



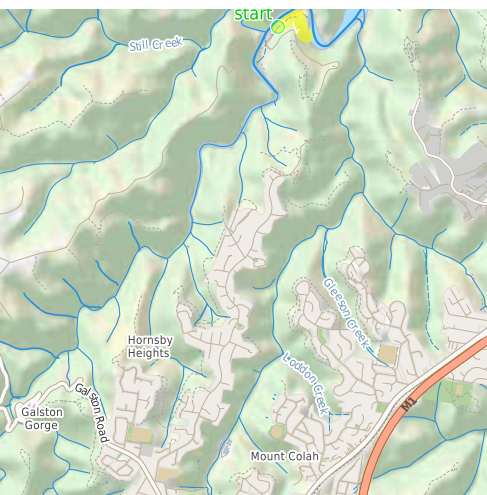
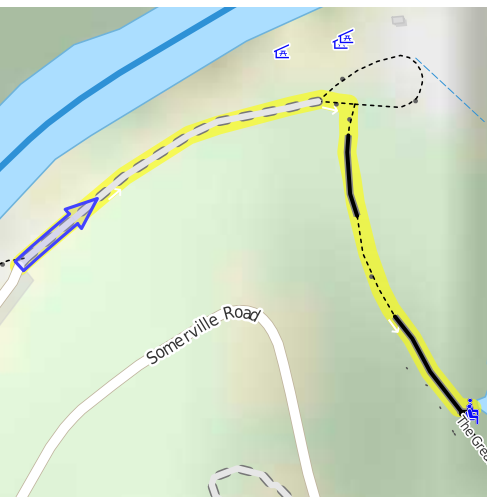
# Crosslands to Berowra Creek Lookout

20 min to 30 min  
30 min to 45 min

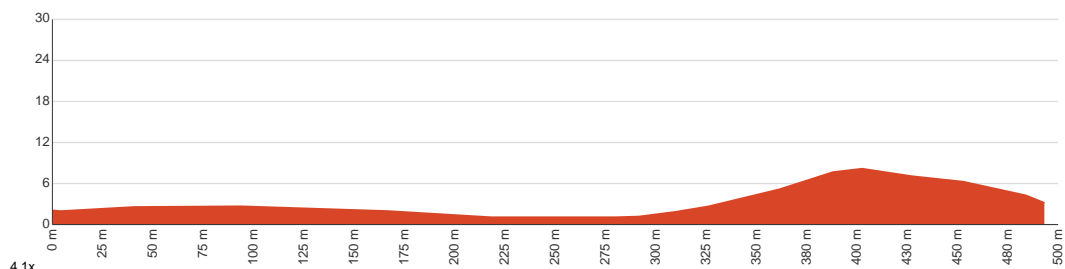
990 m  
Return

↑ 15 m  
↓ 15 m

Smooth & flat



This great walk starts from Crosslands Reserve. The walk follows a section of the Great North Walk along an old road, timber boardwalk and firm dirt tracks to a lovely timber lookout platform on the edge of Berowra Creek. Along the way are signs providing interesting information about the mangroves, estuaries and other surrounding flora and fauna. Make a day of it by enjoying the picnic areas and playground at the start of the walk. You can even book a campsite and enjoy the area for longer. 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.



Class 1 of 6  
Smooth and hardened path

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|---------------------|---|
| Quality of track    | Smooth and hardened path (1/6)                                      |
| Gradient            | Flat, no steps (1/6)  |
| Signage             | Clearly signposted (1/6)  |
| 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)                 |

## Naturally Accessible

**Slope summary:** Mostly flat or gentle slopes. No section steeper than 1:12.

**Surface summary:** This walk follows a closed asphalt road for 250m, leads across 20m of grass, 2 sections of 70m section of timber boardwalk and a 60m section of bumpy dirt track (then returns the same way). Track may become boggy at very high tides or after rain.

