



Gaagal Wanggaan (South Beach)

National Park

4WD beach access

Gaagal Wanggaan National Park is a place rich in culture and ecological diversity. Encompassing Warrell Creek, the park covers an undisturbed coastal dune system, littoral rainforest, shrubland, estuarine mangroves – in short, a variety of breathtaking natural environments that teem with migratory wildlife and precious endangered species.

The northern end of the sandy peninsula is recognised as a critical nesting site for threatened shorebirds such as the little tern, pied oyster catcher and the beach stone curlew. During October to March each year these birds will nest in shallow sand scrapes above the high tide mark.

To help keep these endangered birds safe, a temporary fence is erected around the nesting site and 4WD access on the northern section of beach is prohibited. This seasonal closure provides a safe, largely undisturbed nesting site allowing these birds and their chicks a far greater chance of survival. People are reminded to keep well away from the nesting area and dogs are prohibited.

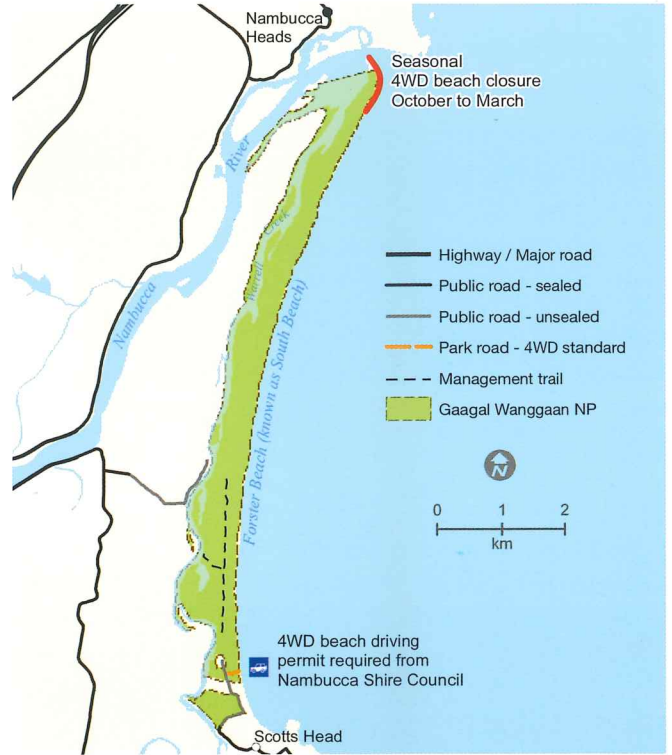
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Some handy tips if you plan to drive on the beach.

- Always drive within designated areas
- Drive on hard sand
- Avoid driving on high tide
- Use designated access points
- Observe signage and follow the rules
- No walking in the breeding area defined by the fenced enclosure



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