

Great Rides

NORTH REGION – MINNAMURRA TO BOMBO

N1 – Dunmore to Minnamurra (2.1km)

Learn about local ecosystems, or enjoy a rest at a picnic area on either side of the Minnamurra River.

This pathway begins at the Dunmore railway station (on the highway side), and extends south toward the Minnamurra River, through a section of Casuarina forest complete with interpretive signage. Crossing the river, the route almost immediately turns left into The Village (street name) to access a rail underpass at the end of the cul-de-sac. This route links with Route N2 below.

N2 – Minnamurra to Jones Beach, Kiama Downs (3.4km)

Check out the extensive coastal views from Minnamurra Headland, or enjoy a break at one of the many riverside reserves.

From the east side of the rail underpass, the pathway extends the length of Railway Ave (including a section between the school and rail line, meeting Minnamurra station). Turning left onto Rangoon Rd, and then right onto Charles Ave (on-road) cyclists must travel south uphill to Carson Pl, at the end of which the Minnamurra headland is accessed. Following local roads (Eureka Ave then Johnson St) from the south side of the headland, cyclists will meet a southbound pathway at the intersection with North Kiama Drive. This pathway runs the length of Jones Beach (Kiama Downs), to meet Routes N3 & N4

N3 – Jones Beach, Kiama Downs to Swamp Rd, Jamberoo (3.8km)

Start with a swim at the beach and end with a cycle alongside the rural waterways.

Starting on-road at the beach end of Moona Ave cyclists ride west through a rail underpass, before crossing Riverside Drive. 100m to the north of this crossing, cyclists can access an off-road route at the end of the cul-de-sac in Duguid Way, which runs west through Kiama Downs to eventually meet Henry Parkes Dr. Heading west along its length, this on-road section serves as the entry to another off-road pathway, which leads around the picturesque billabong and terminates at the intersection of Swamp Rd, Jamberoo.





N4: Jones Beach, Kiama Downs to Bombo (2.3km)

Check out Cathedral Rocks – best viewed from along Cliff Drive, or take a detour for a walk around the many Bombo Headland tracks.

This coastal route heads south toward Kiama following from the termination of N2 along North Kiama Dr and left to the end of Cliff Dr (note Cliff Dr is a considerable hill). From this viewpoint a shared path is accessed, which leads over Bombo Headland and down onto the north end of Bombo Beach. This route terminates at the rail underpass at the end of the car park access road. From here cyclists have two options to reach Kiama (routes C1 & C2).



ICON KEY...

-  Flat cycleway
-  Undulating Cycleway
-  Sea Level
-  Elevation



CENTRAL REGION: KIAMA (BOMBO) TO KIAMA HEIGHTS

C1 Bombo to Kiama : Option 1 – direct (1.9km)

Your short uphill climb is rewarded with a picturesque setting for lunch, or a fresh coffee by the harbour.

To access this route, cyclists must dismount and climb the stairs adjacent to the underpass to reach the shared pathway running parallel to the highway. Caution is to be taken due to the proximity of the fast flowing traffic of the highway. Alternately, to avoid stairs turn right, make a loop onto the end of Riverside Drive (through the highway underpass), to rejoin the path continuing south. Follow this path south, where it will exit and feed onto Gipps St, for the uphill climb into the Kiama CBD. Take the path to the left prior to the historic Terrace Houses, which will lead you directly to the harbour.

C2: Bombo to Kiama : Option 2 - via Spring Creek (2.7km)

Just for something different, take a detour for a walk through the unique Spring Creek Wetland area.

To access this route, cyclists must cross the road after passing through the rail underpass. Heading south this route runs adjacent to the northbound highway lane, across the Spring Creek bridge and up to the exit at Spring Creek Dr. Caution must be taken due to the proximity of highway traffic. Following this and turning left uphill (Terralong St) a leisurely cycle down into the Kiama CBD follows. Alternatively, at Spring Creek bridge, take the underpass and return to the route on the eastern side and proceed on that side of the highway.

C3: Kiama CBD to Kendalls Beach (2.5km)

Family friendly off road paths skirt the coast across multiple beaches, under the gaze of Kiama's prominent lighthouse.

Extending routes C1/C2 skirt Black Beach with an optional Harbour - Lighthouse - Blowhole loop. Continuing south from the entry to the headland, the route meanders through the Kiama Showground, and down along Surf Beach in front of the surf club, before steeply climbing in preparation for the descent onto Kendalls Beach.

C4: Kendalls Beach to Kiama Heights (2.6km)

From beach to bush; enjoy some time in the Bonaira Native Gardens.

Departing Kendalls Beach from its southern exit, this tour crosses Bonaira St leaving the beach precinct behind. Continuing on Allambie Cr to meet a shared pathway, the route leads through the Bonaira Native Gardens to meet Reid and Marks streets linking to South Kiama Dr. Once at the bottom adjacent to Munna Munnora Creek, a long and gruelling climb leads to Kiama Heights. Local streets provide connection to Loves Bay or cliff top reserves.

