



Bobbin Head Boardwalk

(Darug Country)

10 min to 15 min
15 min to 23 min

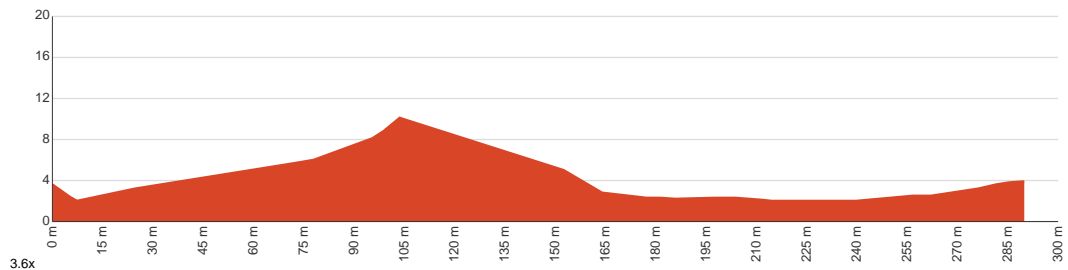
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↑ 20 m
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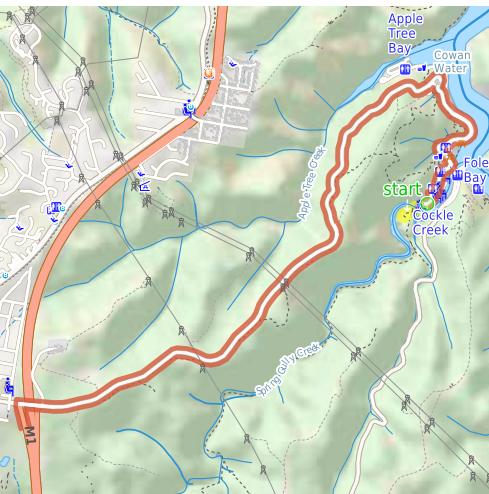
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Smooth & flat



This is a short and pretty walk that can be enjoyed by everyone. It makes a nice addition to a picnic or paddle at Bobbin Head. Starting from the southern end of the Bobbin Head picnic area, you will enjoy great views of Cockle Creek from the bridge, then meander along the boardwalk through the mangroves. There are information signs to help you learn more about the environment and plenty of opportunities to see the mangroves and crabs up close. Let us begin by acknowledging the Darug people, 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	
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: Smooth & hard concrete surface the whole way.

Getting to the start: From Ku-Ring-Gai Chase Road Offramp

- Turn on to Ku-Ring-Gai Chase Road Offramp then drive for 6.5 km
- Turn right and drive for another 300 m
- Turn slight right and drive for another 135 m

