



SOUTHERN Illawarra

Tourism Fishing Guide

The coastal areas of Shellharbour and Kiama, located in the Southern Illawarra on the South Coast of New South Wales, offer many great fishing opportunities from lake to coastal and offshore - there is something for everyone.

From Lake Illawarra in the north to Seven Mile Beach in the south, the area caters for many estuary fishing, rock and beach fishing locations including many experienced local fishing charter boat operators that offer deep sea, light tackle, big game and reef fishing from close offshore to out past the continental shelf.

This guide provides visitors and local recreational anglers, information on making their fishing trip to our area a safe and enjoyable fishing experience.

FISHING LOCATIONS

Some of the most popular fishing spots include:

- **PORT KEMBLA**
Several productive beaches around Port Kembla that regularly fish well for bream, flathead, salmon, tailor and whiting. The well known 5 Islands group, slightly offshore from Port Kembla, offer the boat angler many and varied species including bream, snapper, morwong, kingfish, groper and trevally.
- **WINDANG BEACH**
Whiting, flathead, bream
- **LAKE ILLAWARRA**
Renowned for prawns and blue swimmer crabs during the summer months and many fishing spots from the entrance area in the east, across to the feeder creeks on the western side.
- **LAKE ENTRANCE**
Bream, flathead, whiting, luderick (blackfish), tailor, salmon and occasional mullet
- **YACHT CLUB/GRIFFITHS BAY**
Bream, flathead, whiting
- **YACHT CLUB TO BERKELEY HARBOUR**
Bream, flathead, whiting, luderick
- **BERKELEY HARBOUR TO HOOKA CREEK**
Bream, flathead
- **TANK TRAP BERKELEY** (Mullet Creek)
Bream, flathead, mullet
- **KANAHOOKA BAY & MOTOR BOAT CLUB**
Bream, flathead, luderick
- **KOONAWARRA BAY**
Bream, flathead
- **YALLAH BAY**
Bream, flathead
- **DUCK CREEK**
Bream, flathead, mullet
- **MACQUARIE RIVULET**
Bream, flathead, mullet, bass, estuary perch
- **KOONA BAY/BURROO BAY**
Bream, flathead, mullet, luderick
- **KAROO BAY, WHYJUCK BAY**
Bream, flathead, luderick
- **WINDANG ISLAND**
Salmon, tailor, snapper, morwong, bream, groper, kingfish, calamari
- **WARILLA BEACH**
Bream, flathead, whiting, salmon, tailor
- **NORTH SHELLHARBOUR BEACH**
Bream, flathead, whiting, salmon, tailor
- **SHELLHARBOUR HARBOUR/COWRIE ISLAND**
Bream, flathead, whiting, salmon, tailor, groper
- **SOUTH SHELLHARBOUR BEACH**
Bream, flathead, whiting, salmon, tailor
- **BASS POINT HEADLAND**
Bream, flathead, whiting, salmon, tailor, groper, kingfish
NOTE: Bushrangers Bay at Bass Point is a declared fish sanctuary
- **KILLALEA STATE PARK**
Bream, flathead, whiting, salmon, tailor
- **MINNAMURRA RIVER ENTRANCE**
Bream, flathead, whiting, luderick, leatherjackets
- **MINNAMURRA RIVER NEAR BRIDGE**
Bream, flathead, luderick
- **SOUTH END OF BOMBO BEACH**
Bream, flathead, whiting, salmon, tailor, mullet
- **KIAMA HARBOUR**
Bream, leatherjacket, yellowtail, calamari



- **BLOWHOLE POINT AT KIAMA**
Bream, flathead, whiting, salmon, tailor, groper, kingfish
- **NORTH END OF WERRI BEACH AT GERRINGONG**
Bream, flathead, whiting, salmon, tailor, mullet
- **BLACKHEAD POINT AT GERROA**
Bream, snapper, groper, trevally, salmon, tailor, kingfish
- **NORTH END OF SEVEN MILE BEACH AT GERROA**
Bream, flathead, whiting, salmon, tailor, mullet



BOAT RAMPS

Several all weather boat ramps are conveniently located throughout the Shellharbour/Kiama area that provide safe launch and retrieve facilities.

