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Birds you may see in the Capertee Valley
 Approximately 242 bird species have been recorded in the Capertee Valley. Many of the birds on this list are nomadic or migratory; they may be in the valley for only a few months each year.

KEY: C = common in the valley; U = uncommon; R = rare in the valley; I = introduced

Welcome to the Capertee Valley

Capertee Valley is within the traditional country of the Wiradjuri people. Located on the western edge of the Blue Mountains and only three hours travel from Sydney, it is the widest enclosed valley in the world – wider and longer than the USA's Grand Canyon. The valley is recognised internationally as an Important Bird Area (IBA) and one of the 50 top birdwatching places in the world.

This scenic valley encompasses the hamlets of Glen Davis, Glen Alice and Bogee and is surrounded by the Wollemi, Capertee and Gardens of Stone national parks and the Muggii Murum-ban State Conservation Area. A diversity of habitats has resulted in a proliferation of bird species finding refuge here. Surrounded on all sides by spectacular sandstone cliffs, the valley is in a transition zone where the forests of the Blue Mountains give way to the woodlands of the NSW western slopes. Vegetation varies from semi-rainforest to open forest, grassy woodlands and farmland grasslands. Not as heavily cleared as many other rural areas, the valley retains large areas of the critically endangered White Box–Yellow Box–Blakely's Red Gum Grassy Woodland and Derived Native Grassland. Many woodland bird species, whose populations have fallen alarmingly elsewhere, remain relatively common and easily seen here.

Regent Honeyeater tree planting

In recent years a prime conservation focus has been extending the habitat of the highly endangered Regent Honeyeater. Working with landholders and volunteers, the Capertee Valley Regent Honeyeater Recovery Program has planted over 100,000 trees in the valley, on private property. A 2008 survey found 86 species of birds in these planted areas, with six of these being rare and/or endangered. Tree-planting weekends are held each spring and autumn and new volunteer tree-planters are always welcome; no experience necessary. For more information about volunteer tree-plantings in the Capertee Valley contact Birdlife Australia (Sydney office) on 02 9647 1033 or southernsw@birdlife.org.au.

You have more chance of seeing a Regent Honeyeater in the Capertee Valley than anywhere else in the world. Illustration: Fiona Lumsden.



Reporting bird sightings
 Regent Honeyeater hotline: phone 1800 621 056
 Swift Parrot hotline: phone 1800 665 766

Acknowledgments and information
 Bird site: www.caperteebirder.com
 Bird tours and information: www.bmbirding.com.au
 Birdlife Australia: www.birdlife.org.au/projects/woodland-birds-for-biodiversity
 Bicentennial National Trail: www.nationaltrail.com.au
 Capertee Valley information: www.caperteevalleyway.com.au
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Capertee Valley

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Map & Guide to Birdwatching

Capertee Valley

Capertee Valley bird trail

Before you set off ...

Part of the valley's charm is its comparative isolation. There are no cafés, no petrol stations, and, depending on your service provider and location, there may be no mobile phone coverage.

All 19 bird-watching sites shown on this map are easily accessible. A small section of the route is unsealed but suitable for 2WD vehicles. After rain you may need a 4WD vehicle to visit Site 8.

If you wish to enter Capertee National Park (Site 14) call NPWS Blackheath office (02 4787 8877) for the padlock access code.

Please take care

- Gravel roads may be slippery when wet.
- Look out for cattle and wildlife.
- **Park off the road. Don't park across gates.**
- **Don't stand in the middle of bridges and roads.**
- Don't enter private property unless you have the owner's permission.
- Remove your own rubbish: take it with you.
- Please don't use playback, it can disrupt breeding.

National Trail

The Australian Bicentennial National Trail (BNT) is a 5,330-km self-reliant multi-use route through bush, wilderness and mountain areas: www.nationaltrail.com.au

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Birdwatching sites

(site numbers correspond to map)

Key species listed here are an example only and might not always be present at the sites listed, or might be found at other sites. Some species are widespread or sporadic and cannot be linked to particular sites.

