Forestway Circuit Walk
## (Awabakal & Worimi Country)

🚶 1 h to 2 h

📍 2.7 km Circuit

📈 ↑ 84 m ↓ 84 m

3 Moderate track

This is a good walk, a highlight being the delightful Lily Pond picnic area, with its lush vegetation and attractive flowers. This walk travels through eucalyptus forest as well as one section of road walking through a quiet suburban street. The side trip to Richley Park is worthwhile to access the extra facilities there. A recommended walk that doesn't attract the crowds. Let us begin by acknowledging the Awabakal & Worimi people, Traditional Custodians of the land on which we travel today, and pay our respects to their Elders past and present.
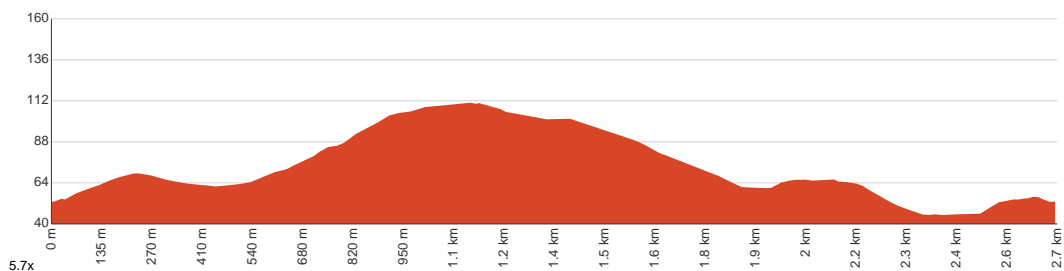

Class 3 of 6
Formed track, with some branches and other obstacles

Quality of track	Clear and well formed track or trail (2/6)
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) (1/6)
Experience Required	No experience required (1/6)
Weather	Weather generally has little impact on safety (1/6)