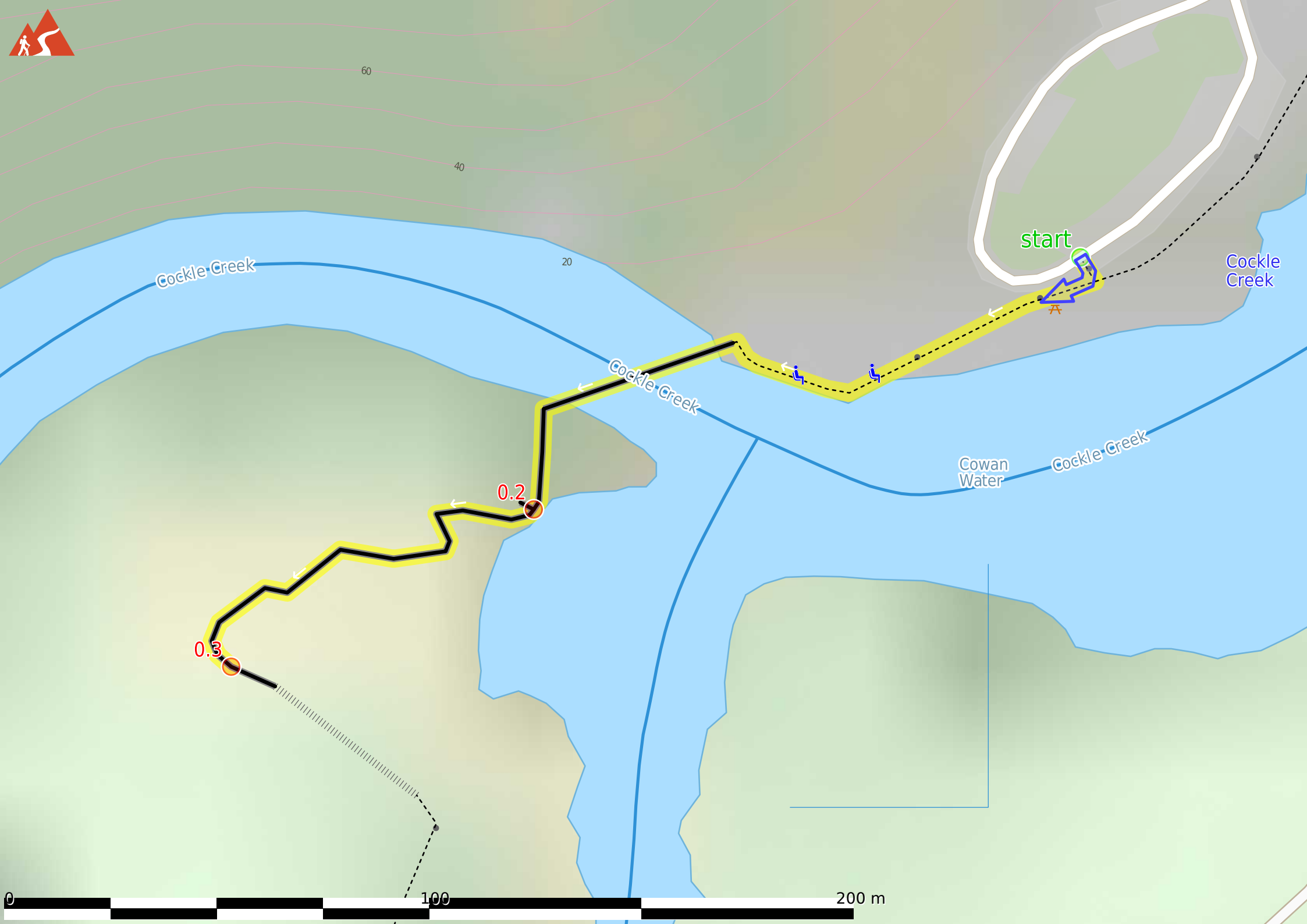
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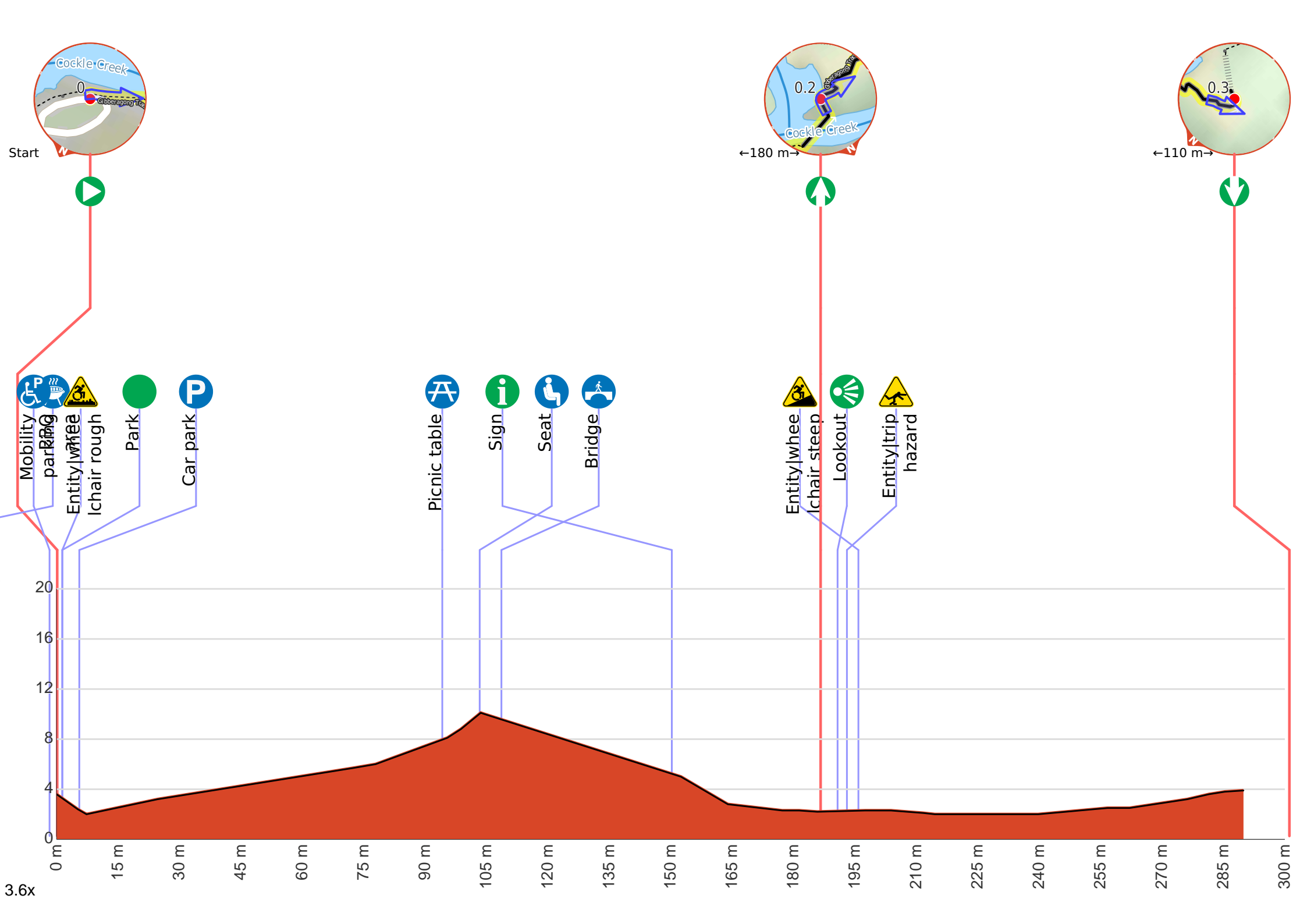
- Tell someone you trust where you are going and what to do if you are late returning
- Have adequate equipment, supplies, skills & knowledge to undertake this journey safely
- Consider weather forecasts, park/track closures & fire dangers
- Can respond to emergencies & call for help at any point
- Are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

