

Wentworth Falls Station Loop (Dharug & Gundungurra Country)











The Wentworth Falls Station Loop takes in most of the upper tracks around Wentworth Falls. There are many scenic views near the cliffs, with a few highlights away from the cliffs such as Lillians Glen and the Conservation Hut. This walk takes some time, so be sure to bring a packed lunch or buy something delicious from the scenic Conservation Hut restaurant. 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 4 of 6 Rough track, where fallen trees and other obstacles are likely	
Quality of track	Formed track, with some branches and other obstacles (3/6)
Gradient	Very steep (4/6)
Signage	Directional signs along the way (3/6)
Infrastructure	Limited facilities, not all cliffs are fenced (3/6)
Experience Required	Some bushwalking experience recommended (3/6)
Weather	Storms may impact on navigation and safety (3/6)



Getting to the start: From The Northern Road, A9

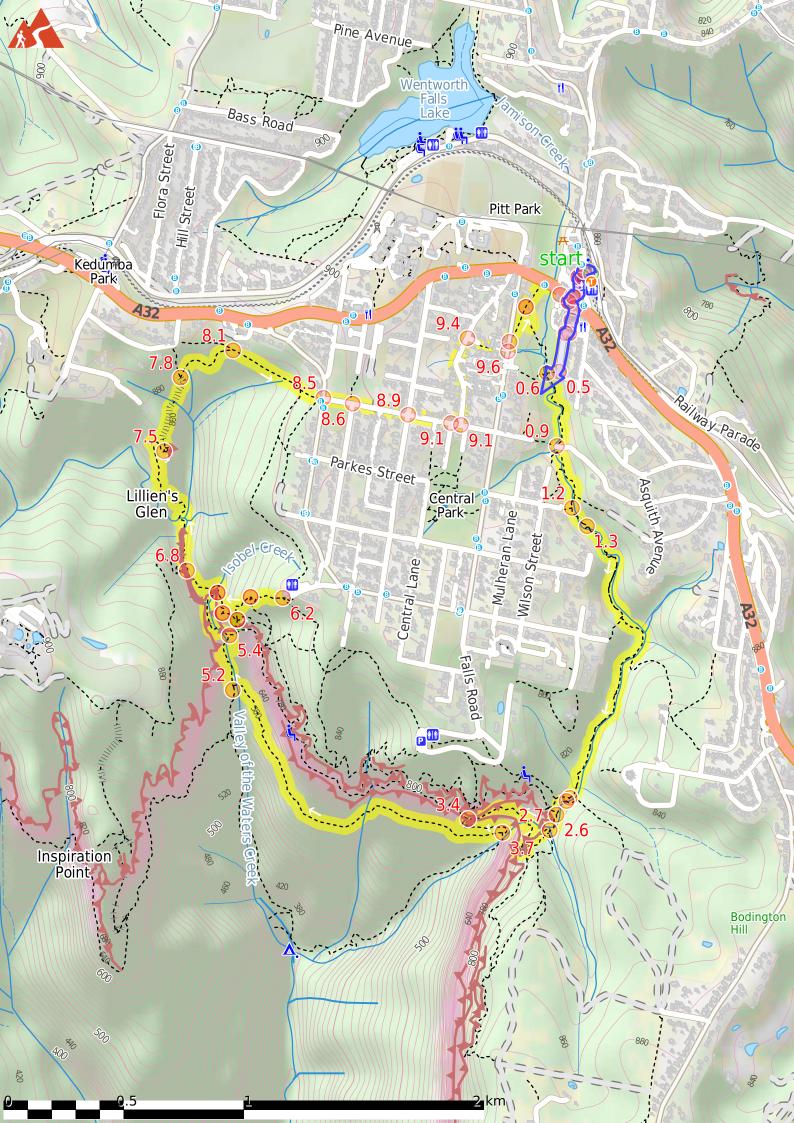
- Turn on to Western Motorway Onramp, M4 then drive for 7.4 km
- Keep right onto Great Western Highway, A32 and drive for another 17.2 km
- Continue onto Great Western Highway, A32 and drive for another 19.5 km
- Turn right onto Station Street and drive for another 380 m
- Turn sharp right onto Railway Parade and drive for another 105 m
- Turn right and drive for another 165 m

