

Gidjuum Gulganyi Alternative Hike

All coords are **56JNP**

An alternative way of doing the Gidjuum Gulganyi, without needing to book the expensive campsites.

The rules stated by NPWS are

No camping within 500m of their camps.

No use of the camp facilities.

No camping within 30m of a stream.

No camping where a paying hiker could see your camp from the trail.

All waste to be carried out (LEAVE NO TRACE). Ok to bury human waste.

Logistics

Drop off at Unicorn Falls early on Day 1

Pick up at Minyon Grass on Day 4 avo

Need to book Rummery Park NP Camp for the night of Day 3. There is car access to Rummery Park.

The water at the Rockface Road camp may be hard to find. You can opt to carry water from Sand Ridge camp but it's a huge climb!

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Day 1 – Unicorn to Rockface Road Camp

10.8Km, 923m↑, 466m↓

Follow standard Gidjuum Gulganyi hike.

It's worth the small detour to visit **Hells Hole (347 488)**. Don't go near the edge!!

Continue pass **Sand Ridge Camp (350 478)**. A chance to use the toilet + get water

When you get to **Rockface Road (353 465)** turn left and walk about 100m until you are out of site of the Gidjuum Gulganyi track. Plenty of space to camp.

If you head South (off-track) it's about 50m to a small creek, which should have water in it.

Day 2 – Rockface Road Camp to Gibbergunyah Camp

13.7Km, 974m↑, 866m↓

Follow the Gidjuum Gulganyi track over Mt Jerusalem.

There is GOOD water on **Thunderegg Road (335 447)**, about 50m off the Gidjuum Gulganyi track.

Don't miss out on the excellent **Flying Fox viewpoint (334 443)**. Beware of the huge drop!

Continue on the Gidjuum Gulganyi pass the Loo with a view, and up to where it joins the **Historic Nightcap Trail (321 428)**

Make sure to visit the **Postal Tree (327 419)** – a great lunch spot

When you get to the junction with **Gibbergunyah Road (339 404)** – **TURN RIGHT**.

This is a detour from the Gidjuum Gulganyi to a good free camp site with good water.

The **Gibbergunyah Road camp is at (330 403)**. Camping is on the side of the road. You can camp at the earlier creek crossing, but it usually doesn't have good water.

.Day 3 – Gibbergunyah Camp to Rummery Park NP Camp

8.7Km, 237m↑, 555↓

Trudge back up the hill to rejoin the Gidjuum Gulganyi track, going past the **Yelgun Kyoomgun camp (339 402)**.

Continue to follow the Gidjuum Gulganyi all the way down Peates Mountain Road.

Abandon the **Gidjuum Gulganyi at (365 367)** (where it turns sharply left and goes back uphill!).

Instead continue on to the Rummery Park NP camp (**NEEDS BOOKING**), and rather too much civilisation.

.Day 4 – Rummery Park NP Camp to Minyon Grass (via bottom of Minyon Falls)

7.2Km, 304m↑, 394↓

From Rummery Park head down Boggy Creek Walk, crossing the road shortly before you get to the great viewpoints from the top of **Minyon Falls (381 348)**.

Having enjoyed the view, back track a bit and cross the creek to join the **Minyon Falls Loop (380 349)**

Visit the bottom of the falls, and then do the final climb to **Minyon Grass (389 341)**