

## Blackwattle Trail



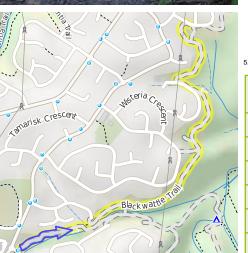








This walk follows the Blackwattle Trail around the fringe of Cherrybrook, starting at the Cherrybrook Rural Fire Brigade building, in Shepherds Drive, and finishing in Patricia Place. It is a nice walk and follows a management trail for its whole length. The walk passes through a mix of dry eucalypt forest and wetter areas with ferns. There are also some patches of casuarinas and plenty of grasstrees to see along the way. Let us begin by acknowledging the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we travel today, and pay our respects to their Elders past and present.



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Class 3 of 6 Formed track, with some branches and other obstacles						
Quality of track	Clear and well formed track or trail (2/6)					
Gradient	Short steep hills (3/6)					
Signage	Directional signs along the way (3/6)					
Infrastructure	Limited facilities, not all cliffs are fenced (3/6)					
Experience Required	Some bushwalking experience recommended (3/6)					
Weather	Storms may impact on navigation and safety (3/6)					

Getting to the start: From Pennant Hills Road, A28

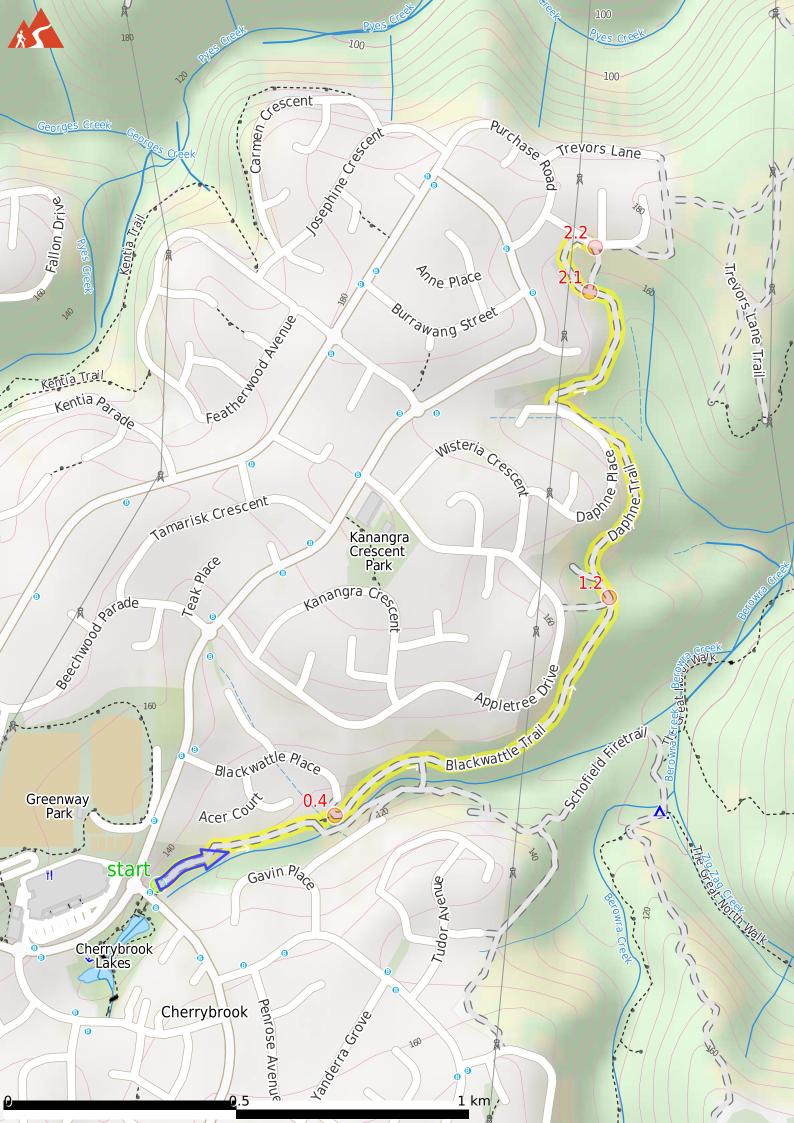
- Turn on to M2 Hills Motorway, M2 then drive for 35 m
- Turn left onto Pennant Hills Road Exit and drive for another 1.1 km
- Keep left and drive for another 660 m
- Turn right onto New Line Road and drive for another 400 m
- At roundabout, take exit 2 onto New Line Road and drive for another 1.4 km
- At roundabout, take exit 2 onto Boundary Road and drive for another 250 m
- Keep left and drive for another 450 m
- At roundabout, take exit 1 onto Macquarie Drive and drive for another 670 m
- Turn right onto Francis Greenway Drive and drive for another 235 m
- Turn left onto Gavin Place and drive for another 125 m
- Turn right onto McKinley Place and drive for another 175 m
- Keep left onto McKinley Firetrail and drive for another 100 m
- Turn sharp left onto Benowie Walking Track and drive for another 590 m

