



Mapleton Falls Lookout from Flaxton

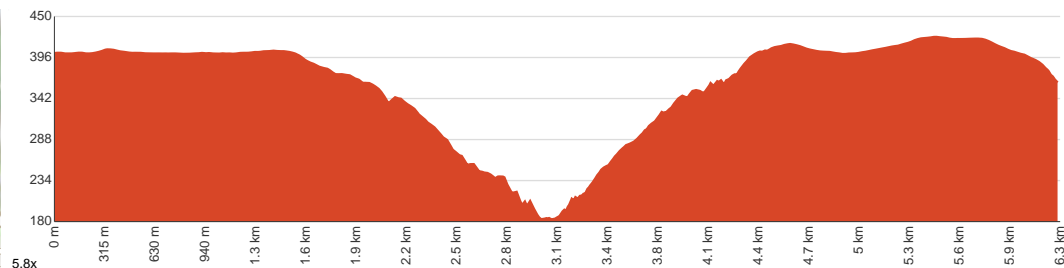
 4 h 30 min, 6 h 30 min to 2 days


12.5 km
Return


↑ 662 m
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Hard track

Starting from the intersection of Flaxton Mill Road and Old Mill Lane, Flaxton, this walk takes you to the Mapleton Falls Lookout and back via the Sunshine Coast Hinterland Great Walk, visiting Flaxton Walkers Camp and Baxter Falls along the way. The exquisite view from the wooden lookout is bound to erase any regrets or doubts you've had from the track. You'll be able to view the gorgeous waterfall along with the vast green hinterland beyond it, decorated with scenic mountains in the distance. Even if the said view doesn't satisfy you, the amazing scenery and a rainforest full of wildlife will surely fill in the blanks. Expect to see goannas and be accompanied by the harmonic birdsong throughout the track. You can spend the night at Flaxton Walkers Campsite and make this a multi-day trip as well. The waterfalls are best viewed after rain, but this may lead to muddy sections in parts of the track. Additionally, you can swim near Baxter Falls, but check the water thoroughly before going in. Decent hiking shoes and poles can make your trip a significantly better experience. 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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Rough track, where fallen trees and other obstacles are likely

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| Quality of track | Clear and well formed track or trail (2/6) |
| Gradient | Very steep (4/6) |
| Signage | Directional signs along the way (3/6) |
| Infrastructure | Generally useful facilities (such as fenced cliffs and seats) (2/6) |
| Experience Required | Some bushwalking experience recommended (3/6) |
| Weather | Storms may impact on navigation and safety (3/6) |

Getting to the start: From Bruce Highway, M1

- Turn on to then drive for 330 m
- At roundabout, take exit 2 onto Bli Bli Road, 23 and drive for another 1 km
- Turn left onto Coronation Avenue and drive for another 1.3 km
- Turn right onto Price Street and drive for another 880 m
- Keep left and drive for another 60 m
- Continue onto Nambour Mapleton Road, 23 and drive for another 15.7 km
- Turn right onto Flaxton Mill Road and drive for another 1.1 km
- Turn left onto Flaxton Mill Road and drive for another 400 m
- Turn left onto Old Mill Lane and drive for another 3 m

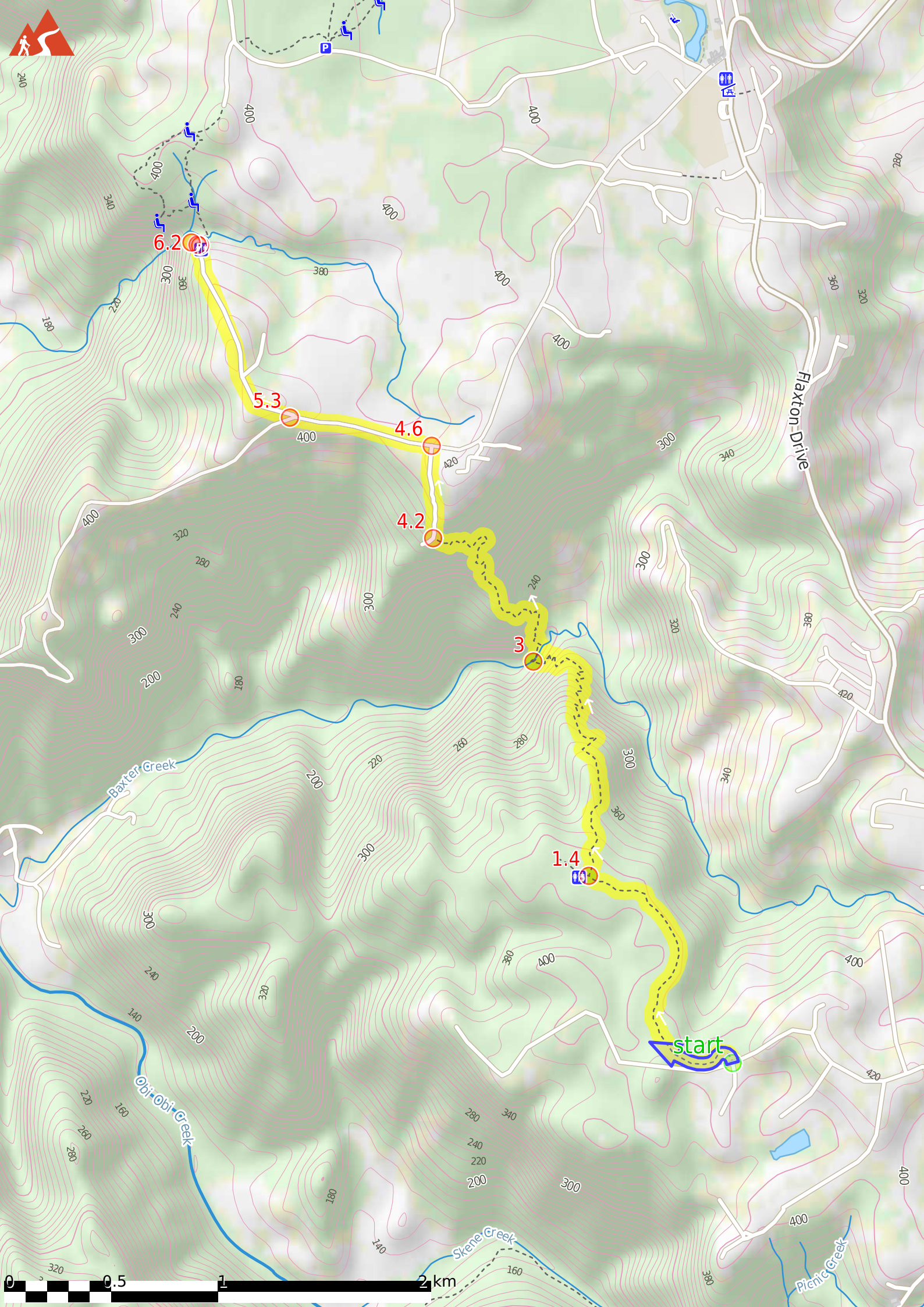
Before you start any journey ensure you;

