



# Heathcote to Waterfall

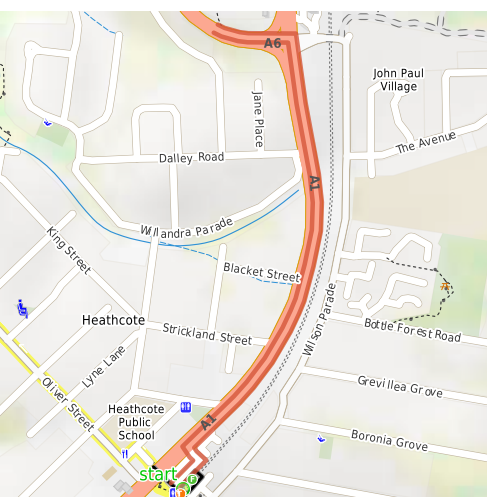
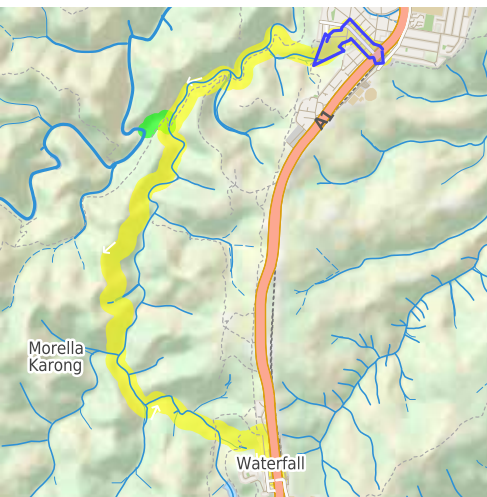
(Dharawal Country)

 4 h to 2 days

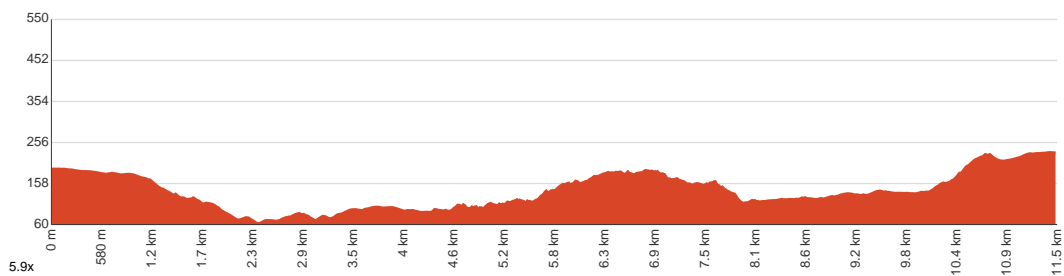
  
11.5 km  
One way

  
↑ 473 m  
↓ 433 m

  
Hard track



Following Heathcote Creek, this walk is a great overnight walk, often used to introduce new walkers to overnight hikes. A well-signposted and defined track leads you to a campsite with a reasonable level of facilities. There are great views of Heathcote Creek along the way, and many of Heathcote's varied environments to enjoy. Definitely worth the time to head down to Lake Eckersley, which is perfectly placed for lunch on the first day. Keep in mind that you can do this as a one day walk as well. Let us begin by acknowledging the Dharawal people, Traditional Custodians of the land on which we travel today, and pay our respects to their Elders past and present.



Class 4 of 6 Rough track, where fallen trees and other obstacles are likely	
Quality of track	Rough track, where fallen trees and other obstacles are likely (4/6)
Gradient	Short steep hills (3/6)
Signage	Minimal directional signs (4/6)
Infrastructure	Limited facilities, not all cliffs are fenced (3/6)
Experience Required	Some bushwalking experience recommended (3/6)
Weather	Weather generally has little impact on safety (1/6)

**Getting to the start:** From Heathcote Road, A6

- Turn on to Princes Highway, A1 then drive for 940 m
- Turn left and drive for another 110 m

