





# Sassafras Creek to Baynes Park via the Dandenong Ranges Tourist Track

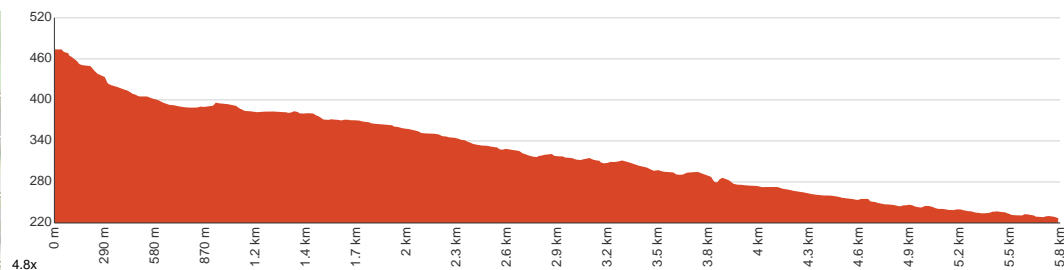
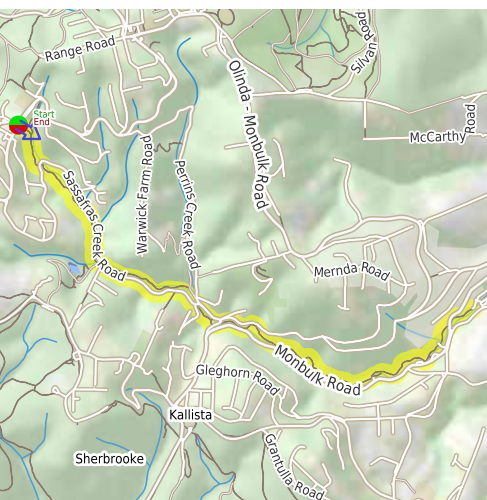
 3 h 30 min to 5 h 30 min  
 1 h 45 min to 2 h 45 min

  
11.5 km  
Return

  
↑ 355 m  
↓ 355 m

 3  
Moderate track

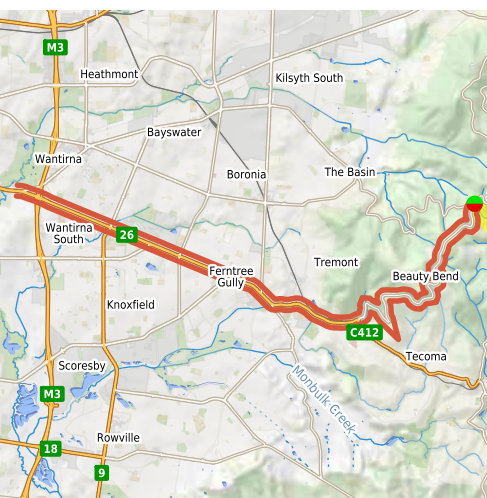
Starting near the Sassafras Mechanics Institute Hall, on Mount Dandenong Tourist Road, Sassafras, this walk leads to Baynes Park and back via the Dandenong Ranges Tourist Track. Passing through cool temperate rainforest and gullies filled with ferns and eucalyptus trees, this walk allows you to appreciate nature in a peaceful and calm manner. Sassafras Creek is a constant companion on this walk, whether you are walking beside it or crossing over it. At all times, you are relatively close to the road, but the faint hum of traffic in the background doesn't spoil the walk. Road crossings are required at several points, and there are orange markers to guide you. There are also several creek crossings and boardwalks along the way. This walk is suited for people of average fitness levels. It can be tackled from either direction, done as a whole or divided into smaller sections. Dogs are allowed on-lead on this track. 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.



