Day planner — parking clock + packing

Walk-from-town vs drive · 1-hour lawn rule · 3.7 km loop · official NPWS links. Not a national park. Not walked.

Snapshot re-checked 27 Aug 2026 against NSW National Parks visitor notes. Park listed Open. Fees, hours and closures change. Confirm on nationalparks.nsw.gov.au before travel. This is not live status.

Decision tree

Walk or cycle from Byron

- No hourly vehicle fee
- Linger at lighthouse / do the loop
- Climb on Lighthouse Road is real

Drive to the lawn

- $10/vehicle/hour · motorcycles $4/hour
- Max 1 hour per vehicle per calendar day — including NPWS annual passholders
- Do not start the 3.7 km loop on this ticket

The Pass / Cosy Corner / Bawaii: $5 per vehicle/motorcycle per hour (confirm live). Coach rates on the official page.

How long

- 60–90 min precinct if you drive (you only have one paid hour)
- Half day: 3.7 km Grade 3 loop (walk-in or $5 node)
- Overnight: Byron Bay town or official NPWS cottages — no conventional campground
- Skip if you need a 3-day wilderness or all-day lawn parking with an annual pass

Packing

☐ Water (do not assume the café is open — NPWS: Cape Byron Lighthouse Café closed until further notice from 31 May 2026)

☐ Cottage beach tracks (Mildenhall–Imeson, Partridge) closed for erosion drop-off — Clarkes Beach via Brooke Drive / The Pass or Bawaii

☐ Sun hat + SPF

☐ Grip shoes for steps / sand

☐ Wind layer for the lawn

☐ Binoculars in whale season (confirm Wild About Whales)

☐ Headlamp for a walk-in sunrise

Official links

- SCA park page
- Local alerts
- Walking track
- Information Centre — 199 Lighthouse Road · 02 6639 8300
- Emergencies: 000

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