



# Warren River Loop

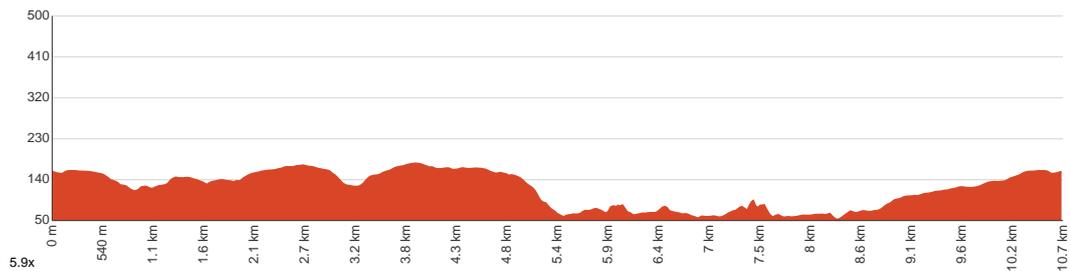
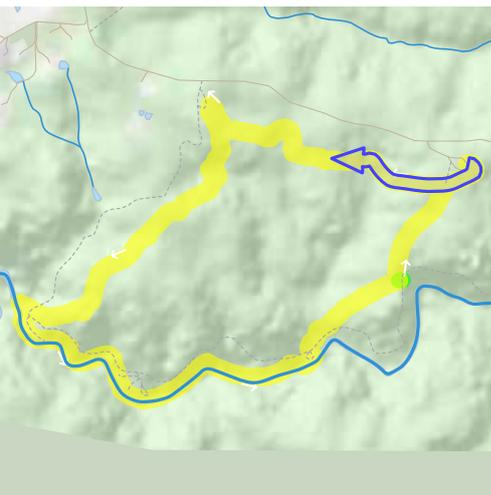
2 h to 3 h  
 1 h to 1 h 45 min

10.7 km  
Circuit

↑ 369 m  
↓ 369 m

3  
Moderate track

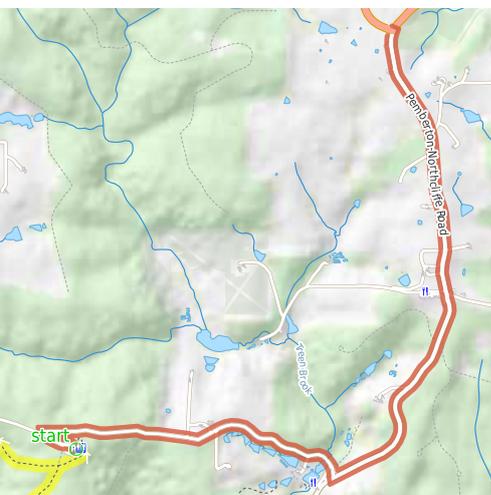
Starting from the Dave Evans Bicentennial Tree off Old Vasse Road, Yeagarup, this walk takes you on a circuit deep into the Warren River Valley and alongside the Warren River via the Warren River Loop Trail. This moderately hard walk trail passes through some of the region's most magnificent old-growth karri forest, towering over an enchanting world of lush undergrowth, wildflowers and colourful fungi. The first section is a great introduction to the karri forest, with a wide trail snaking its way through the landscape, allowing you to soak in the sights and sounds of the forest. The gentle, rolling hills allow you to ease into the hike before the trail descends steeply towards the river. A narrow trail follows the river for a few kilometres before the steady climb to the spectacular Warren River Lookout on the way back to the Bicentennial Tree. Going through the karri forest and meandering along the river, you'll feel a sense of peace on this walk. The trail is steep in places as it climbs in and out of the river valley, although the river section is mostly flat. The trailhead is very informative, and the trail is well marked with trail markers and maps along the way. Walk in the anti-clockwise direction if you don't want to walk up the steepest part. Be sure to wear appropriate footwear and carry plenty of drinking water. 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	
<b>Quality of track</b>	Formed track, with some branches and other obstacles (3/6)
<b>Gradient</b>	Short steep hills (3/6)
<b>Signage</b>	Clearly signposted (1/6)
<b>Infrastructure</b>	Generally useful facilities (such as fenced cliffs and seats) (1/6)
<b>Experience Required</b>	No experience required (2/6)
<b>Weather</b>	Weather generally has little impact on safety (2/6)

