



# Ashbrook Fire Trail

 3 h 30 min to 5 h

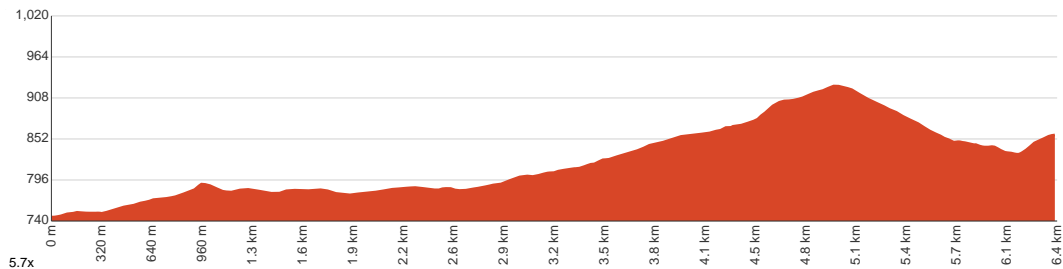
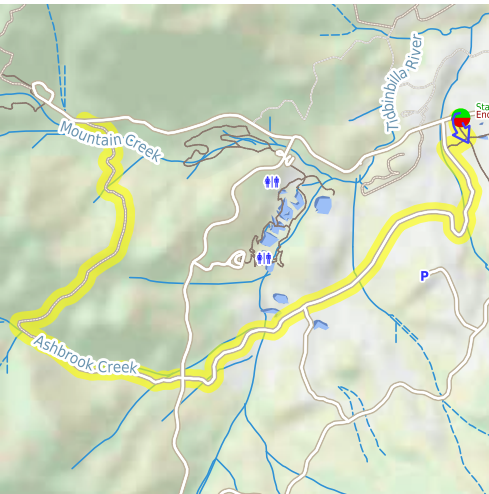
  
12.7 km  
Return

  
↑ 366 m  
↓ 366 m

  
Moderate track



Starting from the Flints car park off Tidbinbilla Reserve Road, Paddys River, this walk crosses Tidbinbilla River, Ashbrook Creek and Mountain Creek via the Ashbrook Fire Trail, then heads back to the start. Explore the mixed Eucalypt woodland as you enjoy a little bit of Aboriginal history. You'll visit 2 scarred trees near the track, which have their bark removed in the shape of a shield. The Aboriginal people used these barks to make canoes, traps and shelters as well. Fellow (kanga)roos can be spotted throughout the journey, with a chance to see some interesting birdlife near the ponds and creeks. Enjoy this stroll in nature as the singular wide fire trail lets you focus on your surroundings. Although, take care on the crossings as the water level can reach ankle height in colder months. Thus, waterproof shoes may come in handy. Keep in mind that the Tidbinbilla Nature Reserve requires a pass, which can be acquired daily or annual. This journey can be made into a one-way trip if you arrange transport. You can also reverse the direction if you'd like to. 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.



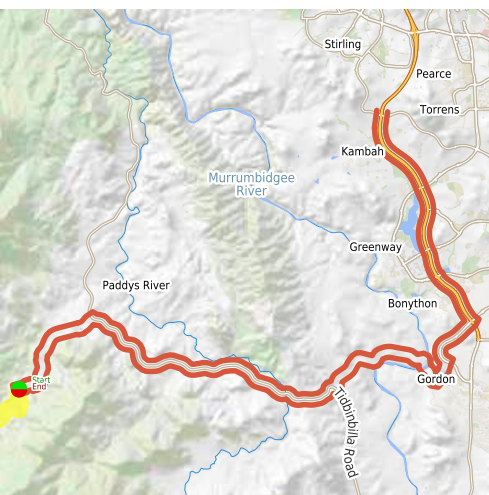
Class 3 of 6

Formed track, with some branches and other obstacles

Quality of track	Clear and well formed track or trail (2/6)
Gradient	Gentle hills with occasional steps (2/6)
Signage	Directional signs along the way (3/6)
Infrastructure	Limited facilities, not all cliffs are fenced (3/6)
Experience Required	No experience required (2/6)
Weather	Weather generally has little impact on safety (2/6)

**Getting to the start:** From Tuggeranong Parkway

- Turn on to Drakeford Drive then drive for 2 km
- At roundabout, take exit 3 onto Woodcock Drive and drive for another 2 km
- Turn right onto Jim Pike Avenue and drive for another 820 m
- Turn right onto Point Hut Road and drive for another 4.8 km
- Turn right onto Tidbinbilla Road and drive for another 10 km
- Turn left onto Tidbinbilla Reserve Road and drive for another 550 m
- Continue onto Tidbinbilla Reserve Road and drive for another 3 km
- Turn slight right onto Tidbinbilla Reserve Road and drive for another 550 m
- Turn left and drive for another 25 m

