

WALK TITLE: MOROKA FALLS
WALK NO: 4
DISTANCE/TYPE: 6km / return walk
DURATION: 3 hours
GRADING: Easy
ASCENT/DESCENT: 160/160 metres
PATH: Well-formed foot track



This easy walk follows the Moroka River downstream through alpine peat bogs and woodlands to a plunge pool, the first of the three Moroka River waterfalls. On the way home, we will do a short side trip to Moroka Hut, a cattleman's hut.

WALK DESCRIPTION:

The walking track leaves the Horseyard Flat camping area very shortly crossing a small bridge over the Moroka River. The track includes some boardwalk sections over small areas of alpine peatlands, which are important areas of habitat for many native plants and animals as well as storing, filtering, and locally regulating water flow. The track winds its way through snowgum (Black Sallee) woodland and then follows the river downstream to the first falls where the Moroka River flows into a deep pool. After enjoying the falls area, we will retrace our steps to the vehicles.

On the way back to Licola we will take the opportunity to visit Moroka Hut which is a cattleman's hut built in 1946 by Andy Estoppey and Bill Gillio. It is only a short walk from the Moroka Road.

GETTING TO THE START:

We will depart from Licola travelling on 22kms of sealed road passing the 14 scenic river camps on the Wellington River before the road becomes gravel. We will stop briefly at Bennison Lookout (35kms from Licola) to hopefully enjoy a lovely view of the mountains including The Sentinels before continuing on to Horseyard Flat where we park and the walk commences. There is a toilet at Horseyard Flat, on the way up at Lost Plain (50 minutes from Licola) and McFarlanes Saddle. Distance from the Licola Wilderness Village to the start of the walk is 70 km.

