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Carnarvon Gorge

Dave and Anne enjoyed a pleasant few days at Carnarvon Gorge, which is very popular with walkers and campers - many caravans can be seen at the campgrounds....

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Heron Island

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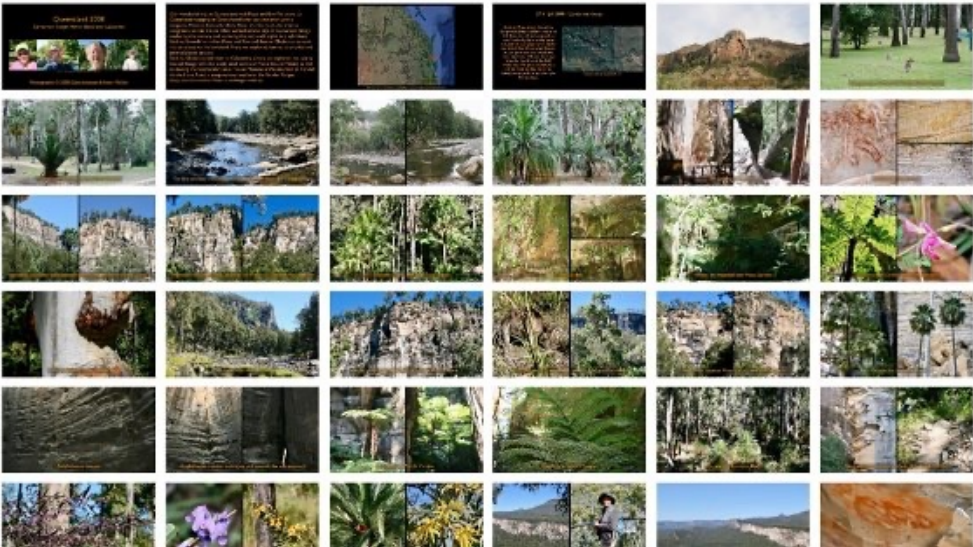


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Overview Map of our 2008 trip in SE Queensland

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Carnarvon Gorge Map

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Hills near Rolleston, Dawson Highway



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Kangaroos at Carnarvon Gorge Visitor Centre



Cycad and palms at Carnarvon Gorge Visitor Centre



Carnarvon Gorge Visitor Centre



First river crossing near Carnarvon Gorge Visitor Centre



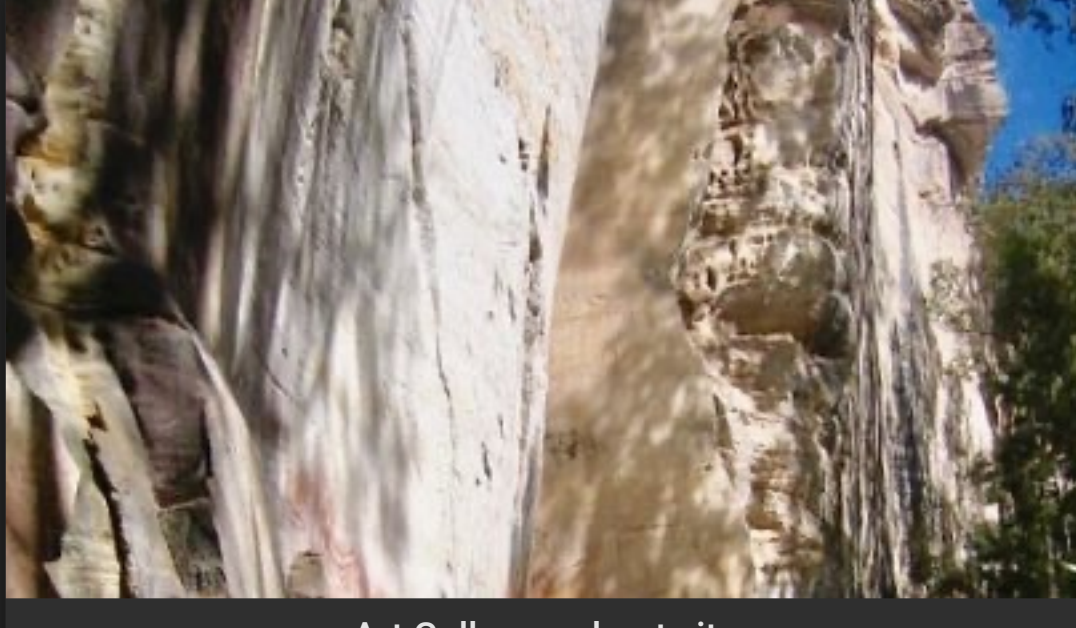
First river crossing near Carnarvon Gorge Visitor Centre



Palms on track near Carnarvon Gorge Visitor Centre



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Art Gallery rock art site



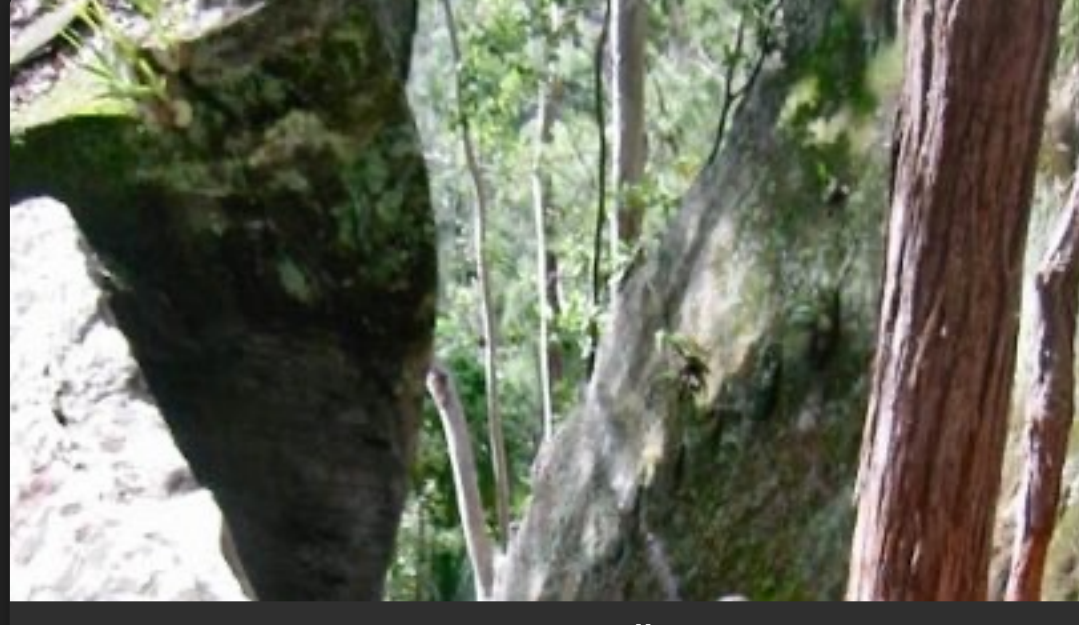
Rock art at Art Gallery



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Dave at Art Gallery



Upstream view from first crossing



The first of many crossings on the way up river



Vegetation and valley walls between the Visitor Centre and Moss Garden



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Ferns and trees on the way in to Moss Garden



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Moss Garden



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Almost dry waterfall near Moss Garden



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Fern near Moss Garden



Bush orchid near Moss Garden



Tree on path to Moss Garden



Main valley near Moss Garden



Valley walls between Moss Garden and Amphitheatre



Small kangaroo in the bushes



Ferns and trees in valley between Moss Garden and Amphitheatre



Valley walls between Moss Garden and Amphitheatre



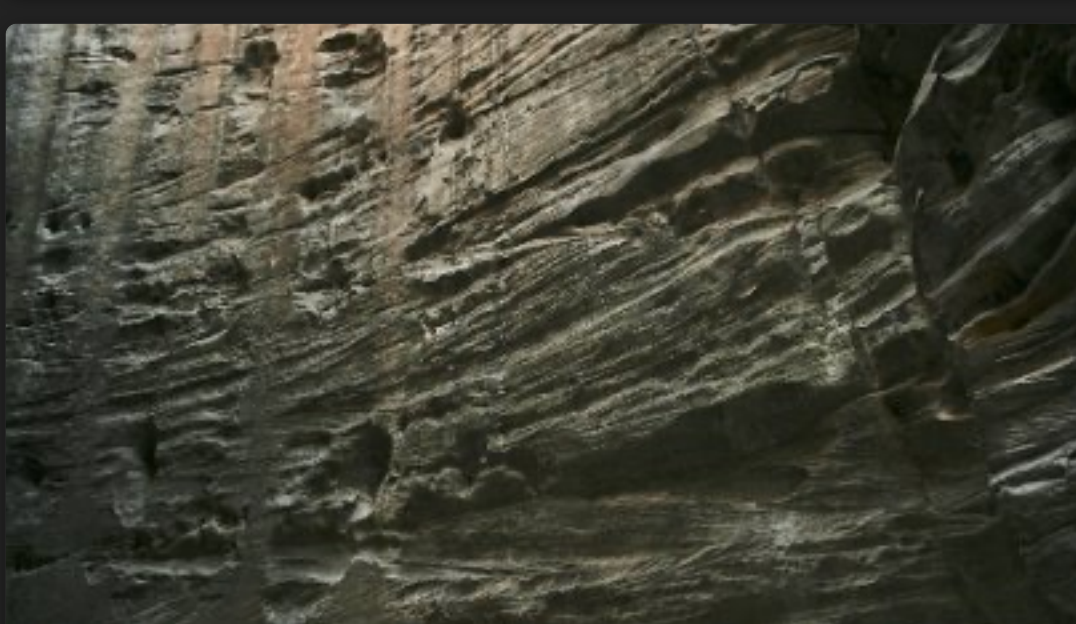
Valley walls between Moss Garden and Amphitheatre



