



Maria Island

NATIONAL PARK

Maria Island is a great place for cycling and an excellent way to see the island following the four wheel drive tracks. There is the opportunity for short rides near Darlington or further afield to Frenchs Farm or Haunted Cove for the more energetic.

Bikes are also available for hire on the island from Parks and Wildlife. These are basic hybrid 3 speed bikes.

Water

During dry conditions or busy times check with Parks and Wildlife staff regarding water availability.

Encampment Cove - small water tank next to hut.

Frenchs Farm - water tank next to house.

Robeys Farm - water tank next to house.

Phytophthora

Maria Island is free of Phytophthora, a disease that attacks many native plants. Phytophthora can be spread by soil from your bike. If you have not already done so before leaving home, when you arrive on Maria Island, use the



Camping on Maria Island

washdown station located near the Darlington Jetty to clean your bike.

Safety

Please keep to the vehicle tracks and open grassy areas. For the safety of walkers please do not cycle on walking tracks. Helmets must be worn at all times.

Route	Distance - one way	Conditions
Darlington to Frenchs Farm (via coast road)	11 km 1 hr 15 mins	Undulating, with some rough and sandy patches
Darlington to Frenchs Farm (via inland route)	14 km 2 hrs	A few hills, climbing to 160 m. Some muddy sections after wet weather
Frenchs Farm to Encampment Cove and Point Lesueur circuit	1.5km - 10 mins 5km - 45 mins	Undulating, some muddy section after rain.
Frenchs Farm to Robeys Farm	8km 1 hr	Soft sand for first 4km along Isthmus, particularly in dry weather.
Frenchs Farm to Haunted Bay	9km 2.5 hrs	Soft sand for first 4km along Isthmus, particularly in dry weather. Then a gradual climb to 200 m before descending to Haunted Bay. Bikes can be left at the top for the final short descent into Haunted Bay via walking track. .
Fossil Cliffs circuit	4km 1 hr	Vehicle track and open undulating paddocks
Reservoir track	2.3 kms 30mins	Flat vehicle track on northern side of creek. Return via same route.

Please note: cycling on beaches is not permitted.

Maria Island Tracks

