

# ADVENTUROUS JOURNEY ITINERARY



## Duke of Edinburgh's Award

### Bronze Qualifying Adventurous Journey – Royal National Park, NSW

### Engadine to Waterfall – 2 days / 1 night

<u>Meeting Place:</u>	<u>Meeting Time:</u>	<u>End Place:</u>	<u>End Time:</u>
Engadine Station	0900	Waterfall Station	Approx. 1400

#### Itinerary:

##### Day 1: Engadine Station to Uloola Falls Campsite

From the train station, exit via the gate at the bottom on the Platform 2 steps. Follow the management train north, keeping the train tracks to the left. Turn right at the 'Engadine Track' signpost, then following additional signs to Audley. You will cross a small creek with steep banks and join up with the track on the other side. Continue following the main track that heads south-east, then turns to the north-east.

Kangaroo Creek Pools is a natural waterhole and about 4.2km from the start of your journey. The creek is lined with rock and provides a nice place for a splash and cool down. There is limited shade.

From the creek the track crosses at the rocks to the base of the large metal staircase which it climbs up the side of the valley, all the way to the top of the staircase where it continues along the bush track. From here the track follows around the side of the hill, until you reach the signposted intersection of the Robertson Roundabout.

Take the southern track to head up and over Robertson Knoll. Continue heading south; you are now on the Uloola Track. Remain on the Uloola Track, following any provided signs for Uloola Falls Campsite.

## Day 2: Uloola Falls to Waterfall Station

From Uloola Falls, you have two track options to arrive at Waterfall Station.

### Option A: Uloola Fire Trail

*This is the gentle option. You should use this option if there has been significant rainfall in the days leading up to your journey.*

This is the primary track heading south away from your campsite. There are no diversions from this trail, which will take you directly to Waterfall Station.

### Option B: Lady Carrington Drive

*More details are provided for this route, as there is a greater amount of navigation required at the start and end of this option. You should not take this option if there has been significant rainfall in the days leading up to your journey.*

Begin by back-tracking northward from your campsite. When you reach the first primary junction, take the north-east trail towards Audley / Hacking River. Cross over Currawong Bridge to enter near the Royal National Park Information Centre & Kiosk. Turn south towards Fig Tree Flat, then veer to enter Lady Carrington Drive, heading towards Gibraltar Rocks. Remain on Lady Carrington Drive, passing Jersey Springs. There is a side-trip option to see Palona Cave, if you have given yourself enough time.

Approximately 9km from the start of Lady Carrington Drive, you will reach Bola Picnic Area, which also intersects with Forest Path. Remain on Lady Carrington Drive to travel south to the very end of this trail, where there will be a small car park after a locked gate. Turn west and follow the track onto Forest Path. Take the westerly intersection off Forest Path to cross the Hacking River and enter the Couranga Track. Take the northerly way, keeping the river on your right-hand-side. You will have a 40m steep incline, before heading downhill to water's level, then go uphill steeply again, where you will gain 100m in elevation before walking the ridgeline to join the Uloola Fire Trail. Turn west and follow the Uloola Fire Trail to its end at Waterfall Station.