Outside the Amphitheatre



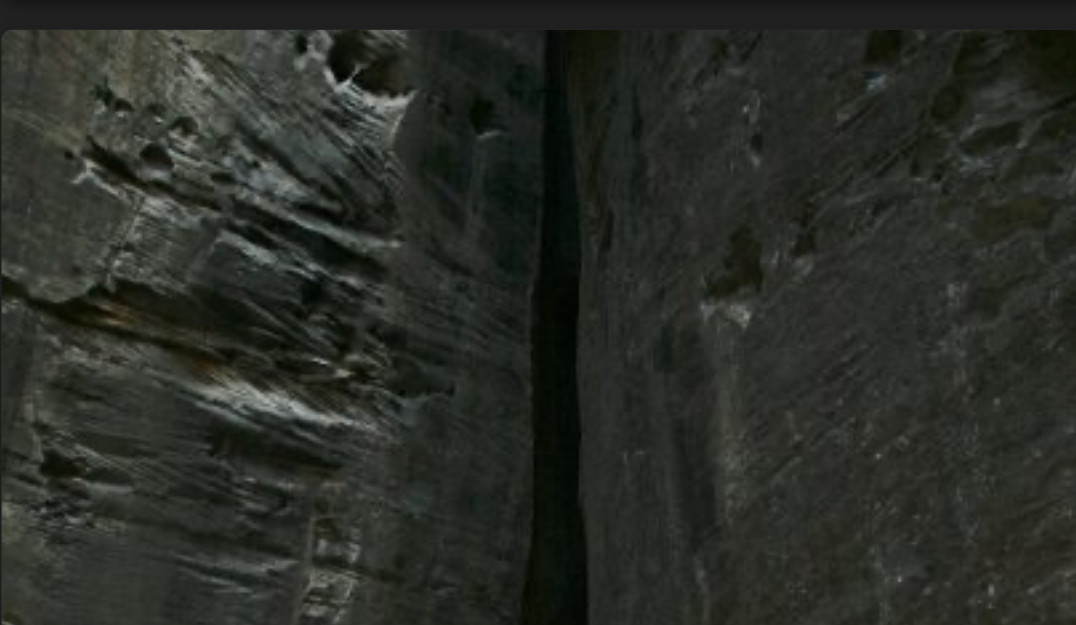
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Amphitheatre interior