## Before you start any journey ensure you;

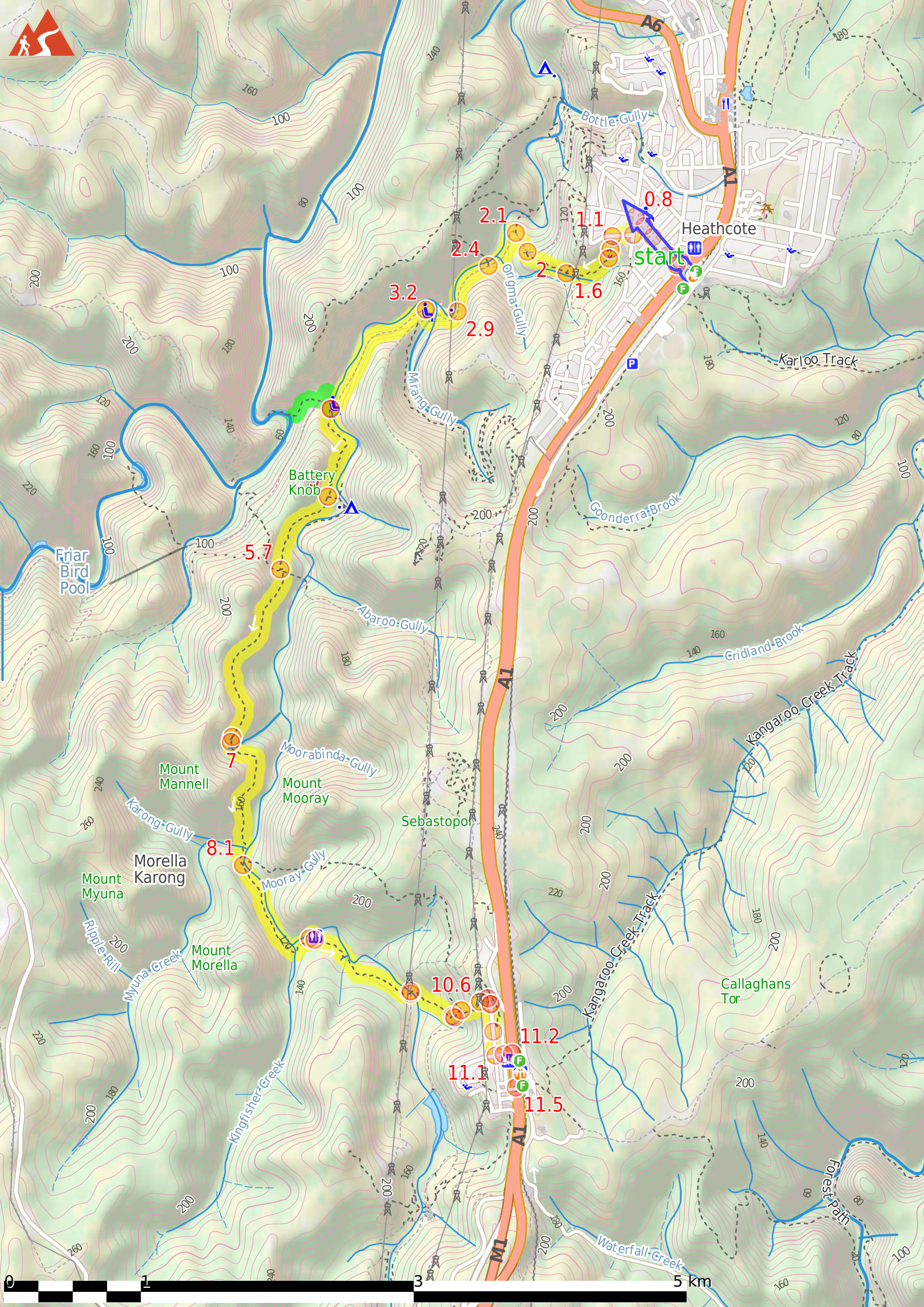
- Tell someone you trust where you are going and what to do if you are late returning
- Have adequate equipment, supplies, skills & knowledge to undertake this journey safely
- Consider weather forecasts, park/track closures & fire dangers
- Can respond to emergencies & call for help at any point
- Are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

