

## Mt Sugarloaf Summit (Awabakal Country)











This summit walk to Mt Sugarloaf offers fabulous 360 degree views and is highly recommended. This short but steep walk follows a wide trail, which narrows to become fenced steps directly to the summit. From the summit, you can see across the surrounding plains, with the views of Newcastle, Lake Macquarie and the ocean which are quite spectacular. This walk is often enjoyed by families and children and is highly recommended. Let us begin by acknowledging the Awabakal people, Traditional Custodians of the land on which we travel today, and pay our respects to their Elders past and present.



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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	Short steep hills (3/6)					
Signage	Clearly signposted (1/6)					
Infrastructure	Generally useful facilities (such as fenced cliffs and seats) (1/6)					
Experience Required	No experience required (1/6)					
Weather	Weather generally has little impact on safety (1/6)					

Getting to the start: From Pacific Motorway, M1

- Turn on to George Booth Drive Offramp then drive for 640 m
- At roundabout, take exit 1 onto George Booth Drive and drive for another 1.8 km
- Turn left onto Mount Sugarloaf Road and drive for another 3.5 km

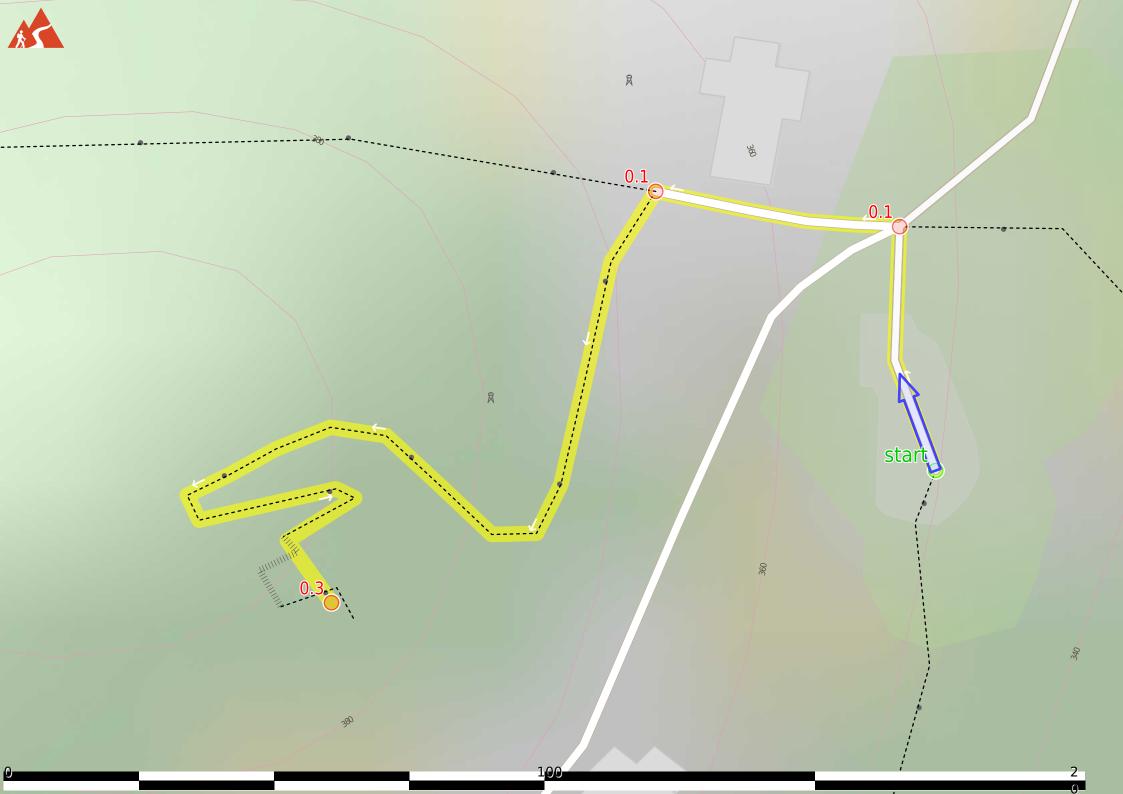


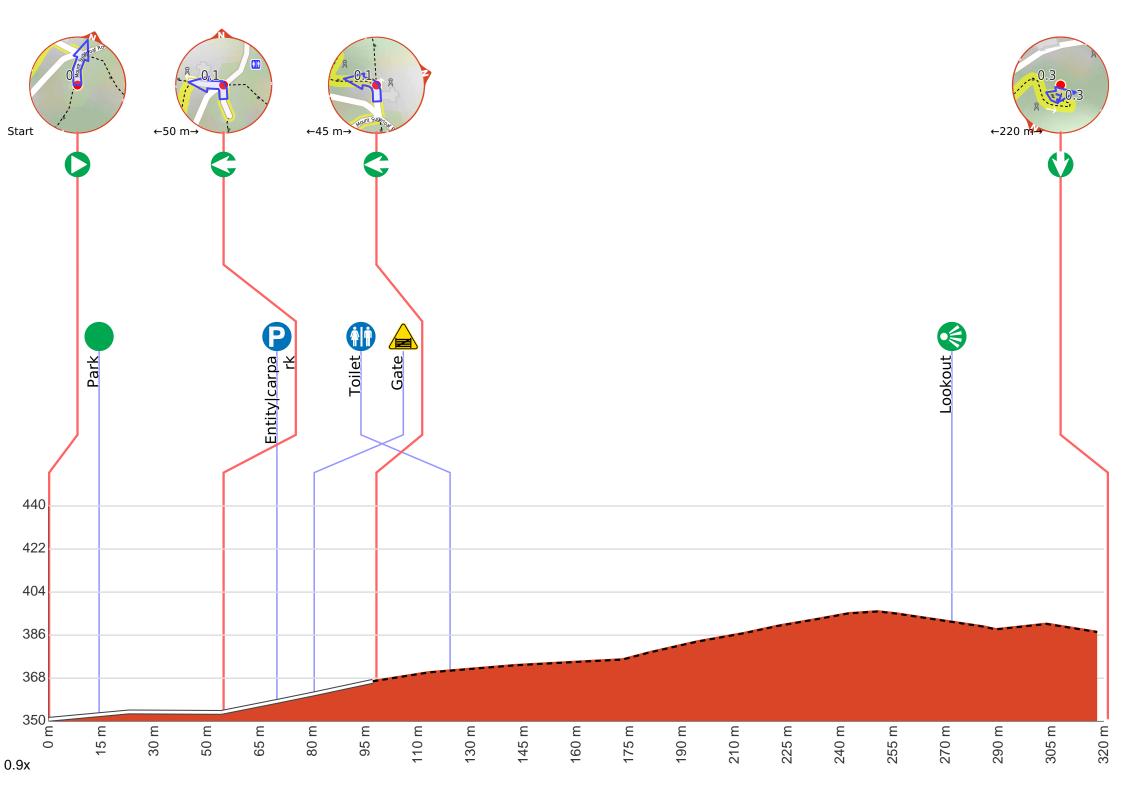
## Before you start any journey ensure you;

- 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.







