





Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions



# **Conspicuous Cliff**

Appreciate the powerful beauty of the southern coastline from the lookout over Conspicuous Cliff. There is a pristine beach, limestone cliffs and granite headlands. Follow the boardwalk down to the beach and walk in the salty, invigorating wind and listen to the deafening sound of crashing waves.





## Must see

This is one of only a few places around Walpole that offers twowheel-drive access to the coast. Enjoy spectacular coastal views from the lookouts. During winter and spring you might be lucky enough to see whales from the whale-watching lookouts high above the beach. Take your time and appreciate the fabulous coastal heathland featuring swamp paperbark and the red flowering gum.

## **Getting there**

From Walpole: drive 13km east on the South Coast Highway. Turn right at Conspicuous Beach Road and drive south for about 7km to Conspicuous Beach.

## Travelling time

From Walpole: 20 minutes by car. From the Valley of the Giants Tree Top Walk: 15 minutes by car.



## What to do

Conspicuous Cliff is a great place for salmon fishing, surfing, whale watching and wildflowers.

It has a toilet, a picnic shelter, a boardwalk and stairs down to the beach. The two attractive lookouts offer magnificent vistas and are a good place to watch the whales that cavort in the ocean in this area during winter and spring. Seabirds and other marine life are found here all year round.

Rock fishing is hazardous here so be careful of freak waves. Be aware, the beach has rips at all times so swimming is not advised.

## Fees

No fees apply at Conspicuous Cliff.

#### Leave No Trace



Plan ahead and prepare. Remember your safety is our concern but your responsibility.

**Travel on durable surfaces.** Help us to protect this fragile environment by keeping to the trails.

Dispose of waste properly. Take your rubbish with you.

**Leave what you find.** This area is home to many species. Respect this unique environment and leave it as you found it.

Minimise campfire impacts. Campfires are not permitted at Conspicuous Cliff.

Respect wildlife. Pets are not permitted.

Be considerate of other visitors.





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Scenic drive

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Picnic facilities

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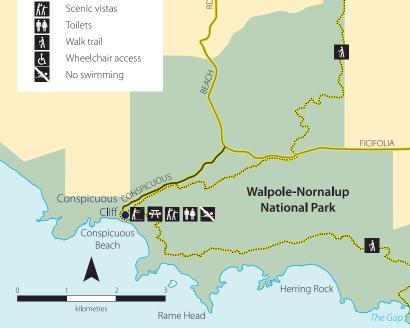
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## Coast risk area

This stretch of coast can be hazardous due to large, unpredictable waves and swells, slippery rocks and strong currents.

#### For your safety:

- always pay attention to the ocean
- keep well clear of the sea
- avoid slippery rocks and loose surfaces
- supervise children at all times
- notify someone of your expected time of return.

Visit emergency.wa.gov.au for bushfire and smoke alert information.

Visit alerts.dbca.wa.gov.au for park, road and site closures.

#### More information

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Whale watch lookout Length: 650m return Trail classification: Class 3 Time: 30 minutes

Peaceful Bay

This steep, sealed trail takes you to a whale-watch platform high on the cliff. From here you have a great view of the beach which is bordered on both sides by rocky headlands. Whales are frequently sighted here in winter and spring and dolphins are sometimes seen surfing the waves in pods of a dozen or more.

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A good level of fitness is recommended for this walk.



Beach walk Length: 800m return Trail classification: Class 2

Follow this trail to descend to Conspicuous Cliff Beach. The first section is suitable for wheelchairs and there is a picnic shelter and a lookout about 200m along. From here, steps and a boardwalk take you down on to the sand.