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

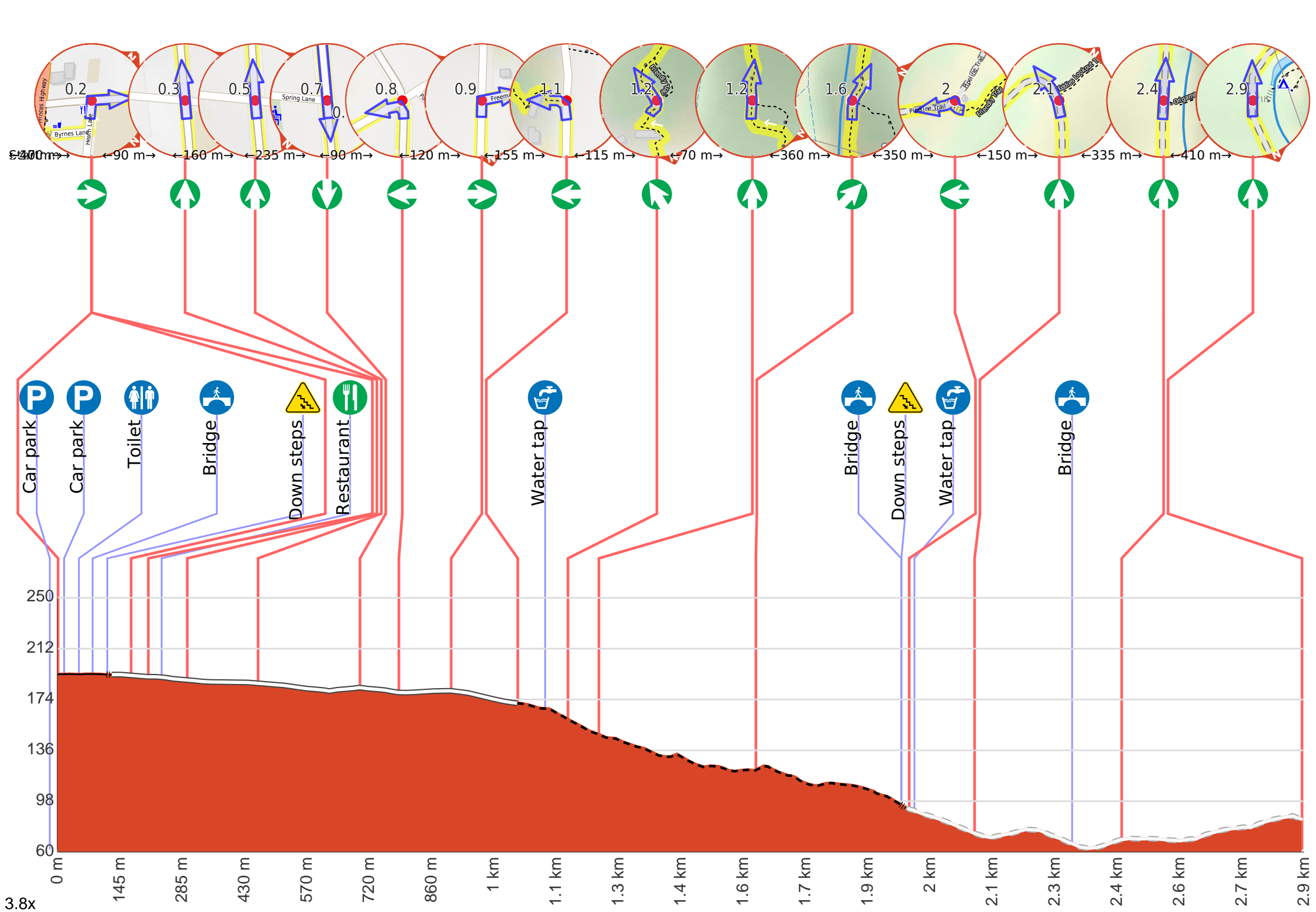
