

# shellharbour ride



Shellharbour City is located in the heart of the Illawarra holiday playground nestled between Kiama and Wollongong. The area offers clean long sandy beaches, rural tranquillity, modern shopping, fine dining and a myriad of recreational and adventure activities including great surfing, fishing, snorkelling and scuba diving.



## Starting Point

**1 Skway Park** (on the Esplanade) located just south of Burro Point.

- Plenty of parking.
- Includes children's playground, picnic and barbecue areas as well as toilet amenities.
- The park also consists of a jetty and is a very popular spot for water skiing and fishing.

## 2 Blackbutt Reserve

- A 250 acre natural bushland reserve.
- This peaceful oasis is perfect for picnicking, bird watching and bush walking.
- The reserve contains one of the last viable remnants of coastal plain forest in the Illawarra.
- Facilities available at the reserve include a children's playground, gas barbecues and amenities.

## 3 Shellharbour Village

- Shellharbour was called 'Yerowah' by locals and was used as a popular meeting place. The name 'Shellharbour' was derived from the shell like natural features of the region's landscape.
- Learn about the history of Shellharbour and its early settlers by taking a walk through the historical village where plaques have been erected highlighting points of interest. Today, Shellharbour Village has become a popular tourist spot with many restaurants and cafes with alfresco dining, or you can enjoy a picnic along the harbour foreshore.

## 4 Shellharbour Boat Harbour

- A jetty and boat store was initially built in 1859. A larger jetty was constructed in 1864 and the harbour entrance excavated to a greater depth to allow access to larger ships.
- Today, the Boat Harbour is used for pleasure craft and the onshore facilities include picnic shelters, childrens playground, a saltwater swimming pool and amenities.

## 5 Bass Point Reserve - optional activity

(4 km south of Shellharbour Village - partly unsealed gravel road)

- This significant headland features one of the few diverse littoral rainforests in the Illawarra Region.
- Bushranger's Bay is the only marine aquatic reserve in the region and is one of the most popular diving spots on the NSW South Coast.

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## Shellharbour Beach



## Shellharbour Village



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