



Leura Park to Copelands Lookout

(Dharug & Gundungurra Country)

 45 min to 1 h

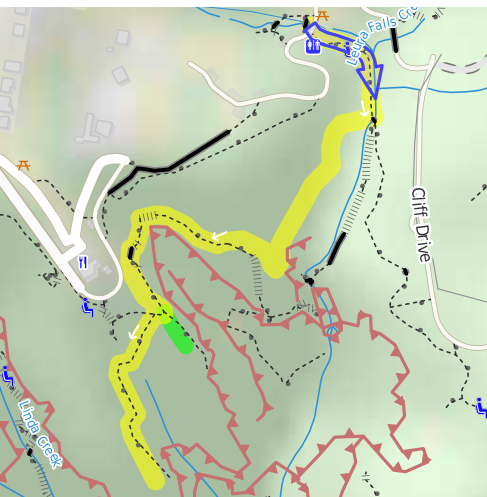
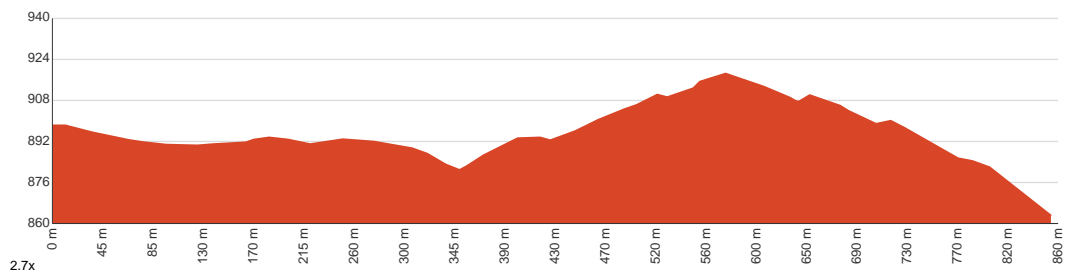

1.7 km
Return


↑ 133 m
↓ 133 m


Moderate track



The walk out to Copelands Lookout and back is a walk with some variety. The track winds down past some cascades, then past some views into the Jamison Valley and then another view of the cascades. This walk is capped off with the view from Copelands Lookout before returning to Leura Park. 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.



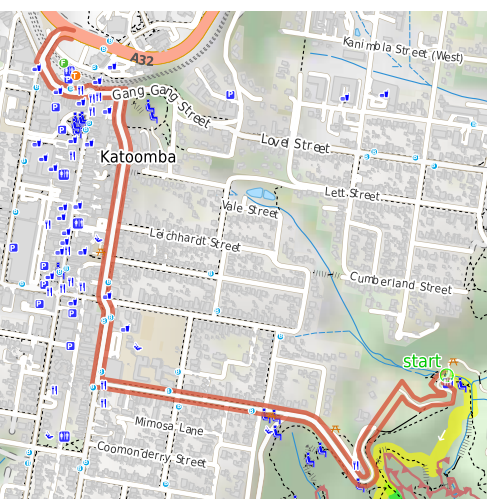
Class 3 of 6

Formed track, with some branches and other obstacles

Quality of track	Formed track, with some branches and other obstacles (3/6)
Gradient	Short steep hills (3/6)
Signage	Clearly signposted (1/6)
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

- Turn on to Bathurst Road, BMD then drive for 165 m
- At roundabout, take exit 1 onto Gang Gang Street, BMD and drive for another 105 m
- Turn right onto Lurline Street, BMD and drive for another 800 m
- Turn left onto Merriwa Street and drive for another 530 m
- Continue onto Cliff Drive, BMD and drive for another 590 m
- Turn sharp right onto Chelmsford Drive and drive for another 250 m



