



## LIFFEY FALLS

A beautiful short walk through magnificent temperate rainforest to a set of stunning waterfalls.

This walk is suitable for most people with the option of accessing the falls from the top carpark (2km return) or lower car park (6km return).



Time: 45 min return from the upper car park Distance: 2km return

Time: 3 hours return from the lower car park Distance: 6km return



**Upper Car Park** - Accessed via the C513 (narrow gravel road, not suitable for caravans or big vehicles) sign posted off the A5 Highland Lakes Rd.

Ref: -41.699929, 146.759317 (type this grid reference or "Liffey Falls" into Google Maps).

**Lower Car Park** – (route for larger vehicles) Take the C513 from Bracknell (west) through Liffey and turn into the Liffey Camping Ground.

Ref: -41.683173, 146.781846 (type this grid reference or "Liffey Falls Camping" into Google Maps)

Retail Map: TL07 Breton



There are toilets, picnic shelters, gas BBQs and tap water at the top car park.

The bottom car park has a bush camp ground and toilet.



Grade 2: Suitable for most ages. The track has a hardened or compacted surface with uphill sections and sections of occasional steps.



Supervise children; the track follows a river with sometimes fast flowing water. Beware of snakes during summer.

There are two walking tracks through rainforest to Liffey Falls, which form part of the Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage area. Both tracks wind through towering eucalypts, myrtles and massive tree ferns. The top track provides a number of timber benches and lookout points at the different levels of the falls. Keep your eye out for 'The Spout' which flows into an ancient tree fern-lined chasm. The bottom track from the Lower Liffey Campground follows the Liffey River up to the falls. It is longer but not as steep and is a great one for the kids.

Water collected on the Great Western Tiers washes into the Liffey River. As it rushes downslope it erodes away the softer mudstone sediments exposing sandstone steps. These give rise to a series of waterfalls culminating in Liffey Falls. Embedded in the rocks exposed by the erosive force of the Liffey River are tiny marine fossils.

For thousands of years this area acted as a meeting place for Aboriginal people. Sandstone overhangs provided shelter and other rocks were used for tool manufacture. The area was also once home to the famous Tasmanian Tiger. Some say it still is!

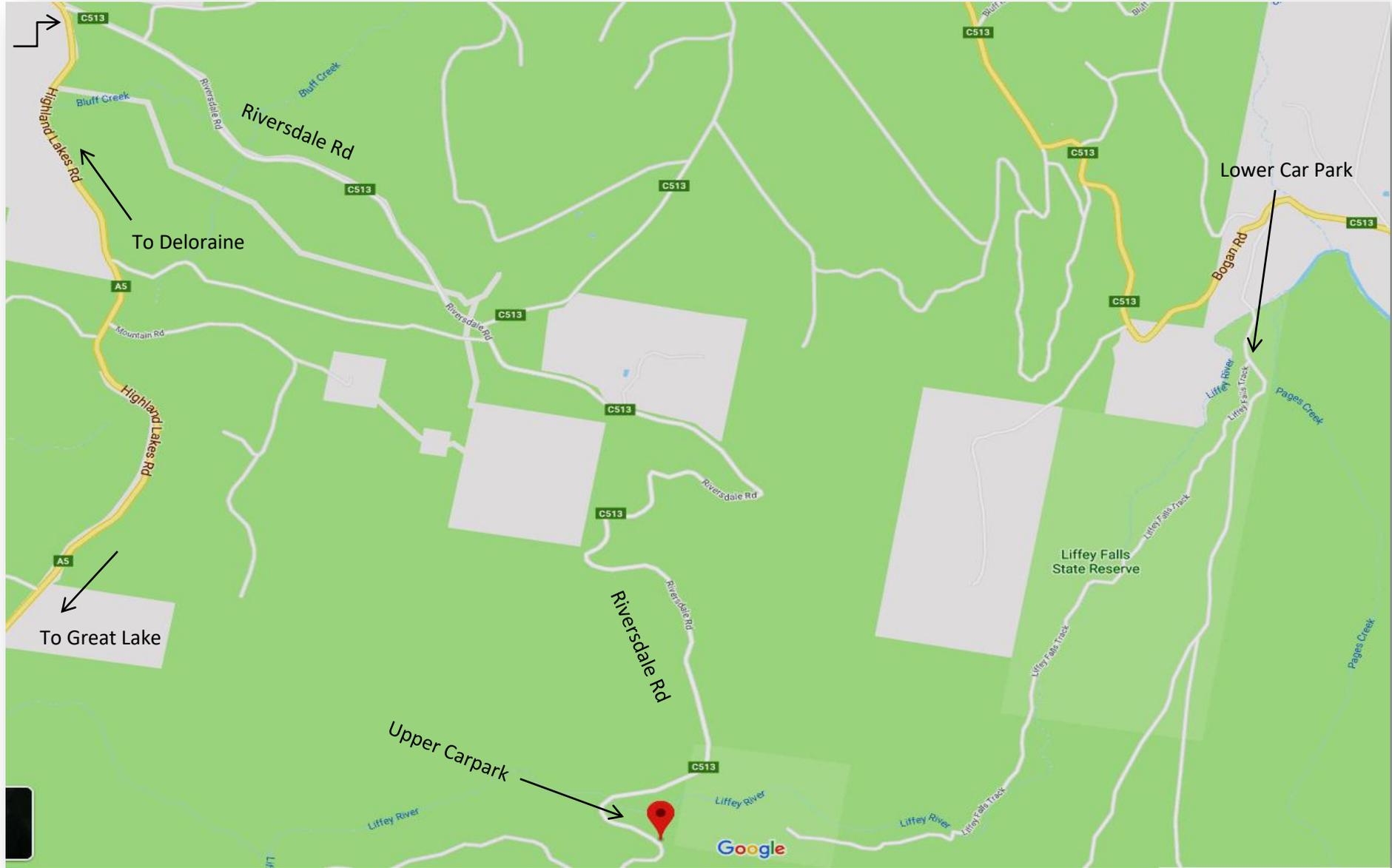
**SAFE WALKING:** Plan, be prepared, walk with friends, tell someone where you are going. Consider hiring an EPIRB from Service Tasmania to prepare for emergency events. Make a personal determination as to your fitness and ability to undertake specific walks.

**LEAVE NO TRACE:** walk on formed tracks, observe all restrictions, dispose of waste properly and leave what you find.

**FURTHER INFO:** National Parks: [www.parks.tas.gov.au](http://www.parks.tas.gov.au) Restrictions & Alerts: [www.fire.tas.gov.au](http://www.fire.tas.gov.au) & [www.police.tas.gov.au/community-alerts](http://www.police.tas.gov.au/community-alerts) Weather: [www.bom.gov.au/tas](http://www.bom.gov.au/tas)

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