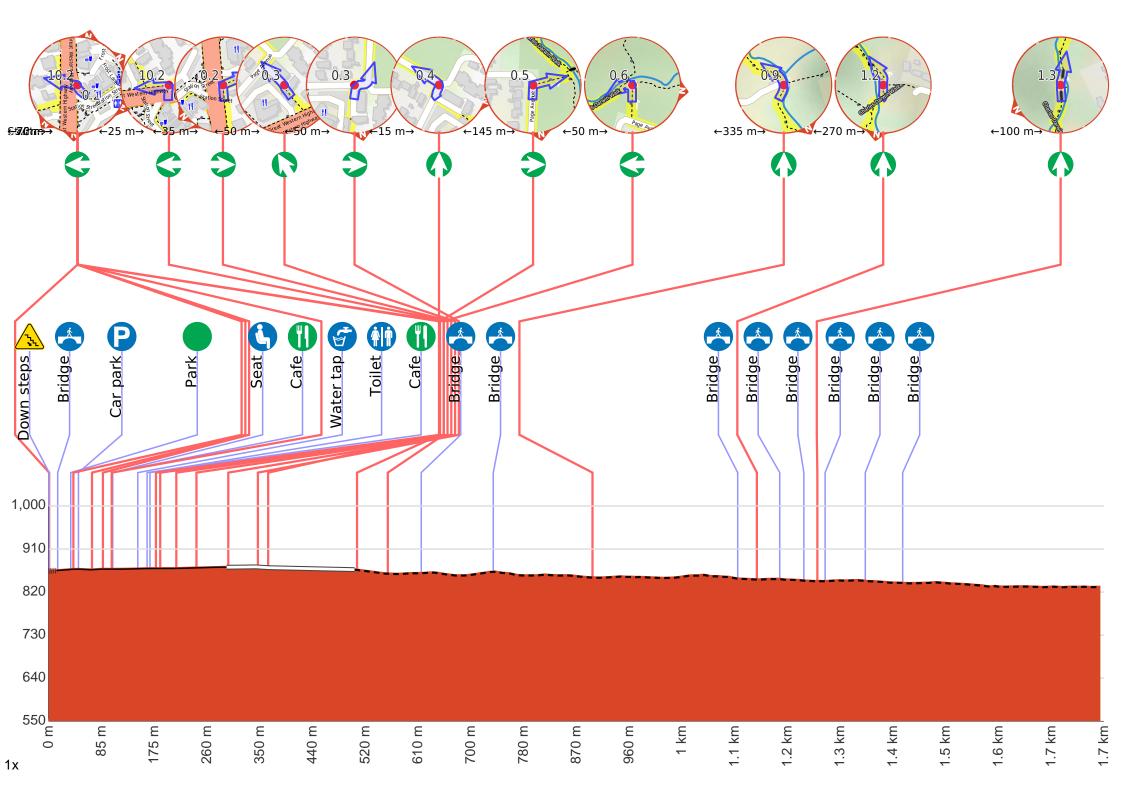
Before you start any journey ensure you;

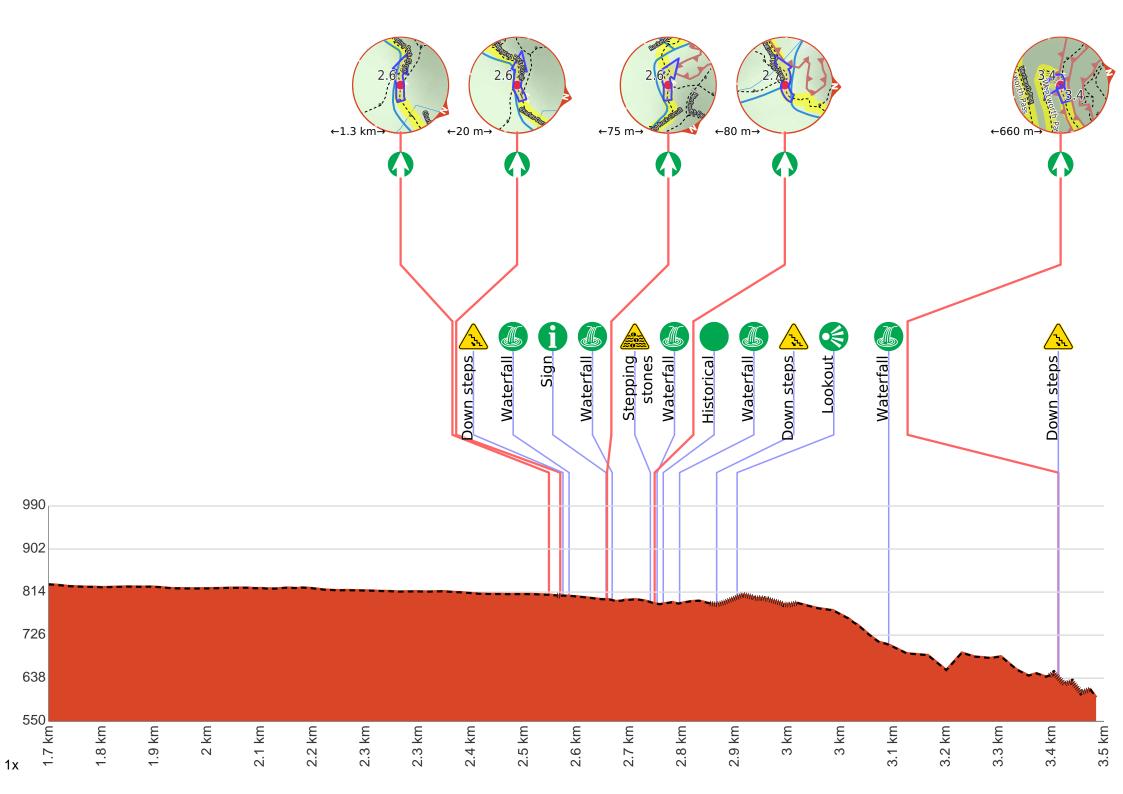
- · Tell someone you trust where you are going and what to do if you are late returning
- Have adequate equipment, supplies, skills & knowledge to undertake this journey safely
- Consider weather forecasts, park/track closures & fire dangers
- Can respond to emergencies & call for help at any point
-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

