



## CASTLE HILL

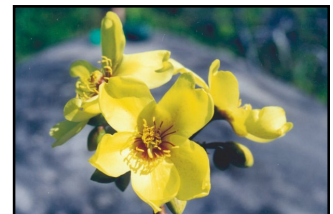
Castle Hill is a Townsville icon. It is a pink granite monolith rising to a height of around 286m. Several walking tracks can be found leading up to the top from which the 'Saint' can be seen on the side watching down on the city and its residents. On an early morning or cool evening the panoramic views are spectacular and the walk energetically revitalising. Many native birds and butterflies can be seen in the area and occasionally one can find an echidna if one is lucky.

### Flora

Townsville Wattle - *Acacia leptostachya*

Kapok - *Cochlospermum gillivraei*

Bats-wing Coral Tree - *Erythrina vespertilio*



### Fauna

Green Tree Snake - *Dendrelaphis punctulata*

Brown Tree Snake - *Boiga irregularis*

Sand Goanna - *Varanus gouldii*



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