About the park....

Hell Hole Gorge is part of the Powell plateau which forms part of the Grey Range. The deeply incised Powell Creek with steep, dissected escarpments and vertical cliffs up to 45m high, drains through the centre of the area along with the smaller Spencers and Gorge Creek.

Hell Hole Gorge National Park is scenically attractive and provides opportunities for camping and related activities such as 4WDing, hiking, bird watching, swimming and photography. The rugged gullies associated with Powell Creek invite exploratory walks looking for unusual plants or glimpses of the diverse animal life. There are no formal walking trails.

Access roads within the park follow old seismic lines and boundary fences. Powell Creek crossing to camp ground area is guided by indicators fixed to rock surfaces, following these markers will guide you safely across.

**WARNING:** Take care and keep away from cliff edges – they can be deceptive and are often closer than you think. Sandstone may crumble unexpectedly. Please supervise children at all times and take care when using binoculars or cameras at these sites.

**Things to know before you go....**

- Access is for 4WD vehicles and off road camper trailers only. Caravans and off-road vans are not recommended. Caravans can be dropped at the Shire Hall in Adavale.
- All roads are unsealed and may become impassable when wet. Please leave gates as you find them.
- Let someone know of your travel plans before you go as there is no phone coverage once you leave Quilpie. A satellite phone is recommended.
- Carry adequate supplies of food, water, fuel, vehicle spares and medical supplies. (Bring at least 7 litres of water per person per day for cooking, drinking and washing.)
- Prepare for an extra 4-5 days in case you become stranded due to wet weather
- Bring your own firewood for camp fire or a fuel or gas stove for cooking.

**Getting there....**

Hell Hole Gorge National Park is located approx. 180km North of Quilpie via Adavale. From Quilpie there are 2 roads to Adavale:

- **RED ROAD:** Approx. 103km from Quilpie to Adavale. This road has partially sealed sections, but is mostly unsealed. To access this road head east from Quilpie along the Charleville Road for 13km then turn left onto the Red Road.
- **BLACK ROAD:** Approx. 96km to Adavale. This road is unsealed. To access this road head along the Charleville Road for approx. 2km then turn left onto the Black Road.

Hell Hole Gorge National Park approx. 80km northwest of Adavale along the Milo-Gooyea Road. (You will come to a turn off from the Milo-Gooyea Road that winds its way to the main gate to the park but it will be signed so keep an eye out). These roads travel through privately operated cattle stations; access and road side camping off or along these main roads is prohibited.
Camping....
Camping area is located near Hell Hole Waterhole. There are no camping facilities provided in the park. Bush camping is permitted but campers must be self-sufficient in food, water and fuel. Fires to be used in existing fire place areas.

Camping permits are required and fees apply. A tag with your booking number must be displayed at your campsite. There are no self-registration facilities at the park so bookings are to be done online.

Climate and weather....
Be prepared for extreme temperatures at Hell Hole Gorge. In winter temperatures may fall below zero while in summer they may exceed 40 degrees. Storms are frequent in summer. For more information check local weather forecasts for the area before you go to the park.

Care for parks....
Parks protect Queensland’s wonderful natural diversity and scenery. When you visit them, please keep these places special by following these guidelines.

- **Protect the wildlife** – Remember, plants and animals are protected, so leave them undisturbed.

- **Respect Indigenous culture** – These sites are easily damaged and are irreplaceable. Look at them, enjoy them but please do not touch or damage them.

- **Historic sites** – Remains of many activities of the later European settlers are also scattered throughout national parks. Look at them, enjoy them, but please do not damage them.

- **Be careful with fire** – Preferably use a fuel stove for cooking and use fireplaces where provided, not an open fire. Put the fire out with water when you leave the campsite.

- **Don’t collect firewood in the park** – Bring your own clean, milled wood. Obey fire restrictions.

- **Leave no rubbish** – Take your rubbish with you when you leave. Do not bury it.

- **Camp, walk and drive softly** - Leave your campsite better than you found it. When walking, stay on the tracks.

- **Use toilets if provided** – If toilets are not available, bury all faecal matter and toilet paper 15-20cm deep at least 100m from tracks, campsites and water bodies. Take nappies and sanitary products home with you for disposal.

- **Leave pets at home** – Domestic pets are not permitted in National Parks. Fines will apply.

- **Protect creeks and lakes** – Detergents, soaps, sunscreen lotions, insect repellents and toothpastes pollute water and harm aquatic life. Wash yourself and your dishes 100m away from water courses. Apply sunscreen after you swim.

- **Be considerate** – People visit parks and forests to enjoy the sounds of nature, not noisy radios or generators.
ADAVALE TO HELL HOLE GORGE NATIONAL PARK ENTRANCE
Approx. 69kms
HELL HOLE GORGE NATIONAL PARK MAP

Markers indicate safe area to cross creek

76kms from Adavale

Approx 73kms from Adavale

1.2kms to Spencers waterhole
Dry use area
NO CAMPING

Spencers Creek

Steep light rock creek/gully

Follow the road

FENCE

Entrance Gate to Park
69kms from Adavale

PLEASE STAY ON TRACKS

HELL HOLE WATERHOLE Big Rock

SPENCERS WATERHOLE

NP FENCE