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MIRIMA NATIONAL PARK

Easily accessible from Kununurra, the sandstone ranges, cliffs and valleys found in Mirima are similar in appearance to parts of the Bungle Bungle Range. The 350-million-year-old sandstone was formed at the same time as the Bungle Bungle Range and has been subjected to similar weathering conditions.

Mirima is the name given to the area by the Miriwoong people, who live in the East

Kimberley. There is much evidence of past Aboriginal use of Mirima and areas of the park are still important for traditional Aboriginal law.

The 2,068 hectare national park was declared in 1982 to conserve the scenic sandstone outcrops and their associated Aboriginal cultural sites.



Fees

There is an entry fee of \$9 per vehicle (\$3 for Seniors/Aged Pension Card holders) and \$3 per motorcycle. Day tickets are available from a ticket machine at the park entrance; coins are required. Park passes for multiple entries are available from the Department of Conservation and Land Management office or the Kununurra Tourist Bureau. Pets are not allowed in the park.

Facilities

An information shelter, tables, walk trails and a toilet are located at the car park at the end of Hidden Valley Road. There are no water supplies in the park so bring your drinking water.

Camping

Camping and fires are not permitted in the park. There are facilities nearby in Kununurra.

Caution

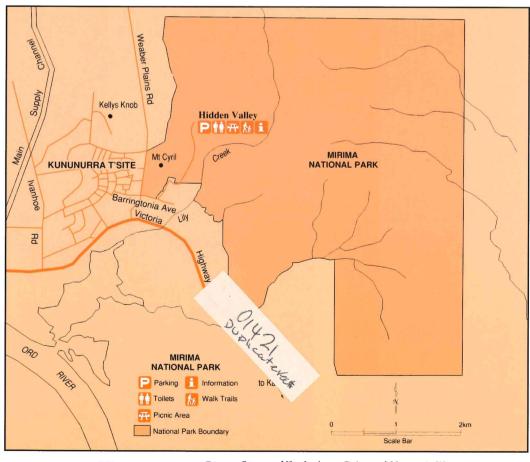
Much of the rock in Mirima is loose and unstable. Stay on walk trails and don't stand on or walk close to cliff edges.

Where is it?

Two kilometres to the east of Kununurra. Accessible all year round via Barringtonia Avenue and Hidden Valley Road.

Travelling times

Five minutes from Kununurra.





Corner of Konkerberry Drive and Messmate Way, PO Box 942 Kununurra WA 6743. Phone: (08) 9168 4200 or (08) 9168 7300.

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Things to do

Sightseeing, walking, photography, nature observation.

From May to August Department of Conservation and land Management staff conduct guided walks in Mirima. Check the information shelter or contact the Kununurra office for details.

Gerliwany-gerring banan entry trail

Gerliwany-gerring means "for walking" and banan means "trail" in the language of the local Miriwoong Aboriginal people. This one-kilometre walk trail provides an alternative to the entry road into Mirima, allowing you to appreciate the landscape close at hand.

Looking at plants nature trail

An easy 400-metre return walk with trailside signs to help you get to know some of the plants in Hidden Valley and their use by Aboriginal people.

Derdbe-gerring banan lookout trail

This 800-metre return walk trail of moderate difficulty climbs up steep slopes to a lookout providing views over the Ord Valley and the sandstone range of Mirima.

Demboong banan gap trail

A short, easy 500-metre return walk through a narrow valley, ending with a view of Kununurra through a gap in the range.

Safe Walking

- Stay on the marked trails.
- · Carry drinking water.
- Wear a hat, sunscreen and appropriate footwear and clothing.
- Walk during the morning and late afternoon when it is cooler. Temperatures can often exceed 40 degrees celsius between October and January.