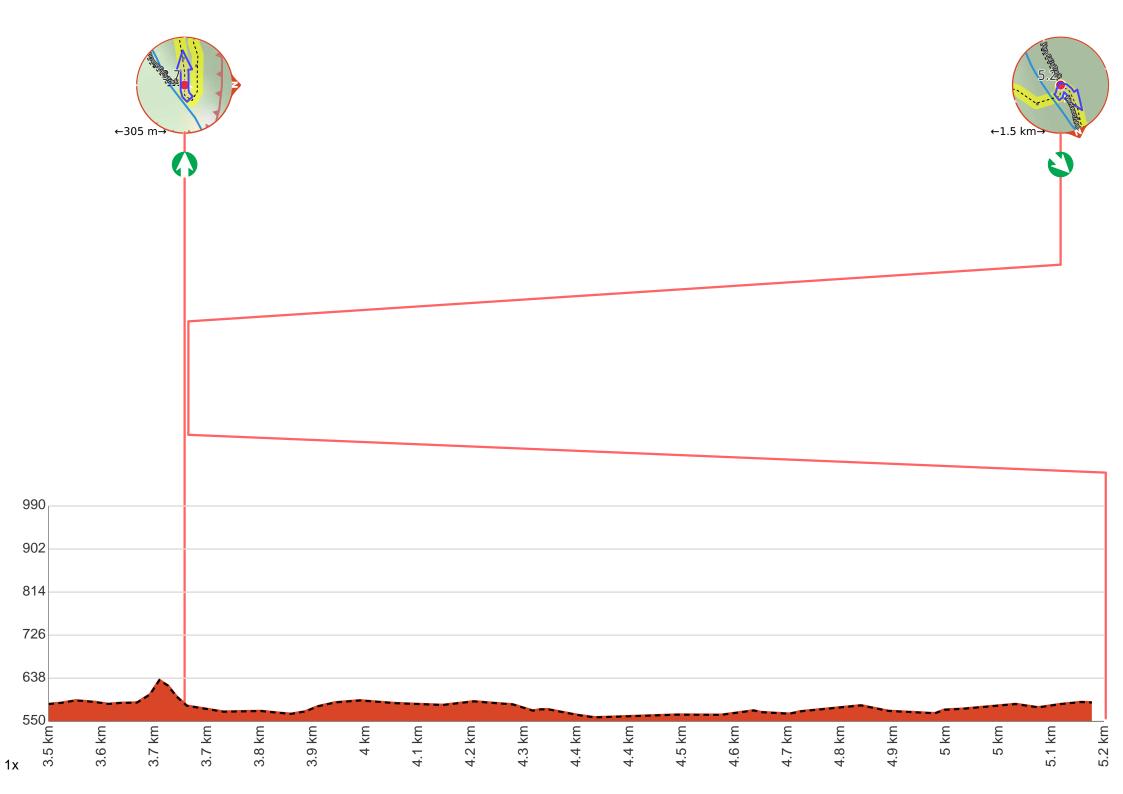
If not, change plans and stay safe. It is okay to delay and ask people for help.

