The Waterfall Way

Running between Coffs Harbour on the New South Wales coast and the elevated, inland city of Armidale, the Waterfall Way is a 200 kilometre drive along one of the most scenic routes in NSW. Passing through the picturesque Bellinger Valley up onto the Dorrigo Plateau and the New England Tablelands, the drive is a perfect deviation to make on a road trip between Sydney and Brisbane, allowing half the journey to be made on the coast road and half on the New England highway inland. Waterfall Way passes through, or very close to, a number of stunning North NSW National Parks – World Heritage Dorrigo National Park, New England National Park, Cathedral Rocks National Park and Oxley Wild Rivers National Park. These are home to many rare and endangered plants and animals that live in an incredible variety of habitats, not to mention some of the most spectacular waterfalls in the country, which give the route its name.

Distances and approximate driving times
FROM TO APPROX. DISTANCE APPROX. TIME
Urunga Pacific Hwy Junction 5 km 5 min
Pacific Hwy Junction Bellingen 11 km 10 min
Bellingen Newell Falls 20 km 25 min
Newell Falls Sherrard Falls 1 km 1 min
Sherrard Falls Dorrigo 9 km 15 min
Waterfall Way Dorrigo Lookout 3.3 km 5 min
Dorrigo Waterfall Way Dorrigo Rainforest Centre 1.5 km 2 min
Dorrigo Dangar Falls 2.4 km 4 min
Dorrigo Bakers Creek Falls Turnoff 2.4 km 5 min
Bakers Creek Falls Turnoff Wolumbambie Falls Turnoff 3.7 km 10 min
Wolumbambie Falls Turnoff Wolumbambie Falls 2.5 km 5 min
Wolumbambie Falls Turnoff Armidale 38 km 35 min
Wolumbambie Falls Turnoff Balders Creek Falls Turnoff 24 km 20 min
Bakers Creek Falls Turnoff Armidale 17 km 15 min
Armidale Dangars Falls 22 km 30 min
Armidale Garra Gorge 16 km 20 min

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