Territory Wildlife Park
School Camps

Camp Woollybutt

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About Us

The Territory Wildlife Park is one of Northern Australia’s most loved tourist attractions and the best place to see and interact with native wildlife from Tropical Northern Australia.

The Territory Wildlife Park is committed to connecting people with the wild and offers visitors the opportunity to see unique Australian animals in a stunning bushland setting.

Since the Territory Wildlife Park opened in 1989, it has remained a leader in Education, Tourism and Research. The Park is a hub for schools and tourists alike where they can learn about the wondrous wildlife from Northern Australia.

The Park showcases animals that are not seen in parks and zoos anywhere else in Australia and the World. The Territory Wildlife Park partners with Universities and Researchers from across Australia investigating all manner of topics from the tropics including zoology, botany and ecology.

We provide the perfect learning environment for students to immerse themselves in real natural habitats and interact with living creatures. This is an experience far more engaging and memorable than any textbook!
Camp Woollybutt provides students with the opportunity to have a hands-on learning experience. We aim to inspire an appreciation for ecosystems of the Top End through a unique outdoor learning experience.

The campground is located in the middle of the TWP near the Main Station. This campground offers an ablution block with hot showers, bush tucker garden, large lawned camping area and a camp kitchen.

Our camps are available in a number of themes and we offer special activities that are not available to our every day visitors.

Camp activities include: bush tucker talks, toad-busting activities and close encounters with the feathered, furred and scaly residents of the park (please refer to page 4 for your choice of camp themes).

The campgrounds are available all year round, however schools are advised to hold their school camps during April and September due to the more suitable weather conditions in these months.

Camp Woollybutt Terms and Conditions:
- A minimum of 20 children is required for a camp booking;
- Restricted to a maximum of 80 children; and
- Must have one supervising adult per 10 children (not including camp guide);
Camp Fees

We have 3 pricing options for Camp Woollybutt.

**OPTION 1.**
This option is the full camp itinerary (see page for itinerary).
1.5 hours camp ground activities, 1.5 hours on park activities and a morning Be Crocwise talk.

**Children:** $65.00 per student (includes park entry)
**Teachers:** Park entry and camping is FREE
**Parents and Helpers:** Parent helpers are $55.00 per adult (includes park entry)

**OPTION 2.**
This option is for the 1.5 hour camp ground activity. (see page for itinerary).
1.5 hours camp ground activities with optional movie after dinner.
No morning Be Crocwise talk.

**Children:** $45.00 per student (includes park entry)
**Teachers:** Park entry and camping is FREE
**Parents and Helpers:** Parent helpers are $35.00 per adult (includes park entry)

**OPTION 3.**
This option is for camping only. No activities.
An evening movie is available upon request.
**Children:** $25.00 per student (includes park entry)
**Teachers:** Park entry and camping is FREE
**Parents and Helpers:** Parent helpers are $15.00 per adult (includes park entry)

All camp fees will be charged to your school’s account unless otherwise indicated when you submit your booking.

Catering incurs an additional cost, please refer to page 8 for more information on our catering options.
Camp Themes

When making your camp booking online please select one of the following themes:

**MAGIC MONSOON FOREST**
The Top End is scattered with pockets of monsoon forest. At TWP we are lucky to have our very own monsoon forest where students can walk amongst soaring palms and spreading fig trees which create a cool and inviting retreat to explore. Home to Flying Foxes, Agile Wallabies and countless bird species, the monsoon forest is the perfect environment for teachers to immerse their students in a living ecosystem. The monsoon forest has long been utilised by traditional owners for bush tucker and bush medicine and our camp guides will discuss this during camp activities.

**WICKED WOODLANDS**
Woodlands are the dominant habitat found in the Top End and are home to a diverse range of plants and animals. During your visit to the park your camp guide will point out a range of woodland animals such as Curlews, Bandicoots, Northern Quolls and Brush-Tailed Possums. In addition, the camp guide will talk about the traditional use for flora and fauna in the Top End.

**WILD WETLANDS**
The TWP has various wetland exhibits that are home to a vast array of flora and fauna. Students can discover what happens in and around a wetland habitat. Your camp guide will point out some of our amazing wetland species including resident Freshwater Crocodiles, Yellow-Faced Turtles and Freshwater Whiprays. The Top End wetlands are also an important source of bush tucker and your camp guide will touch on how traditional owners utilised this unique landscape for survival.
Depending on which camp option you have selected, see below for camp itinerary.

**Arrive at Park and check in at admissions**

**AFTERNOON/EVENING**

3.30pm - 5.00pm: Campground activities

5.00pm - 6.00pm: Dinner break - if catered for, school group to make their way to the picnic area at 5.30pm for dinner.

6.00pm - 7.30pm: Park activities. Camp guide departs at 7.30pm

**MORNING**

7.45am: **Catered Camps** - School group to make their way to the picnic area for breakfast.

8.00am - 8.20am: **Catered Camps** - Breakfast in picnic area
**Self Catered Camps** - Breakfast in the campgrounds

8.30am - 9.00am:
Camp guide delivers BE CROCWISE talk

9.00am - 9.30am:
Group to pack up camp site. Campground & facilities must be cleaned & vacated no later than 10.00am the following day, unless otherwise organised.

9:30am - onwards:
The group is free to explore the park for the remainder of day at their leisure. As daily presentation times may change seasonally, please see our website for current information.

