

O'Connell / Tarana **DISCOVERY TRAIL**

Take this Discovery Trail to enjoy a scenic alternative route between Oberon and Lithgow, along a section of The Tablelands Way through peaceful highland countryside. Highlights along the way include historic villages, delightful countryside, Lake Lyell and Evans Crown Nature Reserve.

Reserve.

Drive summary

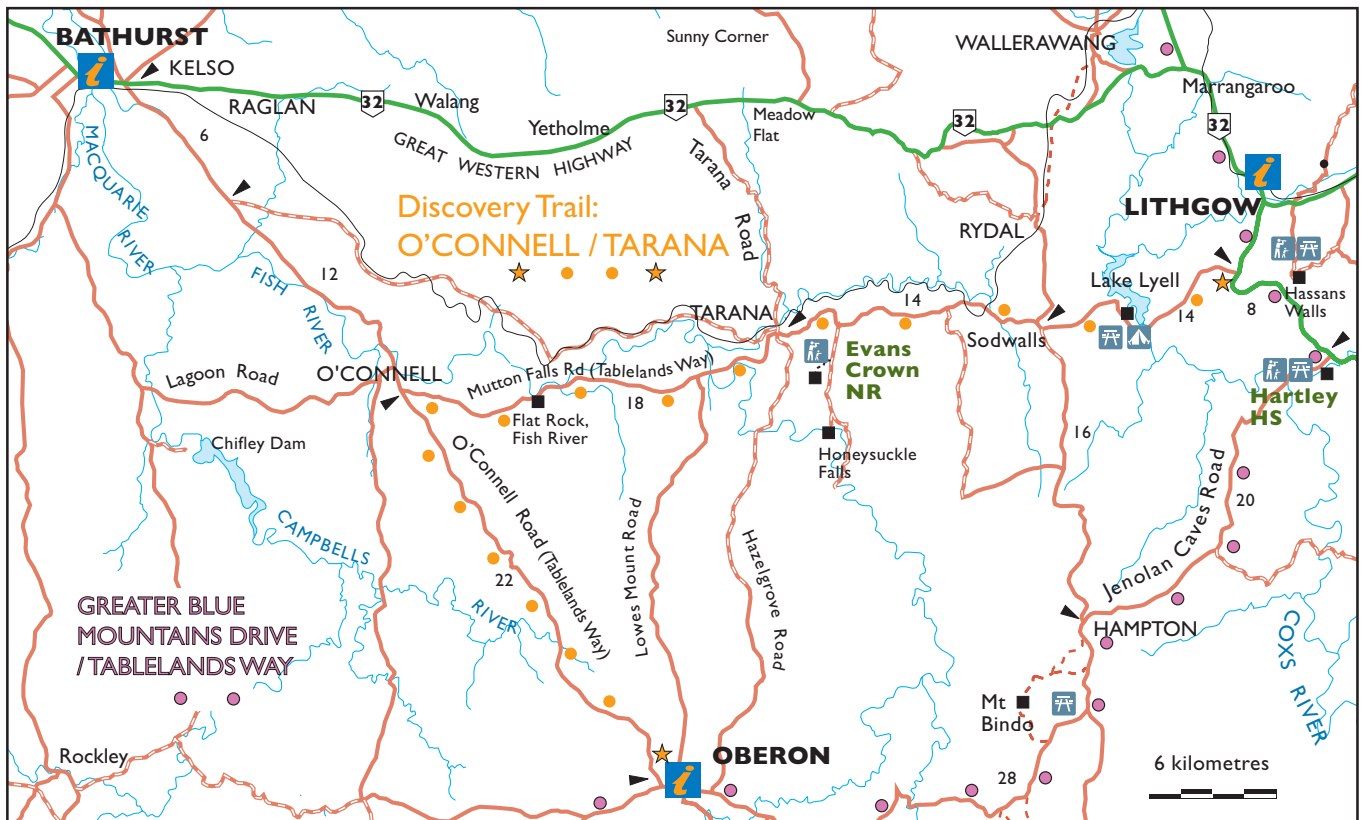
- 68km (one way)
- 1.5hr to drive (one way)
- Sealed roads, some narrow
- Start: Oberon
- Finish: Great Western Highway on the southern edge of Lithgow.

Route Description

From Oberon, take the O'Connell Road towards Bathurst. After 22km O'Connell village is reached. Turn right into the Tarana – O'Connell Road / Mutton Falls Road (The Tablelands Way) which passes Flat Rock Reserve on the Fish River and arrives at Tarana village, 18km from O'Connell. Continue towards Lithgow with the granite outcrops of Evans Crown Nature Reserve rising to the south. To explore these, you can turn right into Honeysuckle Falls Road, park at the sign-posted entry to the reserve, and

take a short, steep track up to the domes. Back on the main trail, continue past the village of Sodwalls to a complex junction 14km from Tarana. Magpie Hollow Road takes off here and leads down to Lake Lyell, where you can camp, boat, fish and canoe.

The road continues over the dam (on the Cocks River) and up to the Great Western Highway on Lithgow's outskirts. Turn left to proceed northwards on the Greater Blue Mountains Drive to Lithgow.



— Sealed road - - - Unsealed road - - - Firetrail Walking track

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