

## 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 Int. Nth Tura Car Park and Lookout Trk (gps: -36.8291, 149.9346). Car: A park entry fee is required for driving into the park.

This is a return, 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 <a href="http://wild.tl/ntcptbi">http://wild.tl/ntcptbi</a>

# 0 | Optional sidetrip to Nth Tura Lookout

(20 m) From the intersection, the walk follows the sign for 'Viewing Platform' out to the verandah lookout.

## 0 | North Tura Lookout

North Tura Beach Lookout is located between Tathra and Merimbula in Bournda National Park. The lookout has stunning views over North Tura Beach, all the way south to Tura Headland and out to sea. The lookout is also a great viewing point for Turingal Head and Bournda Island. The lookout is easily accessed from North Tura car park and is wheelchair-accessible.

#### 0 | Int. Nth Tura Car Park and Lookout Trk

(130 m 2 mins) Turn around: From the intersection, the walk follows the walking tracks sign along the fence line, with the car park on your left. The walk continues to the picnic table and signpost.

Veer right: From the intersection, this walk follows the sign 'Steps to Beach 80m' down the hill. The walk winds down through the melaleuca trees to an unsignposted intersection with a set of stairs.

Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the stairs down the hill and through the heath and then onto the beach.

#### 0.13 | North Tura Beach

North Tura Beach is located north of Merimbula and Tura Heads. The beach is a beautiful expanse of sand of nearly 2.5km, stretching from Tura Heads to Bournda Island in the north. North Tura is an easterly-facing beach which is

accessed by Widgeram Rd off the Sapphire Coast Drive.

## 0.13 | Nth Tura Beach

(950 m 16 mins) Turn left: From the staircase, this walk heads north along the beach towards Bournda Island, keeping the ocean to the right. Just before the rocky Bournda Island, there is a small but distinct track on the left through the heath.

Turn right: From the bottom of the steps, this walk heads away from the stairs and across the beach towards Bournda Island. The walk continues along the sand to a small cave feature at the base of the island.

### 1.08 | Bournda Island Trk

(60 m 1 mins) Veer right: From the intersection, the walk keeps the cave feature on the right and climbs up the ridge of rock. The track winds along the left-hand side of the island, with the ocean below on the left. The walk heads up onto the hill with views of both North Tura and Bournda Beaches.

### 1.13 | Bournda Island

Bournda Island separates Bournda and North Tura beaches, and is located between Tathra and Merimbula. The island is joined to the mainland by a tombola beach, which can be submerged by the tide to form a real island. Bournda Island is covered in low dune shrub vegetation species that are perched on top of the rocky island. Access to the island is at low tide from Bournda or North Tura beaches. Bournda Island can also be accessed from the Bournda Lagoon via Headland Track.