Please follow all instructions from your camp guide in relation to your camp itinerary.
Camp Facilities

WHAT WE PROVIDE
• Admission to the Territory Wildlife Park
• Private guide to host activities
• Unique evening and morning activities
• Gas BBQ
• Fire pit & wood
• Toilets (disabled facilities available)
• Hot water showers (on timer)
• Camp kitchen with:
  - fridge/ freezer
  - sink with cold water & dish liquid
  - storage space for eskies
  - microwave oven
  - large urn
  - 2 x 4 slice toasters
  - First Aid kit
  - mop & bucket

WHAT STUDENTS NEED TO BRING
• Tent, swag or mozzie dome
• Mattress, sleeping bag & pillow
• Enclosed shoes & torch
• Toiletry bag, towel & mosquito repellent
• A sense of ADVENTURE!

WHAT SUPERVISORS NEED TO BRING
• All of the above

SELF CATERED CAMP GROUPS
If you choose to self cater your camp you will also need to bring the following:
• Cutlery, plates & cups
• Breakfast, lunch, dinner & any snacks
• BBQ cooking utensils & oils
The Territory Wildlife Park cafe can provide catering for your camp including: breakfast, lunch, dinner, morning and afternoon tea. School groups find this to be a very affordable & effortless option during their visit. Please note that any special dietary requirements can be accommodated, with prior notice.

Camp breakfast & dinner is served in the undercover area in the picnic grounds. Morning tea, afternoon tea & lunch is available from the undercover picnic area and maybe consumed anywhere on Park.

**CATERING OPTIONS**

**Dinner** - $8.50 per person - 5.30pm to 6pm.
BBQ sausage, potato salad & garden salad, bread & condiments, popper juice & water.

**Lunch** - $7.50 per person - meal time to be arranged by teacher.
Hotdogs and popper juice or Sandwich (3 filling), popper juice.

**Breakfast** - $6.50 per person - 8am to 8.20am.
Selection of cereals, toast with selection of spreads, water & popper juice. Free tea & coffee for parents & teachers only.

**Morning & Afternoon Tea** - $3.50 per person.
Fruit & muffin or fruit & biscuit.

**CATERING TIMES FOR CAMPS**

**Catered**
Dinner - Group to be in the picnic grounds undercover area at 5.25pm for dinner at 5.30pm.
Breakfast - Group to be in the picnic grounds area by 7.50am for breakfast at 8.00am.

**Non-catered**
Dinner - Camp dinner break from 5.00pm to 6.00pm
Breakfast - Breakfast must be finished by 8.25am
Camp Check In & Out

CHECK IN
Camp 'check in' is available anytime from 9am, and must be before 3.00pm on the day of your camp. Check in time must be organised when making camp booking.

Camp Teacher must check in at admissions, advising of final camp numbers and sign the payment authority. You will then be given a camp map which will have an after hours key attached.

A camp guide will then escort the group to the camp grounds.

The group is to be ready at 3.30pm to start camp activities.

CHECK OUT
Campground & facilities must be cleaned & vacated no later than 10.00am the following day, unless otherwise organised.

Teachers are required to advise the camp guide of the time of their departure. The camp map and key will need to be handed back to either the camp guide or admissions.

The group is then free to explore the park for the remainder of the day at their leisure.

As daily presentation times may change seasonally, please see our website for current information.

We would also appreciate any feedback that you may have in relation to your camp at Camp Woollybutt experience. Your camp guide will provide you a feedback form which you can fill out on the day of your departure.
VEHICLE MOVEMENTS
Our campground is located away from all major exhibits in the park. Buses can only access the campground via our link road. A camp guide will escort the bus around.

No other vehicles are allowed to travel on the link road, teachers and parents must use the camp access road as indicated on the camp map.

Please be aware that there may be a large number of pedestrians and other vehicles using this road at any given time. All vehicles must adhere to park traffic signage/speed limit (max. 20km p/h) and give way to the shuttletrain.

FIRE PROCEDURES
In the event of a bushfire, please assemble at the Main Station. Account for all members of your group and contact a Territory Wildlife Park staff member using the contact list provided (camp map).

FIRE PIT
You will find a fire pit for use in the campground. Firewood will be provided for your convenience. Please do not collect wood from around the park. In the event that the fire spreads from the pit, please contact the park’s caretaker (phone number is on camp map).

CLEANING
It is an expectation that the campground, camp kitchen and toilets are left in a clean and tidy state. If the facility needs extra cleaning or there is any property damage (eg graffiti), a minimum of 2 hours cleaning will be charged. Please clean the BBQ after use.

BOOKINGS & CANCELLATIONS
Bookings must be made at least 4 weeks prior to date of camp. If for some reason you need to cancel your booking, please allow a minimum of 2 weeks to notify us. Failure to notify us of catering cancellations with in 7 days of catering will incur a fee.
Code of Conduct

Although the Park visit is meant to provide a ‘mini-wilderness’ experience, it is a controlled area, and as such there are a number of restrictions on where visitors can go.

Clearly identified walking paths/tracks are provided to guide your groups movement around the Park and to protect the surroundings from being stressed by too many people walking through them. Please make sure students stay on the paths at all times.

The Territory Wildlife Park has a free shuttle train service available to help visitors make the most of their time at the Park. The trains depart from the Main Station every 30 minutes, (eg 10am, 10.30am, 11am and so on). Groups need to be ready to board the train 5 minutes prior to departure.

We recommend that you divide students into smaller groups of five to eight per adult. This way you avoid congestion around exhibits and make supervision more effective.

Small groups are also less stressful for the wildlife and other Park visitors. The Park visit is a shared experience. Other visitors expect to enjoy the Park in a relaxed and unspoilt way.

Students should be reminded of what is meant by ‘appropriate behaviour’ at the Park - you can ask for a staff member to reinforce this message at the start of your visit.

Students remain the responsibility of their teachers at all times.

Teacher supervision is necessary at all times when students are in the Gift Shop, Cafe or using public facilities such as the toilets.