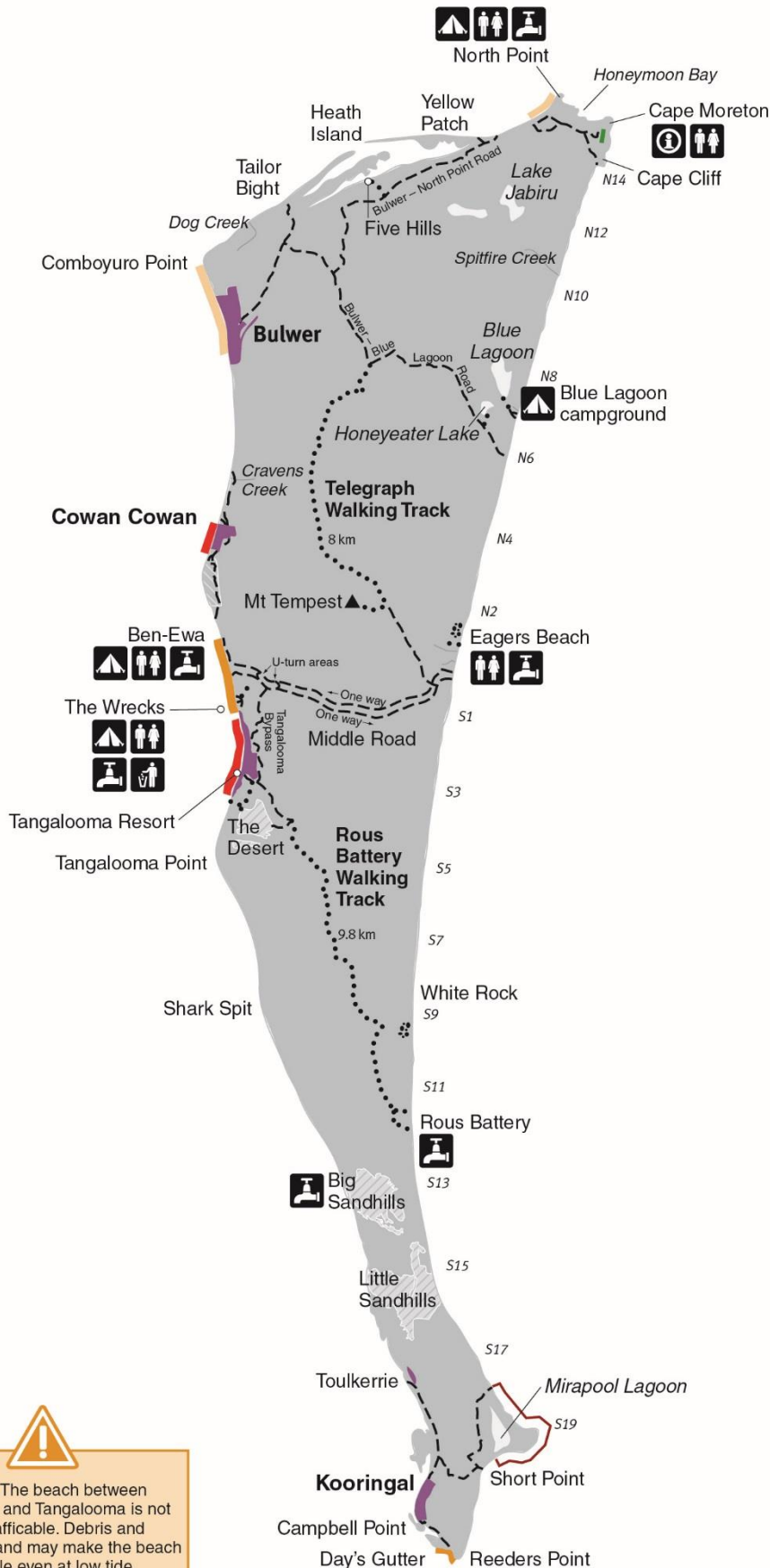
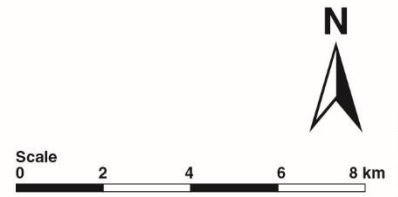


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Distance markers are located on the ocean beach at 2 km intervals north (**N** followed by an **even** number) and south (**S** and an **odd** number) of Middle Road. In an emergency dial 000 or if no mobile reception try 112. If calling from ocean beach, advise operator of your closest distance marker. (Marker positioning not to scale)



Legend

- Recreation area
- Settlements
- Sand
- No vehicle access
- 20 km/hr zone
- 30 km/hr zone
- Special protection zone and low tide access only
- 4WD vehicle track
- Walking track
- Creeks
- Rocks, intermittently exposed
- Camping area
- Toilets
- Water (treat before use)
- Bins
- Information
- Distance markers

Caution: The beach between Koorinal and Tangalooma is not always trafficable. Debris and shifting sand may make the beach impassable even at low tide.

