



Kia Ora to Windy Ridge

(Palawa Country)

 3 h 30 min to 4 h 30 min



9.5 km
One way segment



↑ 369 m
↓ 353 m



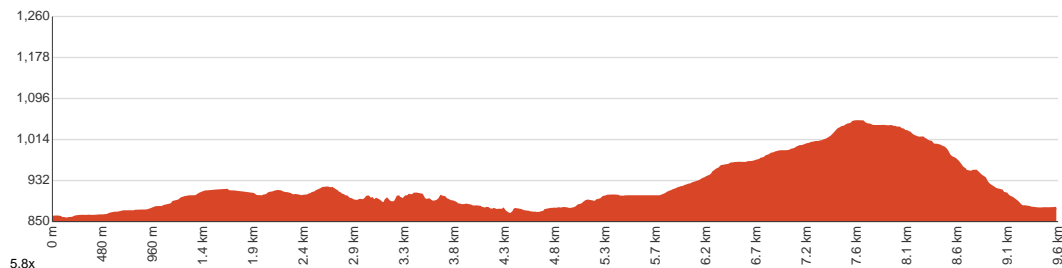
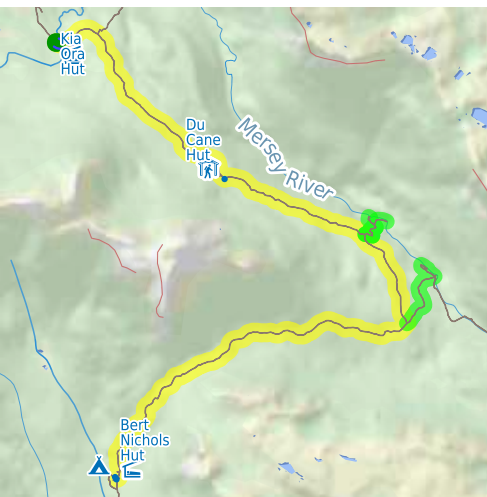
Hard track



Starting from Kia Ora Hut and the bubbling cascades you will explore the dense rainforest as you want to the historic Du Cane Hut. Not too far past the Du Cane Hut are some very worthwhile side trips to D'Alton, Fergusson and Hartnett Falls. These are spectacular waterfalls in the dense rainforest and a great place for lunch. Then the track climbs up towards Du Cane Gap and then steeply leads down to the large Bert Nichols Hut and camping area at Windy Ridge. Let us begin by acknowledging the Palawa people, Traditional Custodians of the land on which we travel today, and pay our respects to their Elders past and present.

This is part of longer journey and can not be completed on it is own.

Full journey: [The Overland Track](#)



Class 4 of 6
Rough track, where fallen trees and other obstacles are likely

Quality of track	Rough track, where fallen trees and other obstacles are likely (4/6)
Gradient	Very steep (4/6)
Signage	Clearly signposted (2/6)
Infrastructure	Limited facilities, not all cliffs are fenced (3/6)
Experience Required	Some bushwalking experience recommended (3/6)
Weather	Foretasted & unexpected storms and severe weather may impact on navigation and safety (4/6)