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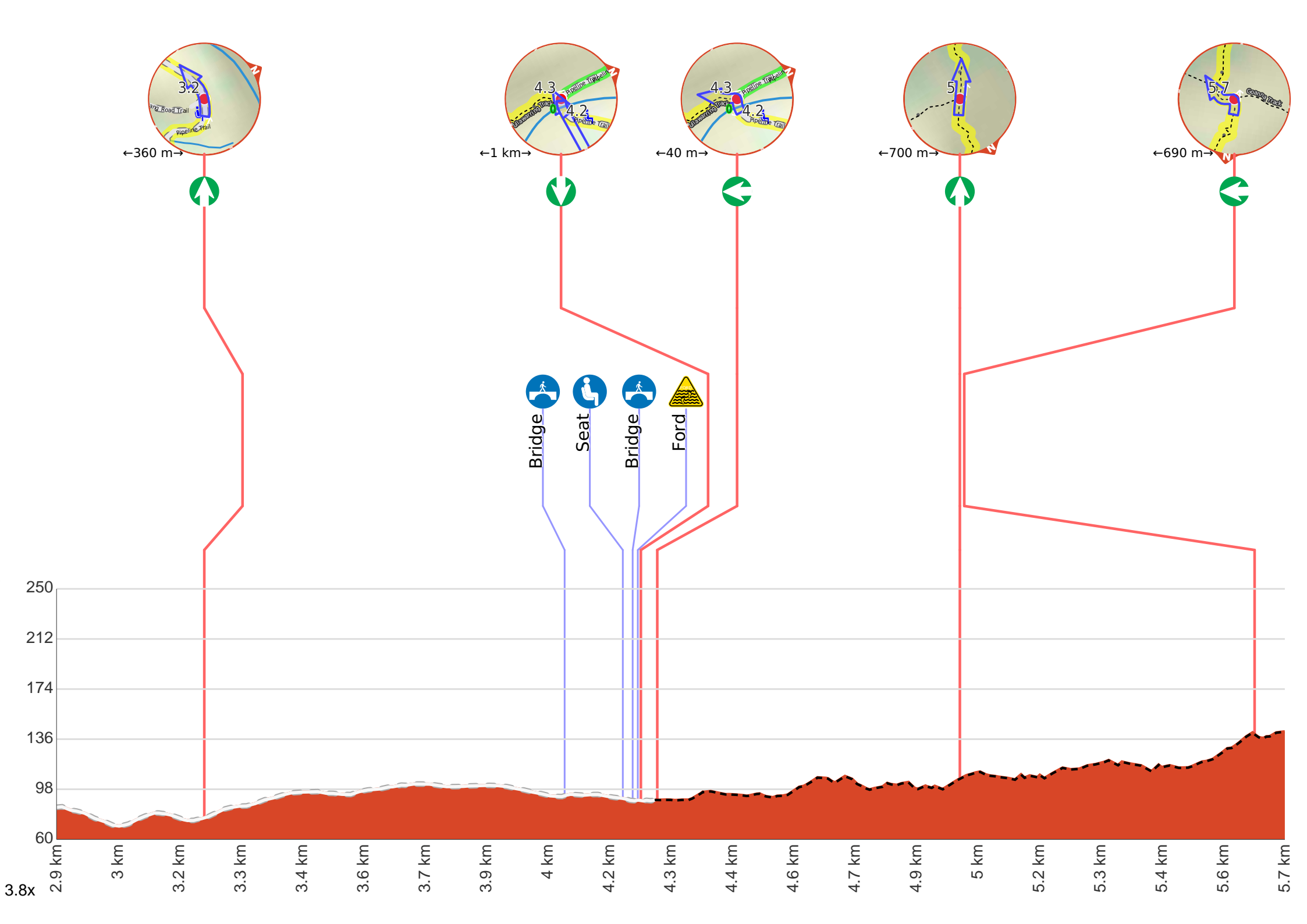


