



# The Falls Picnic Area to Upper Wentworth Falls

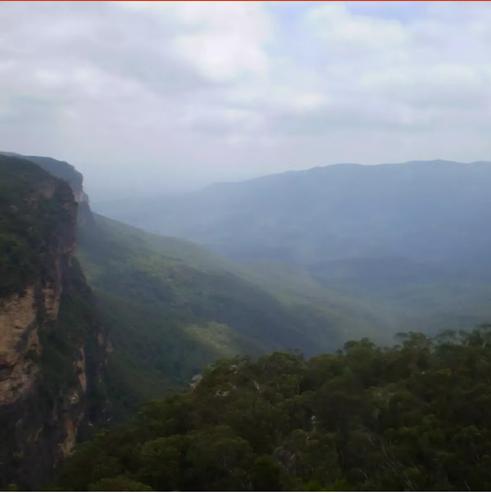
(Dharug & Gundungurra Country)

40 min to 45 min

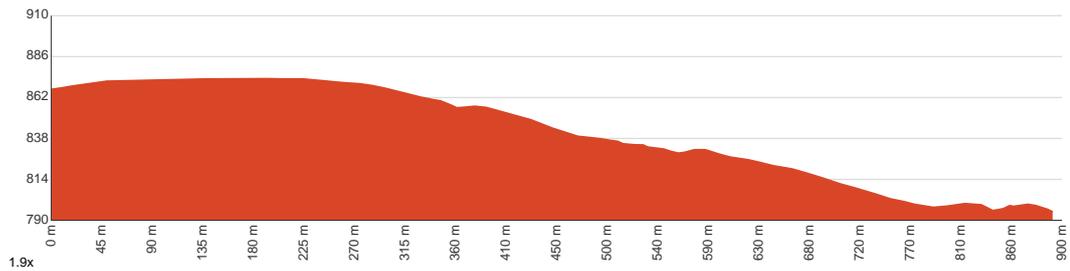
1.8 km  
Return

↑ 103 m  
↓ 103 m

Moderate track



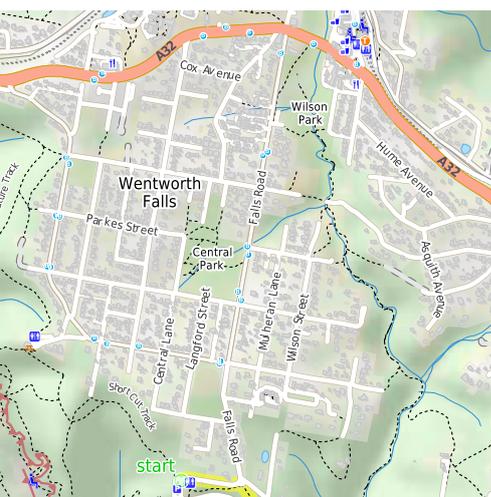
For a short walk down to the beautiful Upper Wentworth Falls, this track showcases the beauty of the Jamison Valley and the Falls without having to spend a whole day walking. The Falls Picnic Area is a great spot to unwind and have a bite to eat. Let us begin by acknowledging the Dharug & Gundungurra people, Traditional Custodians of the land on which we travel today, and pay our respects to their Elders past and present.



<b>Class 3 of 6</b> Formed track, with some branches and other obstacles	
<b>Quality of track</b>	Clear and well formed track or trail (2/6)
<b>Gradient</b>	Short steep hills (3/6)
<b>Signage</b>	Clearly signposted (1/6)
<b>Infrastructure</b>	Limited facilities, not all cliffs are fenced (3/6)
<b>Experience Required</b>	Some bushwalking experience recommended (3/6)
<b>Weather</b>	Storms may impact on navigation and safety (3/6)

**Getting to the start:** From Great Western Highway, A32

- Turn on to Falls Road then drive for 1.7 km
- Keep right and drive for another 140 m