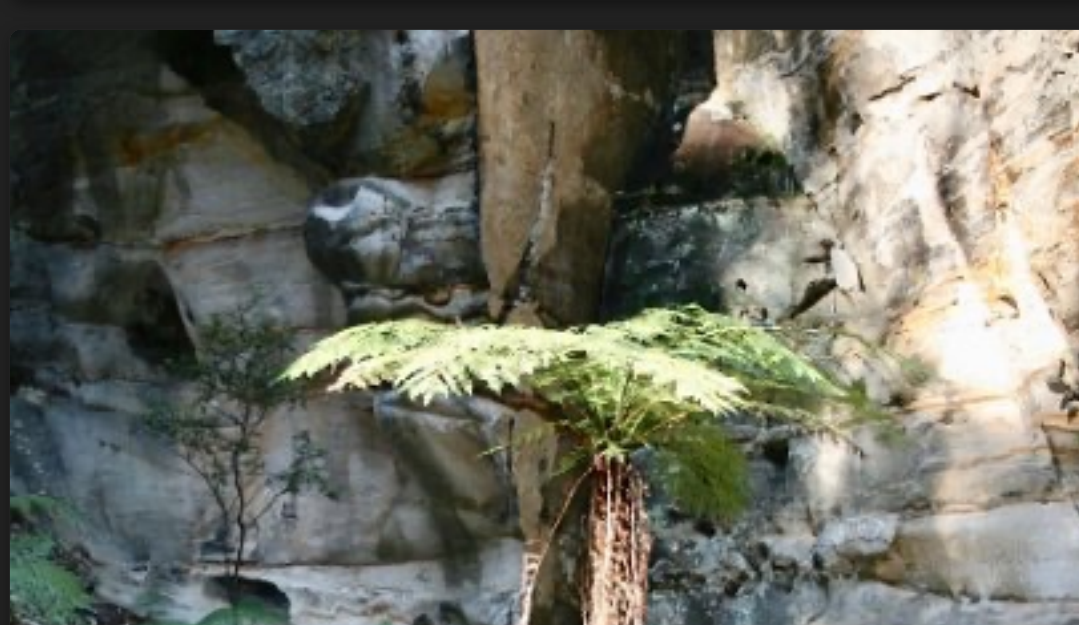
Amphitheatre interior



Amphitheatre looking at entrance-exit



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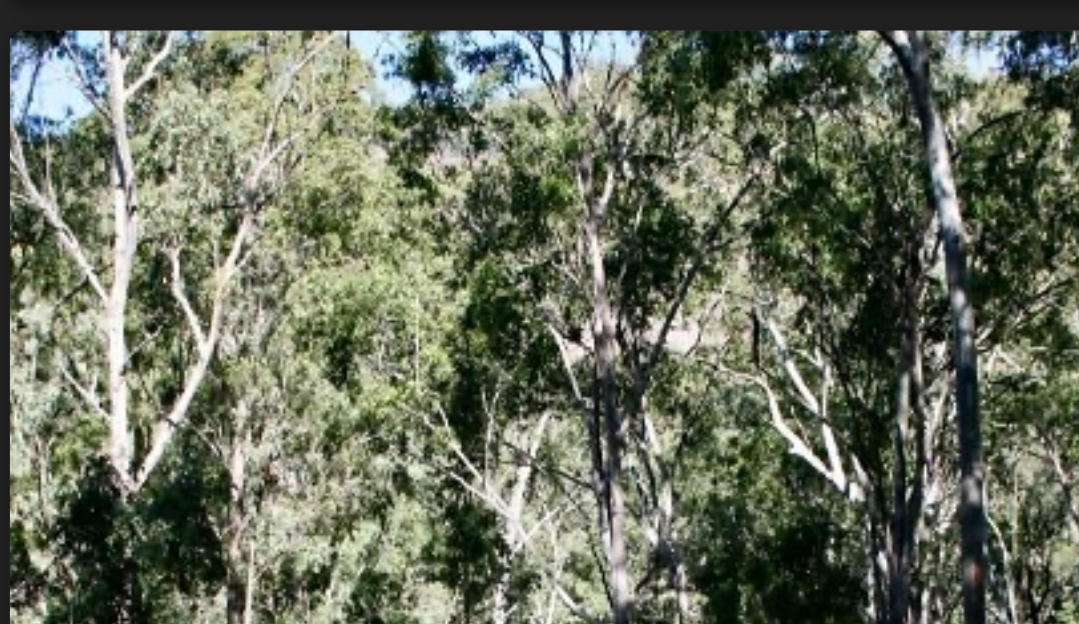
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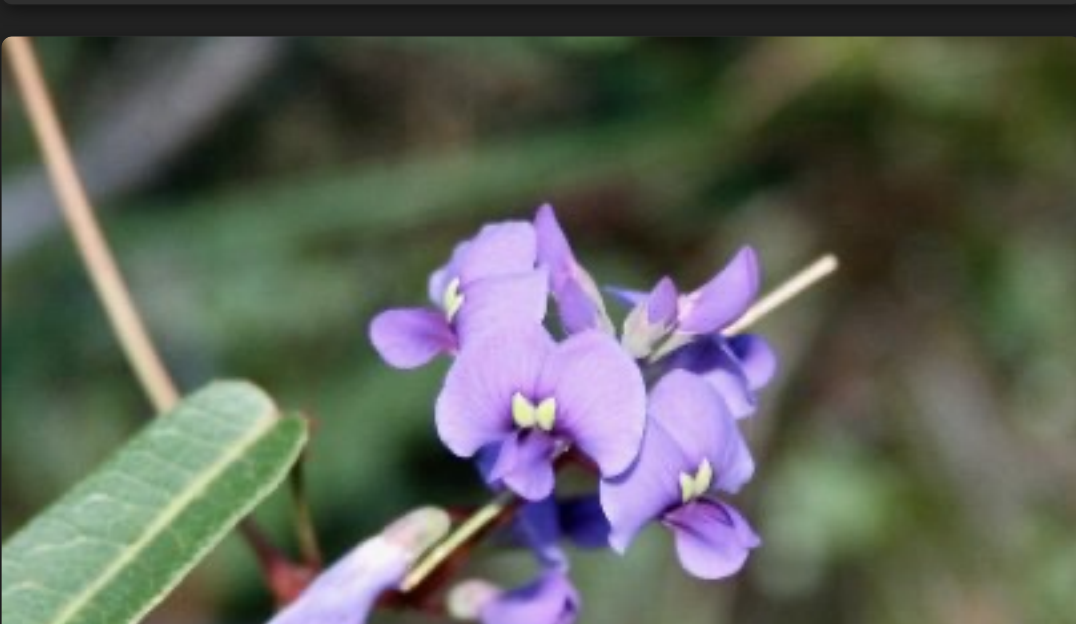
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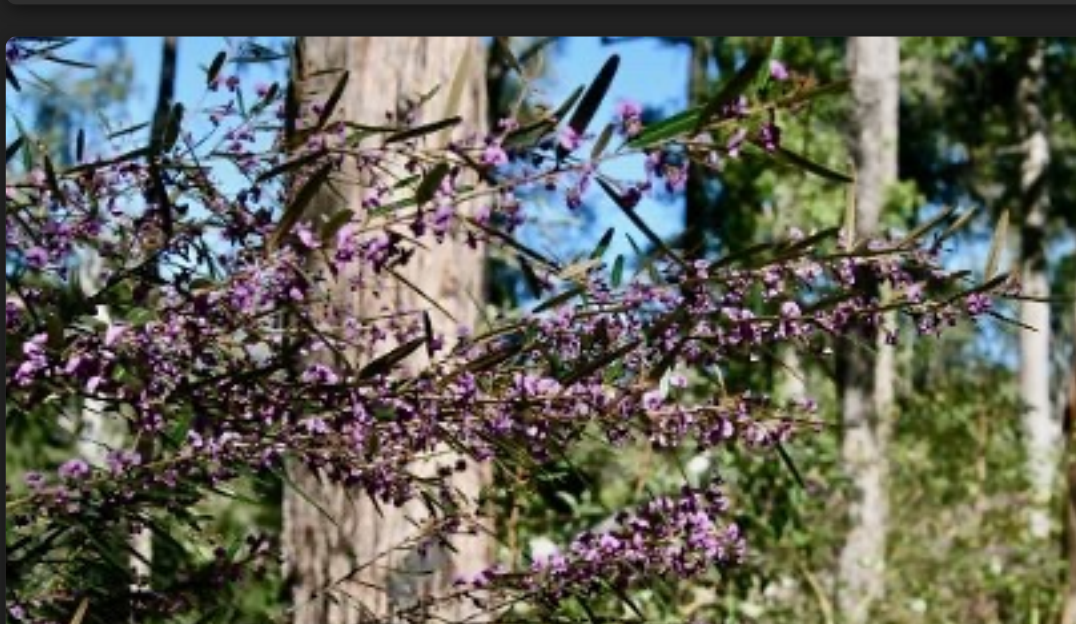
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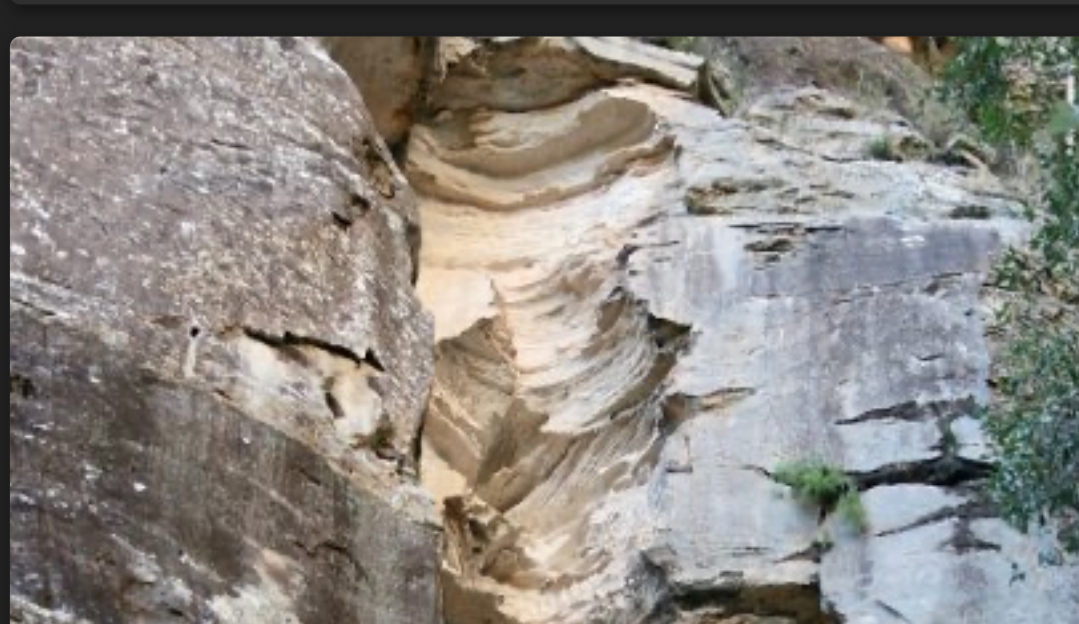
On track to Boolimba Bluff



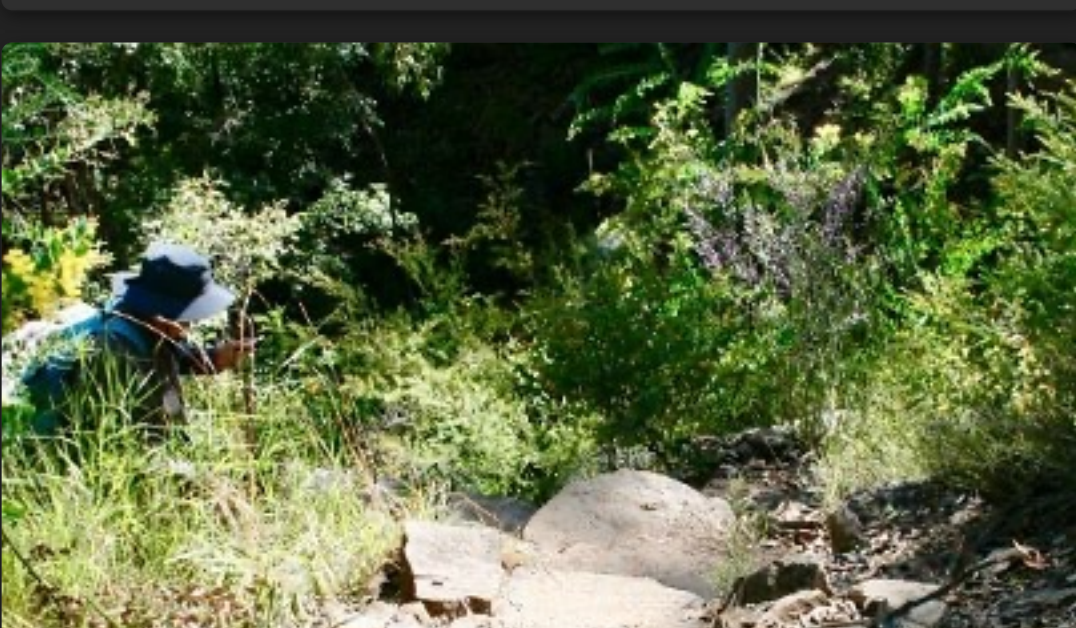
Lilac Bush flowers on way up to Boolimba Bluff



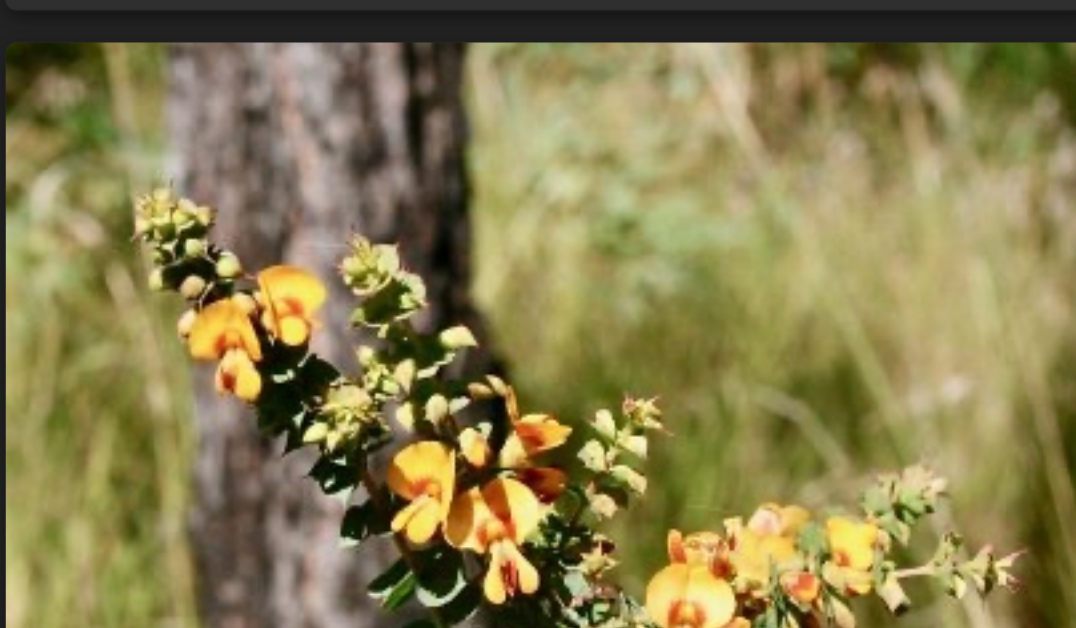
Lilac Bush with flowers on way up to Boolimba Bluff



