



# Mermaid Mountain and Little Mermaid Lookout

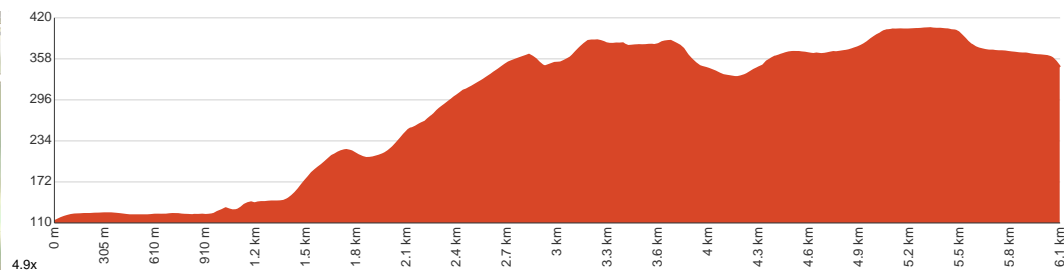
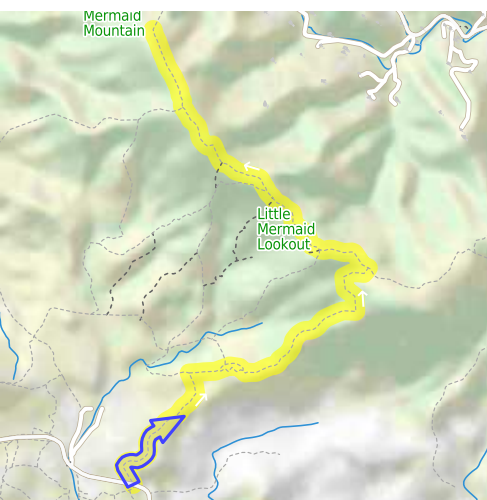
 4 h to 6 h 30 min

  
12.1 km  
Return

  
↑ 559 m  
↓ 559 m

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Hard track

Starting from Lake Manchester Road, Kholo, this walk takes you to the summit of Mermaid Mountain and back, visiting Little Mermaid Lookout along the way. The summit rewards you with stunning westerly views of Lake Manchester and the city of Ipswich to the south. Surrounding mountains such as Mt. Barney and Mt. Glorious look beautiful covered in dark green as well. Enjoy the constant birdsong of eastern whipbirds and bellbirds along with other species as you make your way through the woodland. The tracks are wide and partly shaded but the signage is almost non-existent. A GPS or a compass is highly recommended. Hiking poles may come in handy against the slippery surface and relieve your joints on descents. Wear a hat and sunscreen on a sunny day, but bring heaps of water regardless of the weather conditions. You might need to scramble a little bit on the steepest parts. Parts of the track may go through private property, so please ask the landowner for passage. 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 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	Minimal directional signs (4/6)
Infrastructure	Limited facilities, not all cliffs are fenced (3/6)
Experience Required	Moderate level of bushwalking experience recommended (4/6)
Weather	Storms may impact on navigation and safety (3/6)

**Getting to the start:** From Warrego Highway, M2

- Turn on to then drive for 300 m
- At roundabout, take exit 2 onto Mount Crosby Road, 37 and drive for another 450 m
- At roundabout, take exit 2 onto Mount Crosby Road, 37 and drive for another 6.1 km
- Continue onto Lake Manchester Road and drive for another 3 km
- Turn right and drive for another 4 m