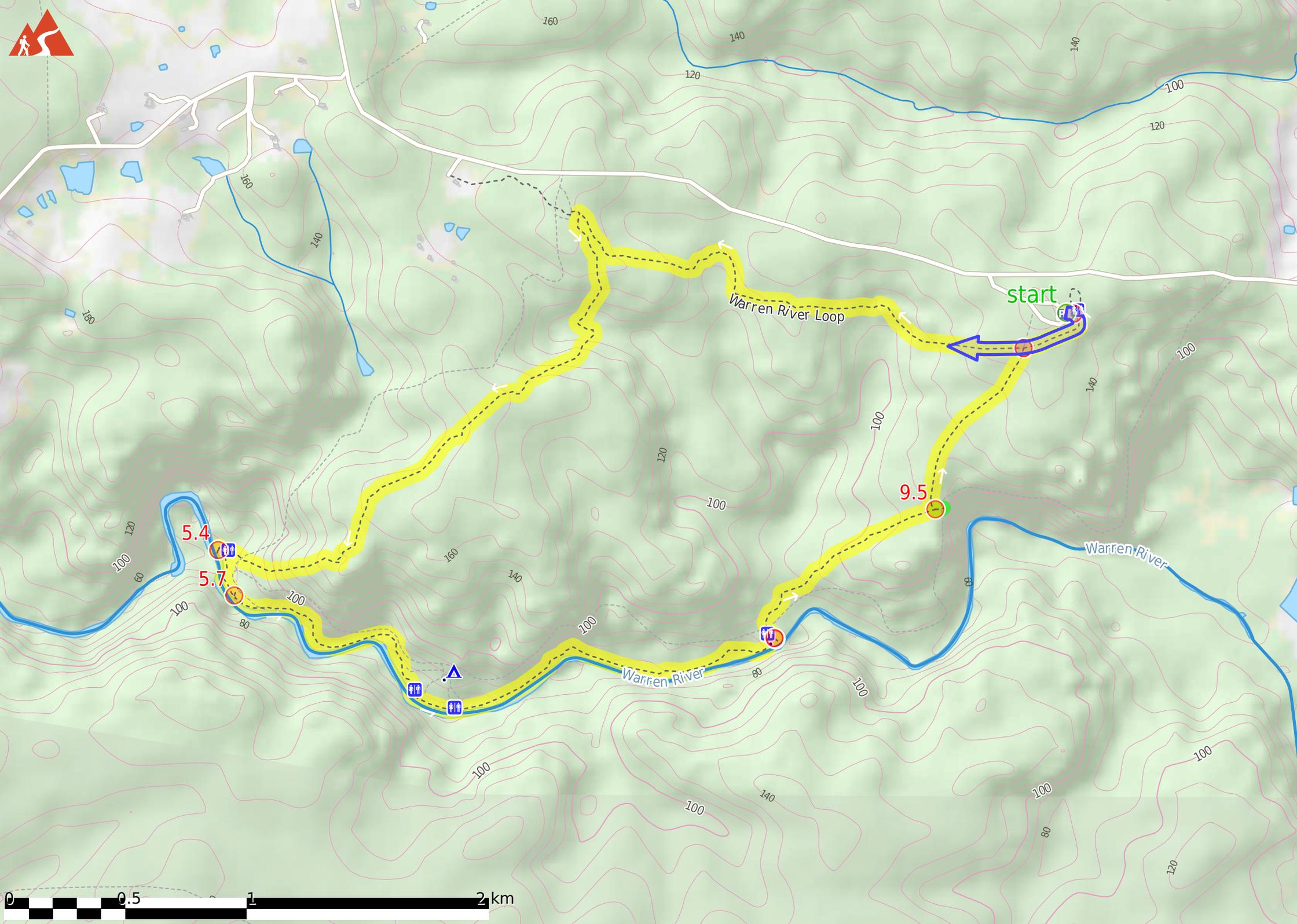
**Getting to the start:** From Vasse Highway, 10