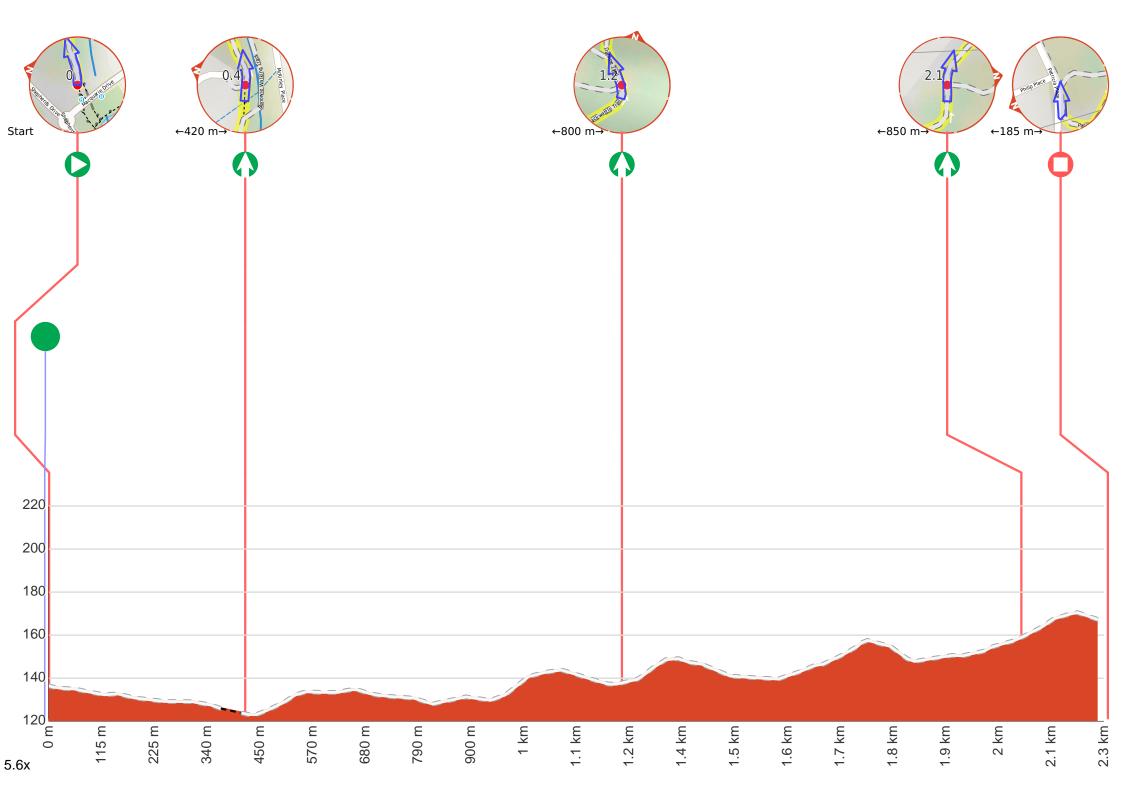
## Before you start any journey ensure you;

- Tell someone you trust where you are going and what to do if you are late returning
- Have adequate equipment, supplies, skills & knowledge to undertake this journey safely
- Consider weather forecasts, park/track closures & fire dangers
- Can respond to emergencies & call for help at any point
- Are healthy and fit enough for this journey

If not, change plans and stay safe. It is okay to delay and ask people for help.





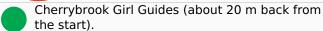


**Getting started:** From in front of the 'Cherrybrook Rural Fire Brigade' building (in Shepherds Dr, just up the hill from the roundabout intersection with Macquarie Dr), the walk goes behind the fire brigade building, then passes around a locked gate onto the 'Blackwattle Trail'. The walk soon arrives at an intersection with a bush track on the right, marked with a short timber signpost.

From the intersection, the walk follows the management trail down the hill, keeping the houses to the left, arriving at the signposted intersection at the top of the stairs (with a track on the right).



Start.





The Cherrybrook Girl Guides building is at the corner of Shepherds Dr and Macquarie Dr, Cherrybrook.



After another 45 m **continue straight**, to head along Blackwattle

Trail.

After another 220 m **continue straight**, to head along Blackwattle Trail.



After another 45 m **continue straight**, to head along Daphne Trail.





After another 185 m come to the end.