions of the Northern Territory.

Access (see map overleaf) Park entry fees - Parks Pass applies. NT residents exempt.

The Park can be reached via the Victoria Highway from Katherine and Kununurra, or via the unsealed Buntine and Buchanan highways. There are a number of 4WD tracks for suitably-prepared visitors to explore (dry season only). All roads including the Victoria Highway may be impassable at times between December and April.

Check Park road conditions by phoning the Parks and Wildlife office listed below. Check other road conditions by phoning 1800 246 199, or visiting the NT Road Report website: www.roadreport.nt.gov.au

When to Visit

The most comfortable months to visit the Park are May to August when temperatures range between 10°C and 35°C. However, while the weather is much warmer and wetter between November and April, the woodlands become lush

and the campgrounds are quiet.

Visitor Facilities

Fuel, provisions, public telephones and accommodation are available at Timber Creek, Top Springs, Kalkarindji and the Victoria River Roadhouse. Police, banking facilities, vehicle repairs, boat hire and emergency medical care are available at Timber Creek.

A number of tours operate within the Park. Contact the Katherine Visitor Information Centre on 1800 653 142 for further information.

Camping Fees

Fees apply to all campgrounds across the Park, including along the remote 4WD tracks.

Campsites must be booked online before you arrive.

Pets in the Park

Pets are prohibited, except at facilities located along the Victoria Highway, where they are restricted to carparks and must be restrained on a leash at all times.

Things to See and Do

The Park abounds with walking tracks, fishing spots, 4WD tracks and camping areas. See the map overleaf and information on the back page for details.

Refer to the 'Judbarra / Gregory National Park 4WD Tracks' Information Sheet for more 4WD track information.



Safety and Comfort

- Carry plenty of water and drink regularly
- Wear a shady hat, sunscreen and insect repellent
- Wear suitable clothing and footwear
- Carry a first aid kit
- Avoid strenuous activity during the heat of the day
- Ensure your vehicle is well maintained and equipped.
- If using a 4WD track, notify a reliable person of your intended route and expected return time. A satellite phone or PLB emergency beacon is also recommended.
- **Do not swim** - Saltwater Crocodiles inhabit waterways, observe warning signs.

Please Remember

- Take your rubbish with you
- Keep to designated roads and tracks
- All cultural items and wildlife are protected
- Do not deface boab trees - Fines apply
- Pets are only permitted along the Victoria Highway and must be kept on a leash
- Drone use is not permitted in this Park
- Nets, traps and firearms are not permitted
- Light fires only in fireplaces provided
- Only use soaps and detergent 50 m from waterways
- Camp only in your pre-booked site in designated camping areas.
- Collect firewood before arriving at your picnic area or campsite
- Observe all fishing regulations
- Where permitted, generators only between 8 am and 8.30 pm
- Treat water from waterways before drinking.