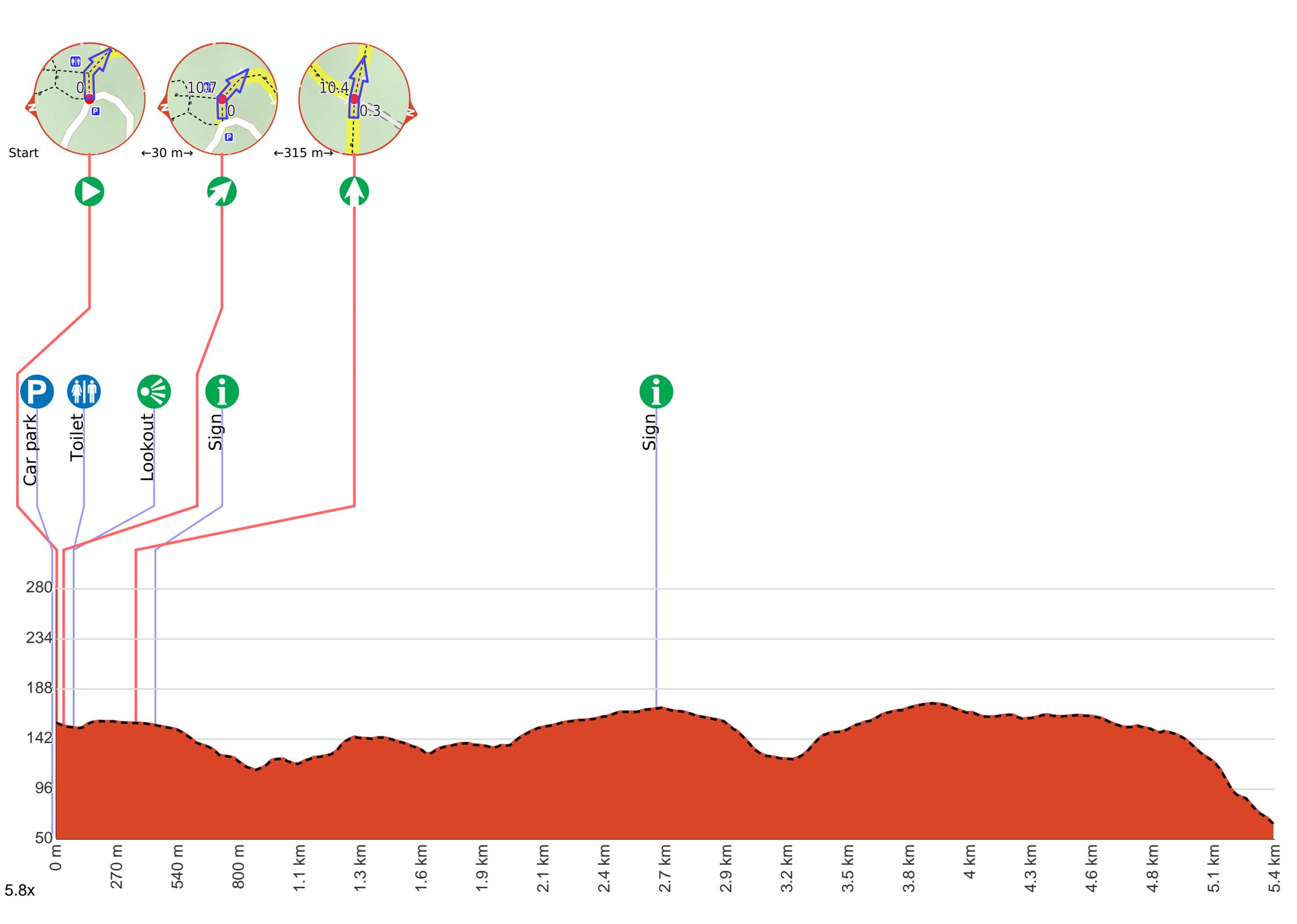
- Turn on to Pemberton-Northcliffe Road, 10, 259 then drive for 5.2 km
- Turn sharp right onto Old Vasse Road and drive for another 3.2 km
- Turn sharp left and drive for another 215 m
- Keep left and drive for another 175 m