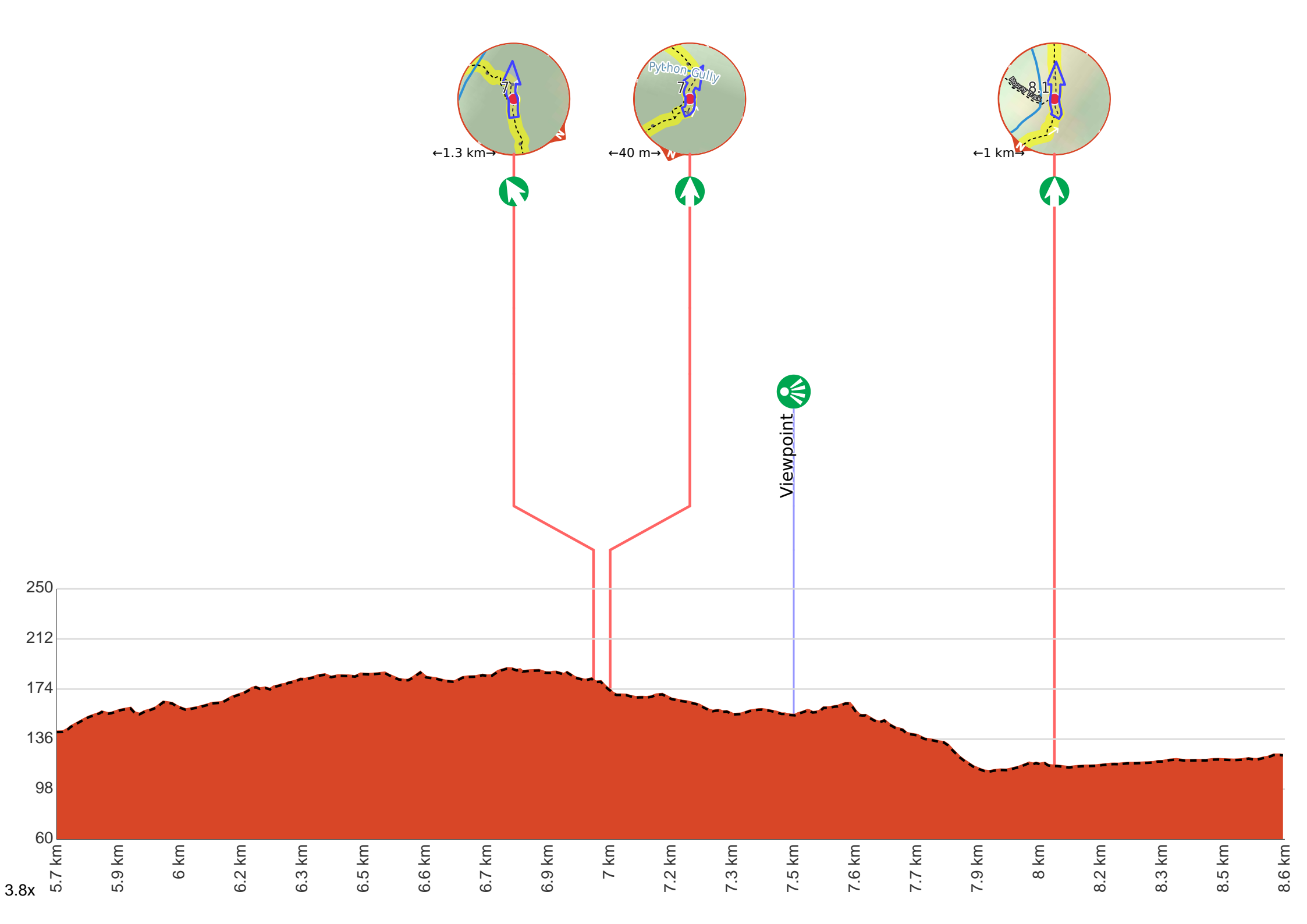


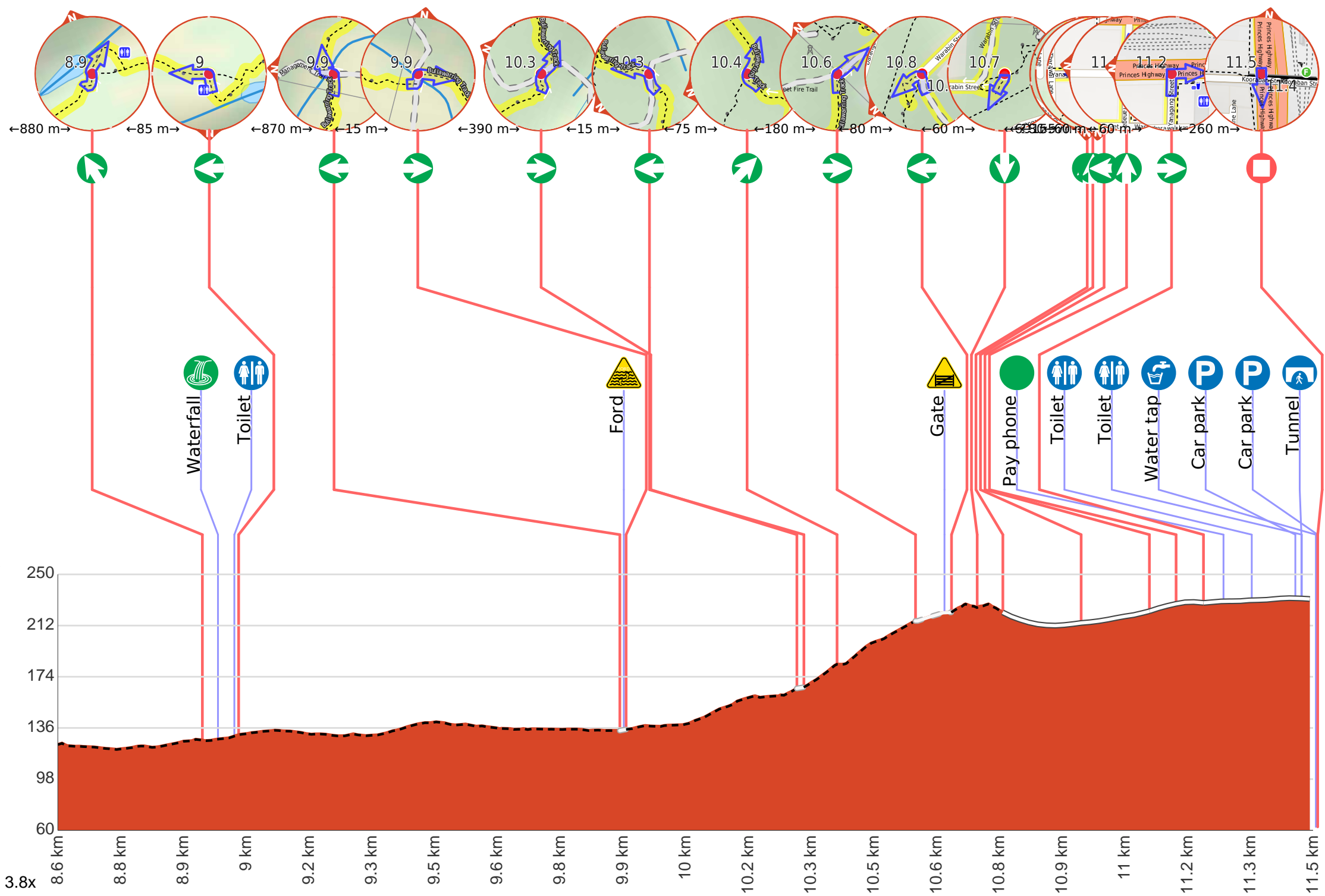




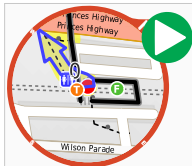








**Getting started:** From the station, this walk follows the footpath towards the highway, passing the left side of the car park, until it reaches the highway, which it crosses at the traffic lights. The walk continues along Oliver Street for a while before coming to the intersection with Boundary Road. Here, this walk turns left, following the road for a short distance before taking the first right onto Freemans Road and continuing past the large scout camp, to the end of the road, where it comes to the intersection with the management trail at the corner of Bella Vista Street.



**Start.**



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



Find the car park at the start.



Find the toilet at the start.



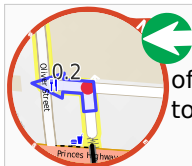
After another 30 m cross the bridge (about 35 m long)



Then head down the steps (about 8 m long)



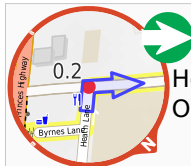
**Continue straight.**



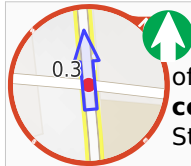