Getting to the start: From City Road, A43

- Turn on to Northcott Drive, B63 then drive for 2 km
- At roundabout, take exit 1 onto Carnley Avenue and drive for another 220 m
- Turn right onto Birdwood Street and drive for another 105 m
- Turn left onto Freyberg Street and drive for another 560 m
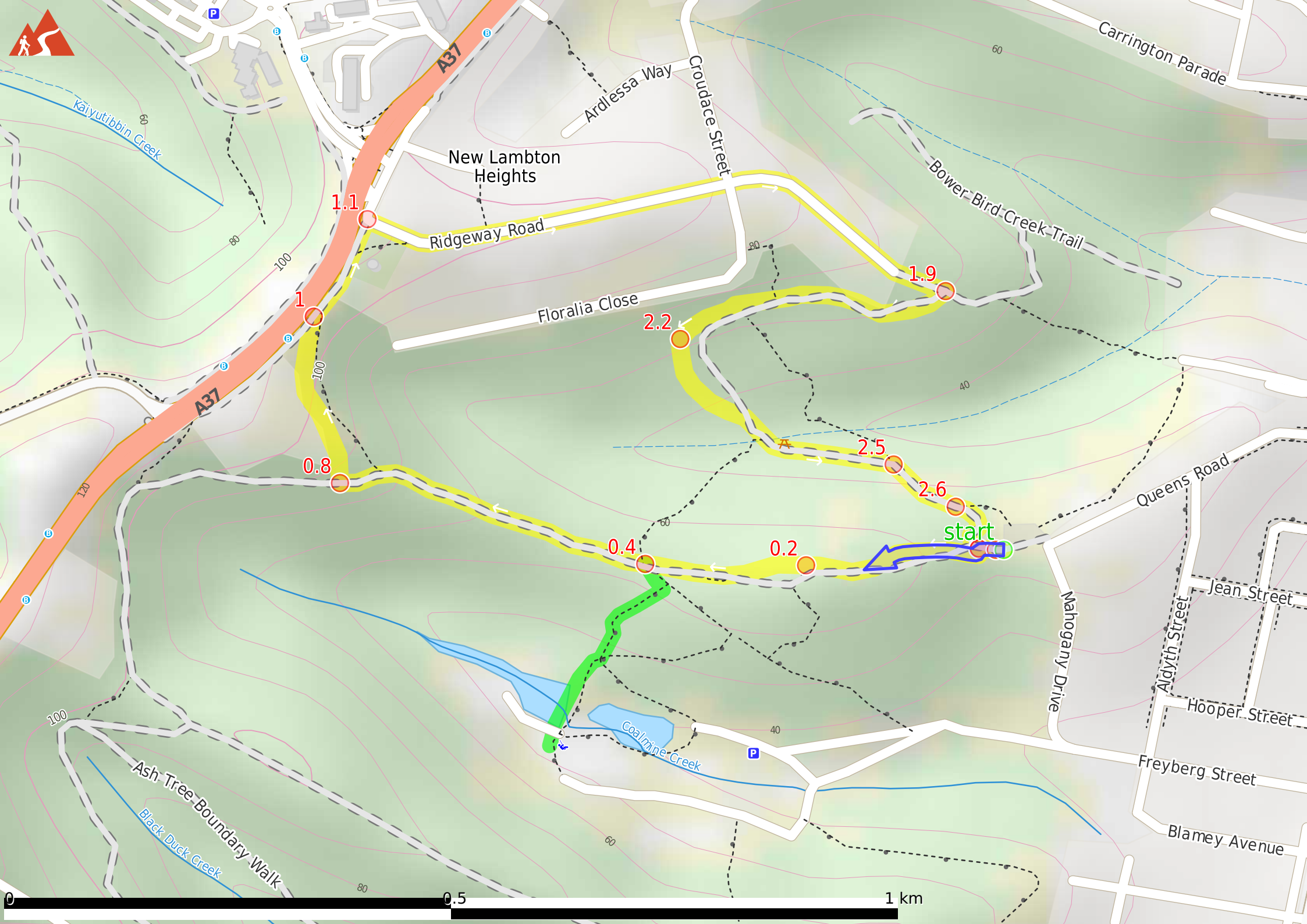- Keep right onto Mahogany Drive and drive for another 280 m
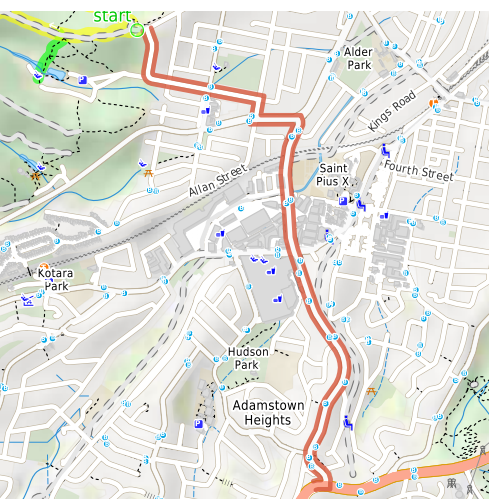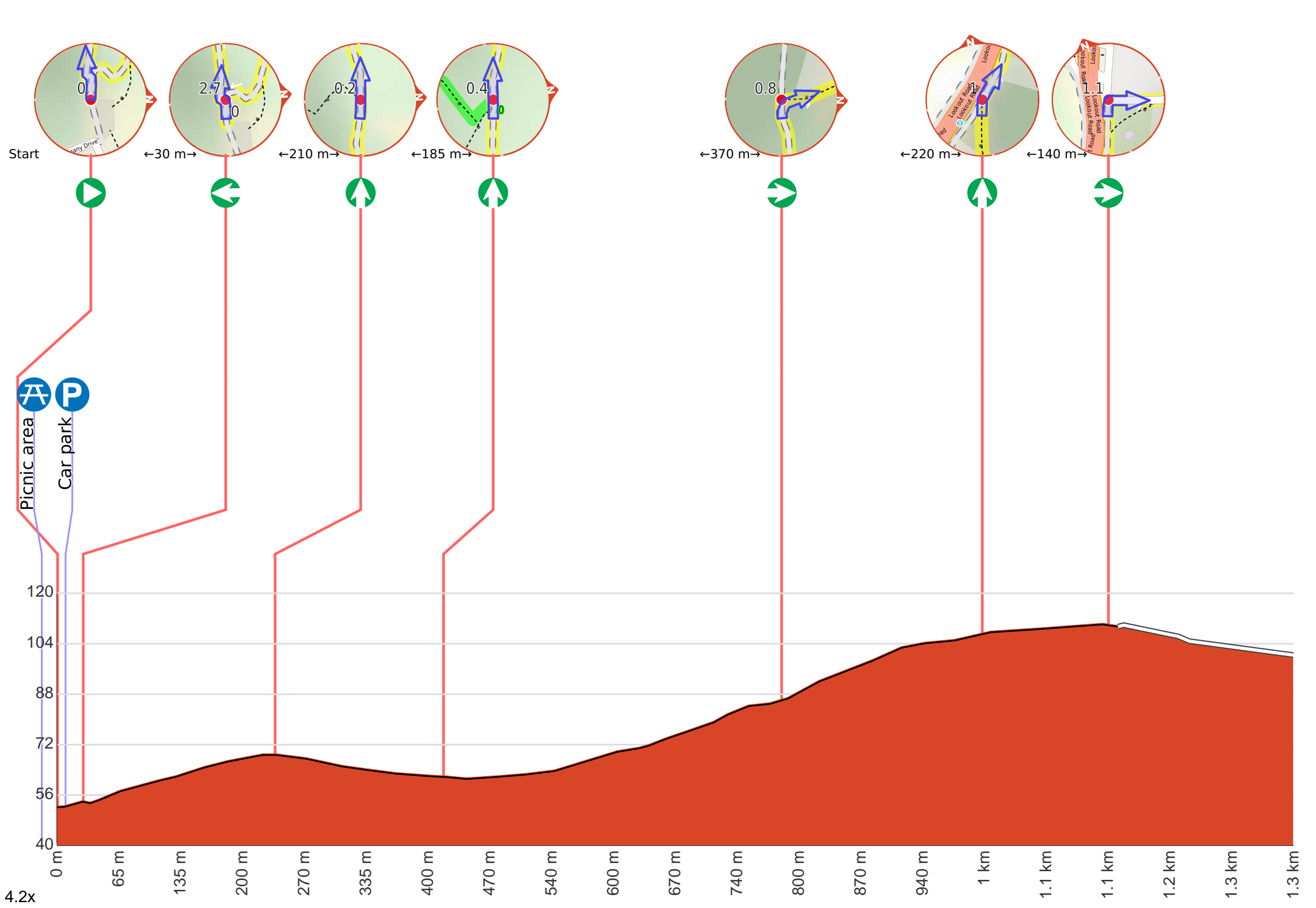