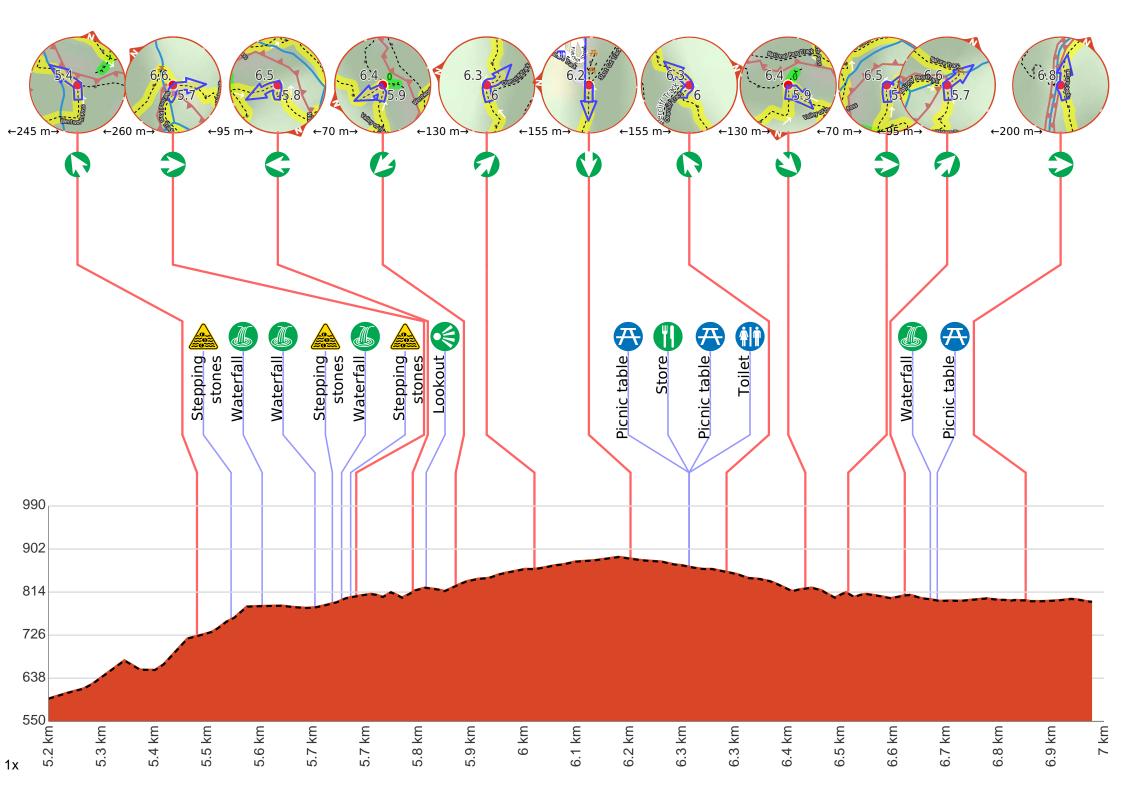


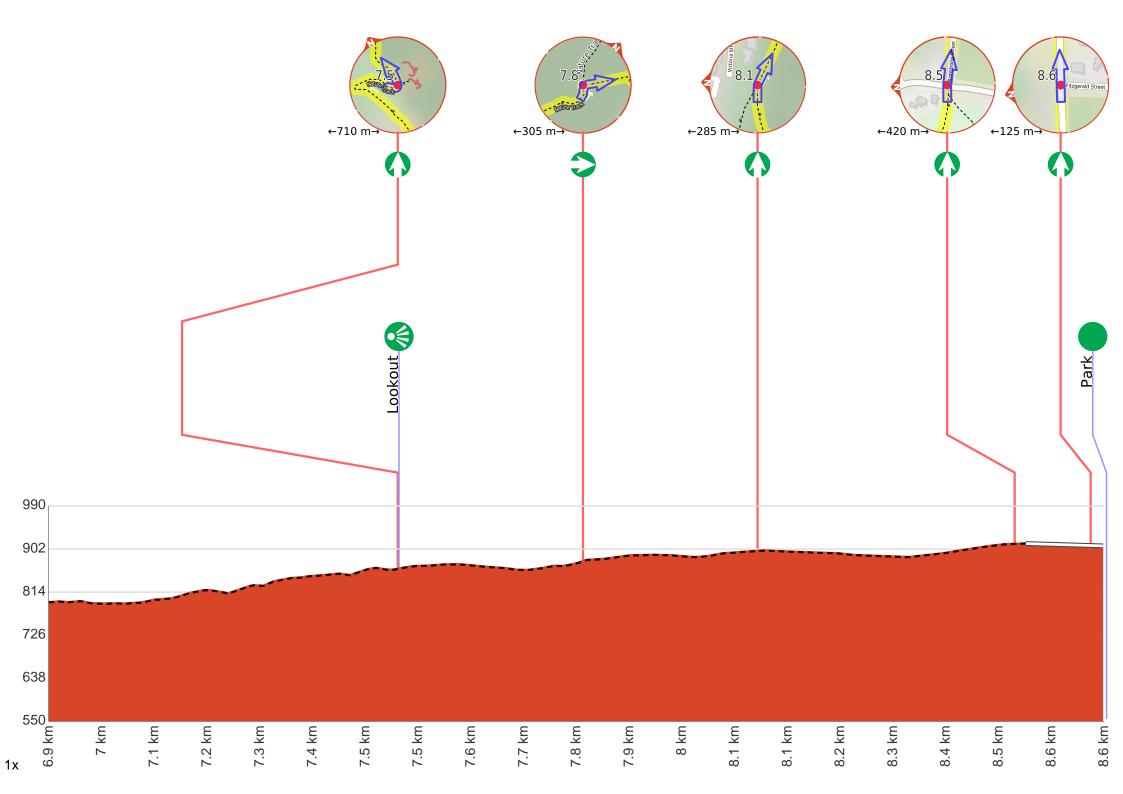


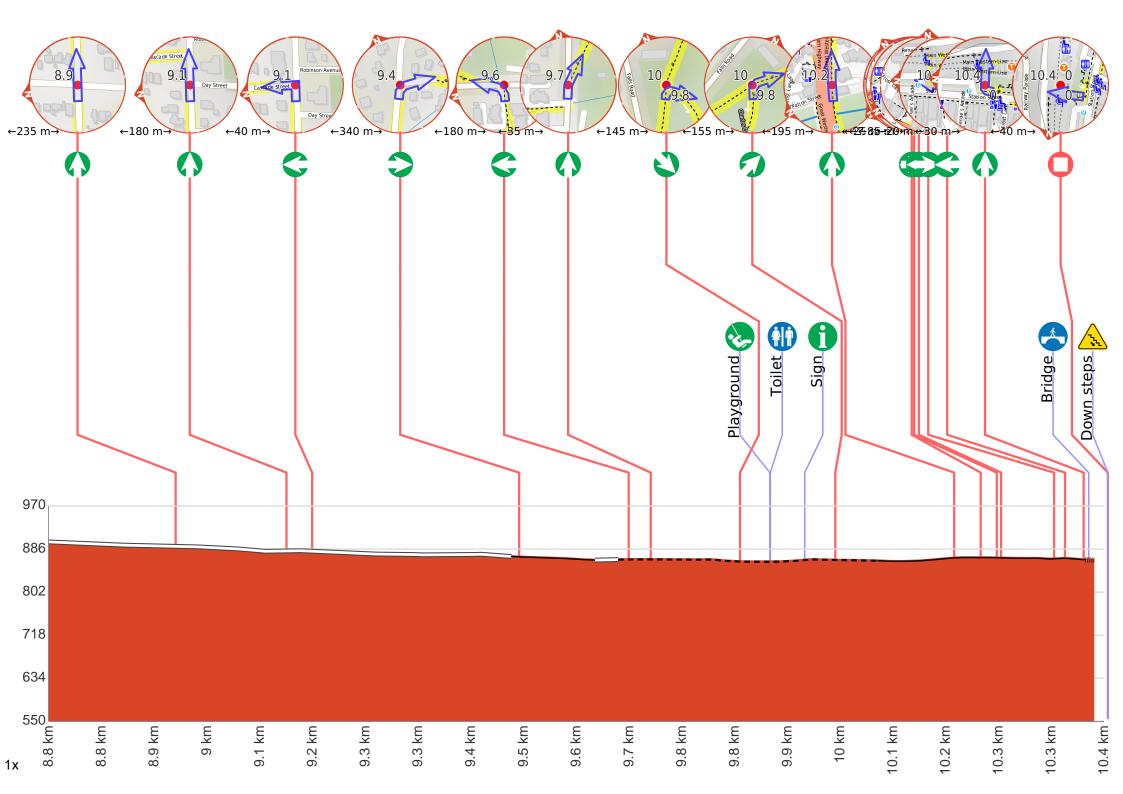












Getting started: From Wentworth Falls Railway Station, this walk exits the station on the western side, on Station St, and turns left to head down to the Great Western Highway past the shops. At the highway, the walk crosses at the lights and turns right, heading down the hill along the foot path. This walk then turns left into Wilson Park soon after the colourful bus stop. The walk follows the footpath through Wilson Park. At the toilet block in the centre of the park, the walk tends slightly more to the left until coming to a large archway entrance to the Charles Darwin Walk, near the tennis courts.