After another 45 m (at the intersection of Heath Lane & Byrnes Lane) **turn left**, to head along Heath Lane.



After another 70 m pass the restaurant (6 m on your left).



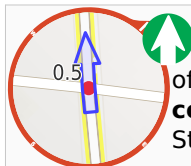
At the intersection of Oliver Street & Heath Lane **turn right**, to head along Oliver Street (a road).



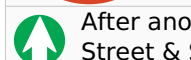
After another 90 m (at the intersection of Oliver Street & Rosebery Street) **continue straight**, to head along Oliver Street.



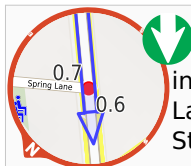
After another 80 m (at the intersection of Lyne Lane & Oliver Street) **continue straight**, to head along Oliver Street.



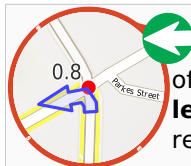
After another 80 m (at the intersection of Oliver Street & Martin Street) **continue straight**, to head along Oliver Street.



After another 95 m (at the intersection of Oliver Street & Spring Lane) **continue straight**, to head along Oliver Street.



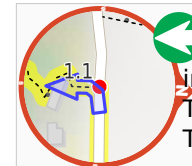
After another 140 m (at the intersection of Oliver Street & Spring Lane) **turn around**, to head along Oliver Street.