KEY: km = running distance along main route from Capertee;
GPS coordinates: gda 94;
(diversion) means a diversion off the main route, therefore no km shown

Start: 0 km - 33°08.781' S; 149°59.075' E

Capertee. Heading north-west from Sydney, turn right off Castlereagh Highway (east) into Glen Davis Road

1 10.5 km - 33°08.189' S; 150°03.313' E

RH side Gardens of Stone sign, walking track to south
Wonga Pigeon, Gang-gang Cockatoo, Red-browed Treecreeper, Eastern Whipbird

2 14.4 km - 33°08.288' S; 150°06.036' E

Roadside near 'Nioka' - park LH side of driveway
Little Lorikeet, Turquoise Parrot, Brown Treecreeper, Regent Honeyeater, Diamond Firetail

3 16.4 km - 33°08.176' S; 150°06.809' E

Coco Creek Bridge; park LH or RH side after the bridge
Turquoise Parrot, Painted Honeyeater (summer), Scarlet Honeyeater, Plum-headed Finch, Diamond Firetail, Mistletoebird

4 20.2 km - 33°08.049' S; 150°09.043' E

Junction of Crown Station and Glen Davis roads
Little Lorikeet, Regent Honeyeater, Black-chinned Honeyeater

5 (diversion) - 33°08.285' S; 150°08.880' E

0.5 km along Crown Station Road to gully with windmill
Hooded Robin, White-browed Babbler, Plum-headed Finch

6 (diversion) - 33°09.193' S; 150°08.488' E

2.5 km along Crown Station Road to cattle grid and junction with letterboxes
Turquoise Parrot, Striped Honeyeater, White-browed Woodswallow (summer), Diamond Firetail

7 29.2 km - 33°05.999' S; 150°13.930' E

Tri-intersection, Glen Alice and Glen Davis roads
Rainbow Bee-eater, Rufous Songlark, Horsfield's Bushlark, White-backed Swallow (summer), Brown Falcon, Zebra Finch, Double-barred Finch

8 (diversion) - 33°07.385' S; 150°19.335' E

Turn right at tri-intersection for Glen Davis. After 4.6 km turn left into Goora Street then right over cattle grid to get to Coorongooaba Camping Area in Wollemi National Park (5 km). 4WD may be needed depending on recent rainfall
Superb Lyrebird, Rockwarbler, White-throated Gerygone, Bell Miner, Cicadabird

9 (diversion) - 33°07.375' S; 150°16.900' E

From Goora Street intersection, 1 km across bridge to Glen Davis Community Centre and camping ground
Brown Treecreeper, Rockwarbler, Black-chinned Honeyeater, Speckled Warbler, Dusky Woodswallow

10 37.7 km - 33°02.584' S; 150°12.872' E

Glen Alice, behind church and around community hall
Rainbow Bee-eater, Sacred Kingfisher, Red-rumped Parrot, Grey-crowned Babbler, Crested Shrike-tit, Diamond Firetail

11 42.9 km - 33°02.536' S; 150°09.601' E

Left into Genowlan Road, bridge 0.8 km from intersection; park on LHS before the bridge
Little Eagle, Little Lorikeet, Striped Honeyeater, Restless Flycatcher, Olive-backed Oriole, Mistletoebird

12 48.8 km - 32°59.752' S; 150°07.712' E

Side track on RH side of Glen Alice Road to 'Yanderra' gate
Spiny-cheeked Honeyeater, White-browed Babbler, Hooded Robin, Plum-headed Finch

13 51.2 km - 32°59.012' S; 150°06.529' E

Corner of Port Macquarie Road
Regent Honeyeater, Musk Lorikeet, Crested Shrike-tit, Hooded Robin

14 (diversion) - 33°00.529' S; 150°04.173' E

Locked gate to Capertee National Park at end of Port Macquarie Road (5.8 km from intersection). To enter the park contact NPWS Mudgee (02 6370 9000) for padlock access code
Regent Honeyeater, Turquoise Parrot, Peaceful Dove

15 53.5 km - 32°57.831' S; 150°06.337' E

Pull-in area on left at the beginning of Noola-Dunville Loop Road (Dunville Loop is 21.3 km)
Pallid Cuckoo, Grey-crowned Babbler, Western Gerygone, Painted Button-quail

16 (diversion) - 32°56.125' S; 150°09.141' E

6.9 km along Dunville Loop, park on LH side among White Box and walk 1 km to grid and end of forest
Gang-gang Cockatoo, Noisy Friarbird

