Toowoon Bay Beach

Information for Visitors with Access Needs

# About

Toowoon Bay is a popular coastal suburb of the Central Coast with its own beach, but is more of a sheltered bay that welcomes paddle boarders, snorkelers, whale watchers and families keen for a dip.

Swimming, surfing and fishing are also popular, and the waterfront café and kiosk is a great spot to watch the waves and the world go by over brunch or a coffee.

# Overview

Toowoon Bay Beach is located just 3 kilometres south of The Entrance and is a quiet calm beach ideal for families and groups.

The casual café on the beachfront provides a shaded outdoor area to enjoy brunch style food, pastries and cold drinks, managed as part of the Toowoon Bay Surf Life Saving Club. Near the café are amenities including an accessible toilet (with shower) and male and female toilets.

Experiences include:

* Swimming, snorkelling, paddle-boarding, surfing
* Café with accessible seating
* Close to Swadling Reserve Park and playground

Welcoming and appropriate for:

* Manual and Motorised Wheelchairs
* Visitors with Reduced Mobility
* Non-English-Speaking Visitors
* Intergenerational Visitors
* Assistance Dogs with Certification
* D/deaf and Hard of Hearing Visitors
* Blind or Sight-Impaired Visitors
* Neurodiverse Visitors

# Getting there

Toowoon Bay Beach, 160 Bay Rd, Toowoon Bay NSW 2261

## Distances

Wyong 19-minute drive (16km)

Gosford 27-minute drive (22km)

Sydney 1hr 25min drive (110km)

Newcastle 1hr 10min drive (87km)

## Nearby

Swadling Reserve Park 3-minute drive (0.2km)

North Shelly Dog Beach 2-minute drive (1km)

Bateau Bay Square 9-minute drive (4.6km)

Long Jetty Foreshore Reserve 3-minute drive (1.5km)

# Getting around

At Toowoon Bay Beach you’ll find easy access from the car park to the seafront pathed areas.

A mild gradient pathway leads from the car park up to the shaded café seating where the accessible toilet and Surf Life Saving Club is located.

There are steps with handrails that lead onto the beach. Toowoon Beach has wheelchair hire through the Surf Life Saving Club and the beach matting makes it simple to get onto the sand area (matting is approx. 1.5m wide). The matting is permanently in place but it does not reach all the way to the water.

The main path surface is flat pavers and concrete with a width of 1.5 - 2.5 metres.

The beach is located within a small bay making its conditions mostly calm and protected.

The beach is located very close – just 200 metres – from Swadling Reserve Park which has modern and inclusive play equipment, large shaded accessible BBQs and an amenities block.

The park is located close by but sits above the beach and is accessed via a somewhat steep roadside pathway via Swadling Reserve Service Road.

# Accessibility

Accessible Parking Yes, 1 allocated at beachfront

Accessible Toilet 1 Unisex LH w/shower

Ambulant Toilet Male and female toilets only

Step- Free Yes, mild gradient on pathway to café and SLSC

Surface Sand, concrete, brick pavers, timber decking

Sounds Waves, potentially crowds

Smells Saltwater, sea spray

Light Natural daylight, night lighting

Temperature Daytime temps vary

## Accessible parking

One allocated car park at beachfront, allocated parking is on a hard surface. No ground markings are in place.

## Accessible Toilet

A unisex accessible toilet (LH) with a drop-down grabrail. There is a cold shower located in the facility also.

## Beach matting & beach wheelchairs

Matting is across the sand year-round (does not reach the water). Bookable beach wheelchairs are available.

## Stairways and ramps

The sand is accessible via a flat pathway, a ramped path (with handrails) and 2 sets of stairways with handrails.

## Seating

Seating along the foreshore consists of aluminium beach seats (without backrests), basic timber picnic tables, sandstone blocks.

## Café seating

The covered seating has light-weight plastic seating with arm rests and backrests.

## Outdoor Shower/foot wash

An outdoor shower/foot wash is located on the foreshore pathway.

### Cafe

It is located at the waterfront with café-style food and drinks in a shaded area with a low counter.

## Weather/Temperature

Check the local weather and dress suitably for the climate – be sun-smart and stay hydrated.

## Playgrounds

Nearby playground via a (slightly steep) ramped pathway at Swadling Reserve.

# Your destination

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