

Frequently asked questions - FAQs

1. Key highlights

Leanne is a Dhurug woman who has been learning Wollombi culture and lore for over 30 years. She is passionate about sharing Aboriginal knowledge with others to help them grow by walking and learning to breathe on Country. Leanne will invite you to learn weaving techniques, language, bush tucker walk and talk and site interpretation to acknowledge the significance of Country you can easily connect with.

Together, you will yarn with Leanne about the stories of Wollombi lore that are as relevant today as they have been for more than 20,000 years ago. For those fortunate to experience a weekend stay on Leanne's property 'Ngurrumpa' you will have nightly teaching circles, dance, and clap stick making. All guests will experience a smoking ceremony and welcome to Country.

All tours depart and return at Wollombi Cultural Centre.

2. What's Included

• Day & sunset experiences

These are an outdoor experience and we encourage you to bring your own light refreshments, lunch and adequate water. Please avoid any excess packaging or plastics and be sure to dispose of any rubbish back at the town centre. There will be a limited supply of snacks and water that Leanne may bring with her if required. Catering is an option and can be provided for an additional cost of \$30 per adult or \$20 per child. Please advise at the time of booking any catering or dietary requirements. Tours run all year round.

Weekend experiences

If you are booking a weekend experience, please know that it is self-catered and you will need to bring your own food, supplies, water and amenities. As well as sleeping bags, any tents or camping equipment. Accommodation is camp style with beds, no linen, shared kitchen facilities, refrigeration, outdoor shower, hot water, and eco-toilets. There will be a limited supply of snacks and water that Leanne may have at the campsite, such as tea, coffee and cutlery and crockery is supplied. Catering is an option and can be provided for an additional cost of \$30 per adult or \$20 per child, per day. Please advise at the time of booking if catering is required or dietary requirements. Weekend stays are on set dates per month.

3. Transport

- This is a 'tag along' tour and you will need to bring your own vehicle
- Recommended for vehicles with high clearance, AWD or 4WD is ideal
- You need to adequately drive on unsealed roads that are often dirt roads that can be washed out with the rain

- Leanne can bring you up the mountain in her car however space is limited, please advise at the time of booking your vehicle type
- Electric cars are ok and there is a charging station close to the Wollombi Cultural Centre (https://goo.gl/maps/mvYdFpJqNJCBL7ZK9)

4. Accommodation

- Accommodation is dormitory-style with shared inside kitchen facilities and outside toilets and showers
- Cooking facilities such as stove and oven are provided and refrigeration and plenty of cutlery and crockery
- No single room is offered however you are more than welcome to pitch a tent or bring a swag for privacy
- Due to the location being in native forests, it is not pet friendly

5. What to bring

- Comfortable walking shoes for tracks and nature trails
- Wide brim hat, sunglasses and sunscreen
- Water bottle
- Camera
- Binoculars and notebook
- Waterproof jacket for wet weather
- Light refreshments and adequate water for day trips
- An open mind to learn and receive knowledge

6. Physical rating

- A low physical level is required and minimal walking
- Suitable for small children, and recommend using a baby carrier rather than a pram
- Please advise Leanne of any medical conditions or previous injuries to be aware of

7. Meeting point and times

- All tours and experiences meet and end at Wollombi Cultural Centre, where there are bathroom facilities and close to a general store for coffee and any light refreshments
- Leanne will meet you from 9 am, with all tours starting by 10 am at the latest
- Sunset tours start at 5 pm
- Weekend experiences start from 5 pm and all guests must be on camp by 7 pm for a smoking ceremony

8. Groups and promos

 Please contact Leanne for any private, group, retreat, corporate, school experiences and promo rates

9. Covid safe plan

To ensure health and safety for all, there is a COVID plan in place as required

10. How to book

- Bookings can easily be made online
- If you are unable to find what you are looking for, please contact Leanne who is happy to have a yarn to help you book an experience
- Tours are suitable for children and age-appropriate
- Bookings can be changed, refunded or held as credit. Please advise Leanne at least
 48 hours prior to making any arrangement