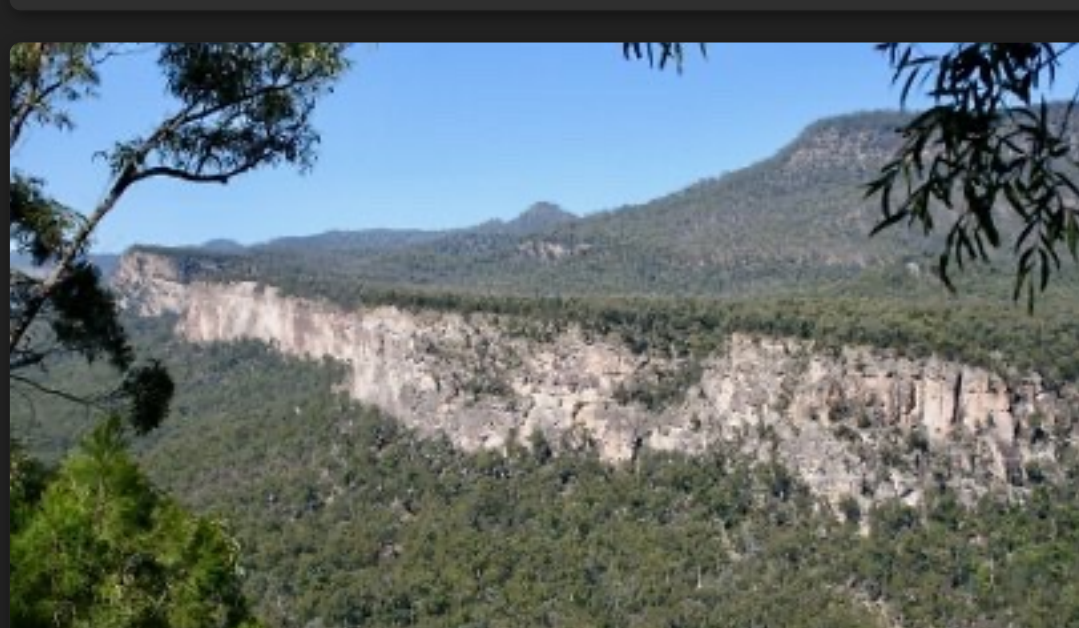
Rock wall on way up to Boolimba Bluff



Steep track up to Boolimba Bluff (with Anne approaching)



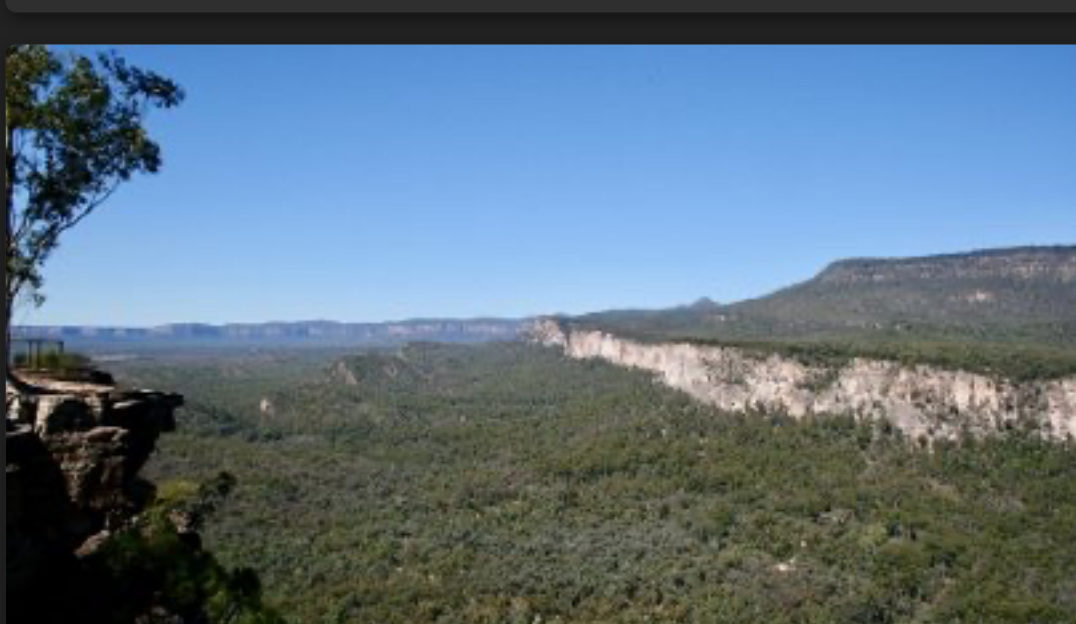
Broom flowering bush on Boolimba Bluff



Boolimba Bluff views across Carnarvon Gorge



Fan palm with fruit



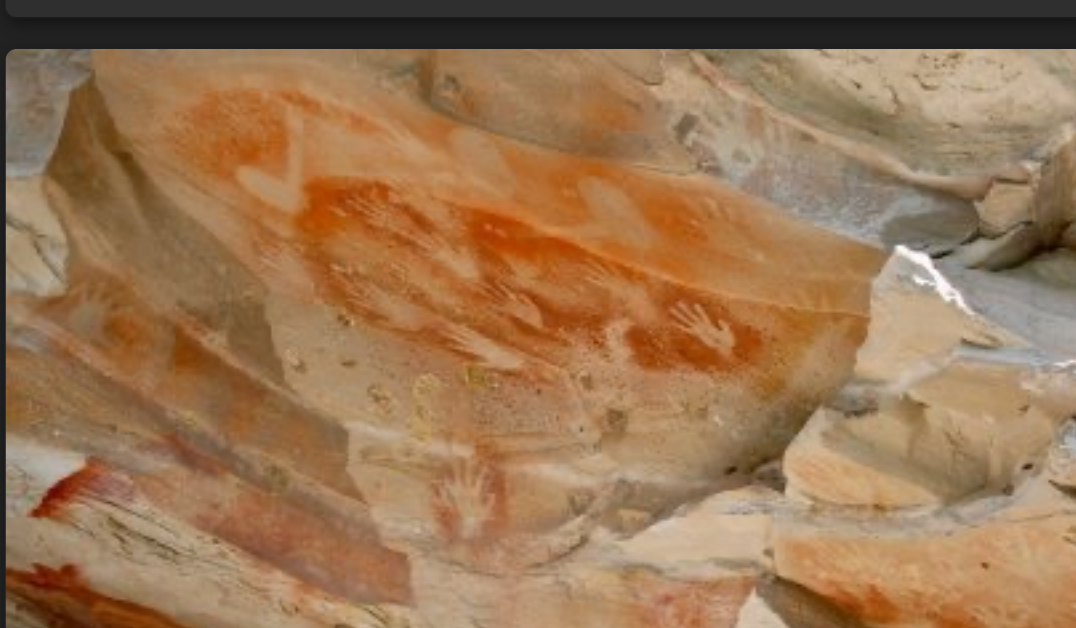
Boolimba Bluff views across entrance to Carnarvon Gorge