After another 90 m (at the intersection of Boundary Road & Oliver Street) **turn left**, to head along Boundary Road (a residential road).



After another 120 m (at the intersection of Boundary Road & Freeman Road) **turn right**, to head along Freeman Road.



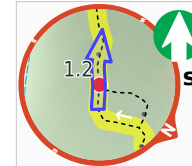
After another 155 m (at the intersection of Freeman Road & Friendly Trail) **turn left**, to head along Friendly Trail (a walking track).



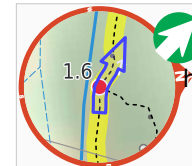
After another 65 m pass the water tap (on your left).



After another 50 m **veer left**, to head along Friendly Trail.



After another 70 m **continue straight**, to head along Friendly Trail.



After another 360 m **veer right**, to head along Friendly Trail.



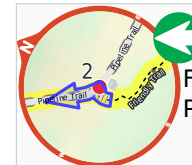
After another 335 m cross the bridge (about 10 m long)



Then head down the metal steps (about 10 m long)



After another 20 m pass the water tap (10 m on your right).



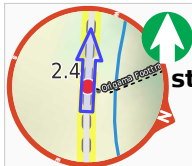
At the intersection of Pipeline Trail & Friendly Trail **turn left**, to head along Pipeline Trail (a vehicle track).



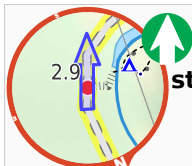
After another 150 m (at the intersection of Eddies Lookout Track & Pipeline Trail) **continue straight**, to head along Pipeline Trail.



After another 225 m cross the bridge (about 20 m long)



After another 95 m **continue straight**, to head along Pipeline Trail.



After another 410 m **continue straight**, to head along Pipeline Trail.



After another 45 m find the "Mirang Pool camping ground" (9 m on your right). This campsite is nestled in Heathcote National Park, with walk-in access from Heathcote Station. The campsite is near Mirang Pool on Heathcote Creek - there is a signpost at the top of the stairs, leading down to the pools from the management trail above. There are no facilities provided at the campsite, and you will need to carry in your own water and fuel stove.



After another 155 m cross the bridge (about 6 m long)



After another 100 m cross the bridge (about 10 m long)



After another 35 m pass a seat (9 m on your left)., has no backrest.



After another 7 m (at the intersection of Pipeline Trail & Mirang Road Trail) **continue straight**, to head along Pipeline Trail.



After another 840 m cross the bridge (about 10 m long)



After another 125 m pass a seat (7 m on your right)., has no backrest.

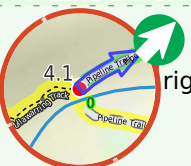


After another 25 m cross the bridge (about 55 m long)



Then cross the "Battery Causeway".

**Start of an optional side trip:** An optional side trip to Lake Eckersley.



To start this optional side trip veer right here. **Start.**



After another 70 m cross the bridge (about 9 m long)



After another 130 m **turn right.**



After another 290 m come to the end.



About 10 m past the end is "Lake Eckersley camping ground". up to six campers

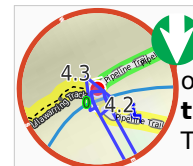


Turn around and retrace your steps back the 500 m to the main route.



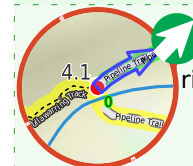
Back at the main route turn left and follow on from the 4.2 km waypoint.

Back at the main route ERROR >360 and follow on from the 4.3 km waypoint.



After another 7 m (at the intersection of Pipeline Trail & Bullawarring Track) **turn around**, to head along Pipeline Trail.

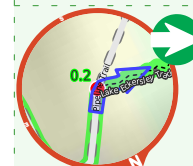
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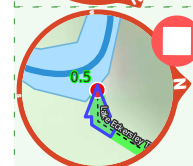
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After another 70 m cross the bridge (about 9 m long)



After another 130 m **turn right.**



After another 290 m come to the end.



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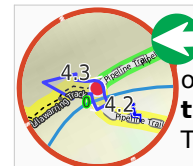


Turn around and retrace your steps back the 500 m to the main route.



Back at the main route turn left and follow on from the 4.2 km waypoint.

Back at the main route ERROR >360 and follow on from the 4.3 km waypoint.



After another 40 m (at the intersection of Pipeline Trail & Bullawarring Track) **turn left**, to head along Bullawarring Track (a walking track).





