

Lockley Pylon



3 hrs 15 mins

Hard track

6.8 km Return

▲ 338m



Lockley Pylon Track is an outstanding walk, offering some amazing views and interesting side trips. From Mt Hay Rd, the walk passes the prominent features of the Pinnacles (with an optional side trip exploring these) and climbs to Lockley Pylon, which gives 360-degree views of the Mt Hay area and Grose Valley. Another optional side trip to Fortress Canyon Waterfall is well worth the walk, with its contrasting plateau, cliff and valley features creating some breath-taking scenery.



Blue Mountains National Park

Are you ready to have fun?

Please ensure you and your group are well prepared and equipped for all possible hazards and delays. Check park closures, weather information and Fire Danger Rating before setting out. Optional side trips and alternate routes noted are not included in this walks overall grade, length or time estimate. Please allow extra time for resting and exploring areas of interest. The authors, staff and owners of wildwalks take care in preparing this information but will not accept responsibility for any inconvenience, loss or injury you may experience. Please take care, have fun - Happy Walking.

Getting there Traveling by car is the only practical way to get to Lockley car park (gps: -33.6511, 150.3716). Car: There is free parking available.

This is a return, so you will finish back at the start.

Find up to date and more information including; travel directions, weather, park closures and walker feedback at <http://wild.tl/lp>

0 | Lockley car park

(360 m 10 mins) From the car park, this walk heads past the sign for 'Lockley Pylon Track' and another sign with a map on it. The track leads up a slight hill to tend right, along the edge of a spur. The track slowly climbs to the southern pinnacle (rocky outcrop) and then continues approximately 100m to the intersection below the middle pinnacle.

0.36 | Middle Pinnacle

(1.5 km 34 mins) Veer right: From the intersection, the walk heads up the hill towards the large rock features. The track continues for approximately 100m to an intersection on the left of a large rock.

Veer right: From the intersection, the walk heads around the large white rock (close to the intersection), soon coming to a small cave.

Veer left: From the intersection, this walk keeps the Pinnacles above to the right of the track, passing the most northern Pinnacle before coming to an intersection.

Veer left: From the intersection, this walk heads up the hill away from the Pinnacles. The track then descends a further 100m into a sandy and flat saddle, until the track rises up the next hill. The track ascends the hill to gently undulate across the plateau, through the trees. The track then opens out onto a clearing where it continues up the hill for approximately 200m to the intersection on the next rise. The intersection is marked by a rocky outcrop to the left of the track.

1.9 | Mt Stead Trk

(1.6 km 37 mins) Turn sharp left: From the intersection, this walk heads off the main track to the rock feature, the summit of Mt Stead.

Turn around: From Mt Stead, this walk heads away from the rock feature on the knoll, to the intersection with the main track.

Turn left: From Mt Stead, this walk heads towards the surrounding valleys, leaving the rock feature behind on the left of the track. The track enters the tree line on the other side of the knoll and meanders through the trees for approximately 400m to open out onto a clearing. The track heads down through the clearing to pass to the right of two knolls. The track crosses the saddle and heads up the stairs on Lockley Pylon to a sign marked intersection.

Veer left: From the intersection, this walk follows the sign to 'Lockley Pylon' up the wooden stairs to the summit of Lockley Pylon. This is marked by a stone cairn.

3.47 | Lockley Pylon

Lockley Pylon, Blue Mountains National Park, gives 360 degree views of the Mt Hay area with excellent scope over Fortress Creek Waterfall and into the Grose Valley.

3.47 | Optional sidetrip to Fortress Lookout

(160 m 5 mins) Veer left: From Lockley Pylon, this walk heads south-west down the hill, keeping the valley to the right. The track heads down two short cliffs then wanders out to a point overlooking Fortress Creek waterfall. At the end of this side trip, retrace your steps back to the main walk then Turn left.

