

You've arrived

Lake Macquarie might only be 90 minutes from Sydney, but don't judge this coastal destination by its distance to the big smoke. It feels worlds away, ready for you to settle into its coastal charm.

Feel your shoulders relax and slow down to Lake Macquarie time. It's a place where barefoot holidays are embraced, days are spent adventuring and Mother Nature's beauty reigns supreme.

No surprises that the central attraction is Lake Macquarie itself, a tidal body of water twice the size of Sydney Harbour that lures holidaymakers with its promise of water sports, boating and fishing.

Beyond the lake, you'll find 32 kilometres of coastline prime with swim spots and surf breaks and a mountainous hinterland where adventure awaits.

Of course, if you prefer to put your feet up, dine by the water or sample our vibrant arts and cultural scene. You'll find Lake Macquarie delivers on all fronts.

Let us show you around.



HOW TO GET TO LAKE MACQUARIE

BY AIR
The closest airport is Newcastle Airport, located at Williamtown, 40 minutes from northern Lake Macquarie. From here, transport options include rental cars, public buses, taxis or Uber.
Contact 02 4928 9822 or visit newcastleairport.com.au

BY WATER
Access to Lake Macquarie is via the Swanses Channel. Phone Marine Rescue Lake Macquarie in advance to request Swanses Bridge access on

BY ROAD
The M1 Pacific Motorway links Sydney with Lake Macquarie. If arriving from the south, for east Lake Macquarie, take the Pacific Highway through Charlestown onwards. For west Lake Macquarie, take the M1 south and exit at Cardiff, Toronto or Morisset.

BY RAIL
Lake Macquarie is regularly serviced by Sydney trains on the Newcastle and Central Coast line. Major stations in Lake Macquarie include Morisset, Fassifern and Cardiff. NSW TrainLink trains stop at Fassifern station.
Contact 131 500 or visit transportnsw.info

Lake Macquarie

When you're visiting an area of sprawling coastline, lake expanses and national parks, you'll want a plan to make the most of your visit and see the region at its best. There's so much to love about Lake Macquarie that it's sometimes hard to know where to start. So why not here, with our top 20 places to visit?



14 SPEERS POINT PARK
The ultimate destination for family fun! Hit the huge all-abilities Variety Playground first, followed by a visit to the cafe or swim centre next door.



15 MUSEUM OF ART AND CULTURE
Wander by the lake in the Sculpture Park or take in an exhibition at the Hunter's only waterfront gallery.



16 TORONTO FORESHORE
Between the espresso bar on the wharf and the largest seaplane base in the Southern Hemisphere during WWII, now a peaceful place to relax by the lake or catch a show at Rathmines Theatre.



17 RATHMINES PARK
Formerly home to the charming village, home to Dobell House, the heritage-listed former residence of renowned Australian artist Sir William Dobell.



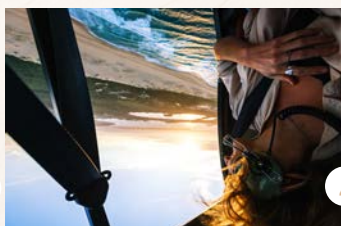
18 WANGI WANGI
A charming village, home to Dobell House, the heritage-listed former residence of renowned Australian artist Sir William Dobell.



19 WATAGAN MOUNTAINS
Looking to escape the hustle and bustle? For walking trails, and bush camping, you can't go past the Watagans.



20 PULBAH ISLAND
Hire a boat, pack a picnic and make a beeline for the lake's largest island.



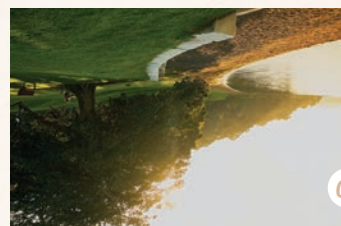
1 CATHERINE HILL BAY
A historic mining village and picturesque beach, twice Bushwalk to secluded Piny Beach, unspoiled and only accessible on foot.



2 WALLARAH NATIONAL PARK
Stroll the foreshore, check out the local cafe or have a picnic on the shady lawns of this tranquil eco-community.



3 MURRAY'S BEACH
A popular patrolled family beach. Don't miss a visit to the famous sea caves and rock pools, best accessed at low tide.



