



## Strzelecki NATIONAL PARK

Strzelecki National Park is located on Flinders Island in Bass Strait. Flinders Island is the largest of the Furneaux group of islands which lie at the eastern end of Bass Strait separating Tasmania from Victoria. The island is about 29 km wide and 64 km long.

The island is significant for flora and fauna species as it forms an area where plant and animal species found on mainland Australia and Tasmania overlap.

The national park has two separate sections, the coastal headland of Trousers Point, and the larger mountainous area of granite peaks which includes the Strzelecki Peaks and the Peaks of Flinders range. Trousers Point can be accessed by road and has picnicking and bush camping areas. Both locations provide views of the outer islands and opportunities for enjoying wildlife, local flora and walking.

### Highlights

The national park has a high number of species found only in Tasmania, rare flora and fauna. It is home to a number of rare, endemic and migratory bird species.

### Getting there

Flinders Island can be reached by plane or by sea.

Airlines of Tasmania offer regular scheduled flights to Whitemark from Launceston in Tasmania, and Moorabbin in Victoria. For details, phone (03) 6359 2312 or email [flinders@airtasmania.com.au](mailto:flinders@airtasmania.com.au)



Private charter flights to the island can also be organised.

Southern Shipping runs a small cargo vessel, which also takes foot passengers and vehicles from Bridport (on Tasmania's north-east coast) to Lady Barron (on Flinders Island) once a week. For more details phone (03) 6356 3333.

The Flinders Island Visitor Information Centre located at Whitemark can assist with travel and accommodation enquiries. Phone 1800 994 477.

There is no public transport on the island. Vehicles can be hired at Whitemark and there is also a taxi service.

To access Strzelecki National Park from Whitemark take road B85 towards Lady Barron. After 5 km turn right onto road C806 in the direction of Trousers Point. From Lady Barron take road B85 towards Whitemark and after 19 km turn left onto the unsealed road C806. Six km along C806 is the start of the walking track to Strzelecki Peaks. For the first 500 metres, the track crosses private land before coming to the boundary of the national park.

Trousers Point is a further 2.5 km along the road from the start of the Strzelecki Peaks walking track.

Please drive carefully as you are sharing the road with wildlife.

## Things to do

Camping, picnicking, rockclimbing, birdwatching, kayaking, and bushwalking. Trousers Point offers rewarding coastal rock-fishing, snorkelling and scuba-diving. Logan Lagoon has been listed as a Wetlands of International Importance. It is a refuge for endangered and endemic bird species including the Cape Barron Goose. Migratory northern wading birds can be observed.

Outside the national park there are other walking options and wildlife viewing opportunities. Logan Lagoon and Patriachs Wildlife Sanctuary are two popular places for watching migratory birds. Coastal walking is best done at low tide.

The walks on the island are not generally on formed tracks and can involve rock hopping. The coastal routes are best walked at low tide and when the winds are low. It is recommended that you carry water while walking on the island. There are also opportunities for extended coastal walks requiring overnight camping.

Local information about walking opportunities can be readily found on Flinders Island and a visit to Service Tasmania in Whitemark is recommended.

Destination	Time (hours)
<b>Short Walks</b>	
Circuit of Trousers Point:	1.5 to 2
Trousers Pt to Sarah Blanche Pt:	5 to 7 return
Strzelecki Peak:	5 return

**Park fees apply** and can be purchased from the Service Tasmania Shops throughout Tasmania and at Whitemark on Flinders Island.

## Facilities

Food, fuel, accommodation are all available at the towns of Whitemark and Lady Barron. The picnic and camping area at Trousers Point Beach has several picnic tables, a sheltered gas barbecue, toilets and fresh water. Firewood is not supplied, and visitors are encouraged to use fuel stoves. Fotheringate Bay has picnic tables that can be accessed on foot from the car park. There is no water at this site.

Allports Beach near Wybalenna has toilet and picnic facilities, gas barbecue and drinking water. Lillies Bay (also near Wybalenna) and North East River both have picnic and toilet facilities. Drinking water can be hard to come by on the island and all water should be boiled for three minutes prior to drinking.

## What to bring

All walkers should be prepared for a variety of weather conditions and carry a map, water, sunscreen and warm and waterproof clothing. Campers should use fuel stoves. Binoculars are recommended for observing the abundant birdlife.

## Weather

Flinders Island has a maritime climate, with generally mild weather conditions, although winds tend to be strong and consistently westerly. Before undertaking walks please obtain maps and weather reports. Before snorkelling and swimming, check the weather and coastal forecast.

For weather and coastal forecasts phone 1196 or visit the Bureau of Meteorology website at [www.bom.gov.au](http://www.bom.gov.au).

The coastal waters forecast can also be obtained by phoning 1900 969 940.

## Caring for the national park

Please use fuel stoves. Observe the Minimal Impact Bushwalking (MIB) code and do not feed the animals. Drive carefully as you are sharing the road with animals.

## Further information

TASMAP 1: 100 000 Flinders Island

Parks and Wildlife Service website [www.parks.tas.gov.au](http://www.parks.tas.gov.au)

Flinders Island website [www.flindersislandonline.com.au](http://www.flindersislandonline.com.au)

Parks and Wildlife Service, Whitemark (03) 6359 2217 or 0427 592 217

## Contact

Parks and Wildlife Flinders Island:  
Whitemark (03) 6359 2217 (if the office is unattended please leave a message).