Before you start any journey ensure you;
• Tell someone you trust where you are going and what to do if you are late returning
• Have adequate equipment, supplies, skills & knowledge to undertake this journey safely
• Consider weather forecasts, park/track closures & fire dangers
• Can respond to emergencies & call for help at any point
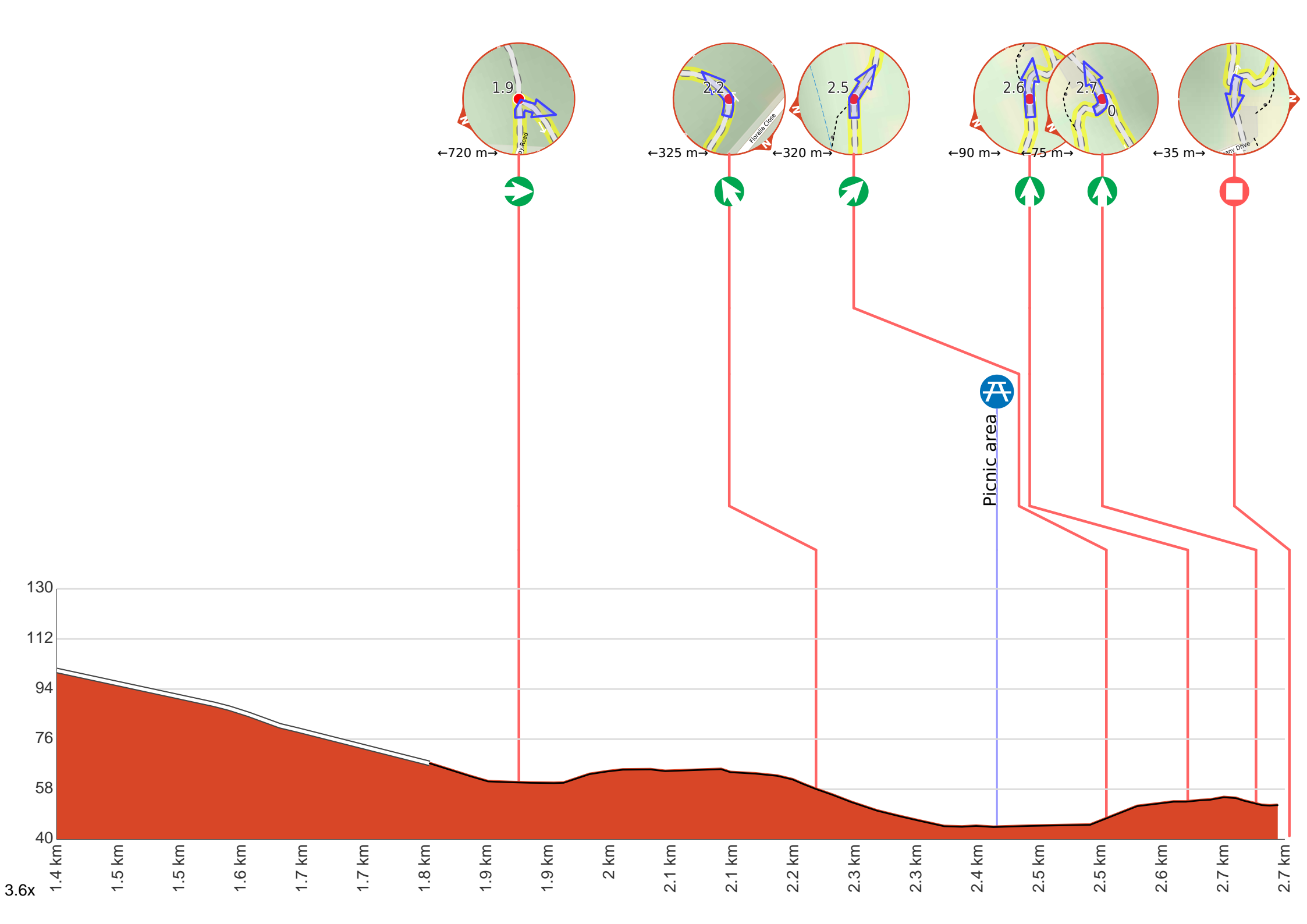• Are healthy and fit enough for this journey
If not, change plans and stay safe. It is okay to delay and ask people for help.