**Getting to the start:** From Galston Road

- Turn on to Somerville Road then drive for 6.8 km

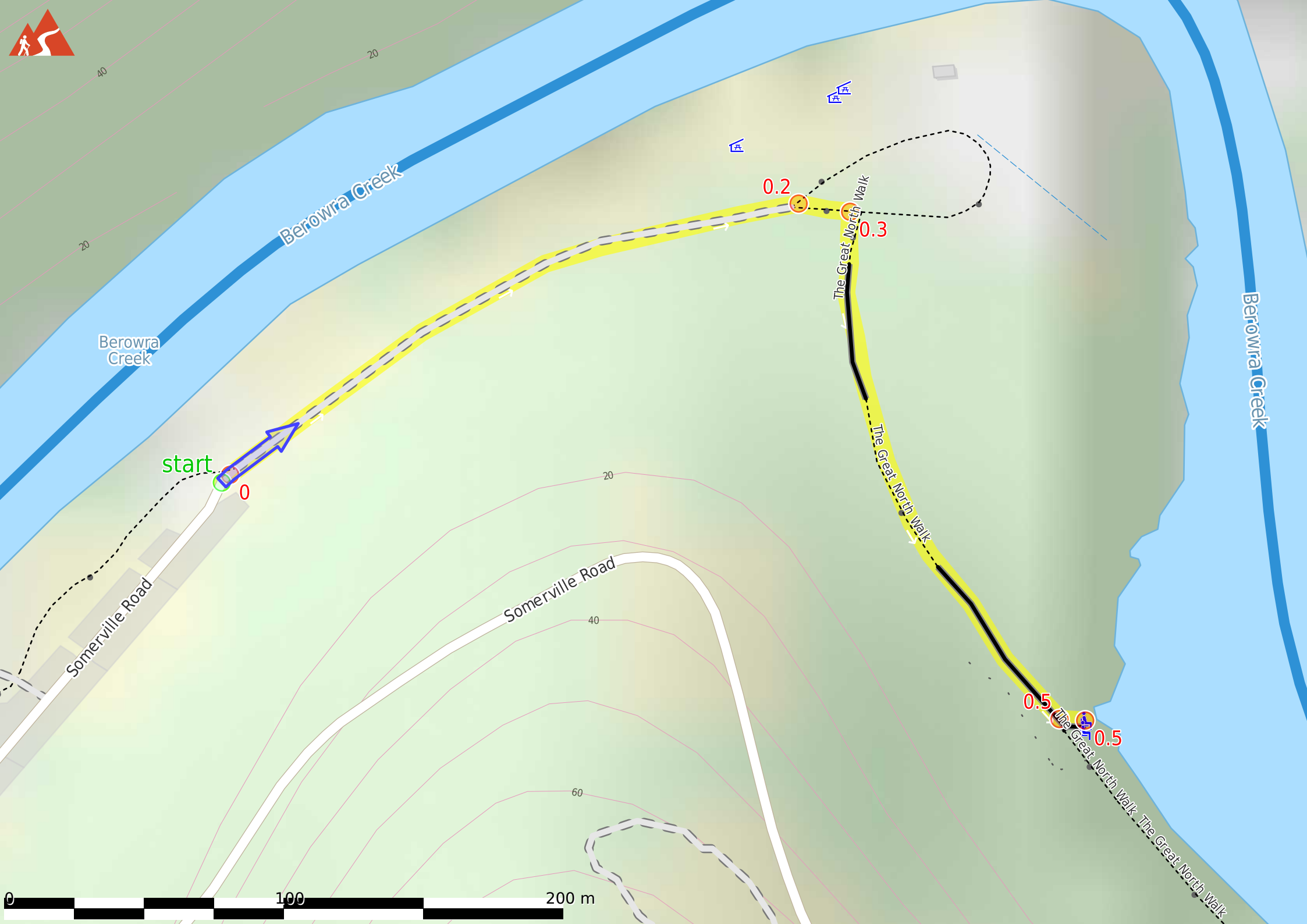
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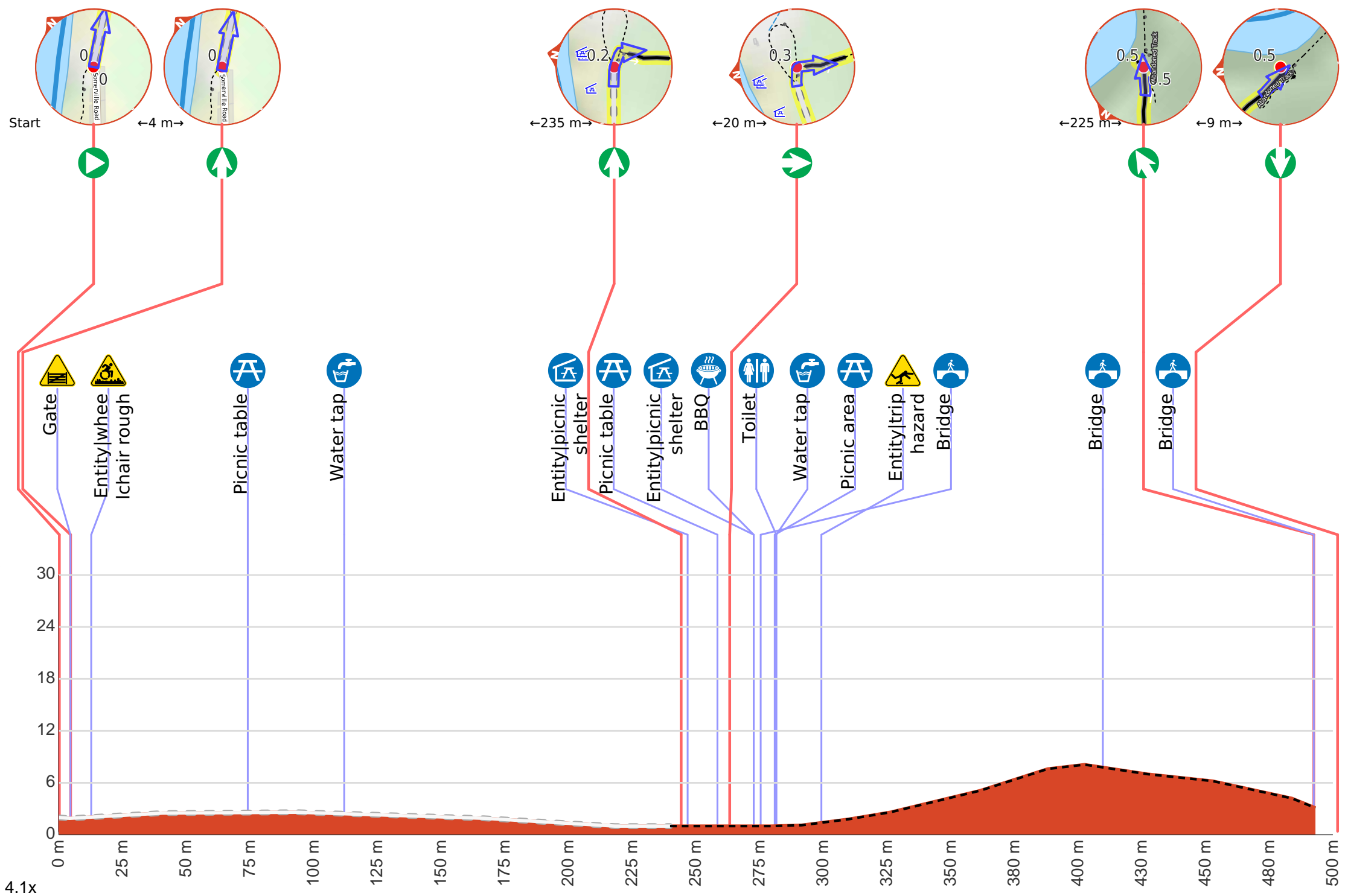
- Tell someone you trust where you are going and what to do if you are late returning
- Have adequate equipment, supplies, skills & knowledge to undertake this journey safely
- Consider weather forecasts, park/track closures & fire dangers
- Can respond to emergencies & call for help at any point
- Are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