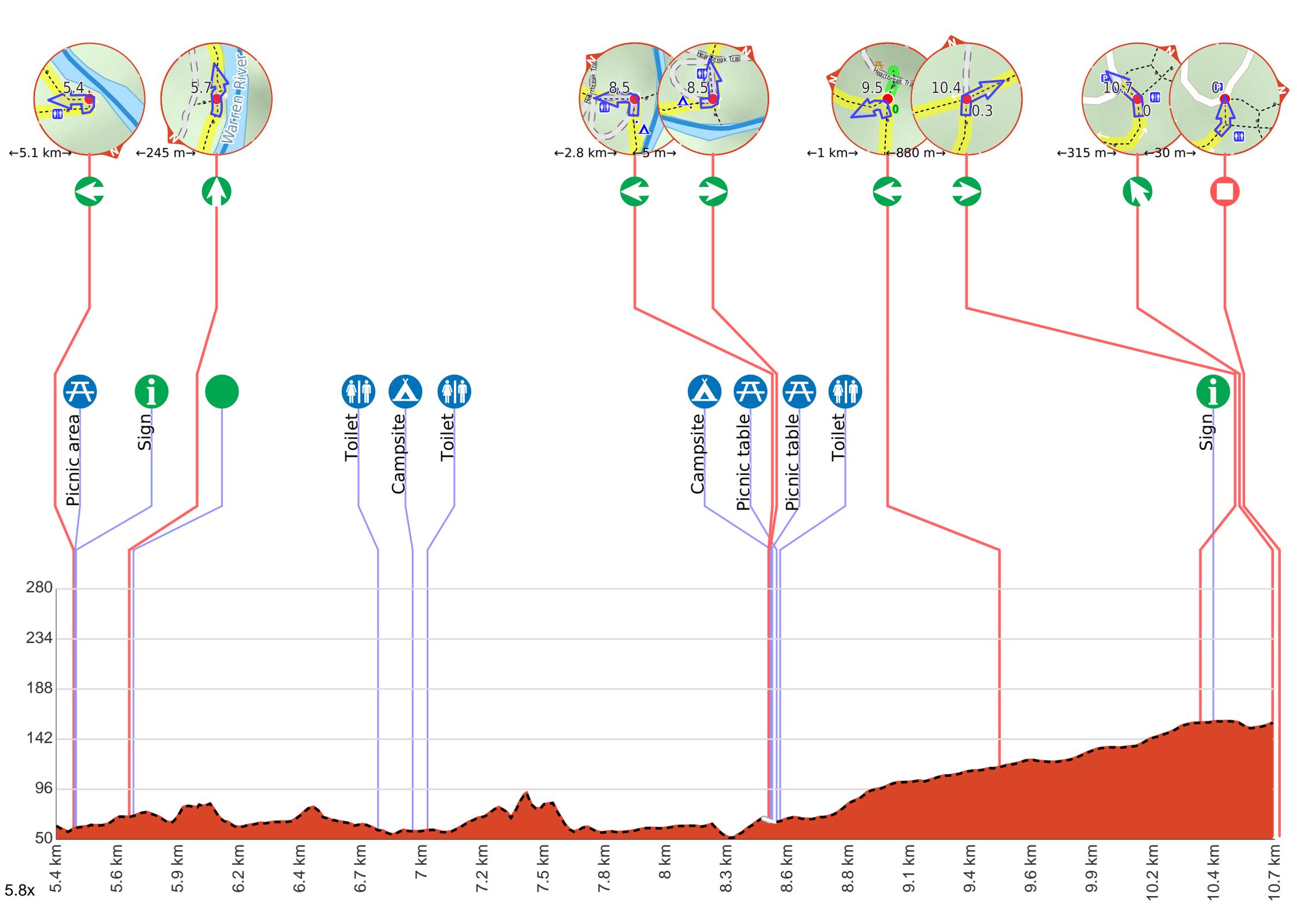


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**Getting started:** From the Dave Evans Bicentennial Tree off Old Vasse Road, Yeagarup, head along the trail to the right of the informative shelter located in front of the Bicentennial Tree, passing a 'Bicentennial Tree' and 'Picnic Area' sign shortly ahead. Head through the picnic area and follow the trail behind the picnic shelter, passing a 'Walkers Information' sign (to your left). Take a right turn once you reach a second 'Bicentennial Tree' sign and head along the wide trail, following the tree-shaped markers. 340 metres into the walk (from the start, keep right at the 4-way intersection following the "Information Shelter" signage to continue along Warren River Loop (counterclockwise).



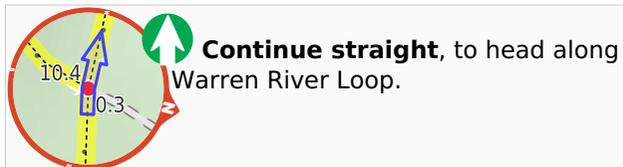
**P** There is a car park (about 20 m back from the start).

Find the toilet at the start.

Find the Dave Evans Bicentennial Tree at the start. 65 metres high, this tree is the tallest fire lookout tree (that's open to the public) in the Pemberton region. Climbing to the top is a great challenge for the adventurous, yet a dangerous one. A four-storey tall lookout cabin is perched high above the tree, with wobbly ladders leading to each tier.



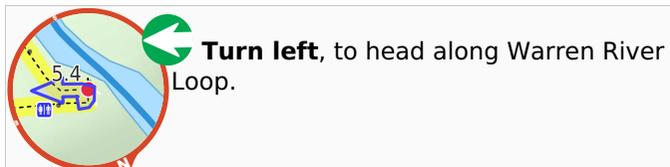
After another 400 m pass the sign (7 m on your right).