Then head down the steps (about 15 m long)



Then cross the bridge (about 15 m long)



After another 15 m pass the car park (20 m on your right).



Then pass the "Coronation Park" (on your left).



After another 4 m continue straight.



After another 30 m **turn right**.



After another 20 m turn left.



After another 15 m pass a seat (5 m on your right).



Then pass the "Cafe Aliment" (7 m on your right).



Veer right.



After another 45 m pass the water tap (25 m on your left).



After another 20 m pass the toilet (30 m on your left).





Then pass the "Blue Mist Cafe" (9 m on your right).



After another 15 m turn right.



After another 7 m $turn\ left$.



After another 4 m **continue straight**.



After another 20 m turn left.



After another 35 m turn right.



After another 50 m veer left.



After another 50 m **turn right**, to head along Page Avenue.



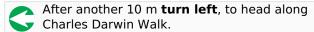
After another 15 m continue straight, to head along Page Avenue.

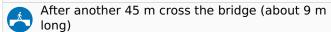


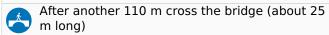
After another 145 m turn right.



After another 50 m **turn left**, to head along Charles Darwin Walk.











After another 20 m cross the bridge (about 8 m long)

After another 25 m **continue** straight, to head along Charles Darwin Walk.

After another 35 m cross the bridge (about 6 m long)

After another 35 m cross the bridge (about 15 m long)

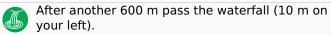
After another 9 m **continue straight**, to head along Charles Darwin Walk.

After another 15 m cross the bridge (about 10 m long)

After another 55 m cross the bridge (about 7 m long)

After another 55 m cross the bridge (about 5 m long)

After another 345 m **continue straight**, to head along Charles Darwin Walk.



After another 95 m cross the bridge (about 5 m long)

After another 100 m (at the intersection of Weeping Rock Circuit & Charles Darwin Walk) **continue straight**, to head along Weeping Rock Circuit.

After another 20 m **continue**straight, to head along Weeping Rock
Circuit.

Then head down the steps (about 6 m long)

Then pass the "Weeping Rock" (7 m on your left).

After another 60 m pass the "Charles Darwin passed this way 1836" (on your right).

After another 10 m find the "Weeping Rock" (9 m on your left).

Weeping Rock is a waterfall on Jamison Creek, upstream of Wentworth Falls in the Blue Mountains National Park. The water falls over the wide circular top overhang, to then cascade down the rocks to a pool below. A staircase beside the falls helps walkers view this waterfall from different angles. This is a nice cool spot on hot days. The rocks are slippery and there are no fences, care is needed.

At the intersection of Wentworth Falls
Track & Weeping Rock Circuit continue
straight, to head along Wentworth Falls
Track.

After another 70 m cross the stepping stones.

After another 10 m find the "Queen's Cascades" (5 m on your left).



Queen's Cascades are a lovely set of falls on the Jamison Creek at the top of Wentworth Falls. The creek heads down the wide, two-stage cascades into a sandy pool. From the pool, the water flows between the stepping stones, under the fence and down the very tall Wentworth Falls. There are also great views to Sublime Point across the valley.

At the intersection of National Pass Track & Wentworth Falls Track continue straight, to head along National Pass Track. After another 15 m find the "Grand Stairway" (6 m on your left).



The Grand Stairway is a very memorable section of the National Pass in the Blue Mountains National Park. The stairway is reported to be 'the tallest outdoor staircase in Australia' and was built in the early 1900's by hand (and dynamite). This stairway, and the rest of the National Pass, was built by a team nicknamed 'the Irish Brigade' for the cost of Ã,£430 . Today, the Grand Stairway is well-maintained and provides walkers access to the valley below Wentworth Falls.



After another 25 m pass the "Upper Wentworth Falls" (20 m on your right).



After another 60 m head down the rock steps (about 145 m long)



Then find the "Rocket Point Lookout" (8 m on your left).



Rocket Point Lookout is a fenced and signposted lookout, high on the cliff south-west of Wentworth Falls, in the Blue Mountains National Park. The lookout provides a good view down Wentworth Falls and into the valley. There is also a great view of the Sublime Point escarpment. The lookout itself has an interesting sandstone wall and is just down from a natural rock arch.