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

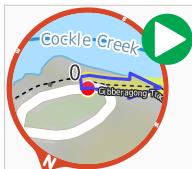
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Getting started: From the far southern end of the Bobbin Head car park, this walk follows the footpath behind the 'Gibberagong Track. Mangrove Boardwalk.' sign (away from the car park and picnic tables) for about 20m to the sheltered 'Welcome to the Mangrove Boardwalk & Gibberagong Track' information sign. Here the walk continues along the patterned concrete path beside the water for just under 20m to pass a bench seat where the path bends right. After just shy of 20m the path leads past another bench seat to find a sandstone cave (with a 1.9m clearance) with a 'Rock Solid?' information sign. Here the path bends left and crosses Cockle Creek on a cable-stayed foot bridge. Enjoy the great water and cliff views from the bridge. The walk now follows the fenced timber boardwalk for about 25m to come to a viewing area marked with a 'Teeming with life' information sign.



Start.



There is a BBQ (about 55 m back from the start).



Parking Accessible (about 7 m back from the start).



There are many car parking bays around Bobbin Head Picnic Area. There are two marked mobility parking bays at the southern end. The parking area is tarmac, 2.8m wide and 5.8m deep.



Wheelchair Rough (about 4 m back from the start).



There is a single ramp to access the path from the car park. The concrete ramp is 1.2m wide. The ramp is in a marked parking bay and may be blocked by a car.



There is a park (about 4 m back from the start).



Find the car park at the start.



After 85 m find the "Picnic Table" (9 m on your right).



A series of 3 timber slat picnic tables and bench seats. The tables are 74cm high, 74cm deep and 2.9m wide. The seats are 40cm high, 23cm deep and 1.8m wide (no backrest). The tables are centred on 3.5x4.5m concrete slabs. Access over grass.



After another 55 m pass the sign (on your right).



Then find the "Seat" (on your left).



A timber slat bench seat, 43cm high, 30cm deep and 1.6m wide with a 41cm high backrest. The seat is on concrete beside the track.



After another 5 m cross the bridge (about 50 m long)



After another 35 m find the "Wheelchair Steep" (on your left).



The bridge over Cockle Creek is 1.8m wide, has 1m high handrail and a timber decking. The steepest section is 5.3° (1:10 or 9.2% grade). The bridge is 40m long.



Continue straight, to head along Gibberagong Track.



Then find the "Cockle Creek viewing platform" (on your left).



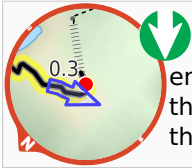
Part way along the timber Bobbin Head boardwalk is a partially fenced timber viewing platform. There is a beautiful view over Cockle Creek and a 'Teeming with life' information sign to enjoy. The platform area is 7.3m deep and 3.9m wide.



Then find the "Trip Hazard" (on your left).



Approximately 120m of elevated timber boardwalk has no handrails, edge capping or markings - there is a risk of falling from the boardwalk. The board walk is 1.7m wide, with approximately 2cm gaps between boards.



Continue another 105 m to find the end. Then turn around here and retrace the main route for 290 m to get back to the start.