

## Summer tours

Tours run in the summer months only, starting in December and finishing in late January.

The tour departs The Caves township at 5.45pm on Friday and Saturday evenings.

## Costs

Adults	\$13.15
Children (5–15)	\$6.35
Pensioners	\$8.55
Family (2 adults and 2 or more children)	\$39.55

## Group size

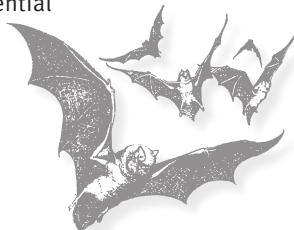
Please book early as tours are limited to 10 people. Minimum booking numbers apply.

## Meeting time and place

Please meet at The Caves township (refer to map) at 5:30pm for a 5:45pm departure. You will follow your tour guide, in your own vehicle, to Mount Etna carpark.

## What to bring

- one good torch per person is essential
- one litre of drinking water
- sturdy walking shoes (no thongs)
- wear shorts or long pants
- insect repellent
- any personal medication.



## Level of difficulty

Tours are in the evening under torchlight. The track is steep with many steps and becomes slippery when wet. The walk may be strenuous for unfit people. Children under 15 are welcome but must be under adult supervision. The tour is not recommended for children under 5. The track is not suitable for pushchairs.

**Length of track:** 2.4km return

**Length of tour:** 3hr approximately

## About the tour

Your guide will take you up Mount Etna through remnant dry rainforest to the top of a disused limestone mine. The track then descends limestone karst to Bat Cleft.

### Take care when walking and at the cave entrance.

The track is steep and can be slippery when wet.

Throughout the tour, your guide will provide a fascinating insight into the turbulent history for the fight to save Mount Etna and the bats.

Once you arrive at the Bat Cleft, you will witness the flight of thousands of little bent-wing bats from their cave in search of food.

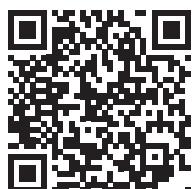
## Bookings and further information

Please make your booking (or cancellation) at least 24 hours before your tour. You will be notified if your tour is cancelled due to wet weather, bushfires or insufficient tour bookings.

Payment is preferred via EFTPOS at your meeting place in The Caves township. If you plan to pay with cash, please bring the correct change (tour guides do not carry cash).

### Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service

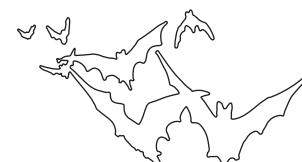
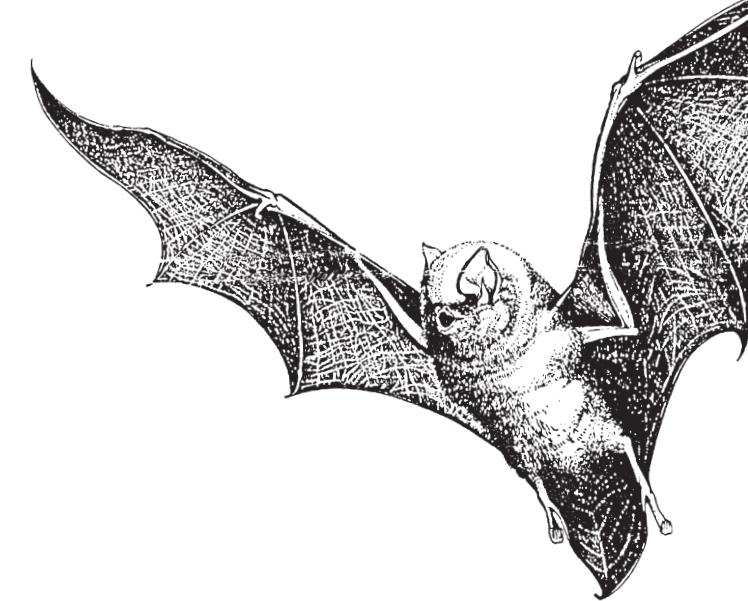
Phone: (07) 4936 0570 (9am–4pm), or  
0429 630 923 (after hours, text message preferred)