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

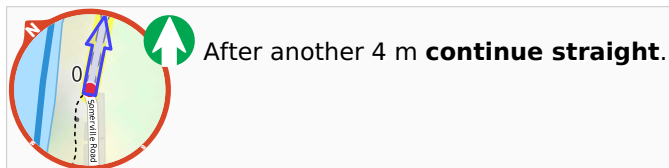
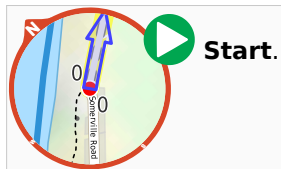
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**Getting started:** From the northern end of Crosslands car park (at the far northern end of Somerville Rd, Hornsby Heights), this walk follows the 'Newcastle' arrow on the large 'Great North Walk' sign around the locked gate and along the sealed old road. The walk continues along the old road for just over 150m passing 4 picnic tables to come to a y-intersection. At the intersection this walk veers right, past the 'Place of Winds' sign and wetland (on your right). This walk continues along this old road for a little longer, coming to an intersection marked with a large 'Crosslands' information board and 'Great North walk' sign. This is just on the edge of the northern picnic area, not far from the toilet block.



Find the gate at the start.



Find the Wheelchair Rough at the start.



Link from carpark to path is across exposed ground (muddy after rain) and between timber bollards that are 80cm high and 1.5m apart.



After another 60 m find the "Picnic Table" (on your right).



A timber slat picnic table and bench seat. The table is 77cm high, 73cm deep and 2.4m wide. The seats are 47cm high, 29cm deep and 2.4m wide. On a concrete slab (3x5.5m) and about 7m (across grass) from the path.



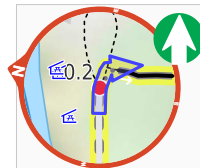
After another 35 m pass the "tap" (on your right).



After another 135 m find the "Picnic Shelter" (50 m on your left).



A roofed timber slat picnic table and bench seats. The table is 81cm high, 84cm deep and 2.8m wide. The seats are 47cm high, 29cm deep and 1.7m wide. On a paved area (5.6x5.6m) and about 25m (across grass) from the nearest path.



Continue straight.



After another 15 m find the "Picnic Table" (50 m on your left).



A timber slat picnic table and bench seats. The table is 77cm high, 73cm deep and 2.4m wide. The seats are 47cm high, 29cm deep and 2.4m wide. On a concrete slab (3.8x5.5m) and about 25m (across grass) from the nearest path.



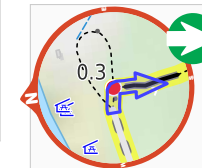
After another 15 m find the "Picnic Shelter" (60 m on your left).



Two roofed timber slat picnic tables and bench seats. The table is 81cm high, 84cm deep and 2.8m wide. The seats are 47cm high, 29cm deep and 1.7m wide. On two joined paved area (~5.6x5.6m) and about 30m (across grass) from the nearest path.



Then pass the BBQ (60 m on your left).



Turn right.



After another 20 m pass the toilet (70 m on your left).



Then pass the water tap (60 m on your left).





Then find the "Crosslands North Picnic area" (15 m on your left).



The northern section of Crosslands is in Berowra Valley NP and is a less formal picnic area compared with the southern area. There is a toilet block and a few sandy beaches with direct access to the water. Here you will find a few picnic tables and shelters, as well as garbage bins. The eastern side is home to a boardwalk exploring the estuarine wetland. A pleasant area to rest and enjoy the water. Fires are only permitted in formally established fire places .



After another 20 m find the "Trip Hazard" (on your left).



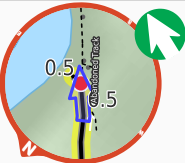
There is a 4cm step from between the dirt path and the northern end of the timber boardwalk.



Then cross the bridge (about 55 m long)



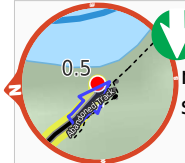
After another 75 m cross the bridge



After another 80 m **veer left**.



Then cross the bridge



Turn around here and retrace the main route for 490 m to get back to the start.



"Berowra Creek (Estuarie) Lookout".



The Estuarie lookout over Berowara Creek is found at the end of the wheelchair-accessible walk in Crosslands area. The timber lookout platform provides great views over Berowra Creek, the timber fence is 95cm high. There are also information signs about the local flora and fauna and the 'Original Inhabitants'. There are two timber bench seats encouraging you to take some time to soak up this view.



A viewpoint.



A seat., has a backrest.