

MURRURUNDI - TIMOR - GUNDY – SCONE - TOWARRI N.P – WINGEN – BURNING MOUNTAIN – MURRURUNDI

SELF DRIVE TOUR - ROUTE 4

135 km

Driving time: 2 hrs 20 mins

- ❖ Historic Rural Towns, Villages & Homesteads
- ❖ Horse Studs
- ❖ Pastoral scenery
- ❖ Picturesque River Valleys
- ❖ National Parks,
- ❖ Burning Mountain
- ❖ Wildlife (sightings possible along much of the drive)

(some 30km of gravel roads but suitable for all vehicles)

◀ **Murrurundi** 0km Historic railway town. The end of the rail line until the tunnel through the Great Dividing Range was opened in 1887, taking rail access to all the towns and the vast grain and wool growing areas of the Liverpool Plains and the north west slopes and plains of New South Wales, as well as rail access to Brisbane. Murrurundi VIC has information about local history.



➤ Travel south on the New England Highway, past Emirates Park Stud to

◀ **Blandford** 6km tiny village.
➤ Timor Rd (turnoff opposite school) passes through horse studs and grazing properties to

◀ **Timor / Waverly Roads** 27km T-intersection
➤ Turn right
(for short detour to Timor Caves turn left)
There are 4 km tar, 23km gravel and then back onto the tar.
Waverly Road follows the Isis Valley past historic Waverley Station, horse studs and Waverly Polo Fields to

◀ **Hunter Rd** 57km T-intersection
➤ Turn right. (note 0.5km on right across river is the historic homestead of Elmswood)
➤ Continue to

◀ **Gundy** 61km Small rural village with toilet facilities, Gundy General Store and a pub.
➤ Continue on along Pages River past more horse studs and the rich lucerne flats of Segenhoe



◀ **Detour** 72km





Lake Glenbawn Picnic area, toilets, kiosk

- **16km detour** via Segenhoe Rd / Glenbawn Rd and return
- **24 km circuit detour** past horse studs and over the old suspension bridge; via Segenhoe Rd / Glenbawn Rd / Allan Bridge Rd/ Segenhoe Road / Glenbawn Rd to Gundy Rd
- **31km circuit detour** past horse studs and the small town of Aberdeen; via Segenhoe Rd / Glenbawn Rd / Rouchel Rd and New England Highway back to Scone

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◀ Scone	80km	Prosperous country town with all amenities		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Turn right at intersection with New England Highway. (Turn left to travel on down the Hunter Valley to Aberdeen / Muswellbrook / Singleton) ➤ At the roundabout turn left towards Merriwa. ➤ At next roundabout turn right onto 		
◀ Middlebrook Road	81.3km		<p>Which follows Middlebrook upstream, passing grazing properties and horse studs to the sandstone escarpments of</p>	
◀ Towarri Nat. Park camping area	99km		<p>BBQ's, picnic area, toilets, space.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Further along Middlebrook Road are 	
◀ Washpools picnic area	100.5km		<p>The Washpools - long narrow rock pools where sheep used to be washed before shearing</p>	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Retrace back along Middlebrook Rd and turn left onto 		
◀ Cressfield Road	105km	<p>Turn left again at the New England Highway T-intersection for</p>		
◀ Wingen	112km	<p>Rural village with hotel, antique shop, and café and the backdrop of the Wingen Maid rock formation.</p>		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Continue along the New England Highway to 		
◀ Burning Mountain Nature Reserve	116km	<p>Picnic area, toilets, short walk to viewing platform, explanatory notes</p>		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Continue along the New England Highway to return to 		
◀ Murrurundi	135km			