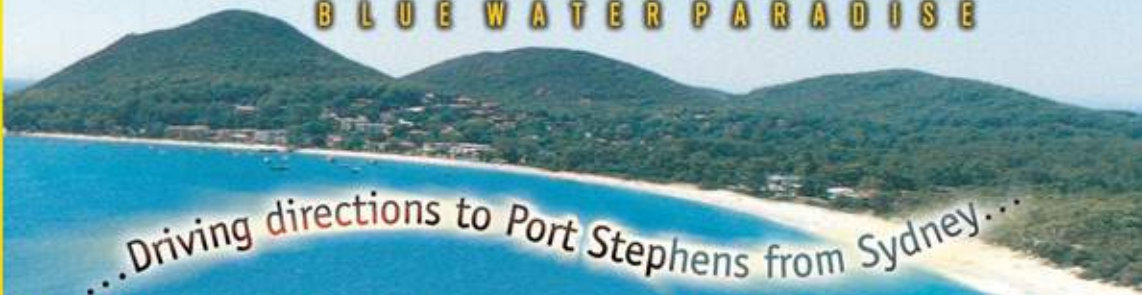


HOW TO USE THIS MAP
 This map shows major road signs for you to watch out for so that you feel confident that you are on the right track. The map gives distances in kms from the start of the F3 Freeway and arrows to indicate the direction you need to follow. Don't forget to reset your tripmeter at the start of the F3 Freeway Highway 1 sign. Following this map to Sign 15 (156 kms) will bring you along Richardson Road to reference J11 on the map on the inside of this guide, which gives a more detailed view of a section of Port Stephens. From here, use this map to find your specific destination. If you experience any difficulties, phone the Visitors Information Centre at Nelson Bay 4981 1579 or look out for one of the many Satellite Information Centres conveniently located around the district.

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BLUE WATER PARADISE



...Driving directions to Port Stephens from Sydney...

Total distance approximately 200kms from the Harbour Bridge. Average travel time approximately 2 1/2 hours.
 From Sydney, take the Pacific Highway north to the F3 Freeway turn off just before Hornsby. Turn right onto the F3 and reset your tripmeter at the 'Highway 1' sign. Distances shown on the accompanying map represent distances from the start of the Freeway.
 Continue travelling north over the Mooney Mooney Bridge, past Old Sydney Town and the Newcastle turn off, following the signs for "Taree". Do not take any exits. 10 kilometres before the end of the Freeway you will see a large brown sign informing you that the Port Stephens turn off is 20km away. If you miss the sign, don't worry, just keep going.
 At the end of the Freeway, turn right at the roundabout, following the sign "Hexham and Pacific Highway" (BP service

station and Burger King will be on your next left). The road veers to the right and merges with the New England Highway after which you should enter the left lane and look for the sign "Taree & Pacific Highway" which directs you over the Hexham Bridge.
 You are now on the Pacific Highway heading north. For Raymond Terrace, Karuah and the hinterland, follow the signs along the Pacific Highway. To get to the coastal areas follows signs to Taree. Look for the "next exit Richardson Road for Raymond Terrace/Nelson Bay". The Richardson Road exit is about a kilometre further on and will take you to a roundabout. Turn right and follow the signs to Nelson Bay. Depending on your exact destination, look for the appropriate turn off to Tanilba Bay and Lemon Tree Passage or Soldiers Point and Salamander Bay or continue on for the coastal areas of Anna Bay, Nelson Bay, Shoal Bay and Fingal Bay.

PORT STEPHENS

Port Stephens is not a city in its own right, but rather a region spread around and beyond the magnificent waterway of 'Port Stephens'. The area boasts exceptional diversity, in terms of what there is to see and do. Located at the end of the Freeway from Sydney, Port Stephens can be divided in 5 areas.

TOMAREE PENINSULA

The most easterly peninsula, the Tomaree Peninsula, is the main holiday destination in Port Stephens and a mecca for people who love water, beaches and all things aquatic. The peninsula is characterised by striking beaches, ample facilities and a string of small townships that are dotted around the coastline.

TILGERRY PENINSULA

The adjoining Tilligerry Peninsula, smaller in size, attracts families, nature and boating enthusiasts. There is a marked emphasis on eco tourism and is best known for its large native koala population, idyllic waterfront areas and a peaceful atmosphere.

THE GOLDEN BIGHT

The area that extends from Anna Bay on the Tomaree peninsula, and 32 km along the famous Stockton beach / sand dunes is collectively known as the Golden Bight. Adventure and excitement are the hallmarks of this stretch of land that is host to all manner of activities.

THE GATEWAYS

The Pacific Highway provides the gateway to the Port Stephens area from both the north and the south. Nestled on the wide scenic banks of the Hunter River, Raymond Terrace is the administrative and shopping centre of Port Stephens, a great place to pull off the Highway to 'revive and survive' or as a base from which to explore the region.

THE HINTERLAND

To the west of Raymond Terrace and the Pacific Highway lies a picturesque rural hinterland that features meandering rivers, peaceful country drives, eco destinations and a wonderful opportunity to simply explore.