



# Stony Hill and Peak Head

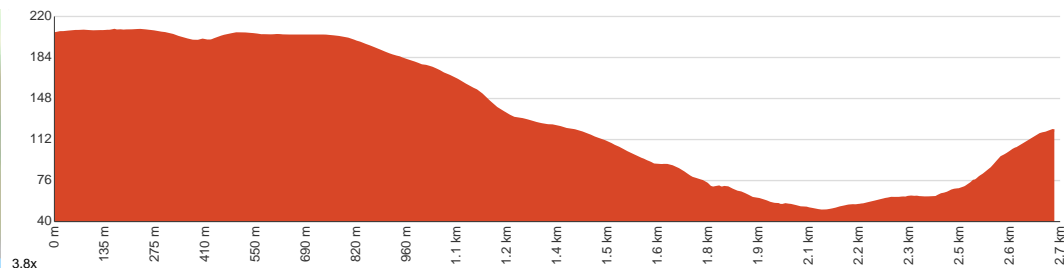
 1 h 30 min to 2 h

  
5.4 km  
Return

  
↑ 257 m  
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Very challenging

Starting from the car park at the end of Stony Hill Road, Torndirrup National Park, this walk takes you past Stony Hill Lookout, then to Peak Head and back via the Stony Hill Heritage Trail and Peak Head Walk Trail. Stony Hill Heritage Trail provides a scenic circuit with 360-degree views of Torndirrup National Park and the Albany area. The wildflowers make the heathland feel alive when in season, along with the black cockatoo population. There are informational signposts along the track that explain the thought process of the pioneers of the area. You can get to this section via another track that branches off Stony Hill Road (near the car park) as well. You may get to the starting point of the Peak Head Walk Trail via this track. The trail descends steeply via a rugged path through heath before rising up the summit of Peak Head itself. You'll need to clamber up some rocks to get to the top. Good gripping shoes are a definite requirement, and the scramble could be perilous in wet weather. Keep in mind that there may be rock climbers present on the cliffs below you. 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 5 of 6  
Rough unclear track

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| Quality of track    | Rough track, where fallen trees and other obstacles are likely (4/6)                        |
| Gradient            | Very steep and difficult rock scrambles (5/6)   |
| Signage             | Minimal directional signs (4/6)   |
| Infrastructure      | Limited facilities (such as cliffs not fenced, significant creeks not bridged) (4/6)        |
| Experience Required | Moderate level of bushwalking experience recommended (4/6)                                  |
| Weather             | Foretasted & unexpected storms and severe weather may impact on navigation and safety (4/6) |

**Getting to the start:** From Albany Highway, 30, 356

- Turn on to Hanrahan Road then drive for 2.4 km
- Turn right onto Frenchman Bay Road and drive for another 16.6 km
- Turn right onto Stony Hill Road and drive for another 1.5 km

