

Section 11 26km / 9.5 hours

Finke River to Redbank Gorge

Section 11 is graded hard due to the climb to a hilltop lookout which offers impressive views of Mt Sonder and the surrounding countryside. The remainder of this section is relatively easy walking. **Allow 2 days** to comfortably complete this walk.

<u>Grade</u>: HARD - a rough and narrow track with some steep and/or long climbs and descents (suitable for fit people with previous bushwalking experience).

Vehicle access: There is no vehicle access to the Finke River Trailhead, however walkers can join Section 11 by walking from Glen Helen Resort which is accessible by conventional vehicle. A high clearance vehicle is needed for Redbank Gorge.

<u>Camping fees</u>: A camping fee of \$5.00 per person applies at Redbank Gorge. It is a good idea to carry the correct amount of money as change is not available.

| Finke River Trailhead to Glen Helen Junction | 0.5 hr | 0.8km |
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| (Glen Helen Resort to Glen Helen Junction) | (1.0 hr) | (3.5km) |
| Glen Helen Junction to Hilltop Lookout | 3.0 hrs | 8.7km |
| Hilltop Lookout to Rocky Bar Gap | 2.0 hrs | 4.7km |
| Rocky Bar Gap to Redbank Gorge Carpark | 4.0 hrs | 11.8km |
| TOTAL | 9.5 hrs | 26km |

These walking times are provided as a guide only, for walkers of average fitness and capable of carrying overnight packs (e.g. 15-20kg). The times are based on a steady walking pace and allow some time for brief stops but no long rests.

Full Trail notes and comprehensive maps are provided in the 'Larapinta Trail Package'. Contact Parks and Wildlife for more details.

Visit www.nt.gov.au/parks for details about food drops, transfers, group logistics, camping fees & current conditions

Safety: It's Your Responsibility

Safety should be your first priority when walking the Larapinta Trail. Careful planning, having the right supplies, plenty of water and knowing your limits are the keys to a trouble free walk.

- Do not attempt long walks in hot weather (generally November to March, but can also occur either side of these months). Take warm clothing, a sleeping bag and shelter if you are camping during the freezing winter nights.
- Consider your health and fitness carefully before walking any part of the Trail. Know your limits and have an emergency plan. Allow for flexibility in case of unseasonably hot weather.
- Walk with at least two others so that an injured person is not left alone. Carry some form of emergency communication such as a satellite phone or personal locator beacon (PLB).
- Arrange return transport before you depart. Walkers should leave details of their walk plan with a reliable person. Ensure they know to contact police if you don't return by the pre-arranged time.
- Fill out the logbooks provided at every Trailhead so that Rangers can track your movements in an emergency.



For more information:

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