

WATARRKA NATIONAL PARK/ KINGS CANYON

Explore Watarrka National Park/Kings Canyon at the end of the Gorge Gill Range with its majestic rocky cliff tops and winding quiet roads. See the magnificent views from the Rim Walk, rest at a waterhole, and enjoy a sunset or sunrise to remember.

Kings Canyon Rim Walk

These ancient red canyon walls soar 100m above Kings Creek to a plateau of rocky domes. The rock holes and gorges are an important refuge for many plants and animals. The sheltered environment below, in the creek bed, has a great range of flora including the MacDonnell Ranges Cycad.

THE KINGS CREEK WALK (2.6 km, one hour return) – Suitable for families and wheelchair access for the first 700 metres, this gentle slope of the track meanders up Kings Creek.



THE KINGS CANYON RIM WALK (6 km loop, 3-4 hours) – Suitable for fit and experienced walkers. The first steep climb is worth taking your time with, as it offers spectacular views from the Canyon rim and features the 'Lost City' and the lush vegetation of the 'Garden of Eden'.

SOUTH WALL RETURN WALK (4.8 km, 2 hours return) – Suitable for fit and experienced walkers. Starting with a steep climb up the southern rim of Kings Canyon this walk offers stunning views of the Park's geological features.

* Check with your accommodation outlet for the gate closing times, as these walks can close early on days when the temperature forecast is 36°C (97°F) or above.

Tours began in late 1961, thanks to the pioneering family of Jack Cotterill and his sons John and Jim, who set up their new place of Wallara Ranch approximately 110km (70 miles) from the Canyon, which continued running until the late 1980s. Today this region offers a few accommodation options, as there is no camping allowed in the National Park.