

LONG BEACH

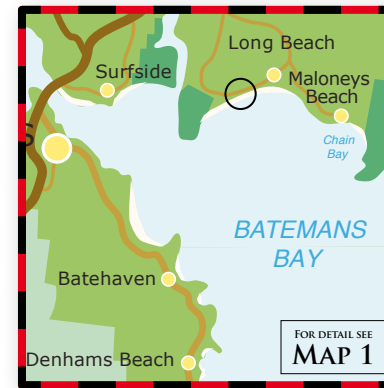


At over 2 kilometres, Long Beach is, in fact, the longest beach on Batemans Bay. A south-east facing beach, Long Beach is positioned between the prominent Square Head to the west and the Chain Bay headland to the east. Long Beach is far enough into the bay to be partially protected from the full force of the Pacific Ocean.

Taking advantage of this peaceful location is the growing residential area of the same name - spaced out along nearly the entire length of the beach and venturing some distance back towards the Princes Highway.

With the relatively safe waters of Batemans Bay immediately in front of you, it's easy to see why a strong boating community has developed here. A natural boat ramp at the eastern end sits in the shadow of tall Norfolk Island pines and a small headland - giving easy access to the bay.

Access to the western end of the beach is not quite so easy. Apart from taking a long walk from the small carpark off Bay Road, access is limited to several walkways that come off the road running parallel to the beach. The walkways traverse a wider than usual foreshore bush reserve.



Catamarans at the eastern end of Long Beach

The pleasing result is that once on the beach you will likely be in total isolation - save for the occasional horse or dog - allowed on a time share basis at this end of the beach only. Still, there's plenty of room for everyone, it's a long beach!



Opposite: View of Long Beach from the Chain Bay headland Above: Long Beach viewed from Square Head