Note: Regrettably, there is no suitable access for cyclists on the Princes Hwy south to Gerringong due to road conditions, traffic speed and volume of traffic.



SOUTH REGION: GERRINGONG TO GERROA

S1: Omega Flat to Belinda St : Optional Gerringong CBD linkage (2.2km)

Take the flat painless tour through town, to discover quiet backstreets of this appealing coastal township

Starting (or ending) at Fern St, Omega flat in the north - this route extends south, before turning right across Boxsell Reserve to meet Burnett Ave. Carinya Way leads through to Rowllins Rd, at the end of which it terminates at Belinda St (& meets route S3). An optional linkage at the south end of the Rowllins Rd playing fields, leads back to Fern St.

S2: Werri Beach with linkages to Gerringong CBD & Omega Flat (3.1km)

Effortlessly cruise the 2km beach path from north to south and enjoy the sun and sand

Running the length of the beach, this waterfront formed pathway provides linkage from the lagoon in the north, to the surf club in the south. Car parking, picnic tables and beach access are abundant along the way. A connection in the south links the beach to Fern St via Bridges Rd, while Miller St (across Werri lagoon and Omega Flat) meets route S1 in the north. Caution must be taken whilst crossing Omega flat, due to tidal flood waters. This path is a gravel pathway.

S3: Belinda St south through rural fringes and beyond (1.7km)

From the town centre to the southern boundary via one of Gerringong's most picturesque residential areas

Linking the north to the south, this route picks up where S1 ended on Belinda St. Across the road leading through the Rowllins Rd reserve, this route links with Croft Pl and onto Archibald Rd. From here, cyclists have the option of using the combination of Union way – Ino Ln – Nile Cl (more scenic), or alternatively Aldinga Ave and Elambra Pde, in order to reach Fern St (and route S4).

S4: Gerringong CBD to Crooked River, Gerroa (3.7km)

Rural scenery, immeasurable towering coastal vista and sheltered waters – this route has it all





Setting off from Fern St at the CBD intersection with Belinda St, this route leads south toward Gerroa. Along the way, linkages are made with route S3 as the path explores the urban bounds. Further south, the route leads along what becomes Crooked River Rd to Headland Dr, past the Sir Charles Kingsford-Smith memorial lookout, before using Riverleigh Ave to access the waterfront down a steep descent.



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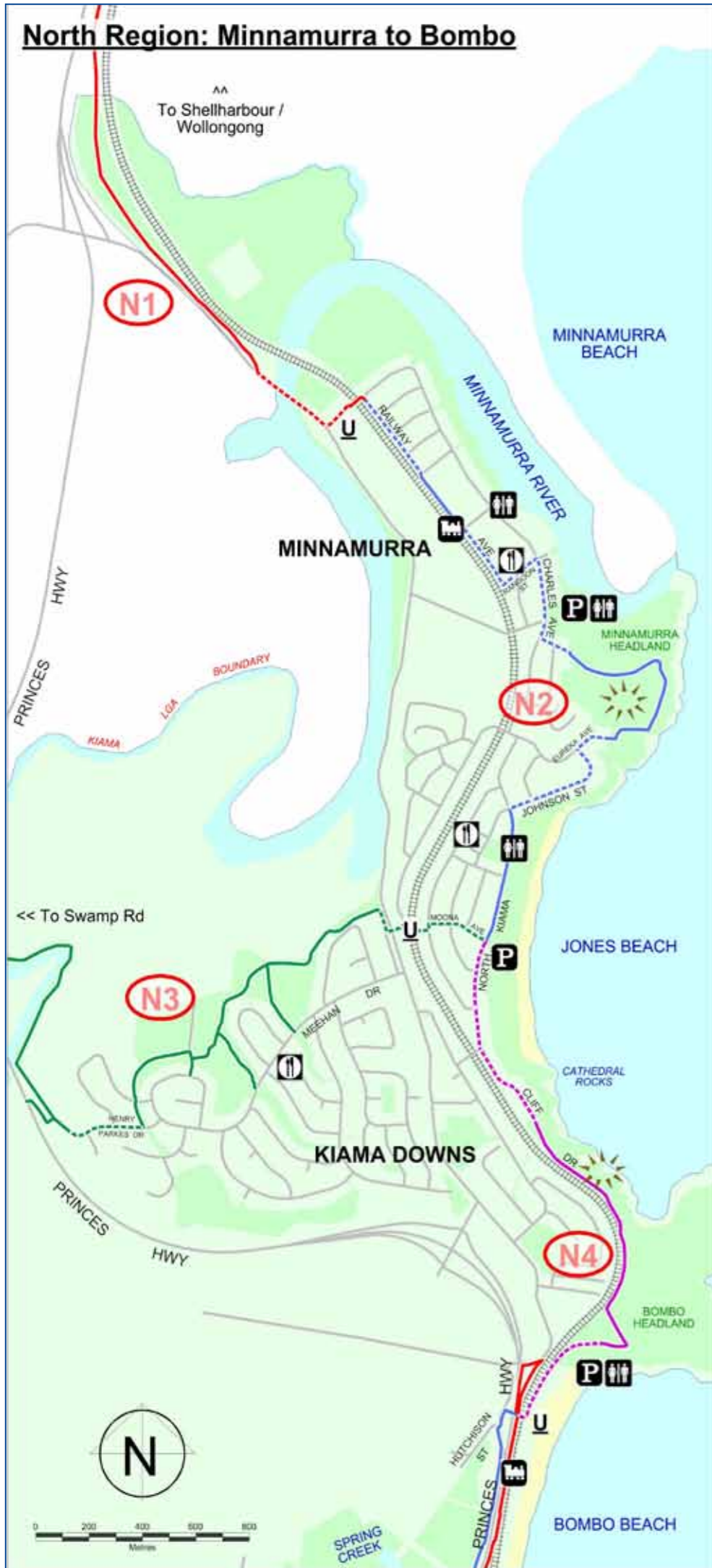