Class 3 of 6 Formed track, with some branches and other obstacles	
Quality of track	Formed track, with some branches and other obstacles (3/6)
Gradient	Gentle hills with occasional steps (2/6)
Signage	Directional signs along the way (3/6)
Infrastructure	Generally useful facilities (such as fenced cliffs and seats) (2/6)
Experience Required	No experience required (2/6)
Weather	Weather generally has little impact on safety (2/6)

**Getting to the start:** From Burwood Highway, 26, Wantirna.

- Turn on to C415 then drive for 7.6 km



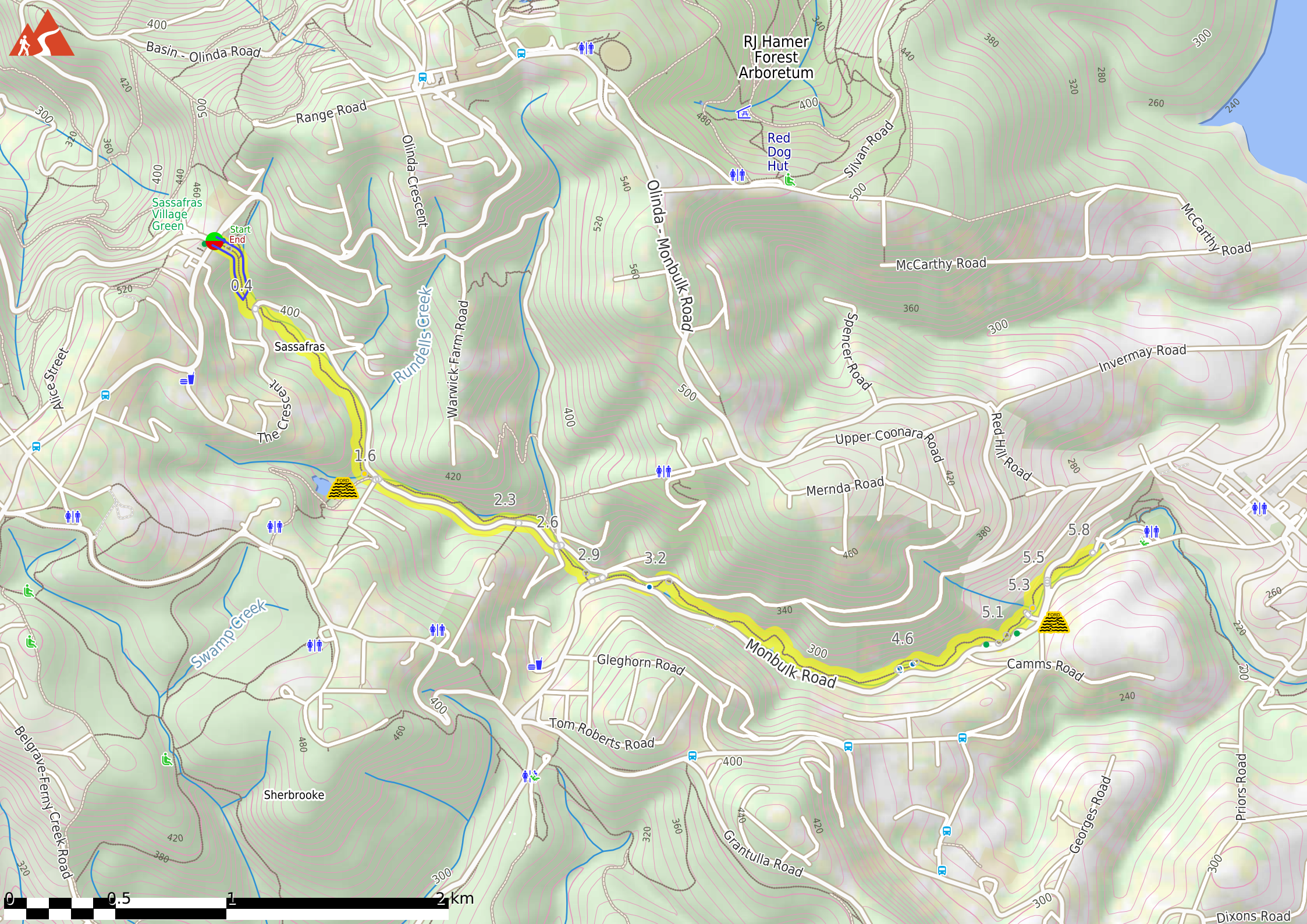
## Before you start any journey ensure you;