## Before you start any journey ensure you;

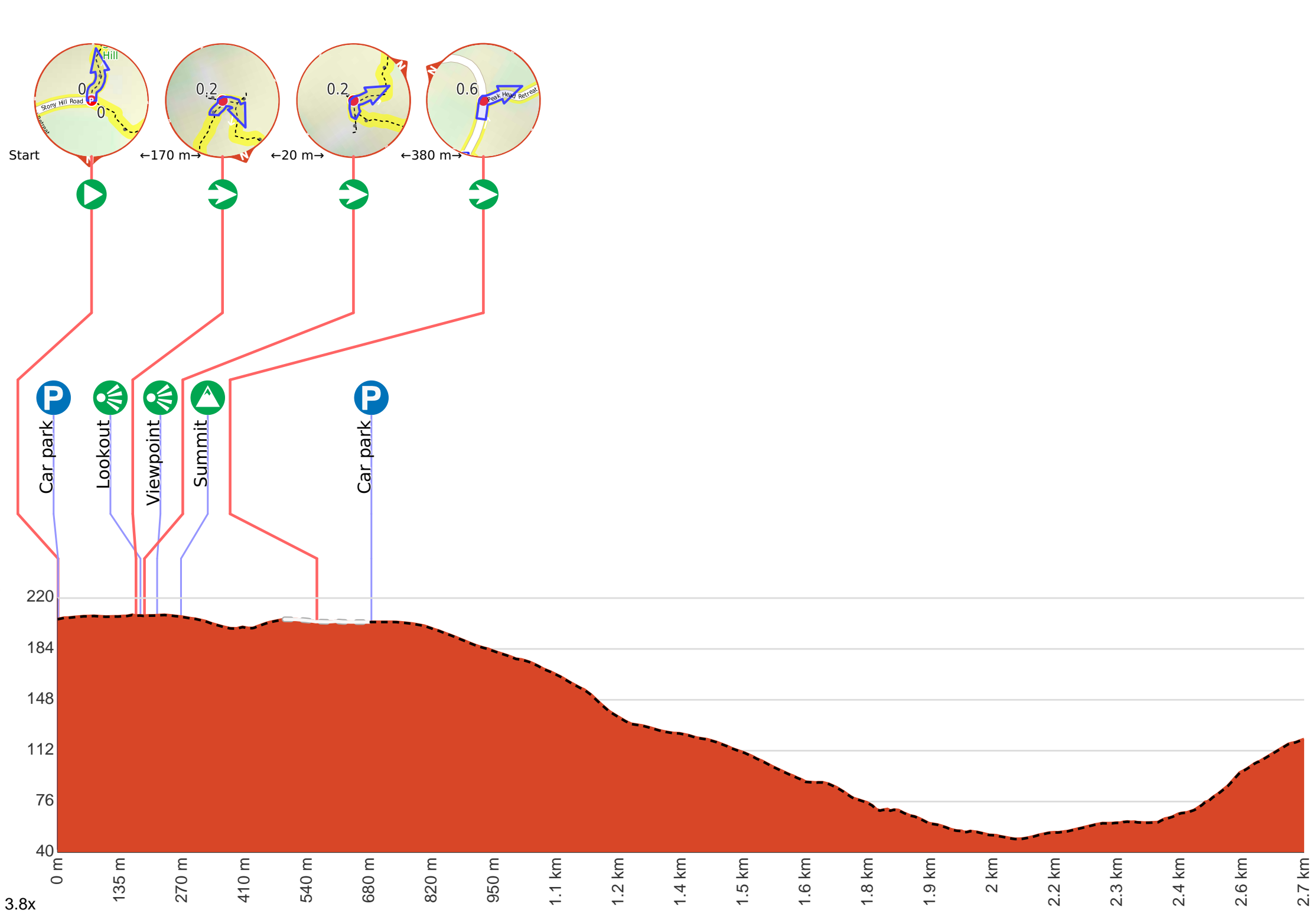
- Tell someone you trust where you are going and what to do if you are late returning
- Have adequate equipment, supplies, skills & knowledge to undertake this journey safely
- Consider weather forecasts, park/track closures & fire dangers
- Can respond to emergencies & call for help at any point
- Are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

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

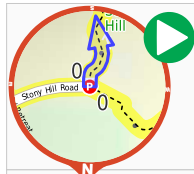
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**Getting started:** From the carpark at the end of Stony Hill Road, Torndirrup National Park, head up the stairs at the southern end of the carpark, passing an informative shelter (to your left), and follow the Stony Hill Heritage Trail ahead. After completing the loop, head out of the carpark along Stony Hill Road for about 100m until you reach a 'Peak Head' sign, with a wide dirt track branching off to the right. Follow this track until you reach the start of the Peak Head Walk Trail. Head up the stairs, passing a 'Peak Head Walk' sign (to your left), and follow the trail ahead to continue the Peak Head Walk.



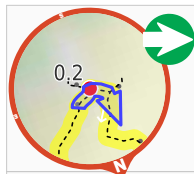
**Stony Hill Start** (a walking track).



Find the Stony Hill at the start.



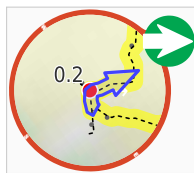
After 180 m find the "Stony Hill Lookout" (30 m on your left).  
You can enjoy great views to the east and west from the lookout on Stony Hill, the highest point in Torndirrup National Park.



**Turn right.**



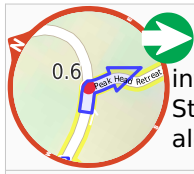
After another 45 m come to the "Stony Hill Lookout" (20 m on your left).



**Turn right.**



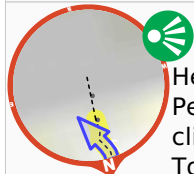
After another 80 m pass the "Stony Hill" (40 m on your right).



After another 295 m (at the intersection of Peak Head Retreat & Stony Hill Road) **turn right**, to head along Peak Head Retreat.



After another 120 m to find the car park.



After another 2 km come to "Peak Head".  
Peak Head is comprised of the rounded cliffs at the most southern peak of the Torndirrup Peninsula. You can experience spectacular views of the bay to the north, Black Head, Cave Point and West Cape Howe to the west, Bald Head and the Flinders Peninsula to the east, Eclipse Island to the south and the endless blue of the Southern Ocean from this place.



Turn around here and retrace the main route for 2.7 km to get back to the start.