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Camping & facilities

Campfire information – Campfires are permitted at totem campsites in the five camping zones and in Blue Lagoon, Comboyuro Point and Ben-Ewa camping areas. Fires are **not** permitted on the beach and camping areas at North Point and The Wrecks. Remember, keep campfires small, **never leave fires unattended** and **always extinguish with water**. **Smoking is prohibited** within 10m from most visitor facilities in national parks. **Portable toilet waste** disposal facilities are available at Comboyuro Point and Ben-Ewa camping areas. A **QldParks-Wifi** hotspot is available at The Wrecks.

Beach driving conditions

Driving on dunes, vegetated areas and on unofficial tracks can cause significant damage to the dunal systems, and contribute significantly to the risk of further erosion. **To avoid a fine drive only on officially constructed roads, tracks and beaches.**

Tangalooma to Koorinal (western beach) is accessible at low tide only.

Tangalooma to Bulwer (western beach) - access mid to low tide; use caution when crossing creeks.

Bulwer to North Point (via northern beach) is constantly changing and rarely trafficable due to the natural outflow of the Heath Island tidal creek system. Severe dune erosion is apparent between Comboyuro Point and Heath Island and caution should be exercised in this area. Shallow creeks and draining gutters are boggy in this area and extreme caution should be exercised at all water crossings. Route is not recommended except at low tide and during a calm sea state.

Cape Moreton to Mirapool Bypass (eastern beach) – Severe dune erosion and deep holes exist along the entire length of Eastern Beach making travel difficult between mid and high tides. High tides can cause unexpected and hidden banks, washouts and gutters. Care should be exercised during high tides around the timbered area north of the Koorinal-Mirapool Road and between Cape Moreton and Bulwer Blue Lagoon Road. **North Point** – Vehicle access to North Point from Five Hills Road along the beach is currently problematic due to tidal influences. Severe dune erosion is apparent and caution should be exercised in this area. Visit two hours either side of low tide to avoid getting stranded at North Point and Champagne Rocks. Drivers are advised not to traverse the area on the approaching high tide. **Cape Moreton–North Point Road** – is trafficable to high-clearance vehicles with the beach access/exit point a little steep. Drivers should slow down before approaching the beach access. **Yellow Patch** – beach lagoons and waterways are constantly changing. Caution: deep water at some creek and lagoon crossings with quicksand on lagoon edges and shoreline erosion.

Inland track conditions

Most inland tracks are firm and trafficable. **Check your tyre pressure** if you get stuck, as too high pressure can make driving difficult and damage roads and vehicles.

Cowan Bypass – **road closures and detours likely until mid-July to allow replacement of road culverts. Drivers should obey all traffic signs, and directions given by ranger and contractors.**

Bulwer-North Point Road (via Five Hills) is firm with some rough sections. Suitable for high clearance 4WD vehicles only. **Bulwer-Blue Lagoon Road** is trafficable. **Blue Lagoon day-use access track and carpark** is soft but trafficable. Alternative access to Blue Lagoon via the walking track from Blue Lagoon camping area. **Mirapool Bypass Road** is firm but rough in some spots. **Tangalooma Bypass Road** is soft and rough with some very boggy sections. **Middle Road** is firm but rough in sections.

Tides Brisbane Bar

JUNE			
Time	m	Time	m
1 0529 0.64		16 0552 0.42	
1057 1.82		1124 1.93	
FR 1652 0.50		SA 1723 0.32	
2327 2.37		2355 2.67	
2 0604 0.68		17 0645 0.44	
1134 1.77		1219 1.88	
SA 1726 0.56		SU 1813 0.42	
3 0002 2.31		18 0045 2.58	
0640 0.72		0738 0.47	
SU 1214 1.72		MO 1317 1.85	
1803 0.65		1908 0.53	
4 0040 2.23		19 0137 2.45	
0722 0.75		0832 0.51	
MO 1259 1.68		TU 1419 1.84	
1845 0.74		2009 0.64	
5 0122 2.15		20 0232 2.31	
0810 0.77		0926 0.52	
TU 1353 1.65		WE 1526 1.87	
1937 0.82		☉ 2118 0.73	
6 0211 2.09		21 0331 2.18	
0905 0.76		1020 0.52	
WE 1458 1.67		TH 1634 1.95	
2041 0.88		2232 0.78	
7 0309 2.04		22 0433 2.07	
1004 0.71		1114 0.50	
TH 1609 1.76		FR 1737 2.06	
☾ 2156 0.89		2344 0.78	
8 0412 2.03		23 0534 1.99	
1101 0.63		1206 0.48	
FR 1714 1.90		SA 1834 2.18	
2309 0.84			
9 0513 2.04		24 0050 0.74	
1155 0.53		SU 0630 1.93	
SA 1811 2.07		SU 1254 0.45	
		1923 2.28	
10 0017 0.76		25 0147 0.69	
0610 2.06		0721 1.89	
SU 1245 0.44		MO 1337 0.43	
1904 2.25		2008 2.36	
11 0119 0.66		26 0236 0.64	
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MO 1334 0.35		TU 1416 0.41	
1953 2.41		2048 2.41	
12 0217 0.57		27 0319 0.61	
0754 2.07		0847 1.84	
TU 1420 0.29		WE 1451 0.41	
2041 2.55		2124 2.43	
13 0312 0.49		28 0359 0.59	
0846 2.05		0925 1.83	
WE 1506 0.25		TH 1525 0.41	
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14 0406 0.44		29 0435 0.59	
0938 2.02		1001 1.82	
TH 1551 0.24		FR 1557 0.43	
☾ 2218 2.71		2233 2.41	
15 0459 0.41		30 0510 0.60	
1030 1.97		1037 1.81	
FR 1637 0.27		SA 1631 0.46	
2306 2.72		2306 2.38	