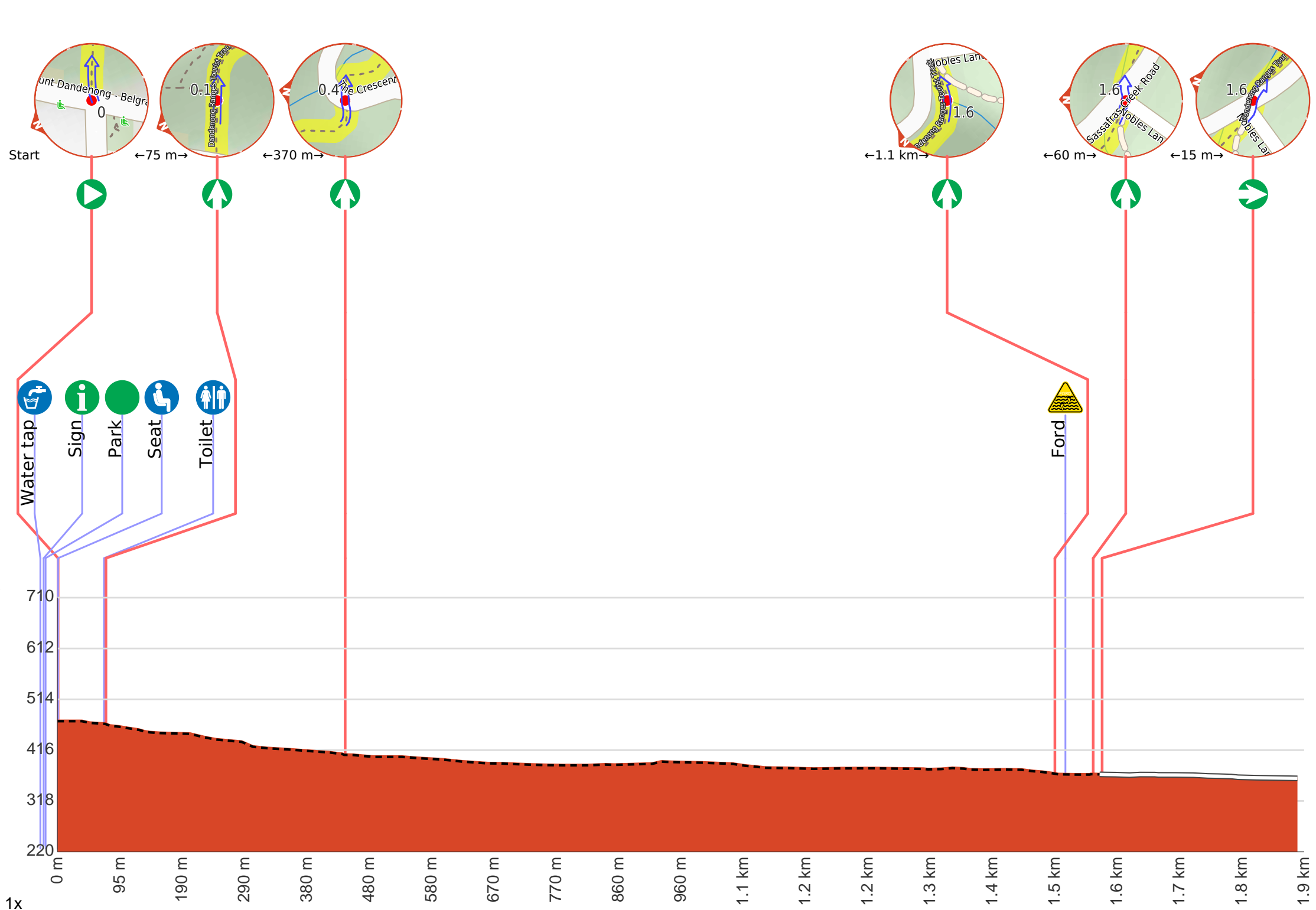
- Tell someone you trust where you are going and what to do if you are late returning
- Have adequate equipment, supplies, skills & knowledge to undertake this journey safely
- Consider weather forecasts, park/track closures & fire dangers
- Can respond to emergencies & call for help at any point
- Are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

