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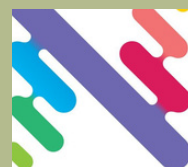
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## Sacred Sites

Natural landscape features and known sacred sites include Whibayganba, Newcastle's famous landmark Nobbys. It is said that a notorious kangaroo jumped from Tahlbihn Point, at the site now known as Fort Scratchley, to the safety of Whibayganba. The kangaroo remains hidden in the island's bowels occasionally thumping its tail and making the land tremble. The thumping is said to be a reference to the region's earthquake activity.

There is also a high cliff named Yi-ran-na-li, renowned for being a fearful place. Yi-ran-na-li must be respected by all, and no one should linger or speak in its vicinity because of the danger of falling rocks.

## Yarns Parai - Stories on Country

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Three prominent landscapes (Mount Sugarloaf, Lake Macquarie and Hexham Swamp) are featured within the artwork design and depict traditional sites of significance to the cultural practices of traditional owners