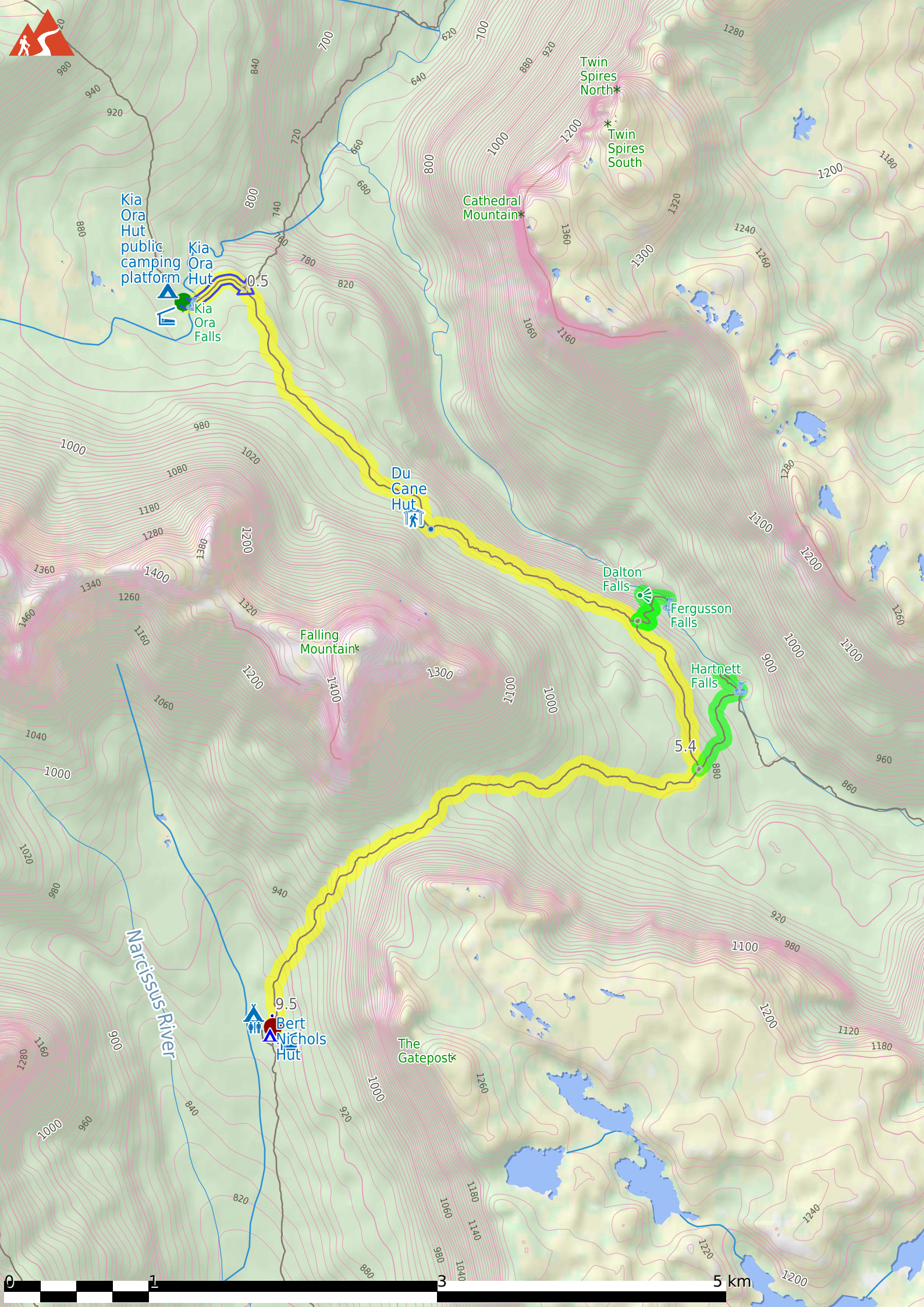
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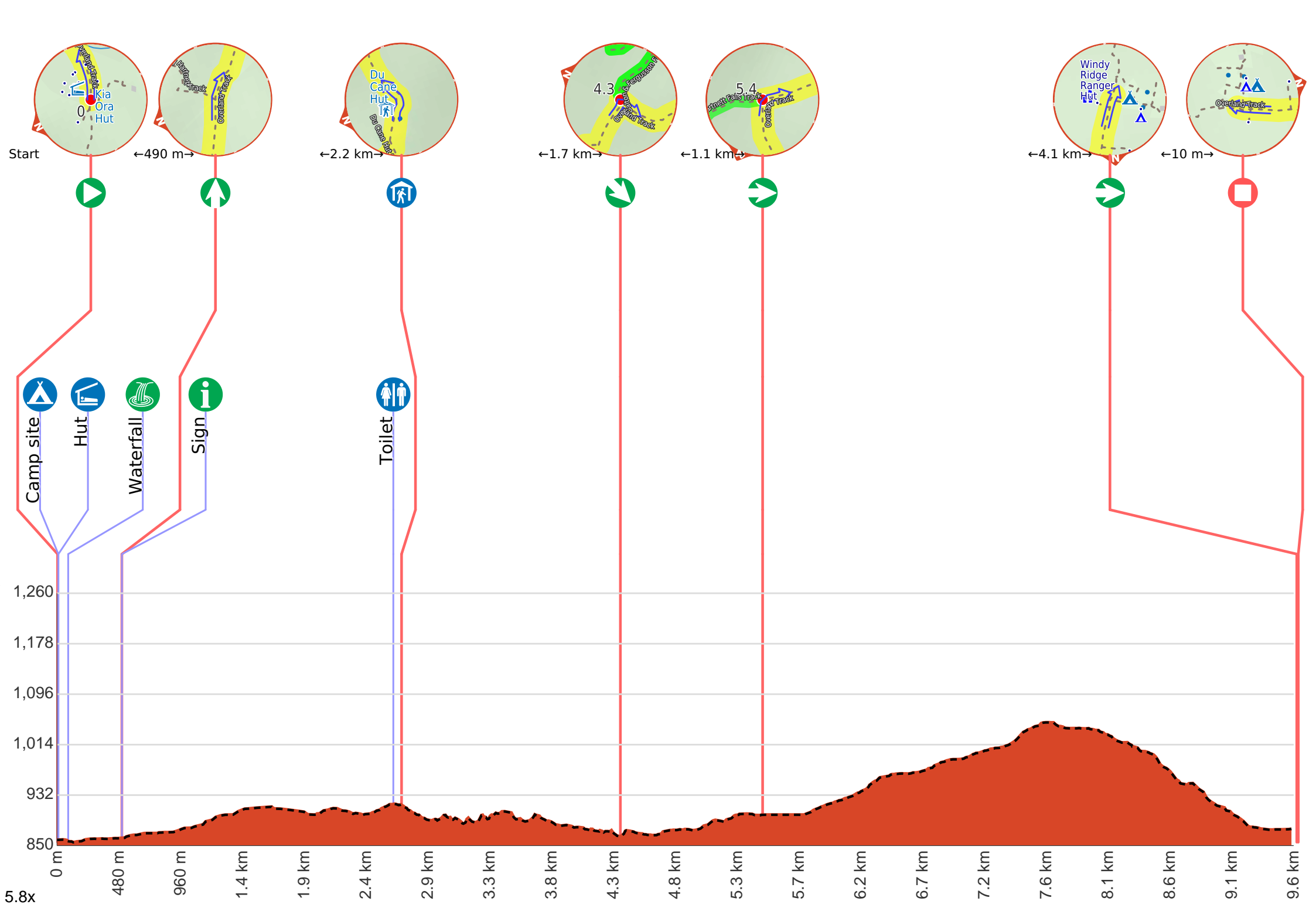
- Tell someone you trust where you are going and what to do if you are late returning
- Have adequate equipment, supplies, skills & knowledge to undertake this journey safely
- Consider weather forecasts, park/track closures & fire dangers
- Can respond to emergencies & call for help at any point
- Are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