**Before you start any journey ensure you;**

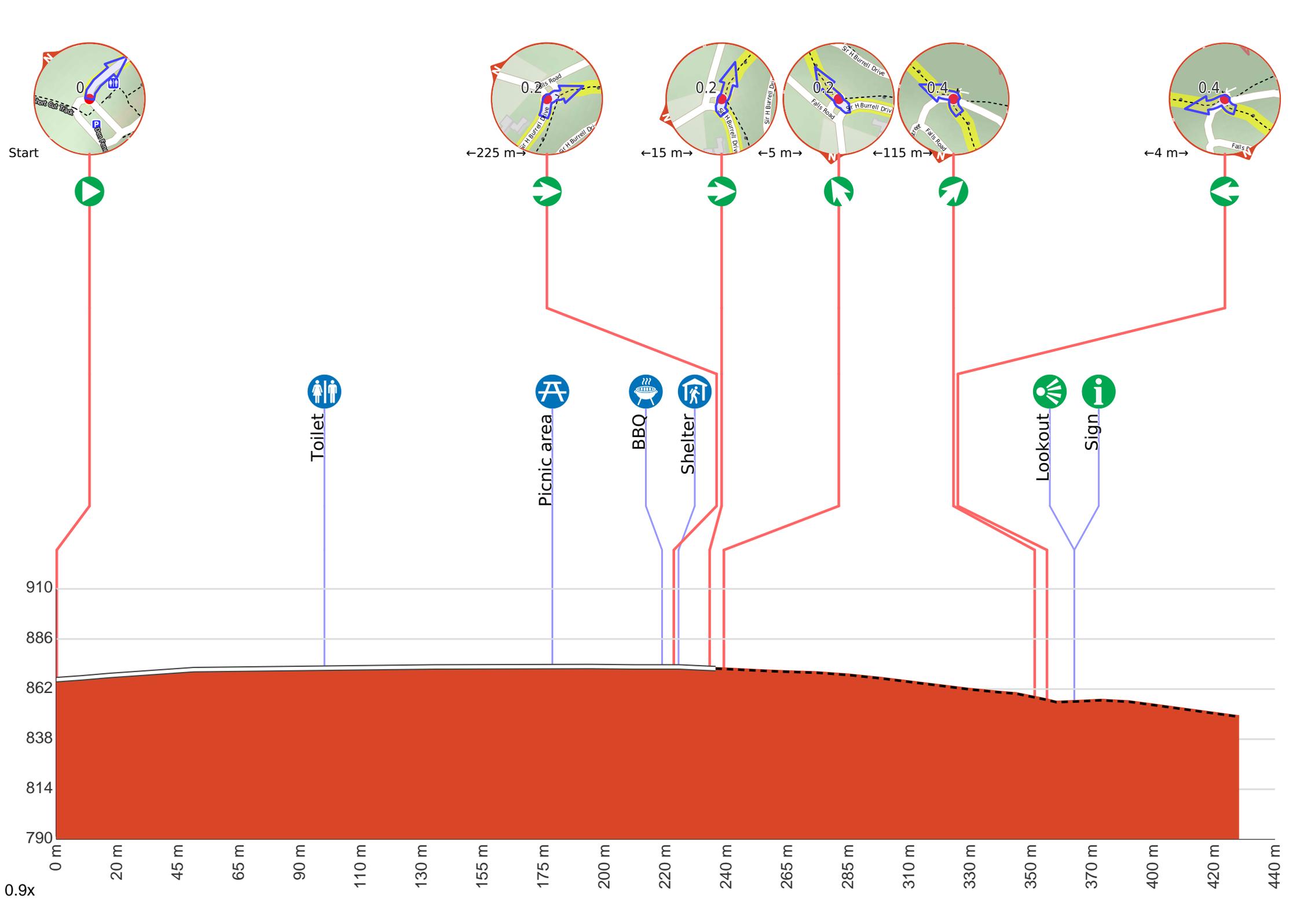
- Tell someone you trust where you are going and what to do if you are late returning
- Have adequate equipment, supplies, skills & knowledge to undertake this journey safely
- Consider weather forecasts, park/track closures & fire dangers
- Can respond to emergencies & call for help at any point
- Are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

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

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**Getting started:** From the Wentworth Falls Picnic Area, this walk heads past the BBQ shelter and follows the track (with a timber border) up the steps (keeping the road a short distance to the left). The track passes an old sandstone pillar marking an overgrown lookout (still with some views). The walk continues up this gentle hill, coming to the main entrance of Wentworth Falls Picnic Area (at the intersection of Falls Rd and Sir H Burrell Dr).