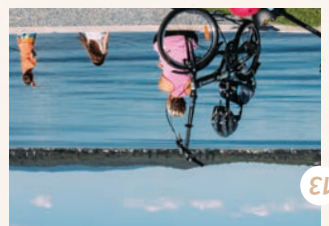
4 CAVES BEACH
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5 BLACKSMITHS BEACH
A top swimming beach, protected by a breakwall picnic spots. Features a sandy shoreline, fenced playground and a small jettty perfect to drop a line off.



6 PELICAN FORESHORE RESERVE
One of the area's most beloved picnic spots. Features a sandy shoreline, fenced playground and a small jettty perfect to drop a line off.



7 WARNERS BAY
This lively lakeside town is full of life, from its well-established dining scene to a bustling foreshore with bike hire and eye-catching public art.

Want more information?

To find out about activities, accommodation, dining and more, look no further than the **Lake Macquarie Visitor Guide**.

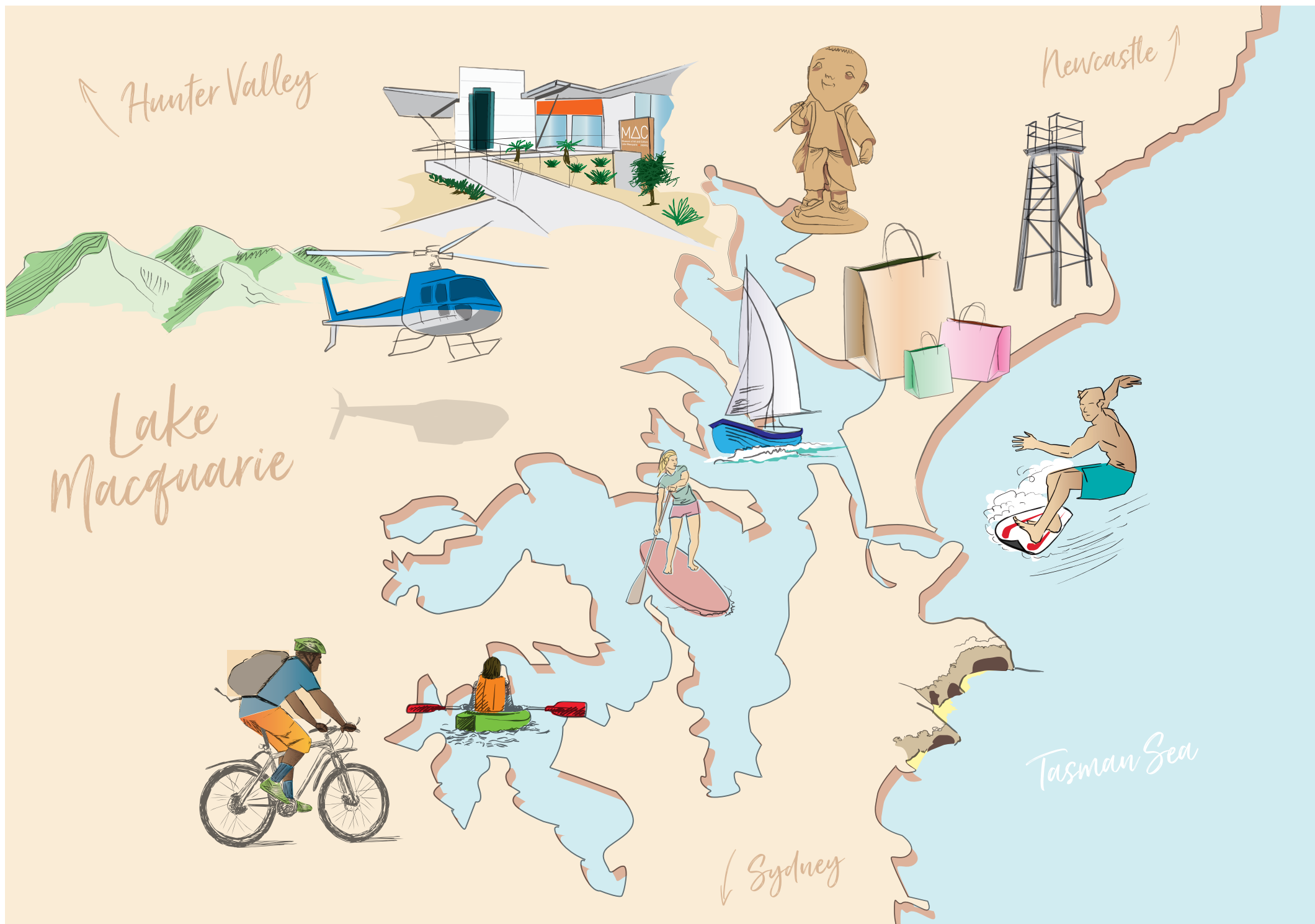


Planning a walk or bike ride, or want to know the best picnic spots to visit?

