

## Robertson's Roundabout

### 1 hr 15 mins 2.3 km Circuit

# Hard track

131m

From the Royal National Park Centre, this walk crosses the Hacking River before rising steeply up onto the ridge to fantastic views of the Hacking River. If you look into the distance you can see Cronulla on the horizon at the highest points. Towards the end of the circuit, with good views of the surrounding bushland, the track descends to the river and back to the visitor centre.

Royal National Park

#### Are you ready to have fun?

Please ensure you and your group are well prepared and equipped for all possible hazards and delays. Check park closures, weather information and Fire Danger Rating before setting out. Optional side trips and alternate routes noted are not included in this walks overall grade, length or time estimate. Please allow extra time for resting and exploring areas of interest. The authors, staff and owners of wildwalks take care in preparing this information but will not accept responsibility for any inconvenience, loss or injury you may experience. Please take care, have fun - Happy Walking. **Getting there** Traveling by car is the only practical way to get to Ironbark Flat Picnic Area (gps: -34.0755, 151.0556). Car: A park entry fee is required for driving into the park.

This is a circuit, so you will finish back at the start.

Find up to date and more information inlcuding; travel directions, weather, park closures and walker feedback at <u>http://wild.tl/13</u>

#### 0 | Ironbark Flat Picnic Area

(100 m 2 mins) From the Ironbark Flats, this walk heads alongside the visitor centre to turn up the stairs between the Visitor Centre and the toilet block, meeting Sir Bertram Stevens Drive.

#### 0.1 | Royal National Park Information Centre

(150 m 3 mins) Turn sharp right: From the Royal National Park Information Centre, this walk heads west off Sir Bertram Stevens Drive and along Lady Carrington Drive, through the gate (open during the day). The walk continues down along this road to come to a white bridge on the right.

#### 0.25 | Eastern side of Currawong bridge

(130 m 2 mins) Turn right: From the intersection, this walk crosses the bridge over to the western bank of the Hacking River. On the other side of the river, the track turns right and goes through the Currawong Flats until coming to an intersection with a bush track going up to the left, signposted with a 'Robertons Roundabout' sign.

#### 0.38 | Currawong Flats

(140 m 4 mins) Turn left: From Currawong Flats, this walk follows the steps beside the 'Robertson Roundabout' sign heading up the hill. The track then winds up the hill through the bush for a while until it flattens and comes to the signposted intersection of the Robertson Roundabout a short distance later.

#### 0.52 | Int of Engadine, Audley and Uloola Tracks

(340 m 7 mins) Veer right: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Heathcote', 'Engadine' and 'Kangaroo Creek' arrows along the bush track, steadily climbing up and along the side of the hill. The track provides views of the river (down to the right) as it heads up to the intersection, and a sign pointing back towards 'Audley'.

#### 0.86 | Int of Robertson Roundabout (Northwest) and Engadi

(390 m 9 mins) Veer left: From the intersection, this walk heads south up the hill. (It is necessary to follow the arrow markers in

this area as the track becomes quite faint and overgrown in places.) Once reaching the top of the hill, there are great views as far as Cronulla. From here, the track turns to the south-east and continues through the bush, coming to an intersection, signposting the way to 'Uloola Falls'.

#### 1.24 | Int of Uloola Track and Robertson Roundabout

(1.1 km 29 mins) Turn left: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Audley 0.5km' on the 'Robertsons Roundabout' signpost, heading along the bush track. The track steps up onto the short rock shelf and continues up the short hill to the top of the ridge and down the other side, winding steadily down the long rocky hill. The walk then zigzags down a few sets of rock steps before coming down to the signposted intersection of the 'Robertson Roundabout' track.

Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the bush track heading in the opposite direction to the Heathcote and Engadine arrows, winding down the hill via the rock steps that the track continues down to the banks of the Hacking River at Currawong Flats.

Turn right: From the end of the bush track, this walk heads through Currawong Flats, keeping the river on the left, until reaching the bridge. The track turns left and crosses the Hacking River on the bridge, to come to Lady Carrington Drive.

Turn left: From the bridge, this walk heads along the road, keeping the river to the left. Passing the park lands and picnic area, the road the meets Sir Bertram Stevens Drive and a short distance further comes to the Royal National Park Information Centre.

Turn sharp left: From the visitor centre, this walk passes between the centre and the toilet block, heading down the stairs and onto the large, grassed clearing of Ironbark Flats.