**Getting started:** From the car park, this walk follows the road gently downhill out of the car park, while keeping the pond on your left. The road is followed for about 35m, until coming to a four-way intersection, with a yellow stone monument (on your right).



Start



Find the park at the start.



After another 55 m find the "Mount Sugarloaf Car Park" (on your right).



Mount Sugarloaf car park is located in West Wallsend (25km west of Newcastle) and offers fabulous views of the surrounding countryside. This car park is the starting point for many walks around Mount Sugarloaf. There is a pond, information sign and great views to the east.





After another 70 m pass the toilet (65 m on your right).



Then head through/around the gate.



After another 20 m turn left.



After another 175 m find the "Mount Sugarloaf Summit" (25 m on your right).



Mount Sugarloaf Summit is located in West Wallsend (25km west of Newcastle) and offers fabulous views of the surrounding countryside from a fenced lookout. The summit gives 360-degree views amongst three television transmitters of the coast and mountains. There is a black stone direction table to help you locate landmarks in the surrounding country. Mount Sugarloaf, also known as Great Sugar Loaf, is an extinct volcano. Unusually, on the 18th and 19th of July 1965, the mountain received 10 centimetres (4 in) of snow. It also snowed on the summit in the winter of 1975.

(Mount Sugarloaf) Continue another 45 m to find the end. Then turn around here and retrace the main route for 320 m to get back to the start.



"Mount Sugarloaf".