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Walking track conditions

Walking tracks - Rous Battery, Telegraph, Five Hills and Tempest walking tracks are open and in good condition. Take your own water and stay hydrated in hot conditions. **Note:** there are no water points along these walks. Walking tracks may be closed at short notice during periods of very high fire danger. Please check for Park Alerts before setting out and obey any track closed signs.

General alerts

Driving on Moreton Island

- **Queensland road rules apply and are enforced on all island tracks and beaches.**
- Low clearance and all-wheel drive vehicles are not suitable for Moreton Island inland tracks.
- **For beach driving, travel at low tide or within two hours either side of low tide.**
- Ensure your vehicle is in 4WD and free-wheeling hubs (if fitted) are locked.
- **Vehicle recovery equipment is essential. Know how to use it correctly before you get stuck.**
- **Reducing your tyre pressure will assist when driving on soft sand.** Remember to keep within the tyre manufacturer's specifications as reduced tyre pressure will affect your vehicle's performance.
- When driving with reduced tyre pressure, avoid sharp turns, sudden braking, high-speeds and driving over rough surfaces. Tyres can come off their rims and cause serious accidents.
- Always carry a tyre gauge, air pump, spare tyre, first-aid kit and adequate water, food and fuel.
- Ensure that you have a valid vehicle access permit.

Tangalooma Wrecks

Visitors should obey all warning signs and avoid getting too close, walking on or swimming through the shipwreck structures.

Weather Conditions

Check Bureau of Meteorology web site or tune your car radio to Regional ABC stations for updated weather forecasts and alerts.

Vehicle Recovery Service

A private vehicle recovery service operates on Moreton Island. For assistance and pricing contact Moreton Island Recovery Service on **07 3408 3545 (0414 949876)** or **07 3408 3930 (0475 563642)**.

Marine Animal Strandings

Contact **RSPCA Qld** on **1300 ANIMAL (1300 264 625)** to report any injured or dead dugong, turtles, whales or dolphins.

Additional Information

Check **Park Alerts** for updates and information regarding any changes to park conditions.

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JULY			
Time	m	Time	m
1 0231	0.62	16 0336	0.56
MO 0800	1.90	TU 0902	1.79
1420	0.34	TU 1502	0.40
2048	2.53	2136	2.46
2 0323	0.54	17 0417	0.55
0850	1.91	0943	1.79
TU 1505	0.30	WE 1538	0.41
2134	2.61	○ 2212	2.44
3 0413	0.49	18 0454	0.56
0840	1.91	1019	1.80
WE 1550	0.28	TH 1611	0.44
● 2220	2.67	2247	2.41
4 0503	0.45	19 0526	0.58
1032	1.91	1054	1.80
TH 1635	0.28	FR 1645	0.47
2306	2.68	2318	2.36
5 0553	0.43	20 0557	0.59
1123	1.90	1129	1.80
FR 1722	0.32	SA 1720	0.52
2353	2.64	2351	2.29
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1217	1.90	1207	1.80
SA 1812	0.40	SU 1757	0.59
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SU 1312	1.89	MO 1247	1.79
1906	0.50	1838	0.68
8 0130	2.44	23 0058	2.11
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MO 1413	1.90	TU 1335	1.77
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0912	0.48	0822	0.64
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WE 1627	2.02	TH 1534	1.82
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SA 1250	0.43	SU 1207	0.48
1928	2.36	1847	2.24
14 0159	0.64	29 0115	0.71
0728	1.81	0645	1.77
SU 1339	0.41	MO 1303	0.40
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15 0251	0.59	30 0215	0.58
0818	1.80	0742	1.82
MO 1422	0.40	TU 1356	0.31
2058	2.46	2029	2.54
31 0309	0.47	0837	1.87
		WE 1448	0.25
		2118	2.65

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