

Discover Darwin's Amazing Mangroves

Mangrove Walk and Talk



9.00 am Saturday 14 October 2023
29 Ostermann Street, Coconut Grove

Guided mangrove walk

After an educational presentation, highlighting some of the fascinating features and unique wildlife found in mangroves, the guided walk will commence from 29 Ostermann Street, Coconut Grove. This an easy walk, suitable for people of all ages. The walk will mainly traverse firm sandy substrates, but some slightly muddier areas and shallow water can be expected. Sturdy sandals are perfect footwear, so are any shoes you don't mind getting muddy and a bit wet. Barefoot is also fine if you prefer.

A short 400 m walk down a track through mangroves leads to the wide expanse of Ludmilla Bay. Walking slowly along the track one can observe mudskippers, mangrove molluscs and crabs and perhaps some of the beautiful birds that live in mangroves- such as the red-headed honeyeater, mangrove robin or broad-billed flycatcher. Fish and fiddler crabs can be seen in the small creek along the way.

We return back along the same route for a cool drink in the garden (total distance \approx 1 km, approx. 40 – 60 mins).

Program

- 9.00** Mangrove Walk and Talk commences with introduction at Mangrove Manor: *29 Ostermann Street Coconut Grove NT*
A local scientist will provide a powerpoint presentation on mangrove ecology (approx. 30 mins)
- 9.45** Walk through mangroves to Ludmilla Bay guided by EcoScience NT.
Brief stroll across sandy mudflats of Ludmilla Bay. Walk continues, returning back along same track.
- 10.30** Walk concludes or stay for a drink in the garden.

Directions:

Turn off Dick Ward Drive into Ostermann Street, Coconut Grove. Mangrove Manor is the last house on left, at end of street.

Bookings via email : ecoscience@bigpond.com or contact Kristin on **0417 853 752**