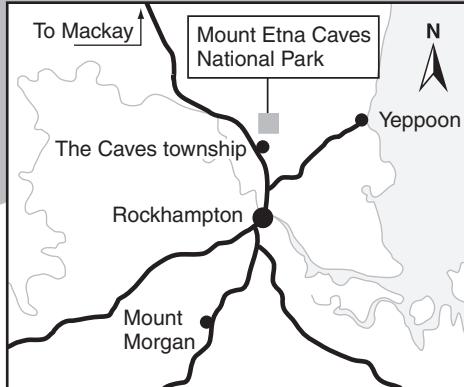
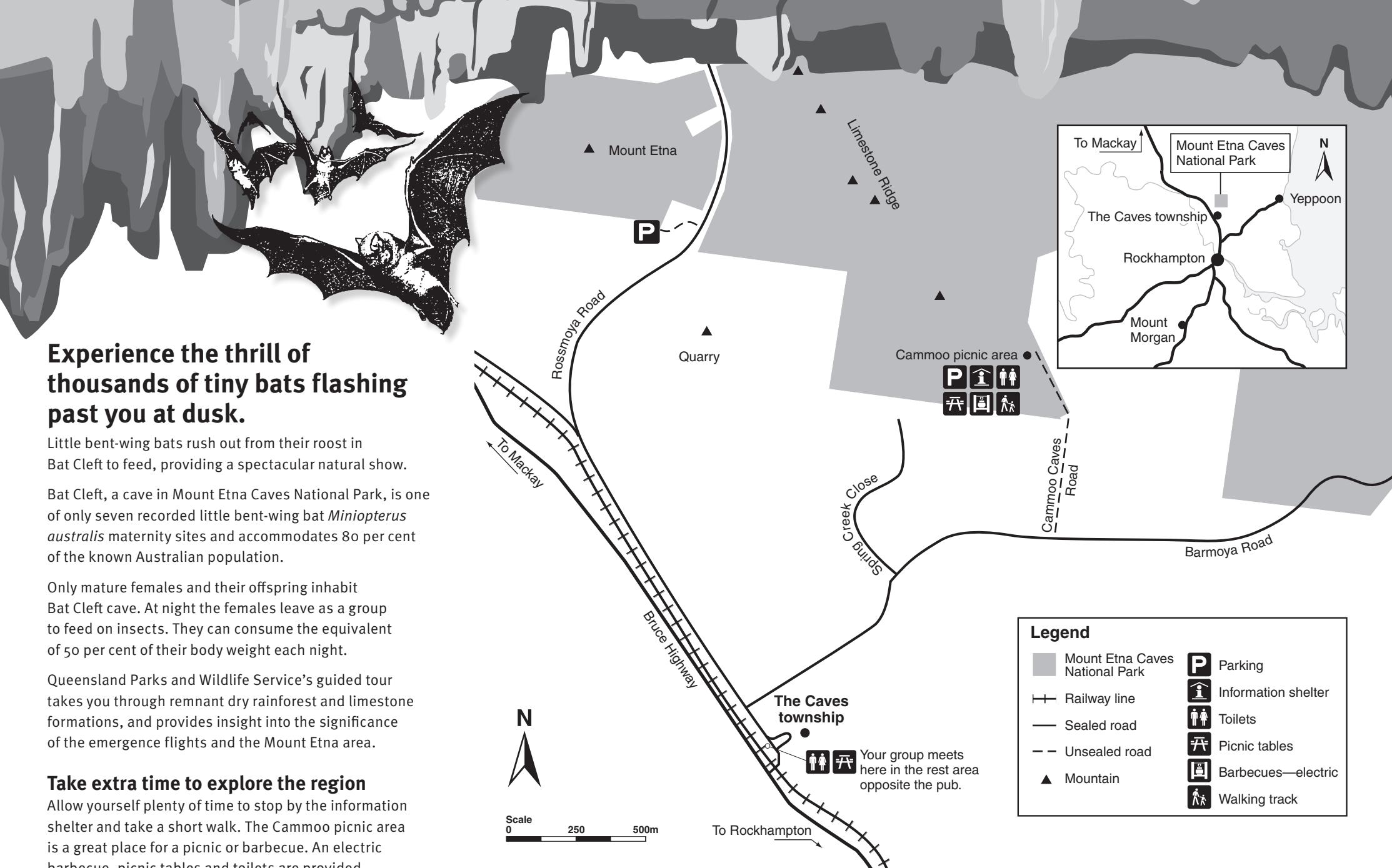


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# Bat Cleft

## Mount Etna Caves National Park Guided tour





Legend	
P	Parking
I	Information shelter
—	Railway line
—	Sealed road
- - -	Unsealed road
▲	Mountain
■	Toilets
■	Picnic tables
■	Barbecues—electric
■	Walking track