- **PORT KEMBLA**
Just south of the Outer harbour within the Port Kembla harbour precinct. Foreshore Road. Three lane concrete ramp, two fish cleaning tables, parking and toilets facilities. Boat wash down facilities available. Port Kembla is a commercial port and anchoring within the port or its approaches is prohibited. The inner harbour is off limits to all unauthorised vessels. 4-knot limit
- **LAKE ILLAWARRA**
Windang Boat Ramp - situated on the Windang side of the Lake Illawarra entrance on the northern side of Windang Bridge - Fern Street. Two lane concrete ramp, two fish cleaning tables and parking. 4-knot limit areas are Windang Channel and Berkeley Harbour.
Reddall Reserve/Ocean Street Boat Ramp - Situated off Reddall Reserve opposite Ocean Street on the southern side of Windang Bridge. One lane concrete ramp with parking facilities (limited access for larger vessels)
Oak Flats Ski Way Park Boat Ramp - situated on The Esplanade, Oak Flats. Single lane concrete ramp, parking and toilet facilities
Oak Flats Boat Ramp - situated on The Boulevard at Oak Flats. Single lane concrete ramp with parking facilities (suitable for small vessels only)
Yallah Bay Boat Ramp - 2 lane concrete ramp with parking facilities, situated at the end of Yallah Bay Road, just off the Princes Highway.
Kanahooka Boat Ramp - situated at Kanahooka Park. Two lane concrete ramp with parking facilities
Berkeley East Boat Ramp - situated on Wollamai Crescent, just off Northcliffe Drive. Two lane concrete ramp with parking facilities (suitable for small vessels only)
Berkeley Harbour Boat Ramp - situated on Northcliffe Drive. Two lane concrete ramp with parking facilities. 4-knot limit
Illawarra Yacht Club Boat Ramp - off Northcliffe Drive, Warrawong. two lane concrete ramp with parking facilities.
- **SHELLHARBOUR**
Shellharbour Harbour/Cowrie Island - Located inside the harbour at Shellharbour Village between north & south Shellharbour beaches - two lane concrete ramp, two fish cleaning tables, parking facilities. Boat washing facilities available opposite the AVCG building. 4-knot limit
Shellharbour/ Bass Point Ocean (Surge Ramp) - Located on Boolwaroo Parade, on the eastern side of the Gravel loader wharf. Single lane concrete ramp with parking facilities. This ramp is open to the ocean and strong surge and wave conditions may exist
- **KIAMA**
Minnamurra Entrance Boat Ramp - John Holts Reserve located at the end of Charles Avenue. Single lane concrete ramp with parking facilities (suitable for small vessels only). 4-knot limit
Minnamurra Bridge Boat Ramp - adjacent to road bridge on the eastern side - Single lane concrete ramp that is suitable for small vessels only. 4-knot limit
Kiama Harbour Boat Ramp - situated on the southern side of the harbour. Two lane concrete ramp, large fish cleaning table and parking facilities, boat wash down facilities available. Drops into a good water depth on all tides. 4-knot limit
- **GERRINGONG**
Gerringong Boat Harbour (surge ramp) - situated on Jupiter Street, off Fern Street. Single lane concrete ramp with parking facilities. Ramp is quite steep that launches into deep water but only offers minimal boat holding areas. This ramp is open to the ocean and strong surge and wave conditions may exist.
Gerroa Beach Boat Ramp - At the end of Burke Street. Beach launching ramp. This is a public beach and is a shared facility. Caution is to be taken when manoeuvring vehicles and trailers, as well as when launching, recovering vessels and transiting to and from the beach.

