City Farm walk to Milhams Farmhouse Ruin



30 mins	
1.3 km Return	

Easy track

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Step back in time on this short easy walk that guides you from Riverside Park picnic area to the ruins of the Milham's family farmhouse. The farm was once a vibrant dairy and today you will still see cattle grazing in the fenced paddocks alongside the walk. From the banks of the north arm of the Hunter River, this walk follows the old farm road (closed to traffic) alongside the paddocks and she oak forest. There is a picnic table in the shade near the old house, a nice quiet spot to sit and reminisce on the rich history and natural beauty of the area.

Hunter Wetlands National Park

Hunter River North Arm

Hunter Wetlands National Park

The Lane

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Are you ready to have fun?

Please ensure you and your group are well prepared and equipped for all possible hazards and delays. Check park closures, weather information and Fire Danger Rating before setting out. Optional side trips and alternate routes noted are not included in this walks overall grade, length or time estimate. Please allow extra time for resting and exploring areas of interest. The authors, staff and owners of wildwalks take care in preparing this information but will not accept responsibility for any inconvenience, loss or injury you may experience. Please take care, have fun - Happy Walking.

Getting there Traveling by car is the only practical way to get to Riverside Park car park (gps: -32.8339, 151.709). Car: There is free parking available.

This is a return walk, so you will finish back at the start. Find up to date and more information inlcuding; travel directions, weather, park closures and walker feedback at <u>http://wild.tl/cfwtmfr</u>

0 | Riverside Park car park

(30 m) From the Riverside Park car park at the end of The Lane, Kooragang, this walk heads over the grassy and gravel area through timber bollards for less than 10m to come to an intersection just before the river, marked by a 'Riverside Park' sign.

Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the gravel track to cross the short fibreglass bridge, keeping the river to the left. After about 10m this walk comes to a 3-way intersection with a gravel footpath, marked by an arrow post sign.

0.03 | Riverside Park

Riverside Park is found near the end of 'The Lane', Kooragang within Hunter Wetlands National Park. There is the City Farm jetty on the banks of the north arm of the Hunter River. You will also find two picnic shelters, each with a water tank. There is also an accessible toilet at the back of the grassy area. There are a few walks that leave from the area and it is also a popular fishing and bird watching area.

0.03 | Optional sidetrip to City Farm jetty

(90 m 1 mins) Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Jetty' arrow along the gravel path keeping the river to the left. After about 40m the path leads past a sheltered picnic area and water tap (on the right) then continues for about 30m to come to a 'Hunter Wetlands National Park' information sign (on the right). Here the walk leads onto the floating jetty ramp with 1m metal fence that leads to the City Farm jetty (there is an 8cm step to access the

actual jetty platform. At the end of this side trip, retrace your steps back to the main walk then Turn left.

0.03 | Riverside Park int

(630 m 9 mins) Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'City Farm' arrow along the gravel path heading directly away from the river. After about 20m this walk leads past a picnic table (on the left) and then sheltered picnic area and water tap (on the right). About 30m later this walk leads past the track leading to the toilet (on the left). This walk continues straight on, as the track widens, for about 25m to cross over a small bridge where the trail then bends left. Here the mostly flat trail leads alongside the farmland for 400m to then bend right through a gap in the fence and come to a picnic table (on the right). The walk continues along the trail for another 60m as in bends left to come to the front of The City Farm ruins marked with a 'Riverside park' sign point back.

0.66 | City Farm ruins

The ruins are a part of the City Farm precinct and are specifically the Milham's farmhouse ruins. The home was built in the 1860s from sandstone quarried from Muree, then transported by bullock dray, then by river. Seashells were commonly used to produce lime in the mortar at the time. The farm was primarily a dairy farm and there are still ruins of the well and milking sheds east of the house.





Accessibility Profile



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Parking: There are 0 designated accessible parking areas on this walk.

Toilets: There are 1 toilets on this walk.

Seats: There are 3 seats on this walk. They are on average 300m apart, with a maximum gap of 530m.

Surface

The first 80m of this walk follows a compressed gravel footpath, the rest of the walk follows an old road, asphalt and dirt in places.

Steepness

This walk is flat with short hills less than 1:12 steep.

This graph shows how steep the track is.



2	Grade 2/6 Easy track
Length	1.3 km Return
Time	30 mins
Quality of track	Clear and well formed track or trail (2/6)
Signs	Clearly signposted (1/6)
Experience Required	No experience required (1/6)
Weather	Weather generally has little impact on safety (1/6)
Infrastructure	Generally useful facilities (such as fenced cliffs and seats) (1/6)





Accessibility Details



(50m)



Pinch Point(10m)

Plastic bollard pinch points around the edge of the carpark. The largest gap between the bollard is 1.3m, 90cm high.



3 Potable Water (50m) Water tank beside picnic sheter. Treat water before use. Tap 60cm high on concrete slab.



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water before use. Tap 60cm high on
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7Picnic Table(590m)A timber slat picnic table and bench
seat. The table is 77cm high, 79cm deep

seat. The table is 77cm high, 79cm deep and 1.8m wide. The seats are 47cm high, 19cm deep and 1.8m wide (no backrest). With some shade from a tree.



Picnic Shelter

A timber slat picnic table and bench seat under roof. The table is 79cm high, 92cm deep and 2.1m wide. The seats are 46cm high, 28cm deep and 2.1m wide (no backrest). The table is on a (6x6m) concrete slab. There is a second similar table opposite not in a shelter.



4 **Picnic Shelter** (60m) A timber slat picnic table and bench seat under roof. The table is 79cm high, 73cm deep and 2.1m wide. The seats are 46cm high, 44cm deep and 2.1m wide (no backrest). The table is on a (6x6m) concrete slab.



Toilet Accessible (100m)

Shared male/female accessible toilet. Entrance is 85cm wide, no hand basin, toilet seat 47cm high with a 87cm high handrail, in a 3x2m room.