After another 250 m find the "Middle of Wentworth Falls" (on your left).

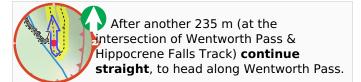


The National Pass crosses Wentworth Falls halfway down its long drop. At this crossing, NPWS have installed sandstone block bridges to improve access for walkers. There are a few side tracks that have been used to explore the areabeware of the slippery rocks and unfenced ledges. There is also a great view into the valley from where the water continues to fall on it long journey further into the valley. This is a lovely spot to cool down on a warm day.

After another 280 m (at the intersection of Slacks Stairs & National Pass Track) **continue straight**, to head along Slacks Stairs (a steps).



Then head down the steps (about 65 m long)



After another 1.5 km (at the intersection of Wentworth Pass & Vera Falls Track) **turn sharp right**, to head along Wentworth Pass.



After another 85 m pass the "Red Rock Falls" (25 m on your right).



After another 125 m pass the "Flat Rock Falls" (25 m on your right).



After another 35 m (at the intersection of National Pass Track & Wentworth Pass) **veer left**, to head along National Pass Track.



After another 55 m cross the stepping stones.



After another 50 m find the "Lodore Falls" (25 m on your right).



Lodore Falls are a lovely set of falls on the Valley of the Waters Creek. The narrow falls have a staircase on one side and stepping stones (and handrail) crossing the bottom, making it easier for walkers to appreciate this waterfall from many angles. Just beyond the handrail, the water falls over another cliff, providing a great view down the valley.

After another 85 m find the "Sylvia Falls" (30 m



After another 85 m find the "Sylvia Falls" (30 m on your right).



Sylvia Falls on the Valley of the Waters Creek is a lovely tall cascade. The falls are in a deep sandstone canyon with mossy walls. The stairs and handrail pass closely to these falls, helping walkers get nice and close. From near the top of the falls, there is a great view down the valley looking between the canyon walls.



After another 30 m cross the stepping stones.



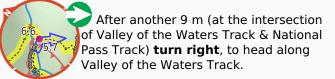
After another 15 m find the "Empress Falls" (on your left).



Empress Falls is a spectacular waterfall in the Valley of the Waters. The Valley of the Water Creek comes out of the slot in the cliff and tumbles down a series of cliffs to a sandy pool. The fall is the site of the last abseil in a popular canyon, making a great site for walkers in the area. Stepping stones help walkers cross below the falls. There is a small overhang next to the falls, giving the area shade and offering a great place to rest.



After another 15 m cross the stepping stones.





After another 95 m **turn left**, to head along Valley of the Waters Track.



After another 20 m find the "Empress Lookout" (10 m on your left).



Empress Lookout is a fenced and signposted lookout, perched on a sandstone overhang above the Valley of the Waters Creek. There is a view down to part of the Empress Falls and into the canyon. The views are filtered through the surrounding trees. It makes for a good spot to catch your breath when walking into, or out of, the Valley of the Waters.

Start of an optional side trip: An optional side trip to Queen Victoria Lookout.



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



After another 25 m come to "Queen Victoria Lookout".



The Queen Victoria Lookout is perched above the Valley of the Waters, south-west of Conservation Hut. The fenced lookout has views into the narrow section of the valley. The views are made more dramatic by the roar of the waterfalls below and the mists which frequent the area. Empress Falls are only just visible - the main views extend down Jamison Valley. Kings Tableland (left) and Sublime Point(right) dominate the views and the eastern edge of Mount Solitary and beyond is also visible.



The end.



Turn around and retrace your steps back the 25 m to the main route.



Back at the main route continue straight and follow on from the 5.9 km waypoint.



Back at the main route turn left and follow on from the 6.4 km waypoint.



After another 50 m **turn sharp left**, to head along Valley of the Waters Track.



After another 130 m (at the intersection of Valley of the Waters Track & Overcliff Track) **veer right**, to head along Valley of the Waters Track.



After another 155 m (at the intersection of Valley of the Waters Track & Short Cut Track) **turn around**, to head along Valley of the Waters Track.



After another 95 m pass the picnic table (25 m on your right).



Then find the "Conservation Hut" (40 m on your left).



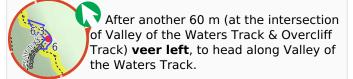
Conservation Hut is a small cafe perched above the Valley of the Waters, Blue Mountains National Park. The hut was opened in 1963 as a meeting place for the local conservation movement. Rebuilt, Conservation Hut opened as a cafe in 1993, serving breakfast, lunch and dinner, seven days a week. Around the Conservation Hut is a small parking area, public toilets, picnic shelters, town water and B&B's. For further information or bookings call (02) 4757 3827.