**Start.**



After 100 m pass the toilet (20 m on your right).



After another 85 m find the "Wentworth Falls Picnic Area" (30 m on your right).



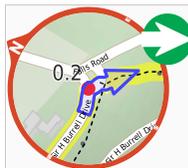
The Wentworth Falls Picnic Area is in the Blue Mountains National Park on Sir H Burrell Drive (Wentworth Falls). The picnic area is host to a couple of wonderful lookouts and some good facilities. A large car park, toilets (wheelchair accessible), picnic tables, free electric BBQs, town water and information signs. This is a great spot to relax between walks in the area.



After another 40 m pass the BBQ (15 m on your right).



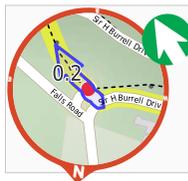
After another 6 m pass the shelter (10 m on your right).



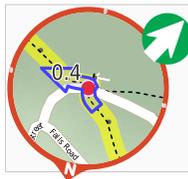
**Turn right.**



After another 15 m **turn right.**



After another 5 m **veer left.**



After another 115 m **veer right.**



After another 4 m **turn left.**



After another 10 m find the "Wentworth Falls Lookout" (10 m on your left).



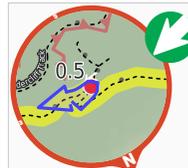
Wentworth Falls Lookout, in the Blue Mountains National Park, is beside Sir H Burrell Drive. The lookout is fenced and has a large information sign about the area. There are some bench seats and great vistas. There is a view to Wentworth Falls (in the valley to the left), but the most captivating view is across the Jamison Valley to Mount Solitary. There are also great views of the Kings Tableland (left), Sublime Point (right) and Narrow Neck (far right) escarpments. This is a great place to enjoy the scope of this World Heritage listed area.



Then pass the sign (15 m on your right).



After another 140 m pass a seat (on your left).



After another 20 m **turn sharp left.**

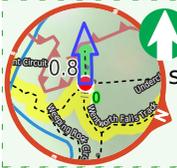


After another 185 m **veer right.**



After another 40 m head down the steps (about 7 m long)

**Start of an optional side trip:** An optional side trip to Fletchers Lookout.



To start this optional side trip continue straight here. **Start.**



After another 30 m come to "Fletchers Lookout".



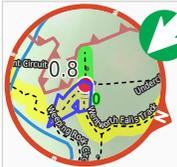
Fletchers Lookout is a fenced and signposted lookout off the side of the Undercliff Walk, just north of the Wentworth Falls. The lookout provides a fairly close view of the top of Wentworth Falls and a great view into the Jamison Valley. There is a good distant view of Mount Solitary and Narrow Neck, and also great views of the surrounding escarpments.



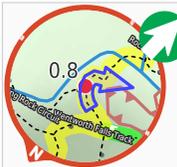
Turn around and retrace your steps back the 30 m to the main route.



Back at the main route turn around and follow on from the 770 m waypoint.



After another 8 m **turn sharp left.**



After another 45 m **veer right.**



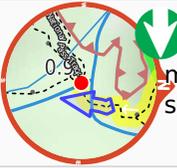
After another 80 m come to "Queen's Cascades".



Queen's Cascades are a lovely set of falls on the Jamison Creek at the top of Wentworth Falls. The creek heads down the wide, two-stage cascades into a sandy pool. From the pool, the water flows between the stepping stones, under the fence and down the very tall Wentworth Falls. There are also great views to Sublime Point across the valley.



A stepping stones.



Turn around here and retrace the main route for 890 m to get back to the start.



"Grand Stairway".



The Grand Stairway is a very memorable section of the National Pass in the Blue Mountains National Park. The stairway is reported to be 'the tallest outdoor staircase in Australia' and was built in the early 1900's by hand (and dynamite). This stairway, and the rest of the National Pass, was built by a team nicknamed 'the Irish Brigade' for the cost of £430 . Today, the Grand Stairway is well-maintained and provides walkers access to the valley below Wentworth Falls.