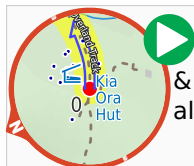
If not, change plans and stay safe. It is okay to delay and ask people for help.

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At the intersection of Overland Track & Kia Ora Hut toilet track **Start** heading along *Overland Track* (a walking track).



Find the Kia Ora Hut public camping platform at the start.

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Find the Kia Ora Hut at the start.



After 75 m pass the "Kia Ora Falls" (on your left).



After another 410 m (at the intersection of Overland Track & Paddy Hartnett Track) **continue straight**, to head along Overland Track.



Then pass the "Two nails wodden (old)" (on your left).



After another 2.1 km pass the toilet (30 m on your right).

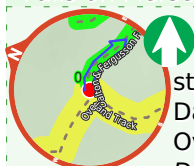


After another 15 m (at the intersection of Overland Track & Du Cane Hut toilet track) **veer left**, to head along Overland Track.



After another 50 m pass the "Du Cane Hut" (on your right).

Start of an optional side trip: Side trip to Dalton Falls on Mersey River.



To start this optional side trip continue straight here. at the intersection of Dalton & Fergusson Falls Track & Overland Track **Start** heading along *Dalton & Fergusson Falls Track* (a walking track).



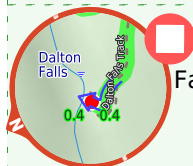
After another 270 m (at the intersection of Dalton Falls Track & Dalton & Fergusson Falls Track) **continue straight**, to head along Dalton Falls Track.



After another 135 m come to "Dalton Falls".



About 10 m past the end is "Dalton Falls".



Continue another 0 m to find Dalton Falls at the end.



Turn around and retrace your steps back the 410 m to the main route.

Start of an optional side trip: Side trip to Fergusson Falls on Mersey River.



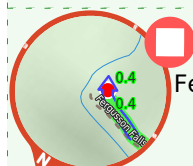
To start this optional side trip continue straight here. at the intersection of Dalton & Fergusson Falls Track & Overland Track **Start** heading along *Dalton & Fergusson Falls Track* (a walking track).



After another 270 m (at the intersection of Fergusson Falls Track & Dalton Falls Track) **turn right**, to head along Fergusson Falls Track. After another 170 m come to "Fergusson Falls".



About 20 m past the end is "Fergusson Falls".



Continue another 0 m to find Fergusson Falls at the end.



Turn around and retrace your steps back the 440 m to the main route.



Back at the main route continue straight and follow on from the 4.3 km waypoint.



After another 1.7 km (at the intersection of Overland Track & Dalton & Fergusson Falls Track) **turn sharp right**, to head along Overland Track.

Start of an optional side trip: Side trip to the tallest of the falls - Hartnett Falls.



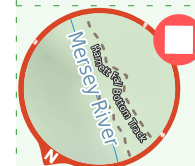
To start this optional side trip turn left here. at the intersection of Hartnett Falls Track & Overland Track **Start** heading along *Hartnett Falls Track* (a walking track).



After another 700 m (at the intersection of Hartnett Fall Bottom Track & Hartnett Falls Track) **turn left**, to head along Hartnett Fall Bottom Track.



After another 8 m pass the "Hartnett Falls" (15 m on your right).



After another 295 m come to the end.



Turn around and retrace your steps back the 1 km to the main route.



Back at the main route continue straight and follow on from the 5.4 km waypoint.



After another 1.1 km (at the intersection of Overland Track & Hartnett Falls Track) **turn right**, to head along Overland Track.



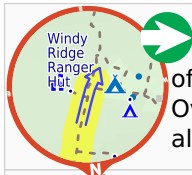
After another 4 km **continue straight**, to head along Overland Track.



After another 50 m **continue straight**, to head along Overland Track.



After another 55 m (at the intersection of Overland Track & Windy Ridge Ranger Hut Track) **continue straight**, to head along Overland Track.



After another 10 m (at the intersection of Bert Nichols Hut Toilet Track & Overland Track) **turn right**, to head along Bert Nichols Hut Toilet Track.



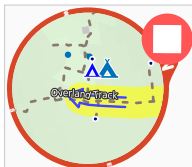
After another 10 m come to "Bert Nichols Hut".



About 25 m past the end is a camp site.
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About 45 m past the end is a toilet.



The end.