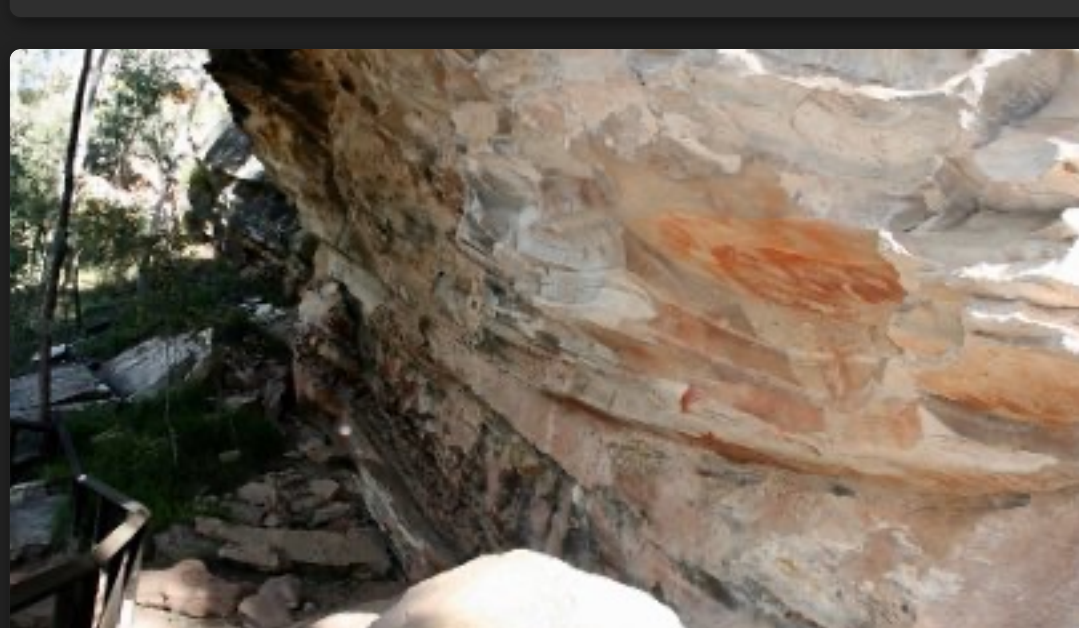
Anne at Boolimba Bluff lookout



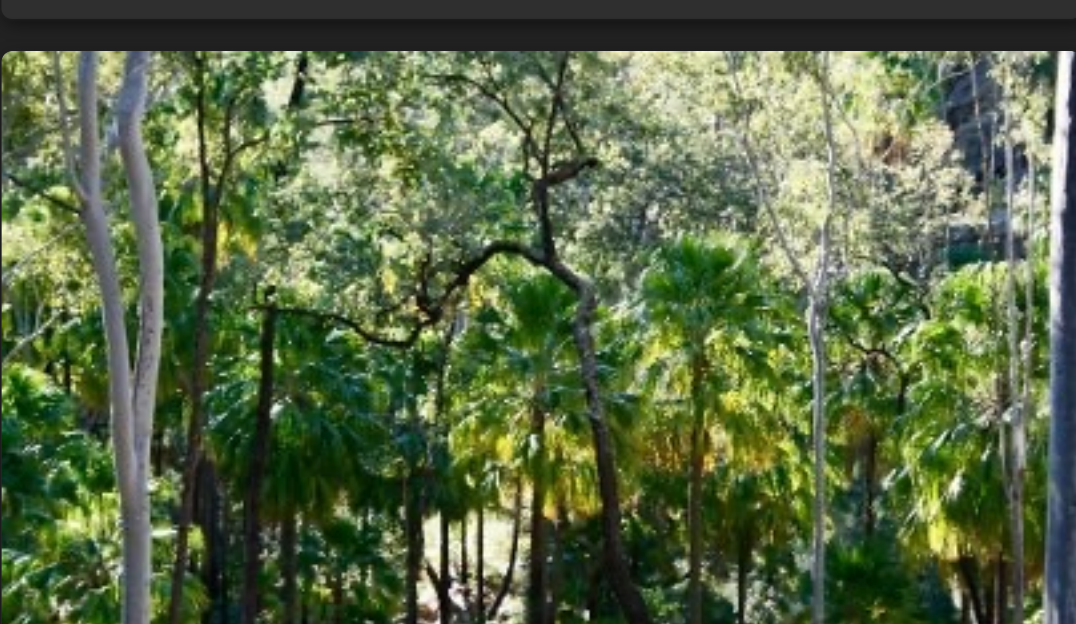
Golden Wattle at Boolimba Bluff



Balloon Cave rock art



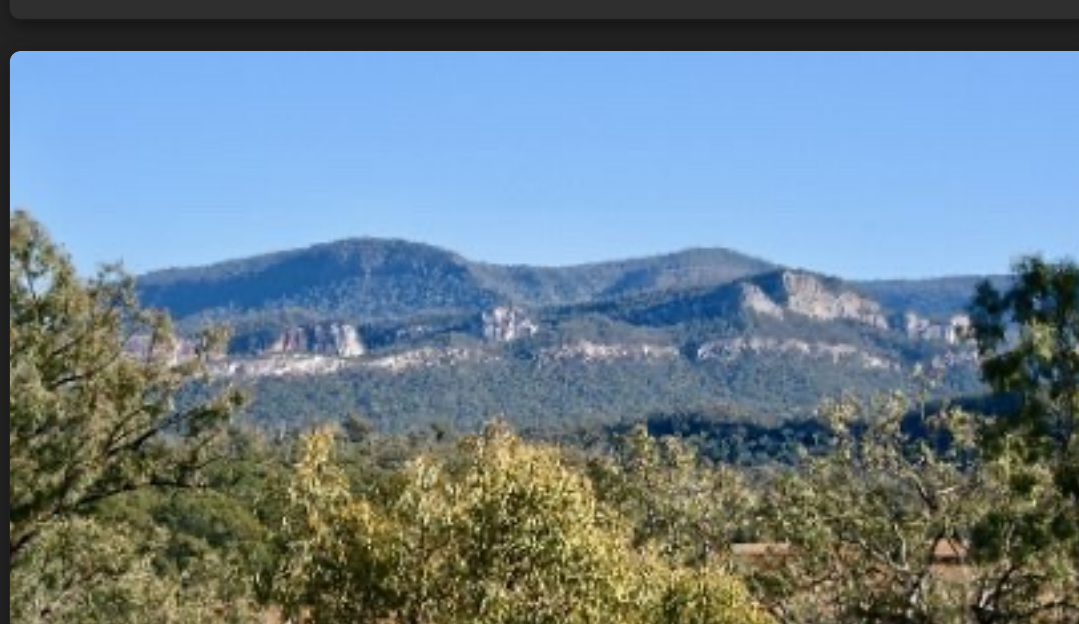
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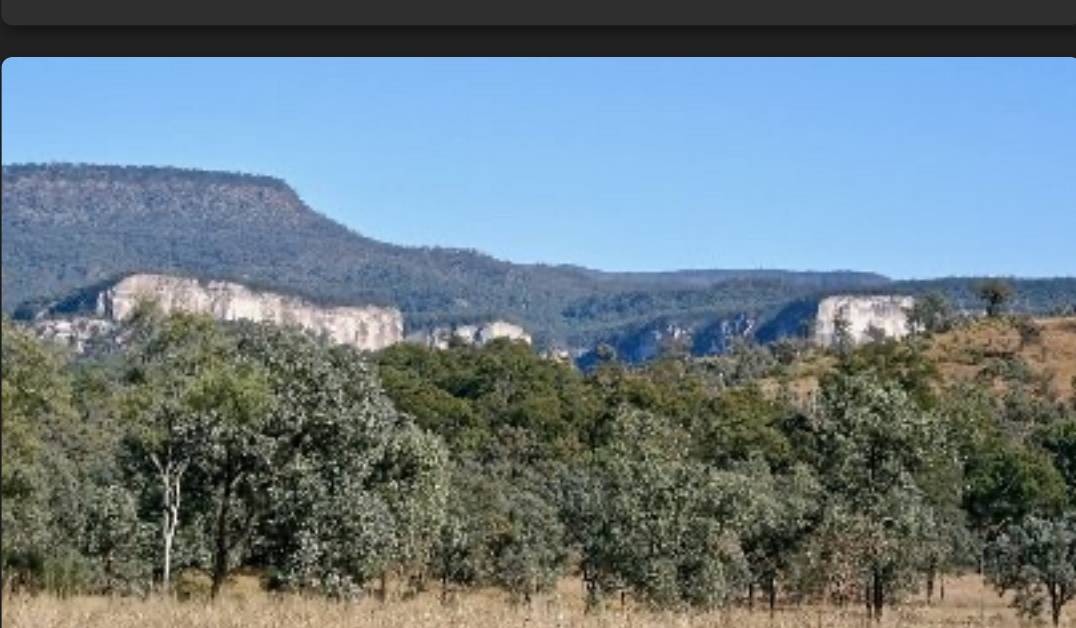
Balloon Cave walk



Our safari tent at Takarakka



Heading north from entrance to Carnarvon Gorge



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Heron Island

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We enjoyed our short holiday on Heron Island. The boat trip from Gladstone and on our return were both calm and pleasant. We explored the islands many shaded paths and uncrowded beaches. Anne tried her hand at learning how to snorkel with some success. We also enjoyed our reef walk at low tide with good views of many types of corals and giant clams. Then we took a glass-bottomed boat trip to see the outer parts of the island's reef as well as the many fish and even a small manta ray. A nice relaxing place for a holiday and not overrun with hordes of people.



Gladstone to Heron Island Map
[Map produced using Google Earth Pro]



Heron Island Map
[Map produced using Google Earth Pro]



Morning view from our accommodation on Heron Island



Small boats at Heron Island harbour



Peter resting at the swimming pool



Bev also at the swimming pool



Morning tea at the pool - Bev, Peter and Dave



Heron Island vegetation



Shaded sandy path through Heron Island vegetation



Anne ready to go snorkelling



Anne starting to snorkel



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Heron Island beach



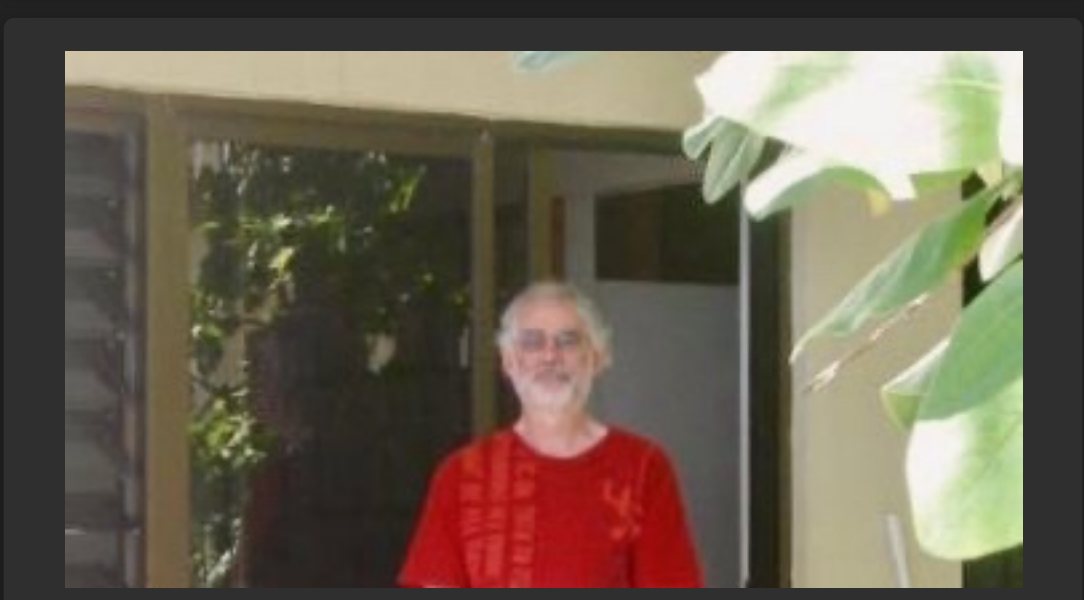
Heron Island beach



Our well hidden accommodation



Shallow water showing up reef colours



Dave in front of our accommodation



Manta rays in shallow water



Small boats at the harbour



Dave at the wharf



Reef walk views



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Reef walk views - brain coral



