

Overnight Walks of Ormiston Gorge



Please read the following information carefully before commencing these walks.

Park entry fees - Parks Pass applies (NT residents exempt).

Mount Giles



Distance: 16 km (one way)

Time: 2-3 days return

Grade 5: Difficult

This tough but spectacular walk offers the chance to explore the Ormiston Pound and climb Mt Giles, the third highest peak in the Northern Territory (1389 m). Travel across the floor of Ormiston Pound and follow the Ormiston Creek bed towards Mt Giles. Climbing to the peak provides an amazing experience that all walkers will remember.

- Allow 2 days return, 3 days if you intend to do the difficult climb to the summit of Mt. Giles.
- 13 km (one way) from the visitor centre to the base of Mt. Giles (6-7 hrs).
- 3 km (one way) from Mt. Giles base to summit (3 hrs)
- The track is unmarked after the Pound Walk. Follow the creek bed east through the Pound, and to commence climbing from the south facing spur line.
- Camping recommended in the creek bed as marked on the map. Camping fees apply and campsites must be booked online before your departure.
- Be prepared for false peaks and unstable slopes.

Bowmans Gap



Distance: 9 km (one way)

Time: 1-2 days return

Grade 4: Moderate to difficult

Enjoy this walk within a day, or extend it to a leisurely overnight trek. Make your way

along the meandering creek bed, passing waterholes and taking the opportunity to view a variety of wildlife. The red walls of Bowmans Gap provide a magnificent end to this pleasant walk. This walk also offers views of the spectacular northern Pound Wall.

- Allow 1-2 days return.
- 9 km (one way) from the Visitor Centre to Bowmans Gap (3 – 4 hrs).
- The track is unmarked after the Pound Walk. Follow the creek bed north through the Pound to Bowmans Gap.

Larapinta Trail

Ormiston Gorge is the Trailhead for Sections 9 and 10 of the Larapinta Trail. Larapinta Trail walkers should only undertake this walk if they have a copy of the 'Larapinta Trail Package' or have visited nt.gov.au/larapinta to obtain maps and comprehensive Trail information.

Walking and camping fees apply and must be booked online before you start your walk.

Section 9



Distance: 28.9 km (one way)

Time: 2 days

Grade 5: Difficult

Section 9 is one of the more difficult sections of the Trail taking you into the rugged heart of the range country. This section begins at Serpentine Chalet Dam, travels through Inarlanga Pass and ends at Ormiston Gorge with a recommended overnight camp at Waterfall Gorge. Walkers have the option to start or finish at the Ochre Pits. There is no drinking water provided so walkers will need to carry two days supply.

Safety and Comfort

- Carry sufficient water for the return journey as water supplies are unreliable.
- Camp only in your pre-booked site in designated camping areas.
- Any water collected should be treated with sterilising tablets, filtered or boiled before consumption.
- Carry out all rubbish.
- Use fuel stoves only. No fires are permitted on the Larapinta Trail.
- Bury human waste and toilet paper away from creek lines.
- Wear sturdy shoes, a hat, and sunscreen.
- Consider your health and fitness when choosing a walk.
- Don't risk your life - walk between April and September
- Avoid strenuous activities during the heat of the day.

Walkers planning extended and overnight walks should notify a reliable person of their intended route and walk plans.

Carry a satellite phone or personal locator beacon.

Section 10



Distance: 8.9 km (one way)

Time: 4 hours

Grade 3: Moderate

Section 10, the shortest section of the Trail links the popular attractions of Ormiston Gorge and Glen Helen. This section winds through rolling limestone hills at the headwaters of the Finke River, one of the world's oldest rivers. Walkers can continue from the Finke River Trailhead to Glen Helen along Section 11 and the access track.

