PRACTICAL PLANNER

Before the gate

Day picnic and six named tracks. No camping. Not independently walked. Forestry Corporation publishes kilometres and grades, not a clock time.

Check closures and fire bans the morning you go. The gate is dawn to dusk (last-checked 24 Sep 2026). This sheet cannot tell you if the gate is open. Official Strickland page · Forestry Corp closures · RFS total fire bans · Emergency 000.

The rules that matter

☐ No camping. The usual NSW State-forest camping rule does not apply. Cumberland is the other forest where camping is not allowed.

☐ Banksia Picnic Area cannot be reserved.

☐ Somersby Falls is Brisbane Water National Park, not this forest.

☐ Dogs: enquire on Forestry Corporation's dogs page before you go. Do not assume a dog is welcome at Somersby Falls.

☐ A total fire ban overrides.

☐ Carry water.

☐ Friends of Strickland built the tracks.

Address

Mangrove Road, Niagara Park NSW 2250. Entry is at the top of Mangrove Road, Somersby.

Phones

1300 655 687 is Forestry's visiting line, not this website. visit@fcnsw.com.au is theirs. Emergency 000. NSW RFS 1800 679 737.

Pack

☐ Water. A tap is not promised on the track.

☐ Picnic food. Banksia cannot be reserved.

☐ The official Strickland page saved offline, plus the map PDF if you have it.

☐ A plan to be out by dusk. This sheet cannot tell you if the gate is open.

☐ Shoes for slippery tracks, and a look up for limbs. On the arboretum, pine cones fall January to March.

Six named tracks

Kilometres and grades are Forestry Corporation’s, last-checked 24 Sep 2026. Not independently walked. They do not publish a clock time.

- Strickland Falls Track — 1.6 km loop, medium.
- Arboretum Track — 2.3 km loop, easy. Combined with Bellbird, 3.3 km.
- Bellbird Track — 1.3 km loop, easy, off the Arboretum Track.
- Cabbage Tree Track — 1.6 km loop, medium.
- Stoney Creek Track — 1 km link. With Cabbage Tree, 3.6 km return, medium.
- Ridge to Rainforest Track — 2.1 km one way, medium. You walk back.

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