Reef walk views - giant clams and corals



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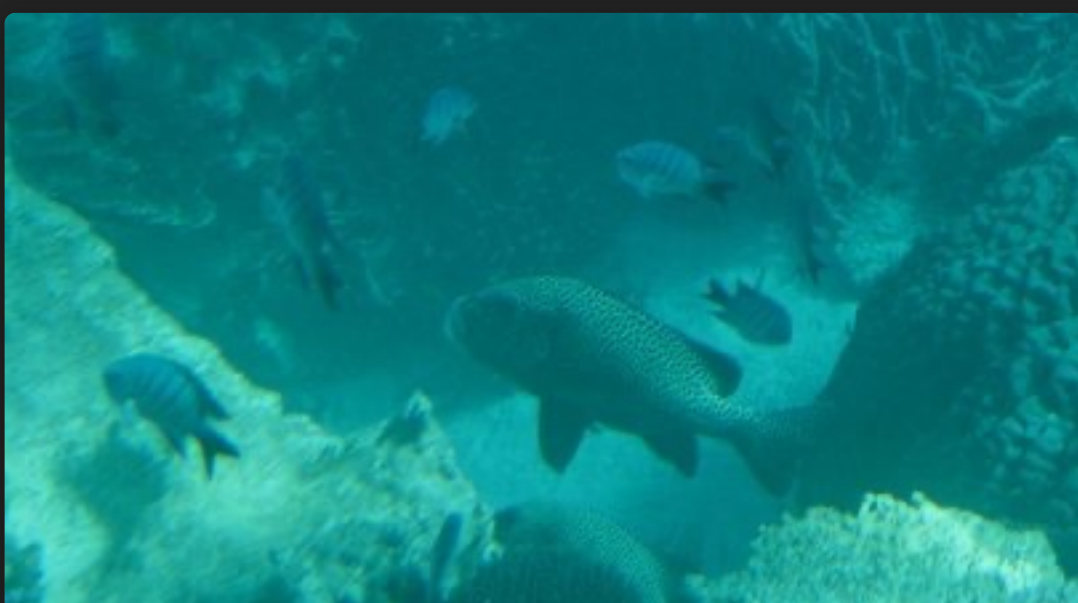
Unusual reef fish



Glassbottom boat view of corals



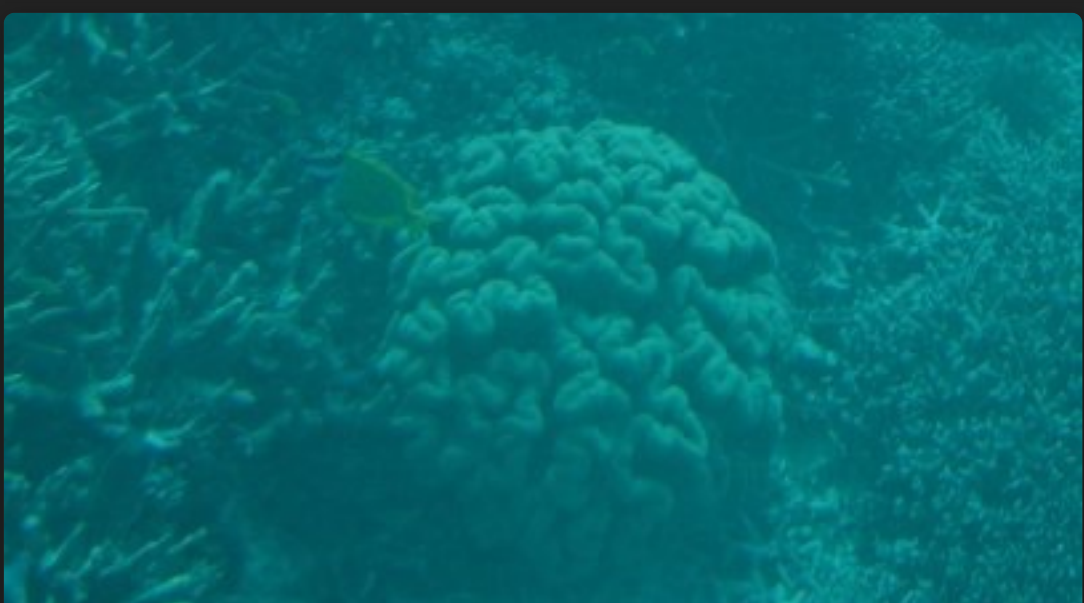
Glassbottom boat view of corals and a reef fish