Then pass the picnic table (55 m on your right).



Then pass the toilet (75 m on your left).



Start of an optional side trip: An optional side trip to Queen Victoria Lookout.

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



After another 25 m come to "Queen Victoria Lookout".



The Queen Victoria Lookout is perched above the Valley of the Waters, south-west of Conservation Hut. The fenced lookout has views into the narrow section of the valley. The views are made more dramatic by the roar of the waterfalls below and the mists which frequent the area. Empress Falls are only just visible - the main views extend down Jamison Valley. Kings Tableland (left) and Sublime Point(right) dominate the views and the eastern edge of Mount Solitary and beyond is also visible.



The end.



Turn around and retrace your steps back the 25 m to the main route.



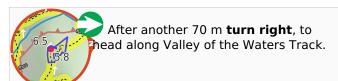
Back at the main route continue straight and follow on from the 5.9 km waypoint.



Back at the main route turn left and follow on from the 6.4 km waypoint.



After another 130 m **turn sharp** right, to head along Valley of the Waters Track.





After another 95 m (at the intersection of Nature Track & Valley of the Waters Track) **veer right**, to head along Nature Track.



After another 40 m pass the "Isobel Falls" (15 m on your left).



After another 10 m pass the picnic table (on your right).



After another 145 m (at the intersection of Nature Track & Grand Cliff Top Track) **turn right**, to head along Nature Track.



After another 170 m cross the stepping stones.



After another 30 m pass the waterfall (20 m on your right).



After another 40 m cross the stepping stones.



Then find the "Lillian's Glen" (8 m on your left).



Lillian's Glen is a moss and fern filled section on the 'Valley of the Waters' Creek (where the Nature Track crosses the creek, south of Edinburgh Castle Rock). There are stepping stones to help cross the creek. Lillian's Glen is a great spot to rest and enjoy the area, especially on warmer days. For the sure-footed, a short clamber upstream to Asmodeus Pool at the bottom of a waterfall, is worthwhile - a very nice spot at the end of a narrow canyon.



Then find the "Edinburgh Castle Rock" (25 m on your right).



Edinburgh Castle Rock is a signposted, unfenced viewpoint on the Nature Track, in the Blue Mountains National Park. The rock platform has an interesting formation, with an uneven surface of circular lines. From Edinburgh Castle Rock, there is a view left, up the valley towards the houses on the ridge. Looking right, down the Valley of the Waters, it is possible to see the escarpment of Kings Tablelands.

After another 300 m **turn right**, to head along Nature Track.

After another 285 m continue straight, to head along Nature Track.

After another 325 m continue straight.

After another 100 m (at the intersection of Armstrong Street & Valley Road) **continue straight**, to head along Armstrong Street (a residential road).

After another 125 m (at the intersection of Armstrong Street & Fitzgerald Street) **continue straight**, to head along Armstrong Street.

- After another 25 m pass the "Denis Kevans Bushland Gardens" (15 m on your right).
- After another 90 m (at the intersection of Murphys Lane & Armstrong Street) continue straight, to head along Armstrong Street.

After another 115 m (at the intersection of Pritchard Street & Armstrong Street) continue straight, to head along Armstrong Street.

After another 115 m **continue straight**, to head along Armstrong Street.

After another 65 m (at the intersection of Armstrong Street & Day Street)

continue straight, to head along Armstrong Street.

After another 40 m (at the intersection of Armstrong Street & Cascade Street) turn left, to head along Cascade Street.

After another 150 m **continue straight**, to head along Cascade Street.

After another 190 m (at the intersection of Cascade Street & Delungra Place) **turn right**, to head along Delungra Place.



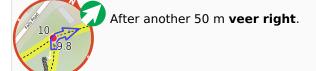


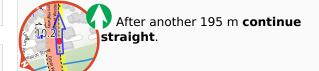
After another 195 m pass the playground (10 m on your left).

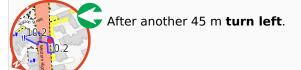


After another 50 m pass the toilet (6 m on your left).

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









After another 7 m continue straight.



After another 20 m **turn right**.



After another 7 m turn left.



After another 85 m turn right.



After another 10 m continue straight.



After another 7 m turn left.



After another 30 m continue straight.



After another 8 m cross the bridge (about 15 m



Turn right.