Carrington Parade

Kaiyutibbin Creek

New Lambton
Heights

Ardlessa Way

Croudace Street

Ridgeway Road

Bower Bird Creek Trail

1.1

1

0.8

Floralia Close

2.2

1.9

2.5

2.6

Queens Road

start

0.4

0.2

Mahogany Drive

Jean Street

Aldyth Street

Hooper Street

Ash Tree Boundary Walk

Black Duck Creek

Coalmine Creek

Freyberg Street

Blamey Avenue

A37

0   0.5   1 km

Start ←30 m→ ←210 m→ ←185 m→ ←370 m→ ←220 m→ ←140 m→

0 2.7 -0.2 0.4 0.8 1 1.1

Picnic area Car park

120
104
88
72
56
40

0 m 65 m 135 m 200 m 270 m 335 m 400 m 470 m 540 m 600 m 670 m 740 m 800 m 870 m 940 m 1 km 1.1 km 1.1 km 1.2 km 1.3 km 1.3 km

4.2x

←720 m→ ←325 m→ ←320 m→ ←90 m→ ←75 m→ ←35 m→

1.9 2.2 2.5 2.6 2.7 0

Floralia Close

Pedgar

any Drive

Picnic area

130
112
94
76
58
40

1.4 km 1.5 km 1.5 km 1.6 km 1.7 km 1.7 km 1.8 km 1.9 km 1.9 km 2 km 2.1 km 2.1 km 2.2 km 2.3 km 2.3 km 2.4 km 2.5 km 2.5 km 2.6 km 2.7 km 2.7 km

3.6x

Getting started: From the Mahogany Picnic Area (on Queens Rd, New Lambton), this walk passes around the locked gate and follows the gently uphill trail for about 70m (with picnic tables on the right), until coming to toilets (on the left) and a three-way intersection, with two 'Forest Way Walk' signs directly ahead.

▶ **Start**.

🚏 Mahognay Picnic Area (Queens St) (about 25 m back from the start).

The Mahogany Drive picnic area in Blackbutt Reserve has toilets, picnic tables, a water tap, an elevated timber barbecue and car parking. The car park is open from 7am to 5pm or 7am to 7pm during daylight savings. For further information phone: 02 4904 3344.

🅿 Find the car park at the start.
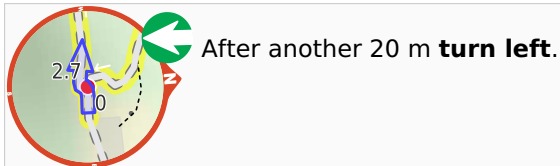
After another 20 m **turn left**.