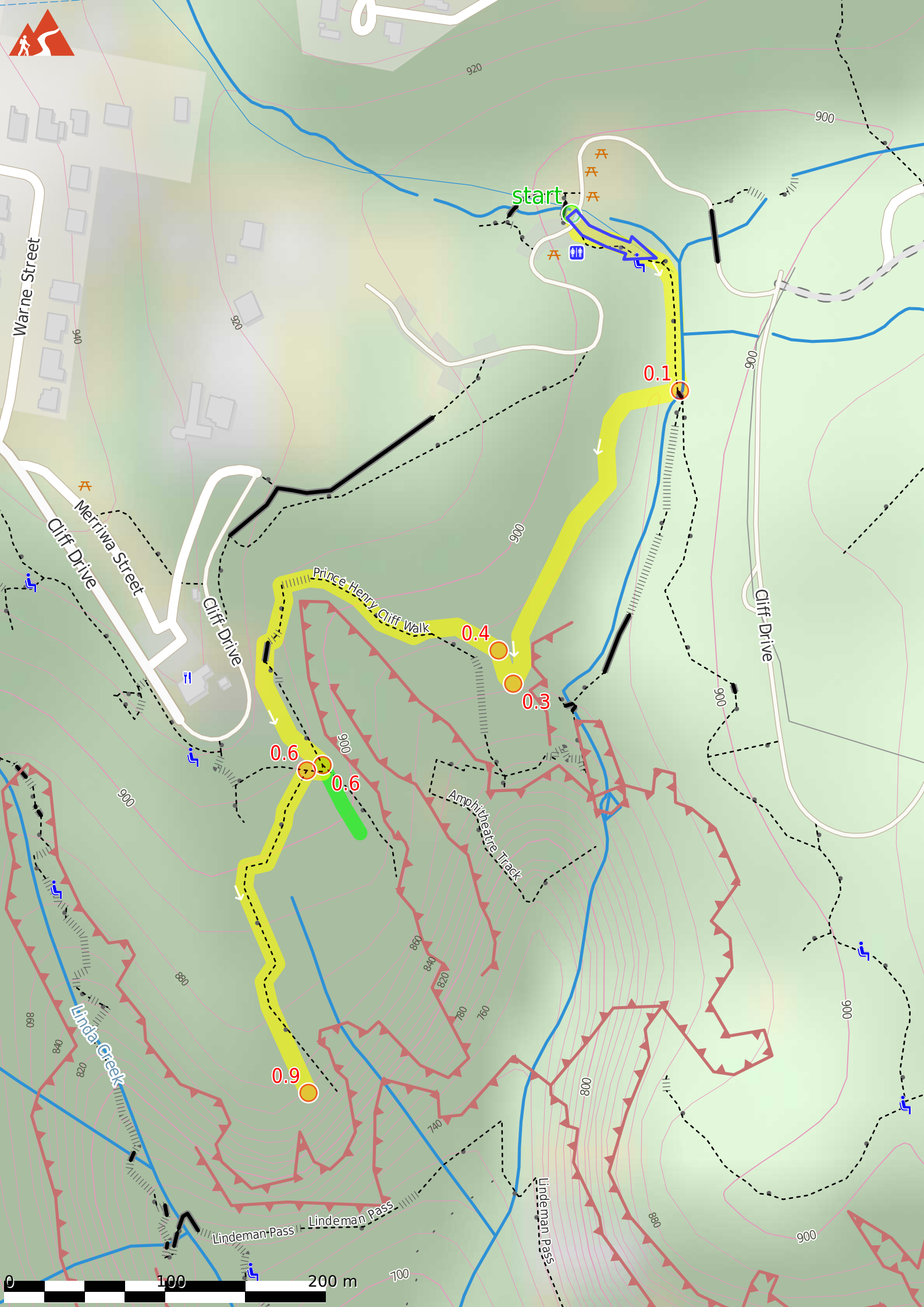
Before you start any journey ensure you;

