

## **EMU POINT EXPLORATION**

## DIRECTIONS

A scenic and relaxing paddle in most conditions with winds of less than 20km/hr. Suitable for paddlers with basic experience and moderate fitness levels.

The paddle commences at the beach alongside the Emu Point Marina, with its diverse array of fishing and pleasure craft. Look out for the resident pelicans.

The clear water provides opportunities to view large rays in the shallows and dolphins in the deeper water.

Passing round Green Island look and listen for the many nesting and resting sea birds.

The channel between Emu Point and Mt Martin passes many rock formations with the opportunity to see the resident fish. Take care in this area if the tide is running.

To travel to the start point from the Town Square (7km) drive up York Street and turn right at the top roundabout onto St Emilie Way, then left at the roundabout onto Middleton Beach Road. After about 3km turn left (east) on Golf Links Road, which becomes Emu Point Drive. After approximately 4km turn left on Swarbrick Street and follow to the Emu Point Boat Harbour. It is possible to park on the beach or in the car park to launch your craft.

Grade:	S02
Distance:	7km circuit
Time:	1.5 to 2 hours
Recommended Launch Point:	Emu Point Boat Harbour

## DESCRIPTION

To launch, park on the beach to the right of the jetties or in the sealed car park.

- 1. Paddle south-east parallel to the beach and past the swimming area and jetty. In very low tides it may be necessary to paddle out via the boating channel in front of the marina.
- 2. Turn south into the channel between Emu Point and Mt Martin and cruise along the west edge while watching people fish from the rocks. Be aware of possible strong currents in this area.
- 3. At the end of the channel paddle directly across (keeping an eye out for motor boats) to the pristine beaches at the base of Mt Martin, which is a good spot to stop.
- 4. As you head north up the east side of the channel you will pass many rock formations with the opportunity to see the resident fish.
- 5. Turn east as you enter back into Oyster Harbour, taking in the beautiful scenery.
- 6. Follow the southern shore of the harbour for about 1km to the picnic area near the shallow beach. There is a toilet and shady picnic tables here.
- 7. From the picnic area head north-west to Green Island to admire the flocks of seabirds that call this small island home. Be sure to give way to water skiers and jet skis that use the area south-east of the island.
- 8. Round the island to the north before heading southwest back to the Emu Point Boat Harbour via the marked boating channel. Stay on the right of the channel at all times.





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