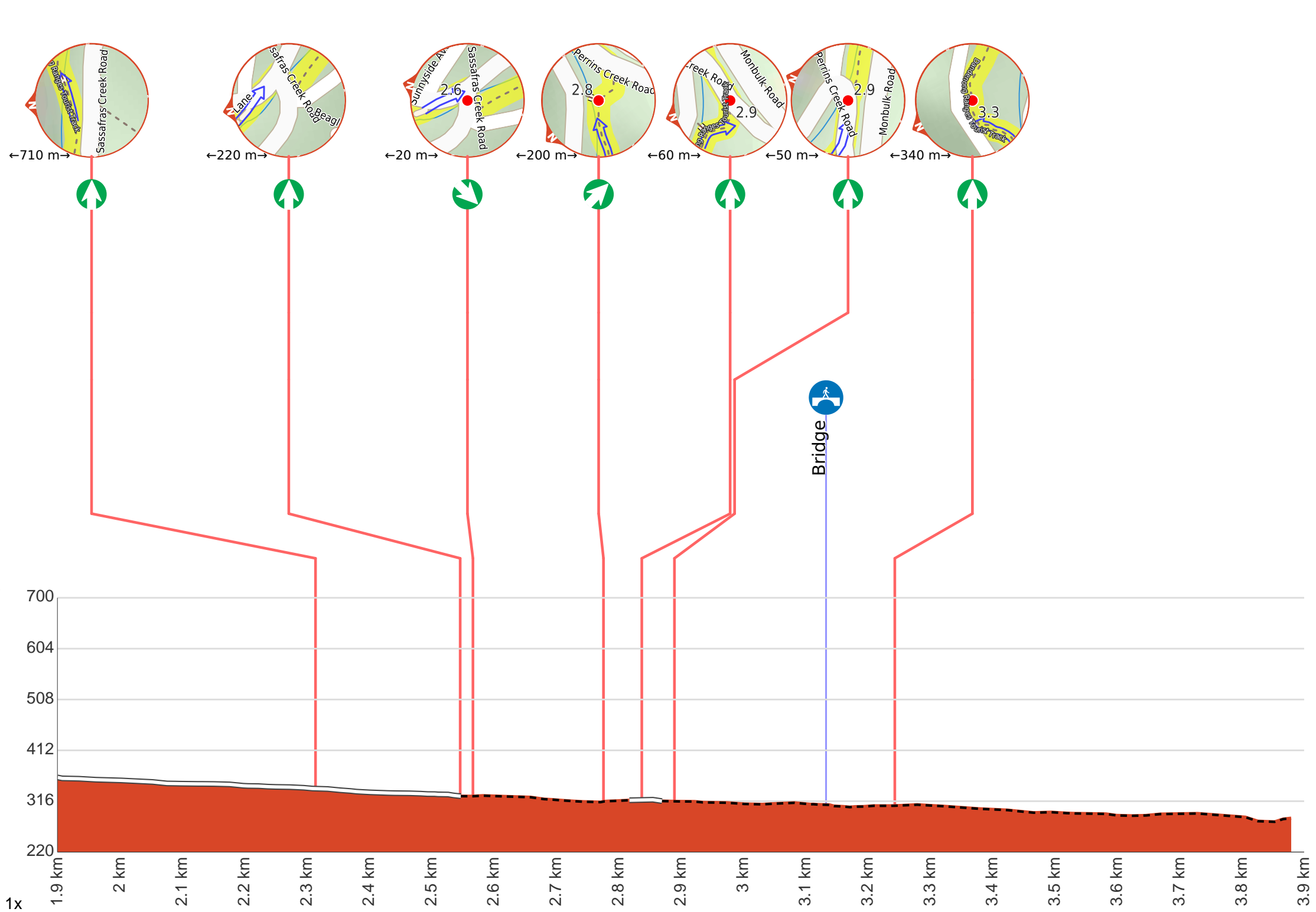
If not, change plans and stay safe. It is okay to delay and ask people for help.