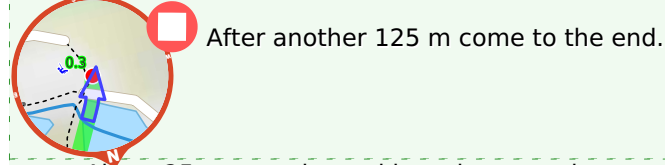After another 210 m **continue straight**.
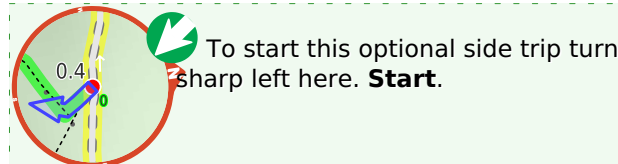
To start this optional side trip turn sharp left here. **Start**.
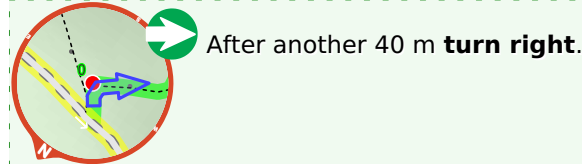
After another 40 m **turn right**.
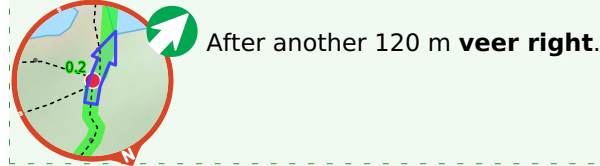
After another 120 m **veer right**.

⬛ After another 125 m come to the end.
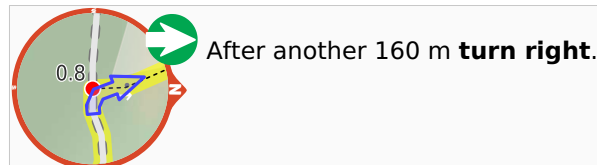
🧒 About 25 m past the end is a playground .

Turn around and retrace your steps back the 285 m to the main route.

Back at the main route veer left and follow on from the 420 m waypoint.

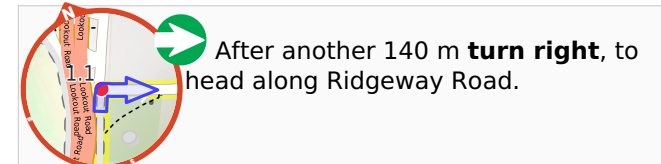After another 185 m **continue straight**.

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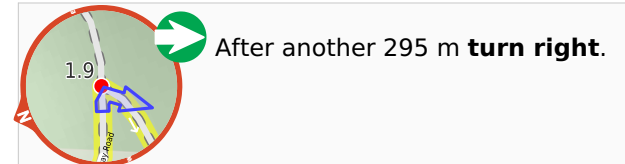
After another 160 m **turn right**.

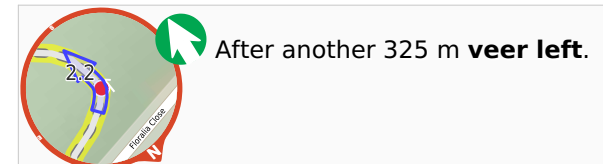After another 220 m **continue straight**.

After another 140 m **turn right**, to head along Ridgeway Road.

After another 420 m (at the intersection of Croudace Street & Ridgeway Road) **continue straight**, to head along Ridgeway Road.

After another 295 m **turn right**.

After another 325 m **veer left**.

🚏 After another 200 m find the "Lily Pond Picnic Area" (on your left).

The Lily Pond picnic area in Blackbutt Reserve feels like a small, watery oasis surrounded by eucalyptus forest. There is an attractive tropical water lily pond with a healthy cover of Nymphaea, which is particularly beautiful when flowering. Also at this picnic area are bench seats, picnic tables, small grassed areas and an elevated timber barbecue.
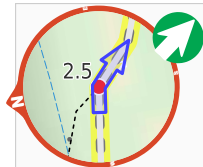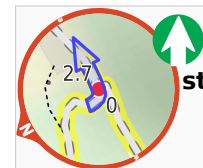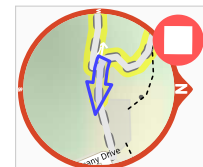
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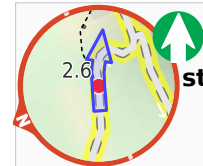
After another 90 m **continue straight**.

After another 75 m **continue straight**.

After another 35 m come to the end.