After another 2.3 km pass the "Warren River Loop" (10 m on your right).

After another 2.7 km (at the intersection of Warren River Loop & Heartbreak Trail) **continue straight**, to head along Warren River Loop.

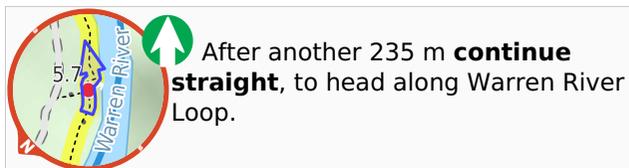
After another 125 m pass the toilet (6 m on your right).



**A** After another 6 m find the "Maiden Bush" (20 m on your right).

The Warren River meanders past this picnic site at the bottom of the steep valley. You can launch a canoe here or just sit and watch the river flow by. Excellent boardwalks have been constructed along the riverbank here that blend into the environment. If the water is calm, the reflections of the forest look magical from the foreshore.

Then pass the sign (on your left).



After another 20 m find the "Heartbreak Crossing" (on your right). A rocky set of rapids used as a vehicle crossing mainly in the drier months. The whirling rapids are a spectacular sight and provide a great soundtrack to your picnic.

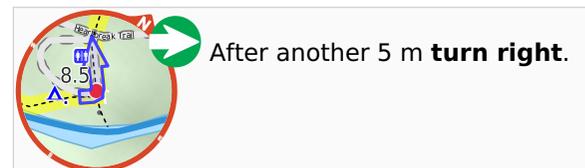
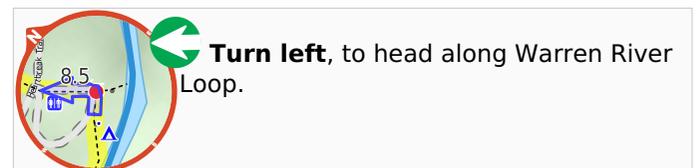
After another 1.1 km pass the toilet (15 m on your left).

After another 150 m find the "Drafty's Campground" (135 m on your left). This campground consists of 2 camping loops along Warren River. Loop 1 has 16 campsites, an undercover camp kitchen with picnic tables, and free-to-use gas BBQs. Loop 2 on the other hand, has 6 campsites, lacking the undercover kitchen and BBQs. Both of them have toilets. In between them, a day-use area with picnic tables allows access to the river.

After another 65 m pass the toilet (15 m on your left).

After another 1.5 km find the "Warren Campsite" (on your right). Warren Camp offers 6 campsites, some on the riverbank, some tucked back in the forest. There are communal wood barbecues and picnic tables close to the water. There are viewing platforms overlooking the river, a canoe launch spot and toilets. There are steps going into the river as well. You can fish, kayak, raft and canoe here.

**A** After another 20 m pass the "Picnic table" (10 m on your right).





Then pass the "Picnic tables" (20 m on your right).

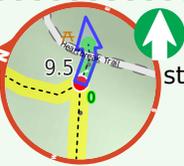


After another 40 m pass the "Toilet" (15 m on your left).



After another 10 m (at the intersection of Warren River Loop & Heartbreak Trail) **continue straight**, to head along Warren River Loop (a walking track).

**Start of an optional side trip:** A little side trip taking you to the Warren Lookout.



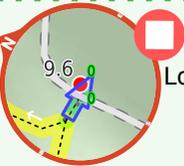
To start this optional side trip continue straight here. **Start.**



After another 35 m come to "Warren Lookout". This lookout provides a stunning view of the Warren River sitting beautifully amidst the karri forest. There is an info panel providing some facts about the river as well.



About 25 m past the end is a picnic table.



Continue another 0 m to find Warren Lookout at the end.



Turn around and retrace your steps back the 35 m to the main route.



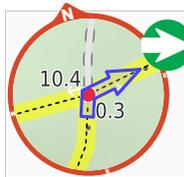
Back at the main route veer right and follow on from the 9.5 km waypoint.



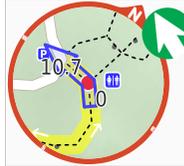
After another 950 m **turn left**, to head along Warren River Loop.



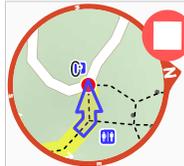
After another 940 m pass the sign (on your left).



**Turn right.**



After another 315 m **veer left.**



After another 30 m come to the end.