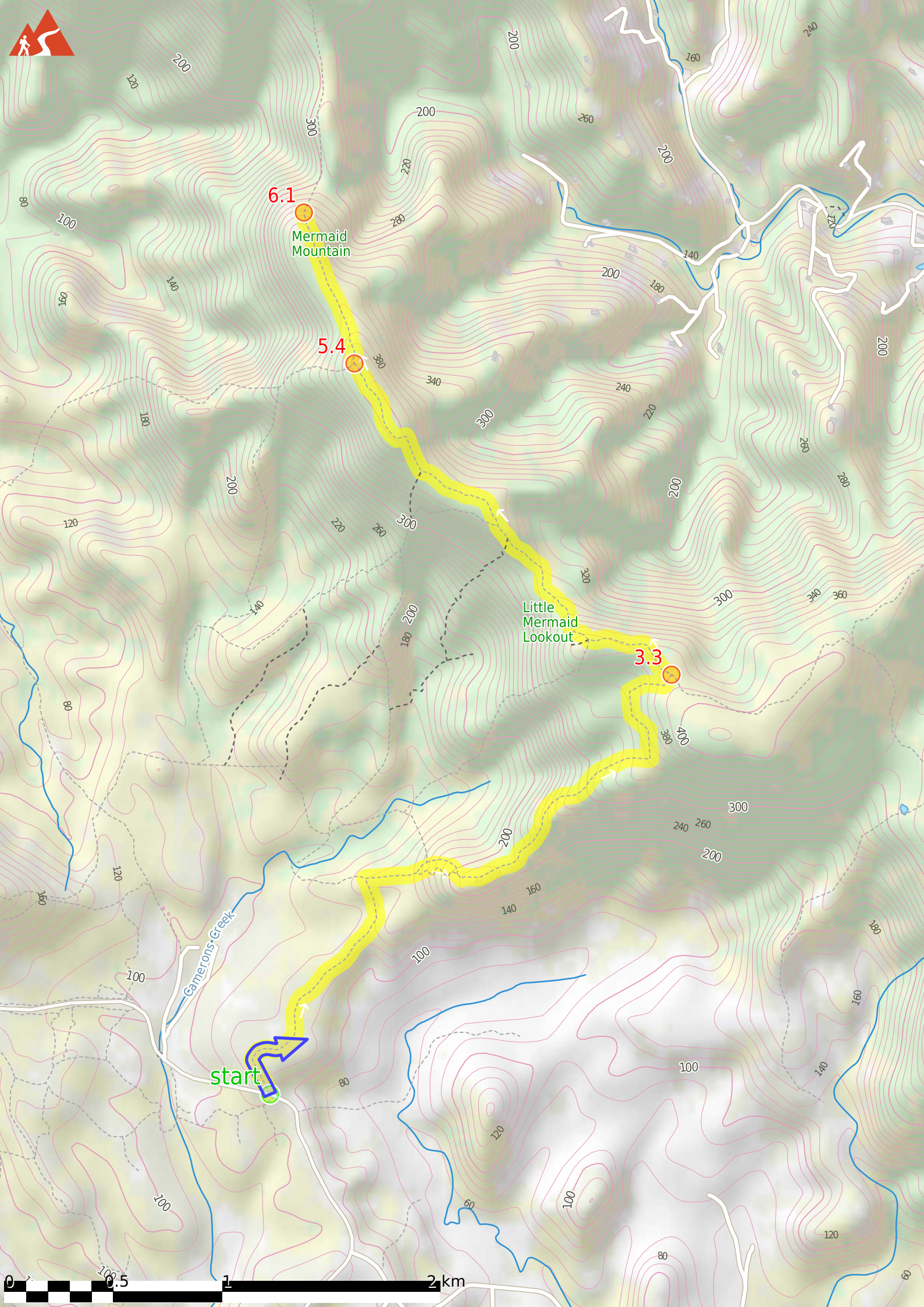
## Before you start any journey ensure you;

- 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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Mermaid Mountain