Glassbottom boat view of various reef fish



Glassbottom boat view of corals and more reef fish



Glassbottom boat view of brain coral and attendant fish



Glassbottom boat view of manta ray



Glassbottom boat view of reef fish



Peter and Bev on Heron Island wharf



Manta ray seen near the wharf through shallow water with ripples



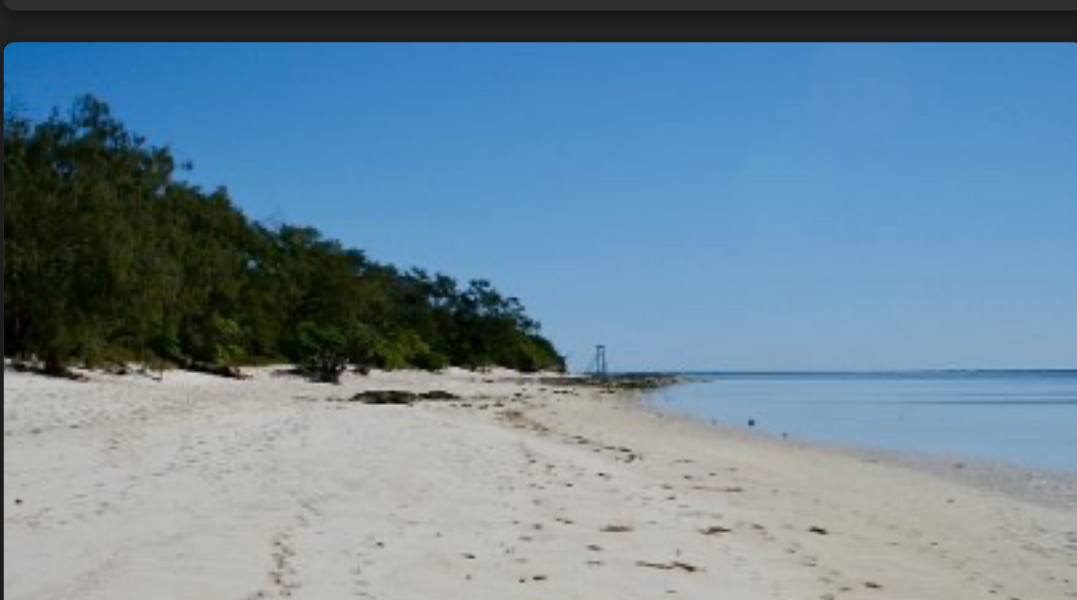
Path through Heron Island vegetation



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Nice shady beach



Not so crowded beach



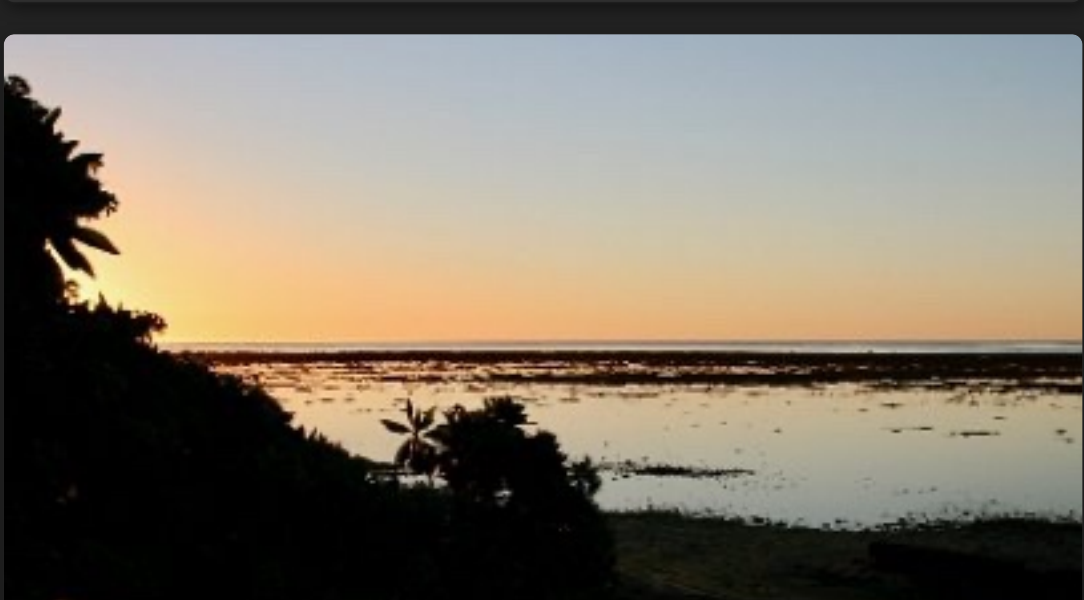
Dave near shady beach



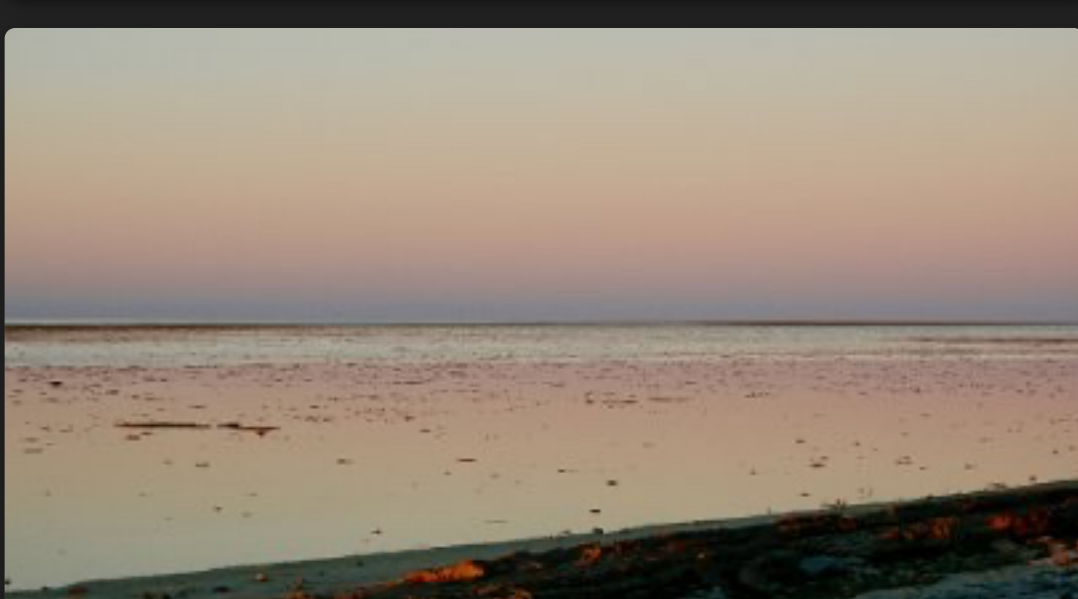
Late afternoon reef walkers



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Towards sunset on Heron Island



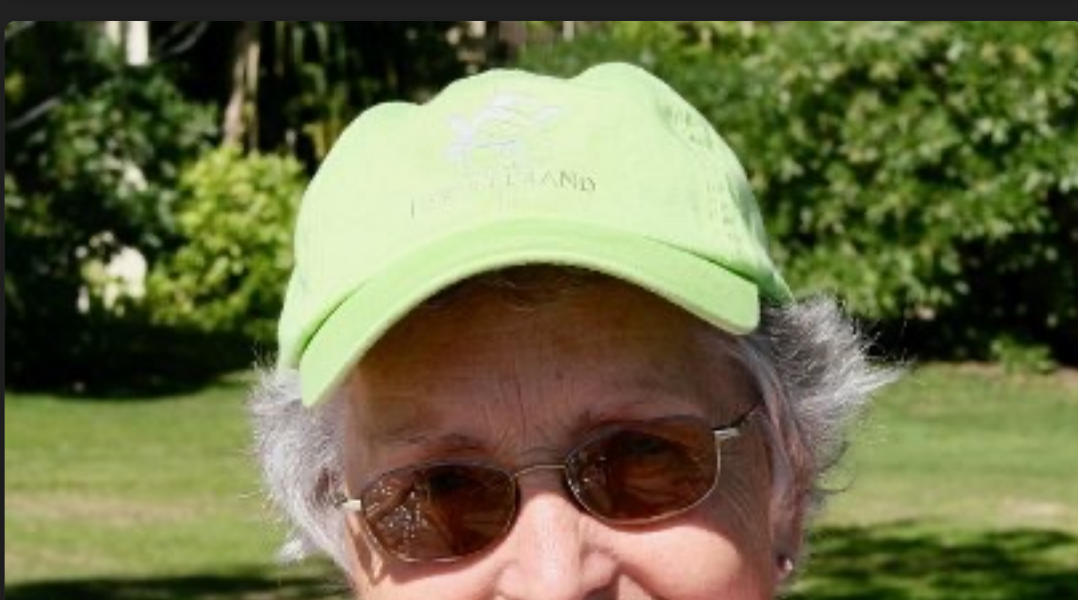
Sunset colours looking away from sun



Sunset on Heron Island with old boat gantry



Morning view of boat gantry



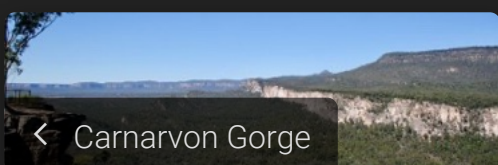
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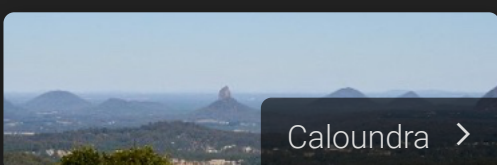
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Other accommodation on Heron Island



Carnarvon Gorge



Caloundra



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Caloundra Hinterland Map
[Map produced using Google Earth Pro]



