

Bat Cleft tours

Mt Etna Caves National Park near Rockhampton

Experience the thrill of thousands of tiny bats flashing past you at dusk. Little bent-winged bats rush out from their roost in Bat Cleft to feed, providing a spectacular natural show.

Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service offers guided tours to Bat Cleft, one of only seven recorded little bent-winged bat maternity sites in Australia. The tour will take you through ancient dry rainforest and limestone formations to view the nightly emergence flight.

When

From Friday 4 December 2015 to mid February 2016. The tour departs The Caves township at 5.45pm on Monday, Friday and Saturday evenings (minimum booking numbers apply).

Cost

- Adult \$10.70
- Child \$5.25
- Pensioner \$7.00
- Family \$31.95

What to bring

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

Level of difficulty

The walk is uphill and may be strenuous for unfit people. Children under 15 are welcome but must be under adult supervision. The track is unsuitable for pushchairs.

- Length of track: 2.4km return
- Length of tour: 3 hours approximately

Bookings and further information

Book early as groups are limited to 10 people to make sure everyone has the best view of the bats.

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