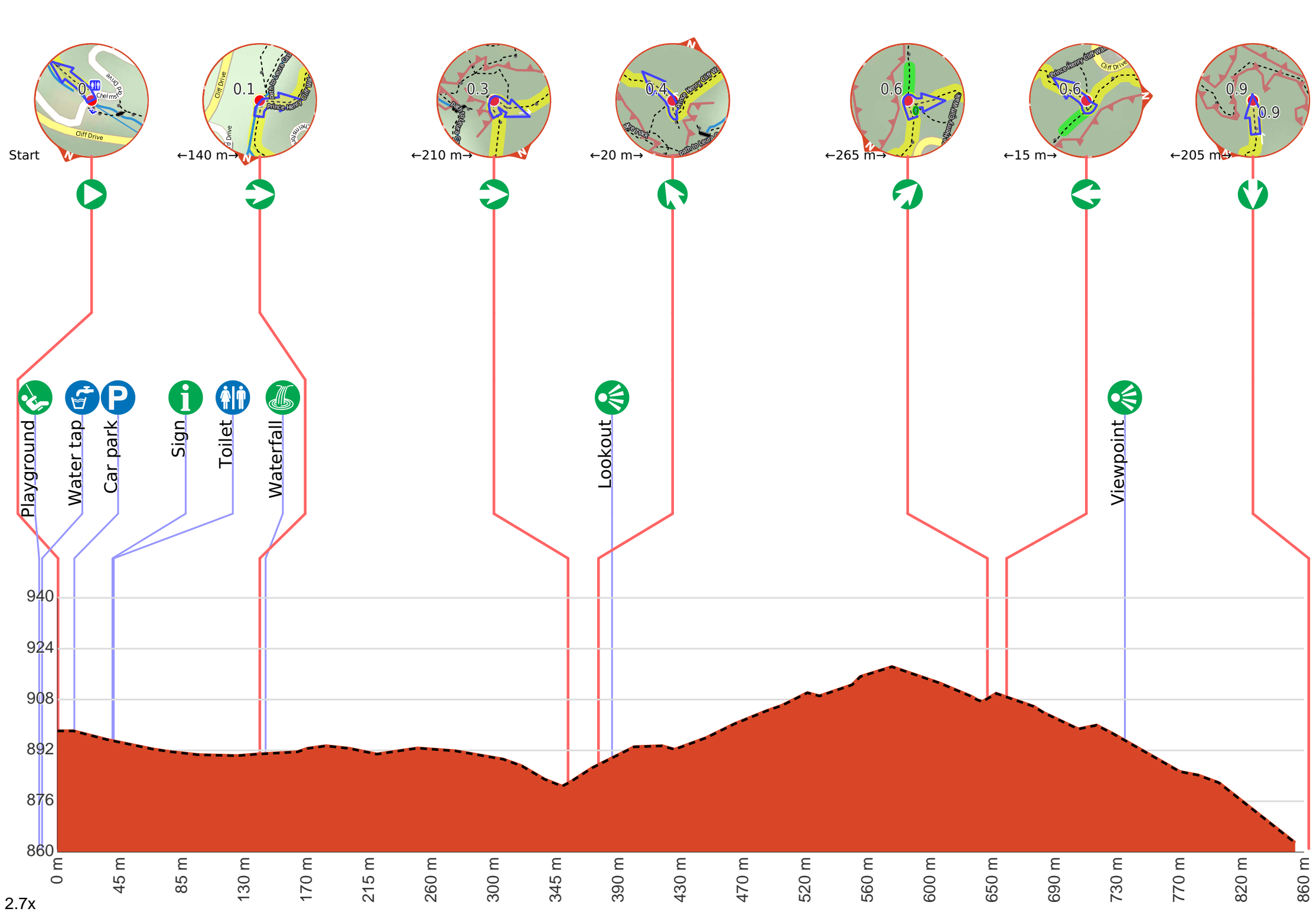
- Tell someone you trust where you are going and what to do if you are late returning
- Have adequate equipment, supplies, skills & knowledge to undertake this journey safely
- Consider weather forecasts, park/track closures & fire dangers
- Can respond to emergencies & call for help at any point
- Are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

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

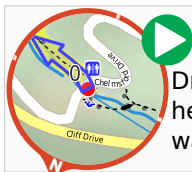
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Getting started: From cave-like shelters in Leura Cascades Picnic Area, this walk heads along the footpath, passing under the arch. Passing the toilet block, the path comes to the information board, from where the walk follows the 'Leura Cascades Track' sign down the steps. The path soon leads to a small stone wall with a view of some cascades and Chelmsford Bridge. From the view of Chelmsford Bridge, this walk follows track downhill, keeping the handrail and creek to the left, soon coming to an intersection with 'Prince Henry Cliff Walk' just before a footbridge. From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Echo Point' sign up the timber steps (away from the handrail) until the walk flattens out and gently winds around the side of the hill, steadily climbing. After passing a sandstone overhang with a bench-seat, the track comes to an intersection at a rocky outcrop.



