








QUAMBY BLUFF

Quamby Bluff (1227m), the northernmost peak in the Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Area, provides panoramic views of Northern Tasmania including the Central Plateau and Great Western Tiers.

The original inhabitants of the area were the Pallitorre Clan and Iartitickitheker is the name they used for Quamby Bluff.

	Time: 4 - 5 hour return Distance: 6km return
	Take the A5 Highland Lakes Rd from Deloraine heading towards the Great Lake & Miena. The walk is marked by a blue sign and car park on the left of the road approximately 12.5km from the Great Lakes T-Junction turn off. Cross the road to start the walk. The road is sealed all the way. Ref: -41.6601123, 146.722619 (type this grid reference or "Quamby Bluff" into Google Maps) Retail Map: TL07 Breton
	There are no facilities at Quamby Bluff – toilets, picnic shelters and gas BBQs are available at nearby Liffey Falls upper car park.
	Grade 3: Some bushwalking experience recommended. Tracks may have short steep hill sections, a rough surface, and many steps.
	Weather may change suddenly with exposed alpine conditions and fog may impede navigation. Beware of snakes during summer. Keep your eye on track markers in the forest and on the summit. Two scree crossings.

The track from Highland Lakes Rd to the summit of Quamby Bluff has an elevation gain of around 500m over 3km.

The walk starts on farmland adjacent to the A5 and quickly enters tea tree and eucalypt forest. The sometimes muddy but moderately well-defined track gently climbs for a kilometre or so, before encountering vibrant patches of rainforest. The track then rises up into the initial scree field where you are afforded your first view east to Drys Bluff, and then snakes through another patch of even mossier rainforest and a second steeper section of scree near the top. These boulders require scrambling and are slippery when wet. If walking in summer, it is here you will enjoy the array of colourful wildflowers of Waratah, Scoparia and other native alpine shrubs. Winter walkers can look forward to snow patches, icy pools and frost covered boulders.

Follow the pole markers 350m across the top to the trig point; the 360 degree views (on a clear day) are well worth the effort. Keep your eye out for the resident wedge-tailed eagles, echidnas and quolls too!

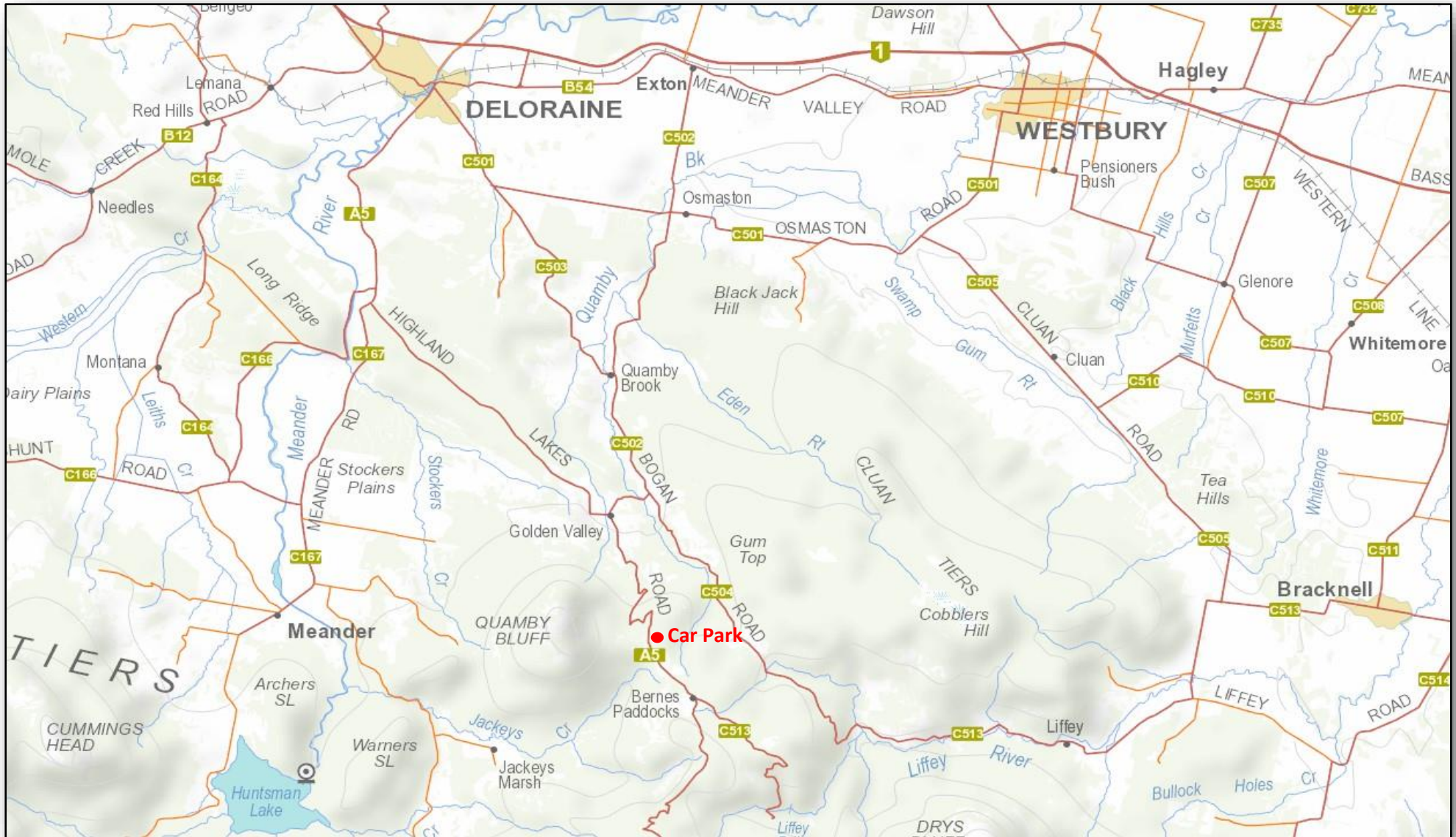
Return the way you came.

SAFE WALKING: Plan, be prepared, walk with friends, tell someone where you are going. Consider hiring an EPIRB from Service Tasmania (Launceston & Devonport) to prepare for emergency events. Make a personal determination as to your fitness and ability to undertake specific walks.

LEAVE NO TRACE: walk on formed tracks, observe all restrictions, dispose of waste properly and leave what you find.

FURTHER INFO: National Parks: www.parks.tas.gov.au Restrictions & Alerts: www.fire.tas.gov.au & www.police.tas.gov.au/community-alerts Weather: www.bom.gov.au/tas

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