Coastal view from near Montville



Coastal view from near Montville



Anne, Bev and Peter at lookout near Montville



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Lake Baroon near Maleny



Spillway at Lake Baroon



Water patterns on the spillway at Lake Baroon



Spiky plants on the Mary Cairncross Reserve walk



Glasshouse Mountains from near Mary Cairncross Reserve



Mount Beerwah, Glasshouse Mountains



Mount Coonowrin, Glasshouse Mountains



Mount Tibrogargan, Glasshouse Mountains



Mount Beerwah and Mount Coonowrin, Glasshouse Mountains



Mount Coonowrin, Glasshouse Mountains



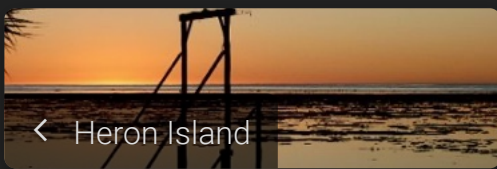
Mount Beerwah, Glasshouse Mountains



Rail loop from lookout off the Lions Road, Border Ranges



View from the Lions Road, Border Ranges



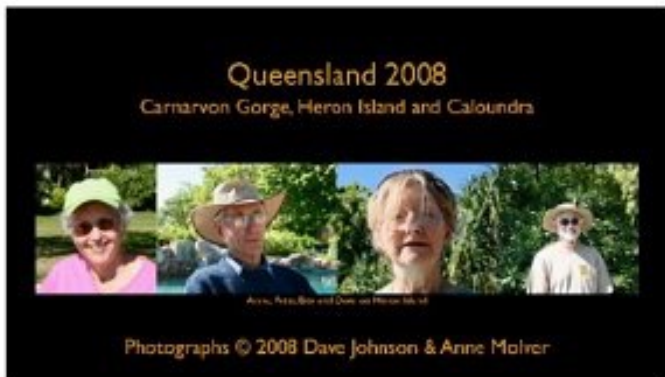
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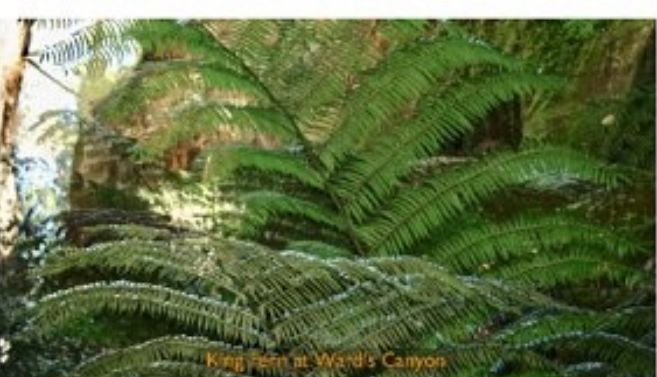
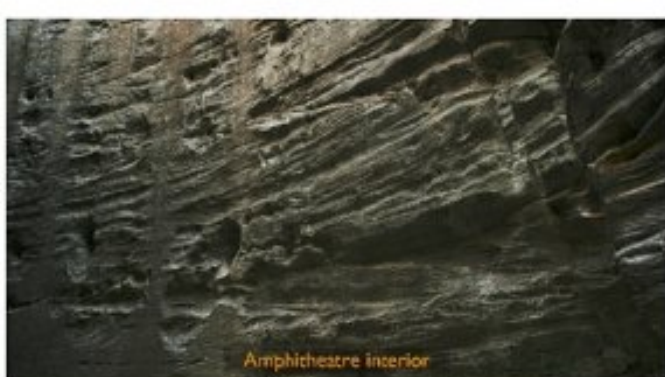
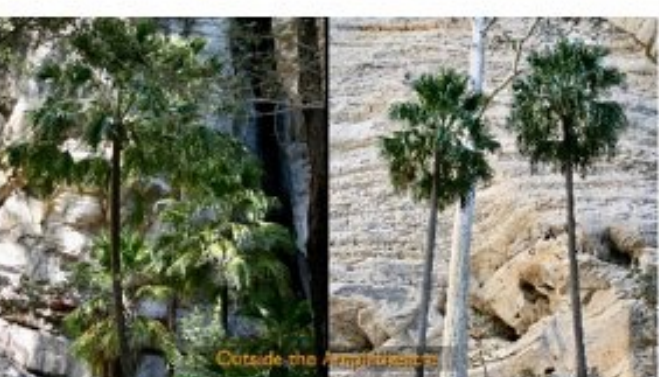
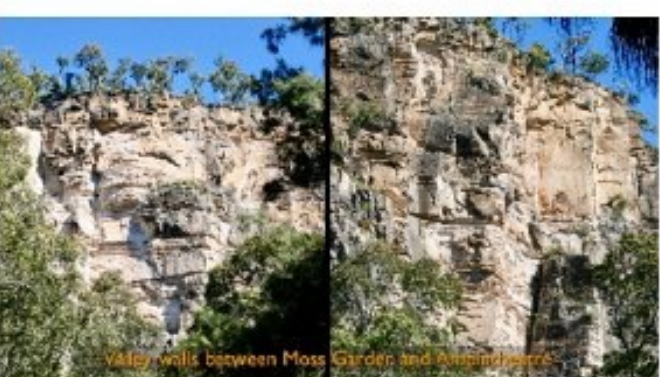
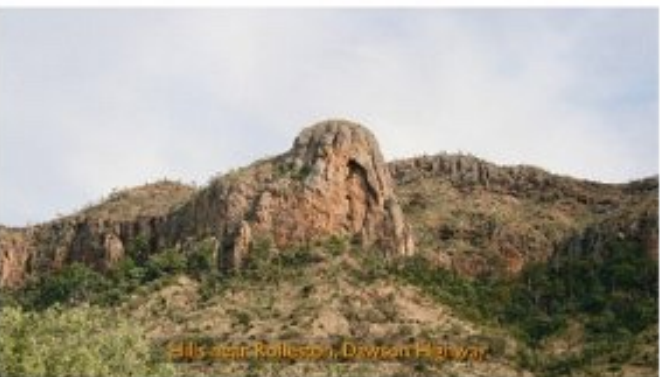
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27-31 Jul 2008 - Carnarvon Gorge

Dave and Anne visited Carnarvon Gorge while Peter and Bev travelled by train from Emerald to Longreach to visit friends. Highlights of the gorge included the Aboriginal stories and the wonderful plants like the native flowers, acacias, gum trees and cycads, the steep sandstone cliffs and the views from the top of Boolimba Bluff. Finally we drove back to Emerald to collect Peter and Bev and on to Gladstone to catch the early ferry to Heron Island.

This postcard using Google Earth data.





Balloon Cave rock art site



Off Balloon Cave walk



Our sleep tent at Takarrima



Heading north from entrance to Cameron Gorge



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1-4 Aug 2008 - Heron Island

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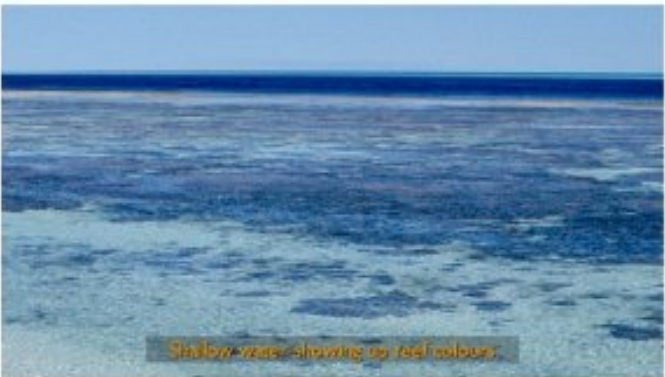
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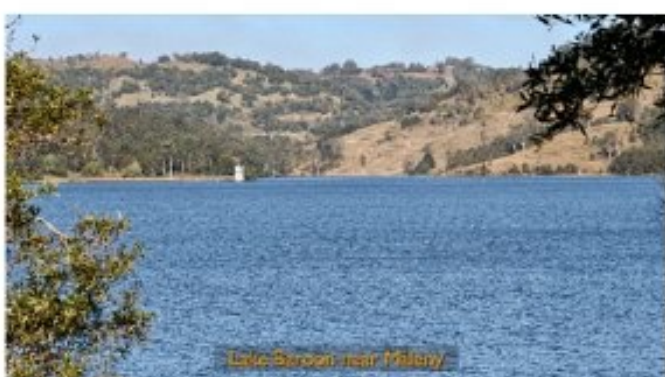
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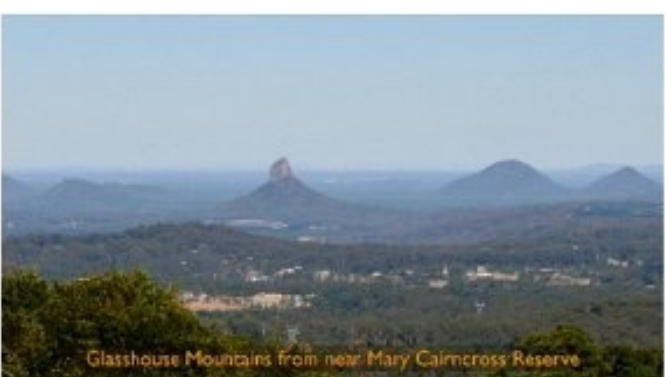
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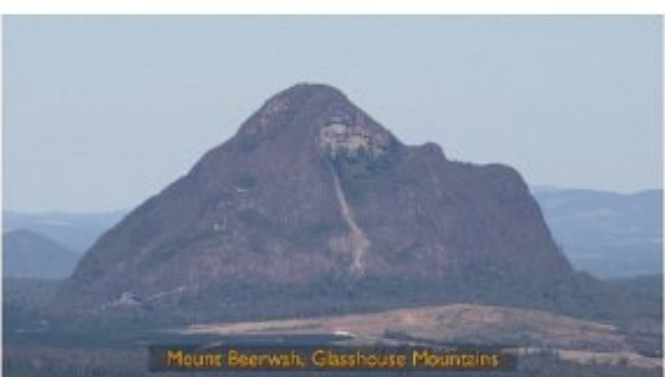
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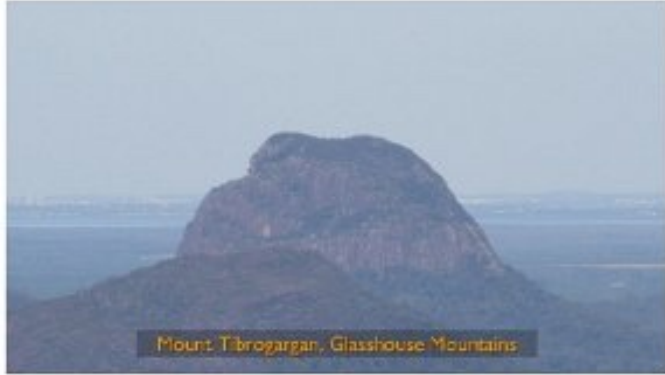
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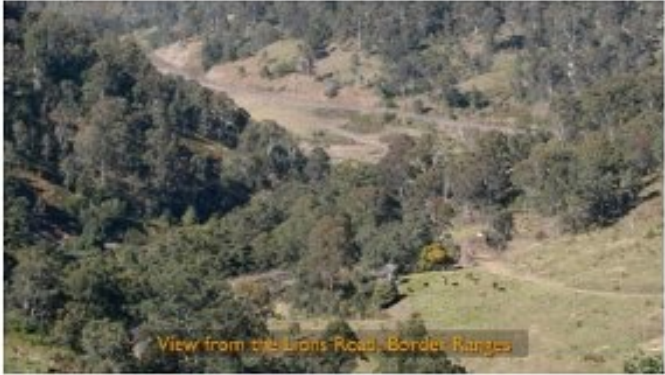
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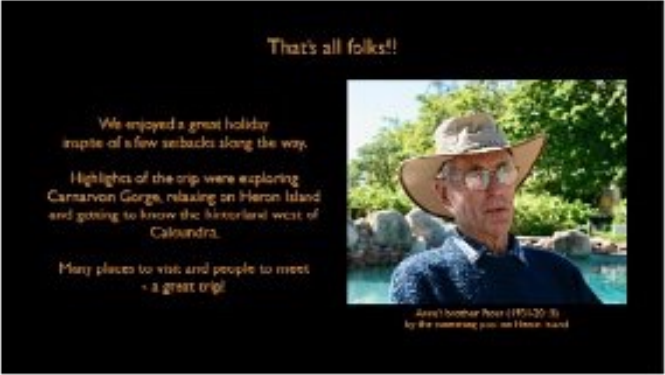
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Half loop from Lookout on the Long Road, Border Ranges



View from Glasshouse Peak, Border Ranges





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