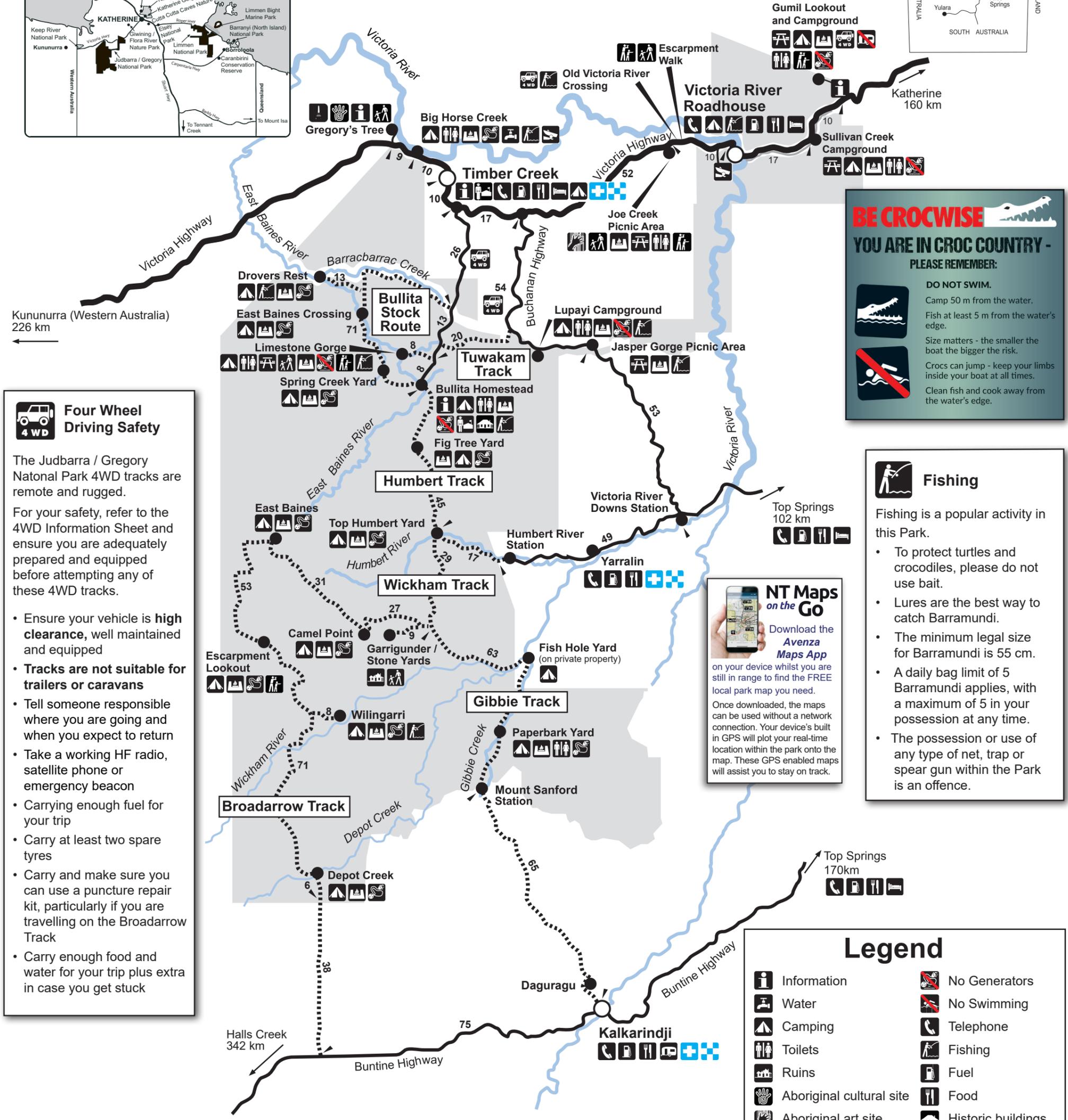
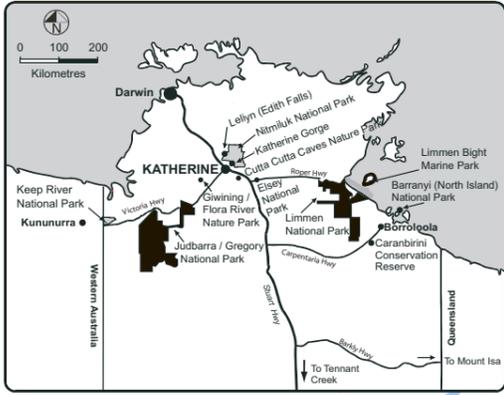
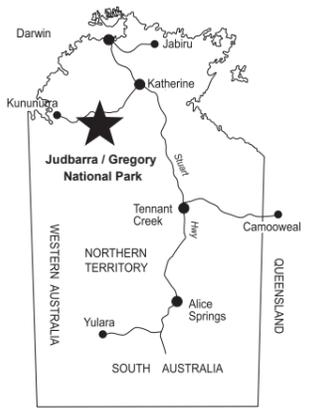
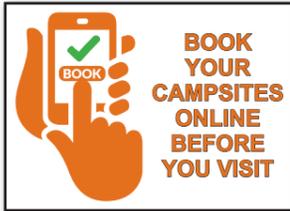
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BE CROCWISE

YOU ARE IN CROC COUNTRY - PLEASE REMEMBER:

- DO NOT SWIM.** Camp 50 m from the water. Fish at least 5 m from the water's edge.
- Size matters - the smaller the boat the bigger the risk. Crocs can jump - keep your limbs inside your boat at all times.
- Clean fish and cook away from the water's edge.

Four Wheel Driving Safety

The Judbarra / Gregory National Park 4WD tracks are remote and rugged. For your safety, refer to the 4WD Information Sheet and ensure you are adequately prepared and equipped before attempting any of these 4WD tracks.

- Ensure your vehicle is **high clearance**, well maintained and equipped
- Tracks are not suitable for trailers or caravans**
- Tell someone responsible where you are going and when you expect to return
- Take a working HF radio, satellite phone or emergency beacon
- Carrying enough fuel for your trip
- Carry at least two spare tyres
- Carry and make sure you can use a puncture repair kit, particularly if you are travelling on the Broadarrow Track
- Carry enough food and water for your trip plus extra in case you get stuck

Fishing

Fishing is a popular activity in this Park.

- To protect turtles and crocodiles, please do not use bait.
- Lures are the best way to catch Barramundi.
- The minimum legal size for Barramundi is 55 cm.
- A daily bag limit of 5 Barramundi applies, with a maximum of 5 in your possession at any time.
- The possession or use of any type of net, trap or spear gun within the Park is an offence.

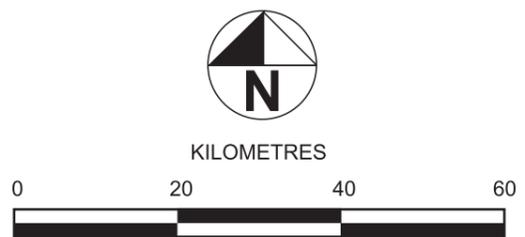
NT Maps on the Go

Download the **Avenza Maps App** on your device whilst you are still in range to find the FREE local park map you need. Once downloaded, the maps can be used without a network connection. Your device's built in GPS will plot your real-time location within the park onto the map. These GPS enabled maps will assist you to stay on track.

Finding your way around

Markers with a blue triangle on a white square indicate direction and location of 4WD tracks.

Boab markers are located at 10 km intervals along the tracks and near intersections. They indicate the distance you have travelled and are used to guide you through cattle stations.



Legend

	Information		No Generators
	Water		No Swimming
	Camping		Telephone
	Toilets		Fishing
	Ruins		Fuel
	Aboriginal cultural site		Food
	Aboriginal art site		Historic buildings
	Ranger Station		Historic monument
	Walking Track		Accommodation
	Lookout		Caravan Park
	Barbecue		Police
	Boat ramp		Emergency Care
	Generators allowed		
	Highway		4WD track
	Minor road		Waterway