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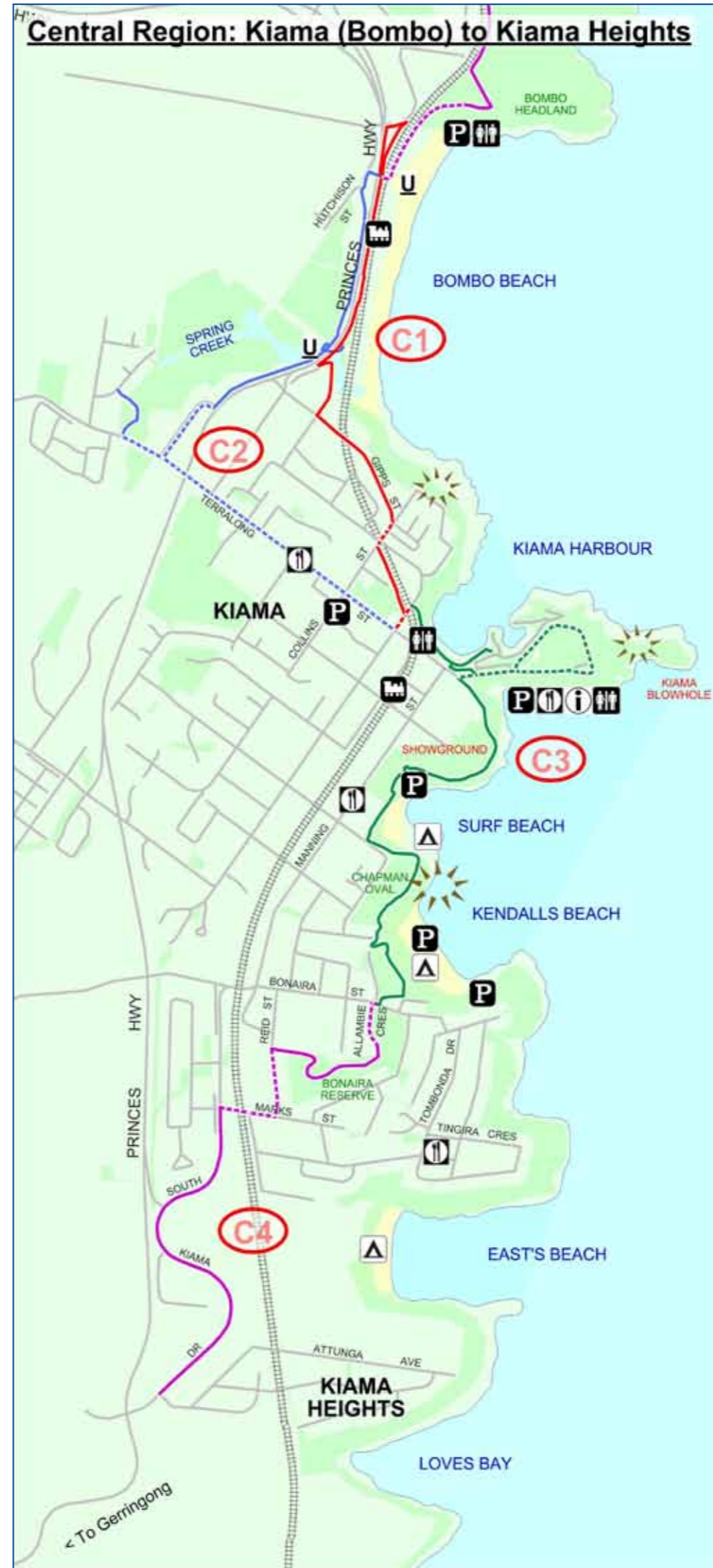
-  Slow down and ring your bell early to warn of your approach.
-  Stay alert and be aware of other people using the path.
-  Wearing headphones and using a mobile phone will reduce your awareness of the people and hazards around you.
-  Ride in a safe and courteous manner.

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North Region: Minnamurra to Bombo



Central Region: Kiama (Bombo) to Kiama Heights



South Region: Gerringong to Gerroa



LEGEND

- Scenic View
- Formed path
- On-road section
- Parking
- Information
- Tourist Park
- Cafe / Shops
- Public Toilets
- Train Station
- Underpass

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