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Little Mermaid Lookout

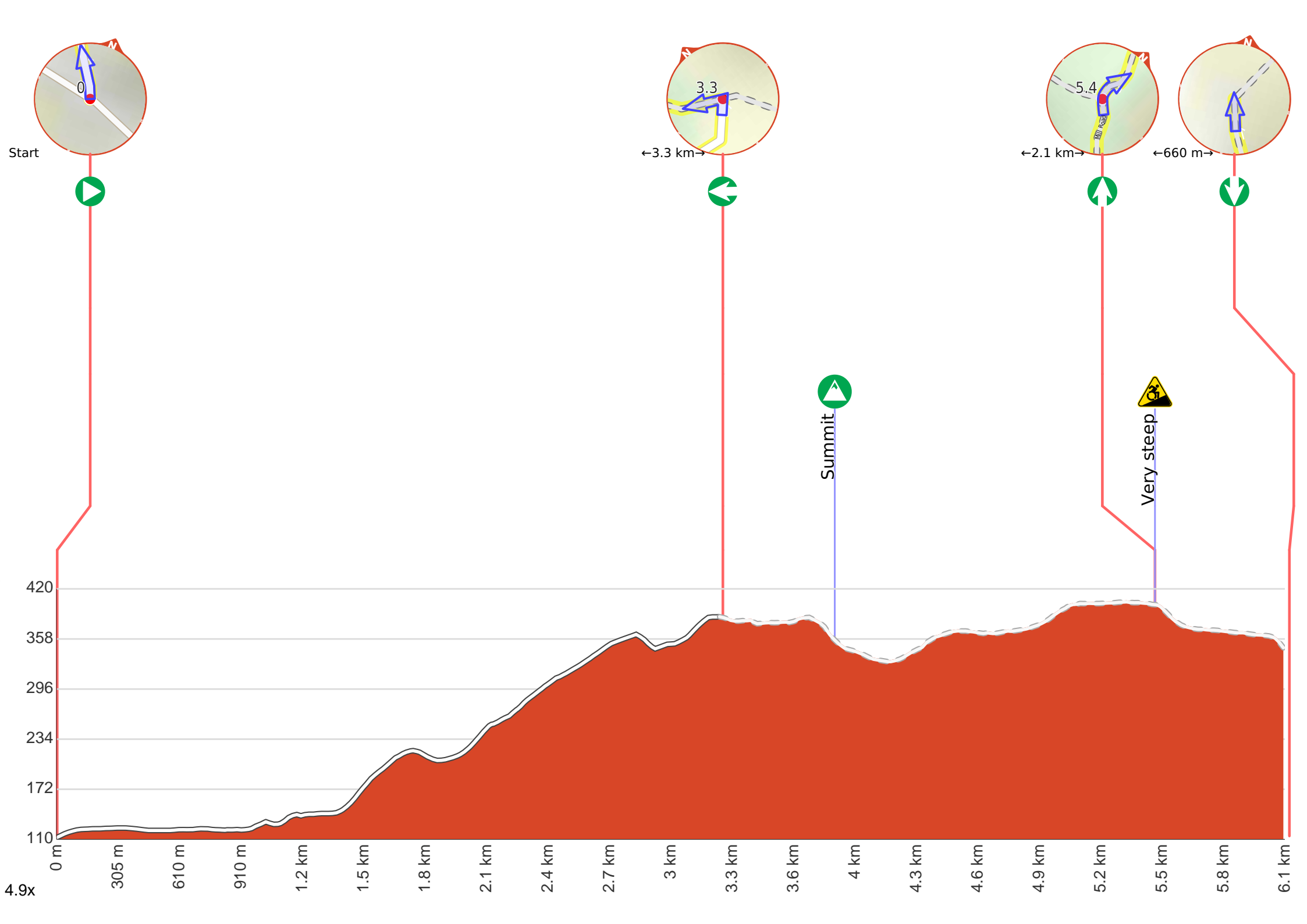
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start

Camerons Creek







**Getting started:** From Lake Manchester Road(735 metres northwest of intersection with Swensons Road), head towards the metal gate with a yellow little metal pole next to it. Before heading around/over the gate, see if there's a way for you to reach the landowner to kindly ask for passage(if it's labeled as private property). Head around/over the said gate and join the wide dirt track gently uphill as you move away from the road. Follow the said track as it meanders deeper into the woodland to continue along Mermaid and Little Mermaid Lookout Track.

