



Grazing deer

Basic Bush Rules

- > Consider weather and likely road conditions
- > Respect private land
- > Animals have right of way
- > Leave gates as you find them
- > Reduce speed and dust near homesteads
- > All drives are undertaken at your own risk
- > Road safety begins and ends with you please slow down

Notes

This drive is on public roads, mostly gravel or formed earth, some are in poor condition. Beware of stock on unfenced roads. GPS directions may be unreliable. Mobiles may be out of range.

This drive was driven and assessed in August 2015 in a Mitsubishi Pajero.

A high clearance vehicle or 4WD is essential beyond Waterhole Gully Homestead.



If you enjoyed this four wheel drive why not pick up one of the other drives in this series.

- Drive A Hampton to Gatton-Esk Rd
- Drive B Hampton, Coppermine Rd, Ravensbourne National Park
- Drive C Hampton to Gatton via 17 Mile Rd
- Drive D Hampton to Withcott via Murphy's Ck
- Drive F Hampton, Crows Nest Falls, North of Cressbrook Dam, Maria Creek, Jones Gully, Hampton
- Drive G Hampton, Plainby, Upper Pinelands, Djuan, Crows Nest, Hampton

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Discover the High Country Touring Guide, Bird Trails of the Crows Nest Region, Nurseries Trails, The Three Lakes, Parks & Recreation Areas



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DRIVE E

**Hampton to Blackbutt via
Crows Nest, Anduramba &
Nukinenda Station**

Travel time - at least 2 hours one way.

Distance - Hampton to Blackbutt 63 km

**Toowoomba &
Darling Downs**
Lots to love...

Zero your trip meter at the Hampton Visitor Information Centre.

0 Leave the car park and head north on the New England Highway.

You are 715 m above sea level. Water from the west of the highway flows eventually into the Murray-Darling and from the east into the Brisbane River.

11.3 Crows Nest. Last fuel before Blackbutt.

Pub, coffee shops, local arts and crafts shop, etc.

12.3 Turn off the Highway past the pub on to Emu Creek Rd. Signed to Blackbutt.

12.7 On the left is Toowoomba Regional Council Service Centre.

Formerly the Crows Nest Shire Council office. Award winning architecture.

13.9 Straight ahead. (Back Creek Rd on right)

Winery on left. You are now on Pierces Creek Rd.

15.8 Rocky Dip on right.

Cattleyards and dip. Bird Trail N9 (see Trail brochure).

16.6 Continue straight ahead.

Anduramba Road on the right is closed past the Esk/Toogoolawah turn off.

17.6 Straight ahead. Jones Gully Rd on left.

20.0 Turn right on to Middle Road. Sign to Anduramba, Esk, Toogoolawah.

21.9 Do not turn left on to Vonhoff Rd.

22.6 Creek

Beautiful natural Bunya Pines in vine scrub.

26.4 Left in to McGreevy Rd towards Nukinenda (Esk and Toogoolawah to the right). Gravel.

27.5 Take right hand fork, signposted Nukinenda, Silverton and Milford Rocks.

31.5 Humped grid.

You are now in Nukinenda Station. Unfenced road.

33.1 Do not take Silverton turn on left.

34.1 Grid. **35.3** Grid.

Some leucaena, a nitrogen-rich perennial, planted in rows for intermittent cattle browsing.

36.6 Do not take Lindhurst to right.

36.6 Grid. Do not take Milford Rocks.

37.2 Grid.

37.8 Cross Nukinenda Creek.

38.1 Take left fork at Y junction.

Nukinenda Station homestead is on your right.

38.4 Grids around stockyards.

39.5 Grid. Deer fencing begins on right.

40.3 Steep incline.

41.3 Waterhole Gully Homestead straight ahead.

Turn left in to Waterhole Gully Rd.

42.1 On left, dam with lilies.

Bird life. Quarry on right.

42.3 Take left fork. Right fork is a private road.

43.3 Grid. **43.9** Grid.

Sign on tyre "Caution Cattle". Massive ironbarks and gums. Road follows creek. Deer park on left.

44.5 Beautiful dam.

Look out for the Bicentennial National Trail markers.

44.8 Grid. Dam with bullrushes and nearby trees.

45.8 Top of the hill, take right fork.

46.4 Grid. Creek to the right, go round old windmill and tank to the left.

46.9 Large dam on right.

48.2 Grid at top of hill. Shed down to the right.

48.5 Deer fencing on right.

49.3 Extensive views south.

49.6 Property on right, "Wayta Buggary."

Rural Property No. 1128

50.6 Steep rocky pinch.

50.9 Steep descent. 4WD, low gear. "whoaboys".

Hoop pine in Benarkin State Forest to the north.

52.2 Washouts after wet weather.

52.6 End steep grade down. Emu Creek crossing.

Concrete spillway, check depth and speed of water.

52.8 Beaut picnic spot on the left along the creek.

Very picturesque, smooth rocks for kids, small fish.

53.1 Start rough, steep climb. 4WD, lowest gear.

54.1 Do not take Spelling Gully Rd to left.

54.2 Googa Googa Ck. Firm base under the water.

54.3 Gate. **55.1** Gate.

55.2 Creek crossing. Waterhole Gully Rd ends.

Turn left on to Wilson Rd at T junction.

55.6 Grid.

56.4 Truvalle Station.

Fauna sanctuary and a Droughtmaster cattle stud.

58.9 Straight on. (Cherry Creek Rd to right.)

Red volcanic soils. Avocados on both sides.

60.0 Turn left into Oglilvie Road.

60.3 Turn right to Blackbutt at T junction

Alternative: Turn left to return to Crows Nest via Pierces Creek Rd.

60.8 Hydroponic farm. Macadamia nuts.

63.0 Blackbutt town.

End