

MAYDENA & THE SOUTHWEST WILDERNESS

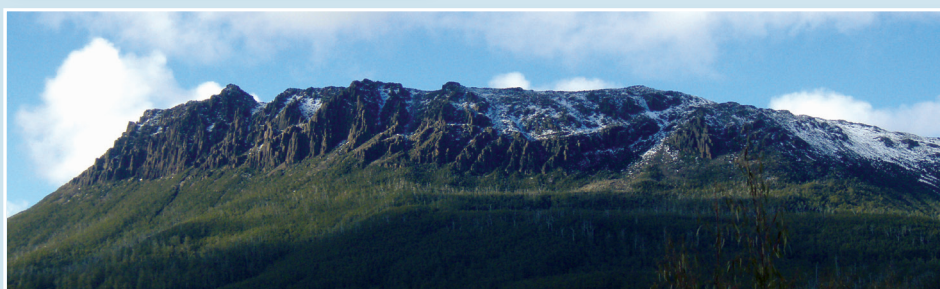
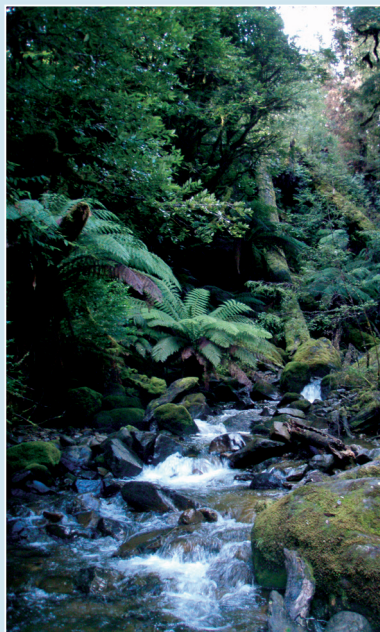
A VARIETY OF SHORT WALKS FEATURING TOWERING SWAMP GUMS, A RIVER DISAPPEARING AND RE-EMERGING FROM AN INTRIGUING CAVE SYSTEM IN THE RAINFOREST, SPECTACULAR 3600 VIEWS FROM A MOUNTAIN TOP, GLACIAL LAKES AND MYSTERIOUS ANCIENT HEATH GROVES.

The Maydena region is 1.5 hours from Hobart and embraces a diverse range of spectacular and unique environments that showcase Tasmania's wilderness assets. From its forestry heritage to Tasmania's earliest National Park at Mt Field (created 1916) this region offers a safe wilderness experience accessible year round.

Our tour includes a visit to the "Giants of the Styx Forest" in the Styx Valley followed by a short walk to the tannin-stained Styx River, and then (weather dependent) a drive to the summit of Mt Tim Shea (956m) for a spectacular cliff-top view of the surrounding region. From here we continue up the Florentine Valley to walk into an ancient rainforest flanking the lower slopes of Mt Field NP to visit the Growling Swallet where a cascading stream off the park's cliffs above disappears into a mysterious limestone cave.

We conclude our tour retracing our journey down the Derwent Valley past the scenic hop fields at Bushy Park and then on to the historic township of New Norfolk (1808) before arriving back in Hobart.

Variations to the above itinerary (weather dependent) include: a visit to the June Cave (where the above stream re-emerges); the Lake Webster/Tarn Shelf circuit walk at Mt Field NP including the Pandani Grove at Lake Dobson; a walk to the lower and upper Russell Falls at Mt Field NP; a walk to the summit of the Needles (1021m) or Mt Wedge (1147m) in the southwest World Heritage Area.



T1 | Well defined and wide tracks on easy to moderate terrain, in slightly modified natural environments. You will require a modest level of fitness. Recommended for beginners.

T2 | Narrower but distinct tracks which can be muddy in some places, in pristine natural environments. Facilities are minimal and you will encounter few other walkers. These moderate tours require a reasonable level of fitness.

T3 | You will experience marked but often-indistinct tracks, in very remote and wild areas. These challenging walks need a high level of fitness and some hiking experience.

T4 | Tracks are often faint or unmarked in remote and craggy natural areas not included in our schedule, however we will guide selected parties on these tours on request

Let us share our love of the extraordinary diversity of Tasmania's unique wilderness areas with you

Give us a call on 1300 882 293 and we'll gladly discuss your needs and interests. Together we'll work out an exciting walking experience that is designed especially for you. Or go to www.twe.travel to check out further information online.

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