- 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.

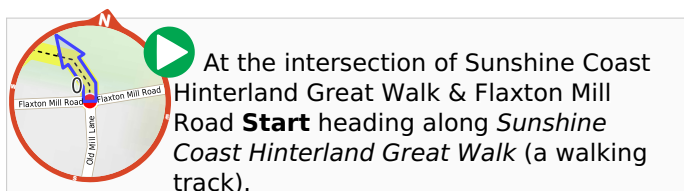
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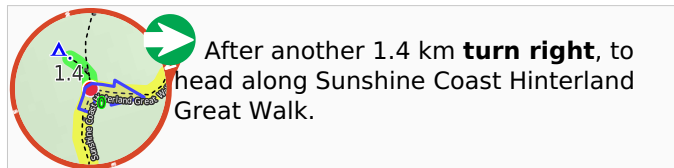
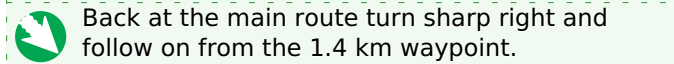
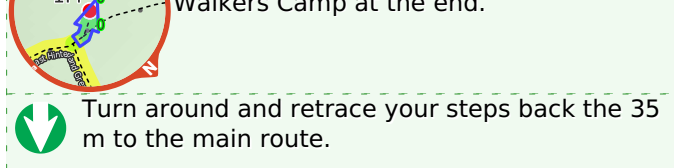
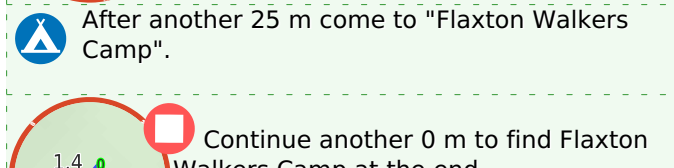
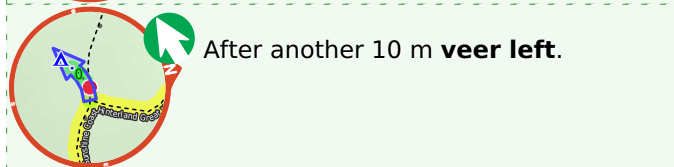
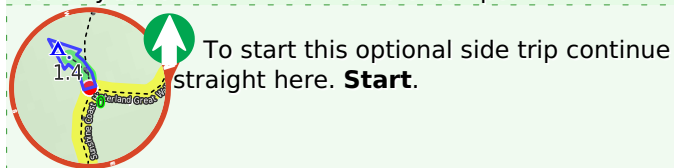




Getting started: From the intersection of Flaxton Mill Road and Old Mill Lane, head towards the white “National park” sign next to a couple of green signposts, moving perpendicularly away from the road. Pass through the bollard and head towards the woodland gently downhill along the dirt track. Follow the said track(Sunshine Coast Hinterland Great Walk) as it veers left to continue along Mapleton Falls Lookout from Flaxton Track.



Start of an optional side trip: This little side trip takes you to the Flaxton Walkers Campsite.



Start of an optional side trip: tiny side trip to Baxter Falls. May require a little bit of rock hopping. Remember to check the water before going in!