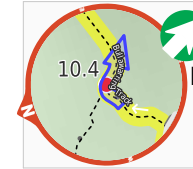
After another 700 m **continue straight**, to head along Bullawarring Track.



After another 35 m pass the waterfall (15 m on your left).



After another 35 m pass the toilet (10 m on your left).



After another 75 m **veer right**, to head along Bullawarring Track.



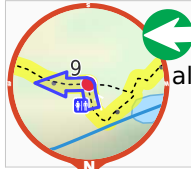
After another 690 m (at the intersection of Goanna Track & Bullawarring Track) **turn left**, to head along Bullawarring Track.



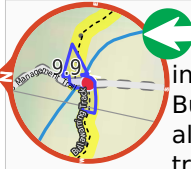
After another 900 m come to the "Marks Lookout" (on your right).



After another 200 m come to the viewpoint.



After another 10 m **turn left**, to head along Bullawarring Track.



After another 870 m (at the intersection of 108 Management Trail & Bullawarring Track) **turn left**, to head along 108 Management Trail (a vehicle track).



After another 9 m cross the ford.



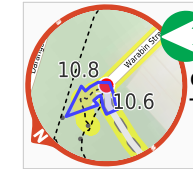
After another 180 m (at the intersection of Warabin Street Fire Trail & Bullawarring Track) **turn right**, to head along Warabin Street Fire Trail (a vehicle track).



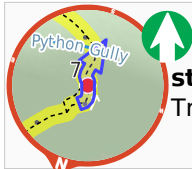
After another 65 m head through/around the gate.



After another 230 m **veer left**, to head along Bullawarring Track.



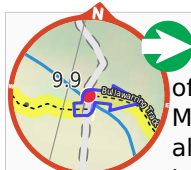
After another 15 m (at the intersection of Warabin Street & Warabin Street Fire Trail) **turn left** (a walking track).



After another 40 m **continue straight**, to head along Bullawarring Track.



After another 430 m come to the viewpoint.



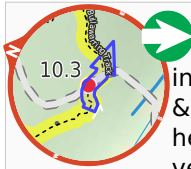
After another 5 m (at the intersection of Bullawarring Track & 108 Management Trail) **turn right**, to head along Bullawarring Track (a walking track).



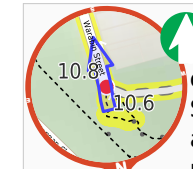
After another 60 m **turn around**.



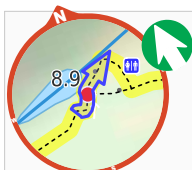
After another 610 m (at the intersection of Bullawarring Track & Mooray Track) **continue straight**, to head along Bullawarring Track.



After another 390 m (at the intersection of Lake Toolooma Fire Trail & Bullawarring Track) **turn right**, to head along Lake Toolooma Fire Trail (a vehicle track).



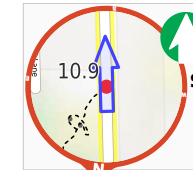
After another 60 m (at the intersection of Warabin Street Fire Trail & Warabin Street) **continue straight**, to head along Warabin Street (a residential road).



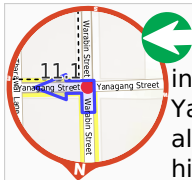
After another 880 m **veer left**.



After another 15 m (at the intersection of Lake Toolooma Fire Trail & Bullawarring Track) **turn left**, to head along Bullawarring Track (a walking track).



After another 180 m **continue straight**, to head along Warabin Street.



After another 155 m (at the intersection of Warabin Street & Yanagang Street) **turn left**, to head along Yanagang Street (a highway|tertiary).



After another 60 m (at the intersection of Yanagang Street & Tharawal Lane) **continue straight**, to head along Yanagang Street.



After another 110 m pass the pay phone (9 m on your right).



At the intersection of Princes Highway & Yanagang Street **turn right**, to head along Princes Highway (a highway|trunk).



After another 110 m pass the toilet (40 m on your right).



After another 115 m pass the toilet (55 m on your left).



After another 30 m pass the water tap (55 m on your left).



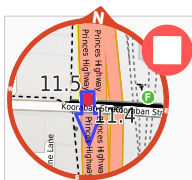
Then pass the car park (80 m on your right).



After another 50 m pass the "Waterfall Commuter Carpark" (105 m on your left).



Then head through the tunnel



After another 35 m come to the end.