

## Rainforests

The New England region is spoilt for choice when it comes to stunning national parks. Some examples include;

- New England National Park
- Cathedral Rock National Park
- Guy Fawkes River National Park
- Oxley Wild rivers National Park
- Washpool National Park
- Werrikimbe National Park



By way of an example, New England National Park is a place of spectacular beauty and pristine wilderness.

The rainforests in New England National Park are part of the Gondwana Rainforests of Australia World Heritage Area; the most extensive strip of diverse rainforest anywhere on earth. The World Heritage Area is a direct window into the past and the future.

### Things to know:

- During our treks we get to view and photograph Antarctic beech forests as well as many other flora species, creeks and waterfalls.
- It's not just undisturbed flora that we will see. It is likely that we may view unique fauna as well, including a vast range of birds, such as rosellas, parrots, lyrebirds and bowerbirds, wallabies and various reptiles to name a few.

## Waterfalls

There are a number of impressive waterfalls within the New England region.

Along with the major waterfalls in the district, there are many more falls that are not as well known. Some of these waterfalls cannot be accessed by vehicle and require trekking reasonable distance to reach them.

Our tours can include walks through magnificent rainforests that are home to unspoilt forests, rivers, creeks and beautiful waterfalls, just like the waterfall shown below.



### Things to know:

- We target areas that typically have low levels of tourist activity. Therefore, as photographers, we get to enjoy what we love doing without being distracted by others.
- A benefit of participating in workshops run by Photo-e-Scape is that we are able to take you to beautiful falls that are constantly running. Visitors can sometimes feel disappointed when the better known and more accessible waterfalls are not flowing at their peak - often due to the nature of the region having four distinct seasons.



## Gorges, Rainforest and Waterfalls Photography Workshop Tours



The New England region is renowned for its scenic gorges, rainforests, waterfalls and sub alpine landscapes. At Photo-e-Scape we can assist keen photographers to capture the local beauty.

With our photography experience & knowledge of the area we can:

- take you to locations that are well known and also to places that are less visited;
- help you with camera settings and use of available lighting conditions to achieve beautiful images.

Photo-e-Scape can tailor packages to suit individual or group preferences and fitness/ability—from limited mobility through to where an above average level of fitness is required.

Our experience shows that smaller photography groups usually work best, however, we are also happy to discuss options for larger groups too.

Non photographers are welcome to come along and enjoy the scenery as well!

## Gorge Country

The New England region has some amazing National Parks that contain gorges just begging to be visited.

Many of the designated viewing areas offer great opportunities for capturing images. However, with extra effort we can reach places that are simply breath-taking and a photographers dream come true.

By way of example, the image below is only a 20 minute walk from two main viewing platforms. This spot offers spectacular views and a back-to-nature feel about it.



### Things to know:

- For the budding wildlife photographer there are often opportunities to capture beautiful birds and native animals and reptiles.
- The New England area has four distinct seasons. Photo-e-Scape tailor tours to suit seasonal opportunities. We always look to the benefits of capturing images at either sunrise, sunset and their respective golden hours.
- We can provide advice on essential items for particular workshops and tours. Also check the Packages page for tips on what to bring along.

## Rivers and the High Country

There are a number of significant rivers that exist within the New England region.

For example, east flowing rivers include Gara, Nymboida and Styx. These rivers typically flow into the various headwaters and tributaries of the Clarence River, Hastings River and Macleay River.

West flowing rivers include the Gwydir, Namoi, McIntyre, Severn and MacDonald rivers. These rivers flow on to form part of the mighty Murray-Darling Basin.



The eastern rivers are usually faster flowing, and in many places follow deep gorges and form into some classic waterfalls. Many of the rivers start as creeks or small rivers within the national parks and rainforests that we visit.

Irrespective of the time of year, or the season, we can tap into photography opportunities that you will be proud to hang on your wall.

### Things to know:

- Gum boots or water proof footwear are recommended.
- Some locations will involve steep descent to rivers or creeks.
- If you have ND filters then some locations will offer good practice.

## Packages

Costs are quoted per person\*:

- Full day workshop - \$176.00 incl. GST

\* Ask about family or group discounts.

### Things to know:

- Please visit our website for workshop options and booking. The workshops can be varied due to changes in seasonal conditions and availability of events.
- The type of camera is not important. Enthusiasts will likely have a DSLR. However, other modern cameras, including the newer smart phones, are capable of taking high quality images. Subject to availability you can hire a camera from us.
- Participants can either travel with us (subject to seating capacity) or in their own vehicle. A 4WD vehicle is not necessary.
- The workshop price does not include food or refreshments. You are welcome to bring your own or we can stop along the way to purchase these items.

### Things to bring:

- Optional camera gear, including;
  - for DSLR cameras, bring your favourite lens/es,
  - tripod
  - filters, especially polariser filter
- Backpack
- Warm clothing
- Wet weather clothing
- Sturdy footwear
- Sun protection, incl. hat, sunscreen and insect repellent
- Adequate water

### For more information and bookings we can be contacted:

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### Terms and conditions:

Payment is required in advance to secure your booking. If a tour is cancelled by us for any reason, participants will be reimbursed the full amount of their payment. If a participant cancels for any reason within 48 hours prior to a tour, we will retain 50% of the payment.

Tours are subject to access to national parks, public gardens and open gardens; suitable weather and seasonal conditions. Photo-e-Scape will take all reasonable care and precaution but no liability for personal injury or the loss or damage to any personal possessions and property, including camera equipment and vehicles and any other unforeseen event.