17 (diversion) - 32°54.590' S; 150°09.308' E

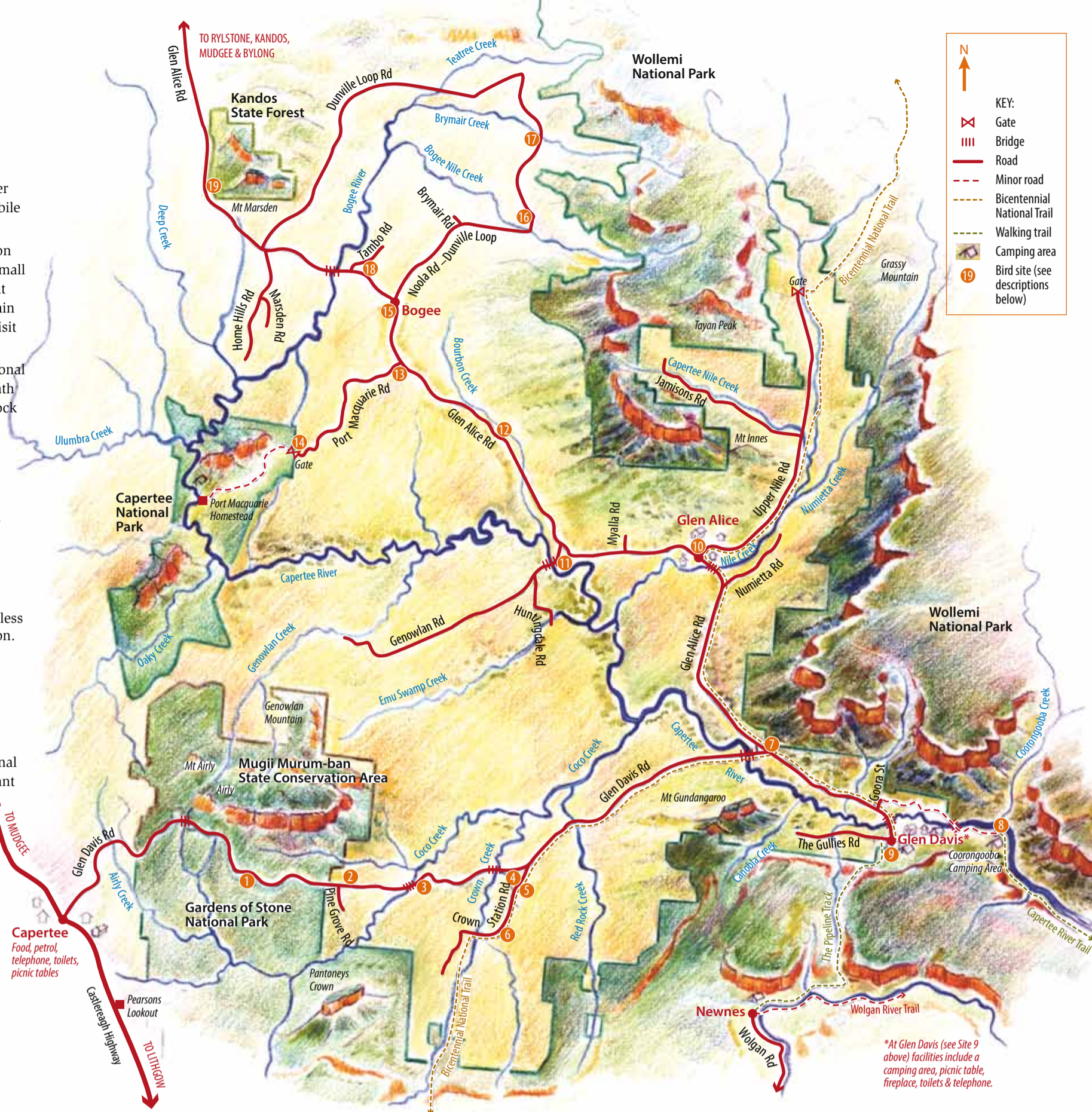
9.8 km along Dunville Loop - near creek crossing and windmill
Flame Robin, Yellow-rumped Thornbill

18 54.8 km - 32°57.335' S; 150°05.760' E

Pull-in area on RH side
Western Gerygone, Speckled Warbler, Buff-rumped Thornbill, Painted Button-quail

19 62 km - 32°54.560' S; 150°02.292' E

Kandos State Forest, entrance gate on RH side (sometimes closed)
Musk Lorikeet, Glossy Black-Cockatoo, Weebill, chance of crakes at the reedy dam



*At Glen Davis (see Site 9 above) facilities include a camping area, picnic table, fireplace, toilets & telephone.