Don't miss our **Walking Trails, Cultural Trails, Shared Pathways and Parks, Picnics and Playgrounds** guides.

ALL ARE FREE AND AVAILABLE FROM

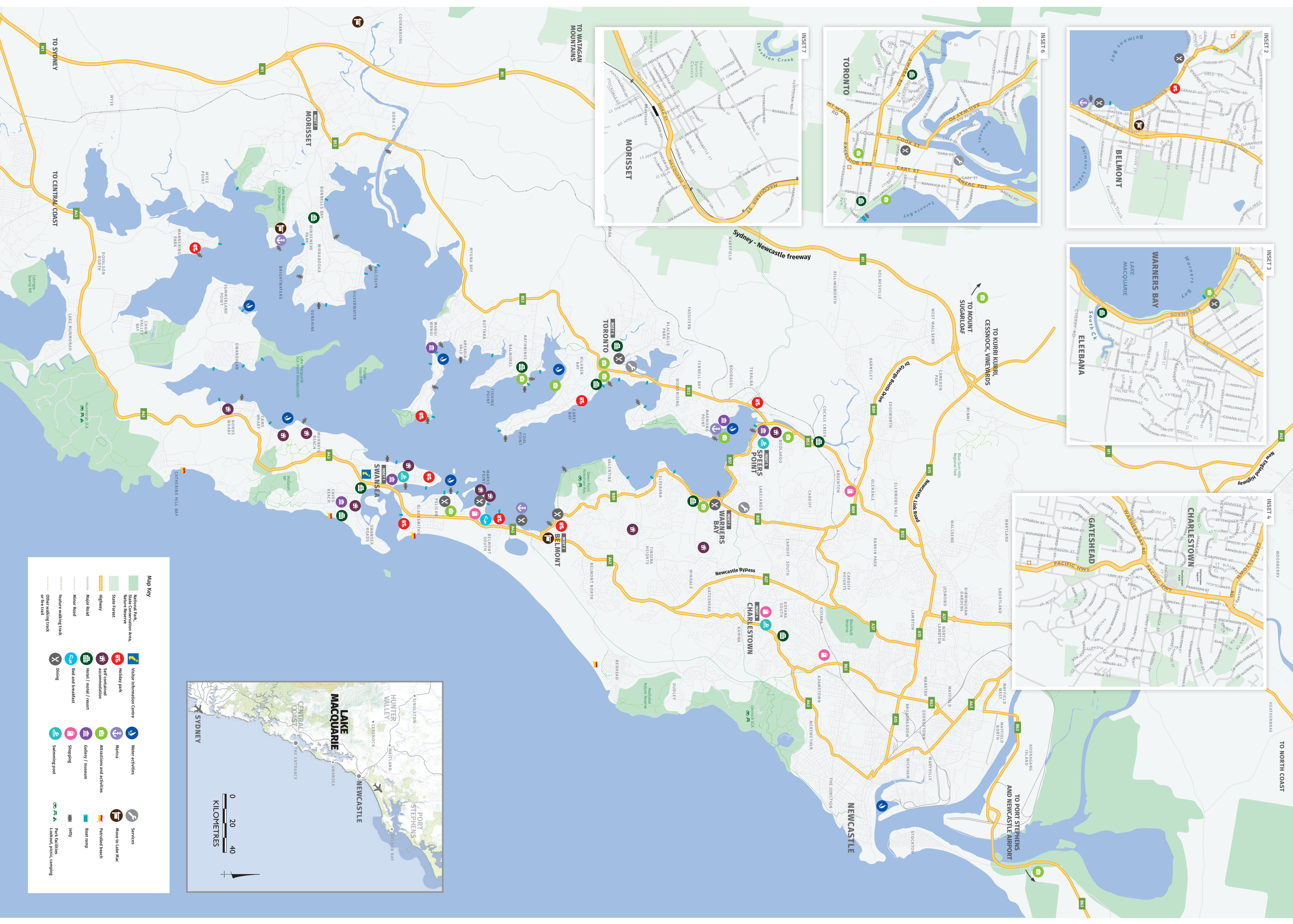
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