OVERVIEW
This ride or drive is about experiencing the Valley floor with its lush green pastures and visiting the Upper Kangaroo River at several points along the way. It is also a great way to appreciate the beautiful scenery of forested escarpments that enclose the Valley. This route starts at the Kangaroo Valley Hall in Osborne Park and crosses historic Hampden Bridge before turning into Upper Kangaroo River Road. From here the road follows the river and there are several spots to take a break and get close to the river. This is a great way to see a natural rural river and it’s vegetation and wildlife. The turnaround point is at the historic Upper River Hall and suspension footbridge.

USEFUL INFORMATION
Warning: Do not attempt to cross any creeks or rivers after heavy rain. Crossing creeks in flood can be life threatening.

There is a cycle path from the start at Osborne Park to Upper River Road. This road can be narrow and windy in sections and has some local and tourist traffic. This ride is good for any time of the year. If riding in summer you can cool off at the shady river spots. As you are passing through farmland you may experience flies in the warmer months. Please keep to formed roads and tracks and do not venture onto private land. The bridges are access to private land. Please respect the privacy of residents and don’t go beyond the river crossings. Mobile phone reception varies from good to ‘no service’ on this route.

HOW TO GET THERE
This circuit starts at the Kangaroo Valley Hall, Osborne Park, 300m east of the post office, where you can leave your car if you are riding. Here there are toilets, a swimming pool, a playground and the beginning of the Historic Walk. Turn right, onto the cycle path, as you exit the park to start the ride.

TAKE WITH YOU
Water, (reusable water bottles and drinking water available in the village), sun protection, insect repellent and snacks. Warm and wet weather gear should be included in your pack as weather can change very suddenly. Take swimmers and a towel if you wish to swim at the river.

FLORA
Cabbage Gum, Rough-barked Apple, River Peppermint, River Oak, Sydney Blue Gum/Bangalay hybrid, Thin-leaved Stringybark, and Water Gum.

FAUNA

RESPONSIBLE TOURISM
Kangaroo Valley is an international award winning responsible tourism destination, help us keep it beautiful for now and future generations.

Waste – Don’t throw rubbish out of your car. Please don’t drop litter or tissues. Carry out whatever you carry in. Dispose of litter in the bins provided in the village or at your accommodation place.

Fire – Avoid lighting fires especially in the bush fire season, usually September to April.

Toilet Etiquette – There are public toilets in the village at Hampden Bridge car park, near the ambulance station and Osborne Park. If away from public toilets bury all waste at least 100m away from water courses. Do not leave disposable nappies etc as litter.

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Upper Kangaroo River Road – 2.7km from start. This road parallels the river, which is marked by a tree line. Lush paddocks and striking escarpment views along this section of the route.

**Legend**
- Cycle path
- Parking
- Toilets

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- **Historic Hampden Bridge** opened in 1898 – 1.7km from start. There is access to the river from the car park.
- **Kellys Road Bridge** – 7.7km from start. A great place for photos and bird watching.
- **Jarretts Road Bridge** – 9.7km from start. The Kangaroo River is home to Platypus, which live in holes in the riverbanks. If you are quiet, still and very lucky, you may spot one.
- **Gerringong Creek Road Bridge** – 12km from start. Upper Kangaroo River Hall – 12.2km from start. This is the turnaround point. This historic old hall is still used for social events and weddings. Opposite is a wooden suspension footbridge used by residents when the river is in flood.

**Start**

**End**