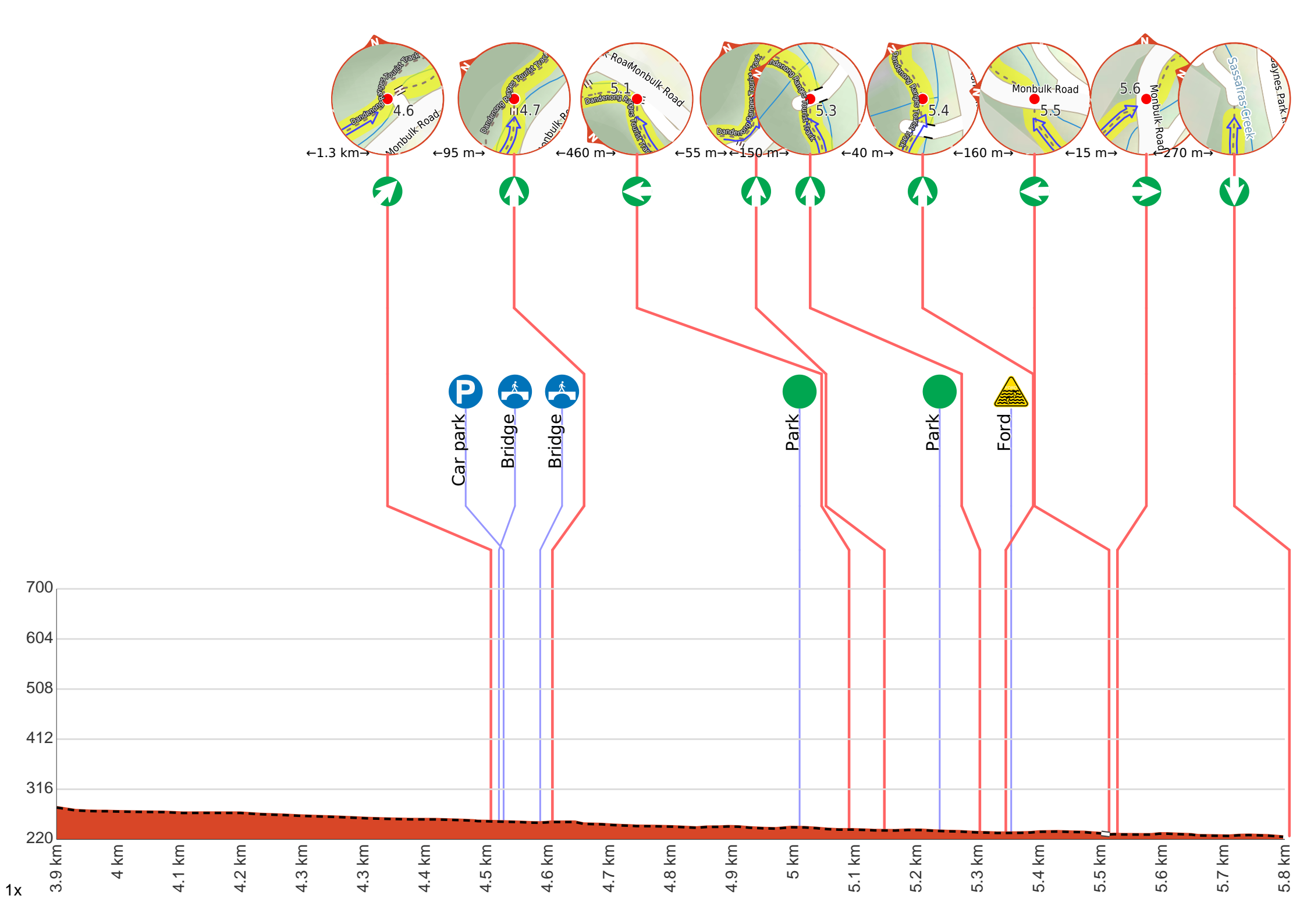
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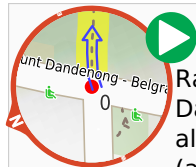












At the intersection of Dandenong Ranges Tourist Track & Mount Dandenong - Belgrave Road **Start** heading along *Dandenong Ranges Tourist Track* (a walking track).



There is water tap (about 25 m back from the start).



There is a sign (about 20 m back from the start).



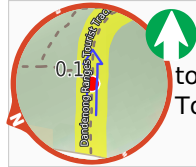
Sassafras Village Green (about 20 m back from the start).



Find the seat at the start.



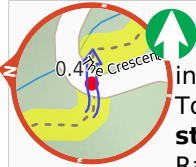
Find the toilet at the start.



After another 3 m **continue straight**, to head along Dandenong Ranges Tourist Track.