At the intersection of Chelmsford Drive & path to Leura Cascades **Start** heading along *path to Leura Cascades* (a walking track).



There is a playground (about 25 m back from the start).



There is water tap (about 20 m back from the start).



After 20 m to find the car park.



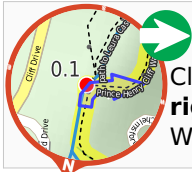
After another 25 m pass the sign (6 m on your right).



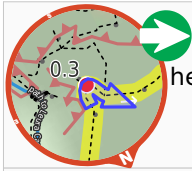
Then pass the toilet (15 m on your right).



After another 105 m pass the "Upper Leura Cascades" (30 m on your left).



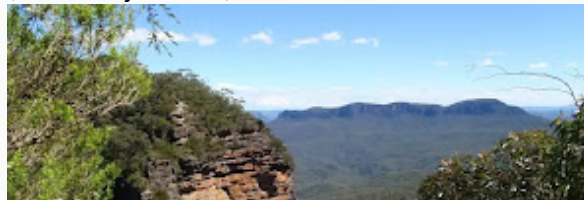
At the intersection of Prince Henry Cliff Walk & path to Leura Cascades **turn right**, to head along Prince Henry Cliff Walk.



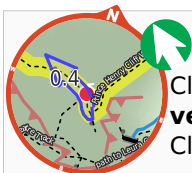
After another 210 m **turn right**, to head along Prince Henry Cliff Walk.



After another 30 m find the "Majestic Lookout" (35 m on your left).

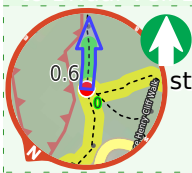


Majestic Lookout is a fenced lookout on a side track from the Prince Henry Cliff Walk, just above Leura Cascades. The lookout provides great (perhaps even majestic) views out through the top of the valley, with Mount Solitary nicely framed by the cliff line. The closest access to the lookout is from Leura Cascades Picnic Area, and is visited as part of the Leura Cascades Circuit.

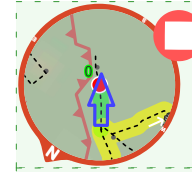


At the intersection of Prince Henry Cliff Walk & path to Leura Cascades **veer left**, to head along Prince Henry Cliff Walk.

Start of an optional side trip: An optional side trip to Bridal Veil Lookout.



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



After another 45 m come to the end.



"Bridal Veil Lookout".



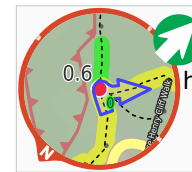
Bridal Veil Lookout provides a great views over Leura Forest and the Jamison Valley. Mount Solitary stands proudly in the distance. In keeping with its name, there are views of Bridal Veil Falls to the east. There is a small bench seat, but no shade.



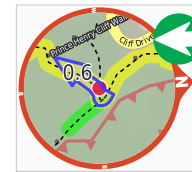
Turn around and retrace your steps back the 45 m to the main route.



Back at the main route turn sharp left and follow on from the 630 m waypoint.



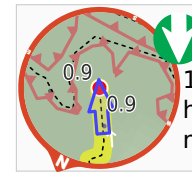
After another 265 m **veer right**, to head along Prince Henry Cliff Walk.



After another 15 m **turn left**.



After another 80 m come to the "Fossil Rock" (25 m on your right).



(Copelands Lookout) Continue another 125 m to find the end. Then turn around here and retrace the main route for 850 m to get back to the start.



About 30 m past the end is "Copelands Lookout".



Copelands Lookout is a great viewing point with a short, sandstone wall around much of it. The lookout provides fantastic views over the Jamison Valley past Sublime Point, along Kings Tableland and past Mount Solitary.