

Berry Springs Nature Park is a great location close to Darwin where you can enjoy a refreshing swim and a barbecue. The perfect place to unwind after a day at the Territory Wildlife Park.

The Park protects a large part of the Berry Creek catchment. Berry Creek starts from a number of springs, forms a small creek, then reaches Darwin Harbour through a mangrove lined estuary.

If you swim with goggles you can see many small native fish and other aquatic life that live in the clear pools.

Access (see map)

Turn west off the Stuart Highway about 47 km south of Darwin. The Park is 10 km along the Cox Peninsula Road.

When to Visit

The Park is open from 8.00 am to 6.30 pm daily. Group functions require a permit.

If you are interested in plants, visit the Park during March and April when many of the native plants are in flower and the grasses are still green.

What to See and Do



Picnicking - enjoy the shady picnic areas with tables and barbecues. Wood is provided.



Swimming - The cool clear water is refreshing in the shady pools along Berry Creek. There are steps for easy access. Bring your mask and snorkel to

look at the underwater world. Take care and observe the safety signs and any pool closures.



No Swimming - the pools may be temporarily closed in the wet season (October - April) when conditions are considered unsafe.



Monsoon Rainforest and Woodlands Walk - a lovely loop walking track takes you through two of the Top End's habitats. It starts from the picnic area. Take binoculars if you are keen on bird watching.



A Kiosk is open from 11am - 5.30pm daily from April to November.

History

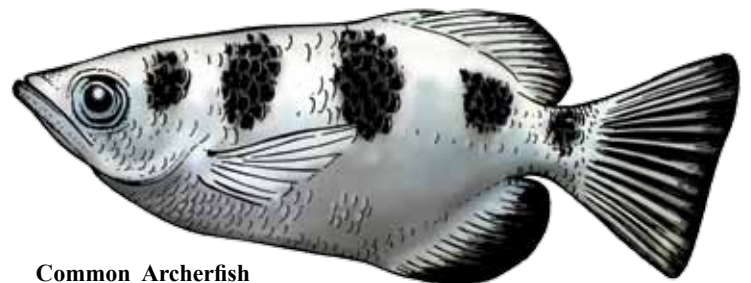
During WWII, Berry Springs was part of a Rest and Recreation Camp set up by the armed forces for the 100 000 personnel based in the area. A number of huts and a weir were built at Berry Springs during this time. You can still see their remains around the main pool. Berry Springs continues to be popular with locals and tourists as a place for rest and recreation.

Safety and Comfort

- Observe park safety signs.
- Swim only where recommended, observe warning signs.
- Wear a shady hat, sunscreen and insect repellent.
- Please don't take glass near the pools, breakages are a safety hazard.
- Beware of theft, lock vehicles and secure valuables.

Please Remember

- Put your rubbish in the bin or take it away with you.
- Keep to designated roads, tracks and parking areas.
- All cultural items and wildlife are protected.
- Pets are not permitted in this Park.
- Nets, traps and firearms are not permitted.
- Fishing is not permitted in this Park.
- Take care with fire, light fires only in fireplaces provided.
- Use wood provided sparingly.
- Camping is not permitted.
- Check that your vehicle is not transporting pests like weeds and Cane Toads.



Common Archerfish
Toxotes chatareus

Visit the Territory Wildlife Park

It's 1 km further west along the Cox Peninsula Road.

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