After another 70 m **continue straight**, to head along Dandenong Ranges Tourist Track.



After another 300 m (at the intersection of Dandenong Ranges Tourist Track & The Crescent) **continue straight**, to head along Dandenong Ranges Tourist Track.



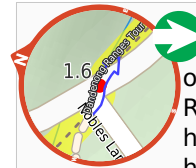
After another 1.1 km cross the ford.



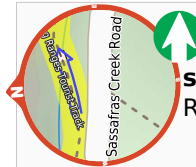
**Continue straight**, to head along Dandenong Ranges Tourist Track.



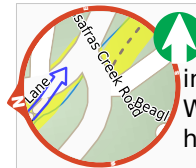
After another 60 m (at the intersection of Dandenong Ranges Tourist Track & Nobles Lane) **continue straight**, to head along Dandenong Ranges Tourist Track.



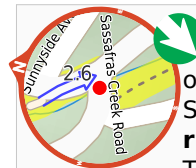
After another 15 m (at the intersection of Sassafras Creek Road & Dandenong Ranges Tourist Track) **turn right**, to head along Sassafras Creek Road (a highway|tertiary).



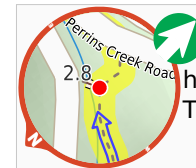
After another 710 m **continue straight**, to head along Sassafras Creek Road.



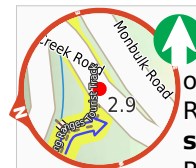
After another 220 m (at the intersection of Sassafras Creek Road & Wembley Road) **continue straight**, to head along Sassafras Creek Road.



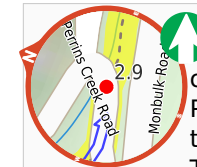
After another 20 m (at the intersection of Dandenong Ranges Tourist Track & Sassafras Creek Road) **turn sharp right**, to head along Dandenong Ranges Tourist Track (a walking track).



After another 200 m **veer right**, to head along Dandenong Ranges Tourist Track.



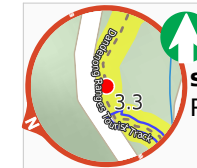
After another 60 m (at the intersection of Perrins Creek Road & Dandenong Ranges Tourist Track) **continue straight**, to head along Perrins Creek Road (a highway|tertiary).



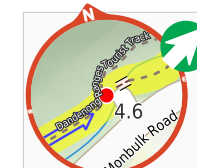
After another 50 m (at the intersection of Dandenong Ranges Tourist Track & Perrins Creek Road) **continue straight**, to head along Dandenong Ranges Tourist Track (a walking track).



After another 235 m cross the bridge (about 5 m long)



After another 100 m **continue straight**, to head along Dandenong Ranges Tourist Track.



After another 1.3 km **veer right**.



After another 20 m pass the car park (10 m on your right).



Then cross the bridge (about 10 m long)



After another 55 m cross the bridge (about 8 m long)



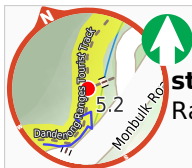
After another 10 m **continue straight**, to head along Dandenong Ranges Tourist Track.



After another 390 m pass the park (8 m on your right).



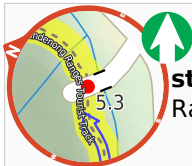
After another 75 m **turn left**, to head along Dandenong Ranges Tourist Track.



After another 55 m **continue straight**, to head along Dandenong Ranges Tourist Track.



After another 85 m pass the park (20 m on your right).



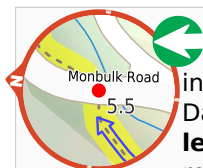
After another 65 m **continue straight**, to head along Dandenong Ranges Tourist Track.



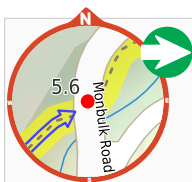
After another 50 m cross the ford.



**Continue straight**, to head along Dandenong Ranges Tourist Track.



After another 160 m (at the intersection of Monbulk Road & Dandenong Ranges Tourist Track) **turn left**, to head along Monbulk Road (a road).



After another 15 m **turn right**.



Continue another 270 m to find the end. Then turn around here and retrace the main route for 5.8 km to get back to the start.