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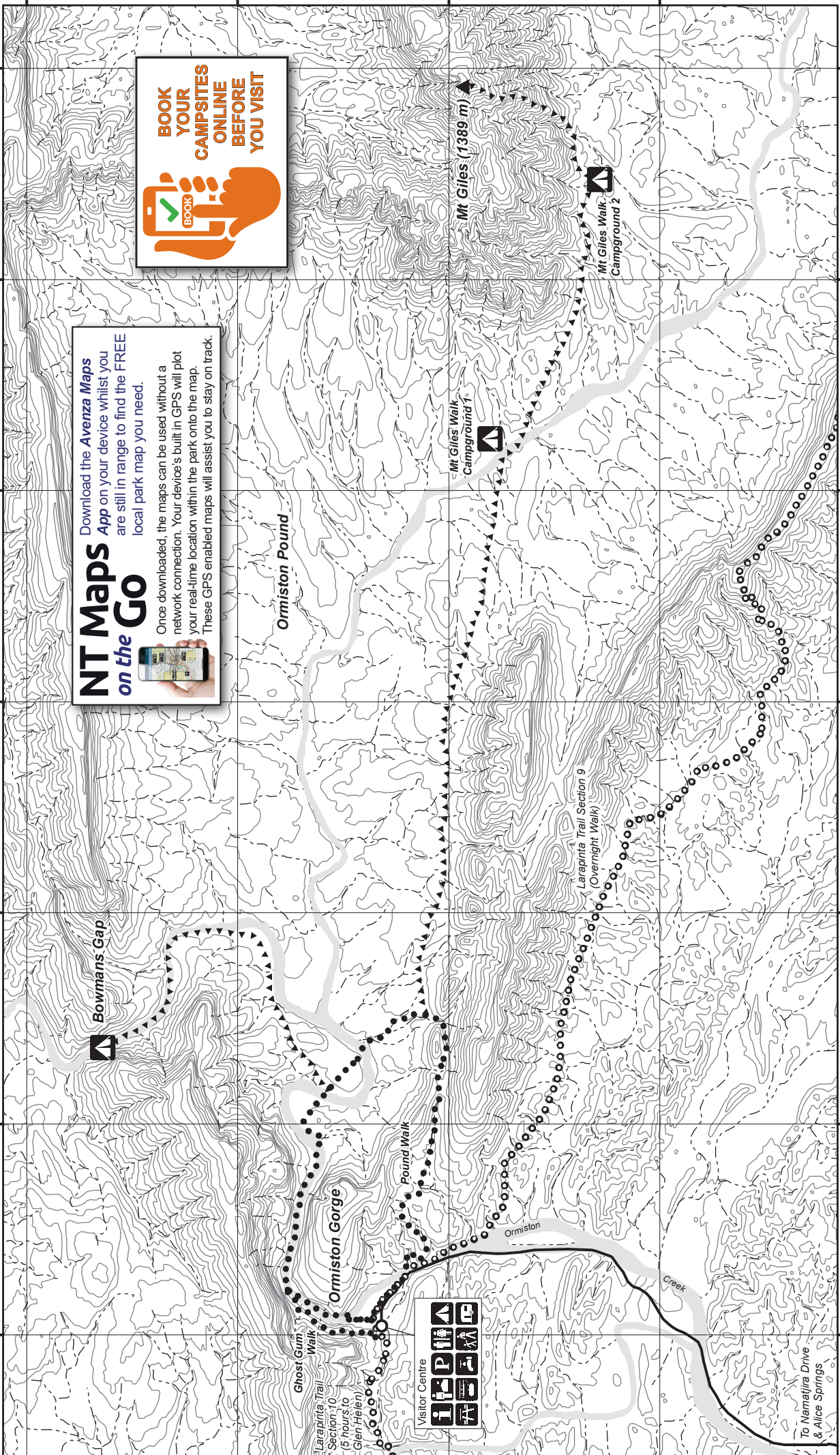


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Once downloaded, the maps can be used without a network connection. Your device's built in GPS will plot your real-time location within the park onto the map. These GPS enabled maps will assist you to stay on track.

BOOK YOUR CAMPSITES ONLINE BEFORE YOU VISIT



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Tjoritja / West MacDonnell National Park

Black numbered lines are 2000 metre intervals of the Map Grid of Australia (MGA) Zone 53 Transverse Mercator Projection

Horizontal datum: Geocentric Datum of Australia 1994 (GDA94)

For most practical purposes, GDA94, coordinates and satellite derived (GPS) coordinates based on the World Geodetic System 1984 (WGS84) are the same. To use this map, the datum on a GPS receiver should be set to WGS84.

Information

- Ranger Station
- Drinking Water
- Parking Area
- Camping
- Caravan Sites
- Picnic Facilities
- Toilets
- Gas BBQ
- Short Walks

Legend

- Sealed Road
- Walking Track
- Suggested Route
- Larapinta Trail
- Contours
- Drainage
- Major Drainage

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