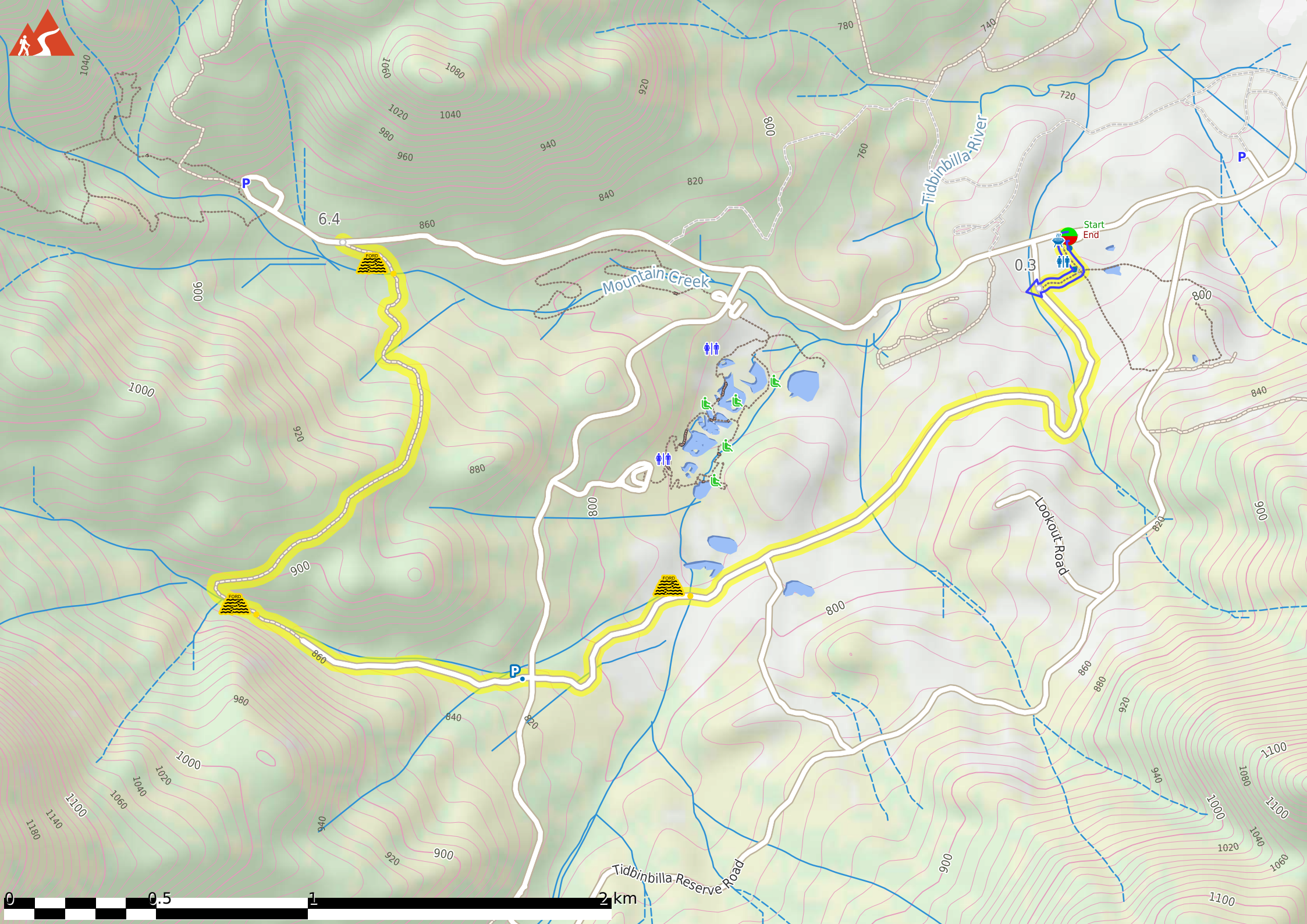


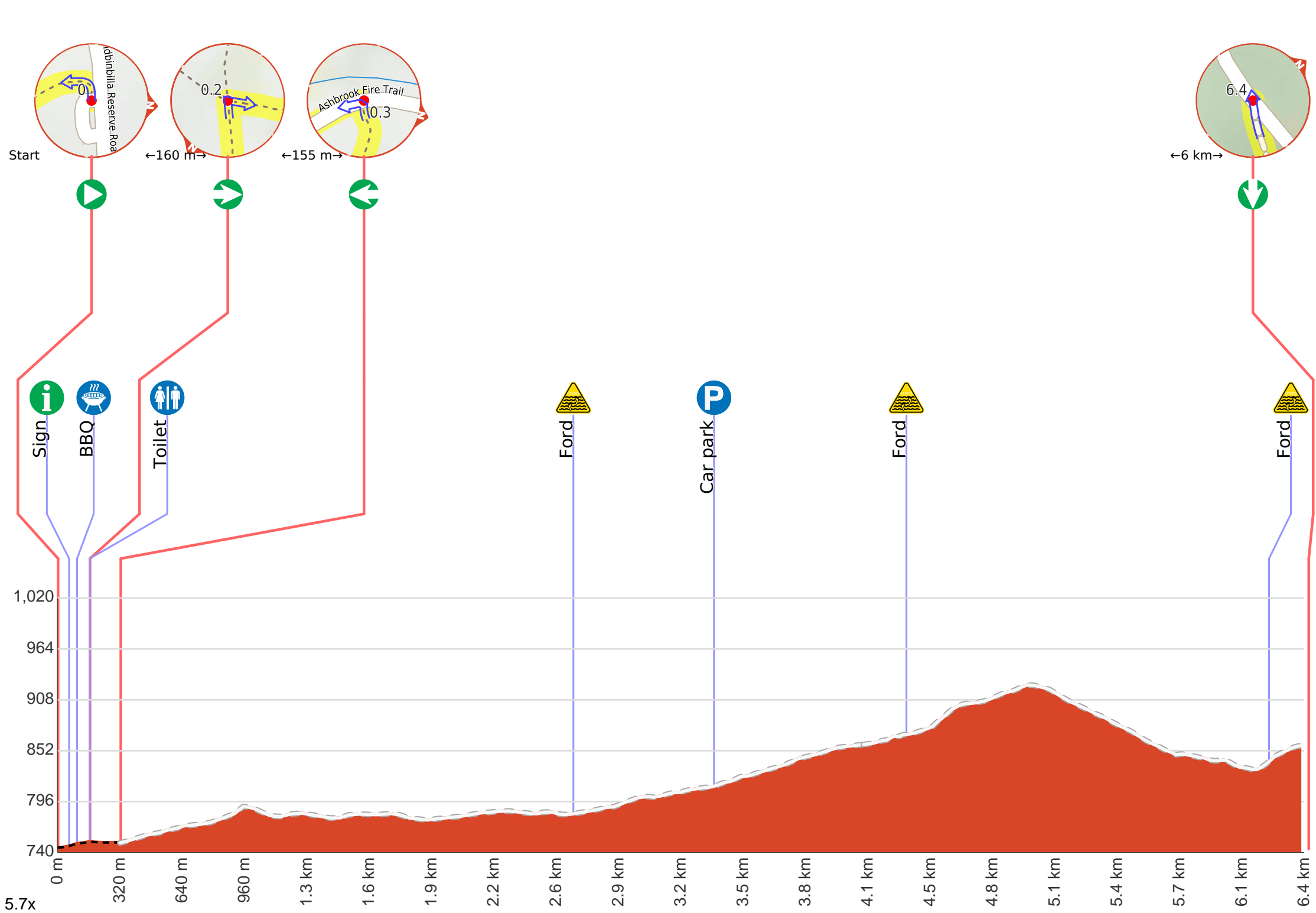
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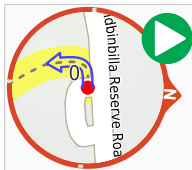








**Getting started:** From the Flints car park off Tidbinbilla Reserve Road (630 metres southwest of Historic Rock Valley Homestead), head back towards the paved road. Turn left and follow the road for about 105 metres to come to the start of the fire trail (to your left). Turn left and join the said fire trail (Ashbrook Fire Trail), moving perpendicularly away from the paved road. Follow the wide dirt trail as you pass by Cinerea Cottage to your left to continue along the Ashbrook Fire Trail.



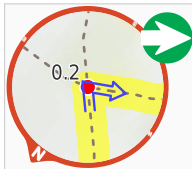
**Start.**



After 55 m pass the sign (8 m on your left).



After another 40 m pass the BBQ (25 m on your left).



After another 65 m **turn right**.



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



After another 160 m **turn left**, to head along Ashbrook Fire Trail.



After another 2 km **continue straight**, to head along Ashbrook Fire Trail.



After another 345 m cross the ford.



After another 700 m (at the intersection of Ashbrook Fire Trail & Tidbinbilla Reserve Road) **continue straight**, to head along Ashbrook Fire Trail.



After another 20 m to find the "Hanging Rock Parking".



After another 980 m cross the ford.



After another 1.8 km cross the ford.



Continue another 200 m to find the end. Then turn around here and retrace the main route for 6.4 km to get back to the start.