



Ferntree Falls Loop

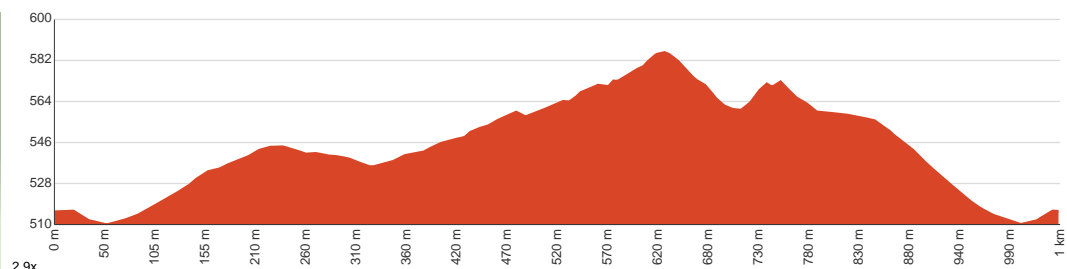
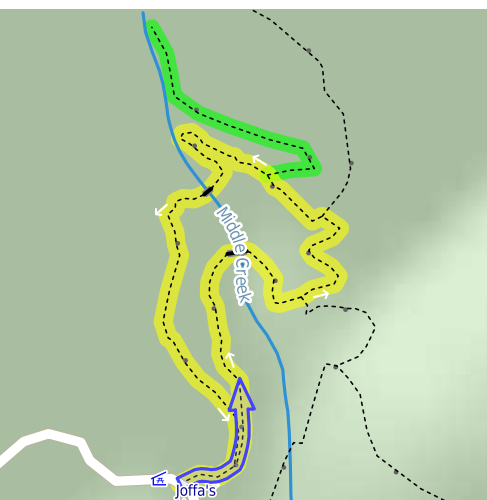
 30 min to 45 min


1 km
Circuit


↑ 107 m
↓ 107 m


Easy track

Starting from Ferntree Camping Ground, Raglan VIC, this circuit walk visits the Ferntree and Cascade waterfalls through the eucalypt woodland of Mount Buangor State Park. Ferntree Falls is a spectacular waterfall sitting amidst the ferns and moss covered rocks. Close your eyes and enjoy the sound of water gushing down, as the freshening air fills into your lungs. The messmate and blue gum forest is no less interesting than the waterfall, especially with all the bird species you can spot around. The aboriginal people of the Beeripmo Balug clan living here long ago called this forest 'Bereep-Bereep', which means 'wild mount'. Keep in mind that phone reception can be minimal to non-existent in the area, so prepare accordingly. 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 2 of 6

Clear and well formed track or trail

Quality of track	Clear and well formed track or trail (2/6)
Gradient	Gentle hills with occasional steps (2/6)
Signage	Clearly signposted (1/6)
Infrastructure	Generally useful facilities (such as fenced cliffs and seats) (2/6)
Experience Required	No experience required (1/6)
Weather	Weather generally has little impact on safety (2/6)

Getting to the start: From Western Highway, M8

- Turn on to Goulds Lane then drive for 7.2 km
- Keep right onto Fern Tree Waterfall Road and drive for another 2.6 km
- Turn right onto Fern Tree Waterfall Road and drive for another 570 m

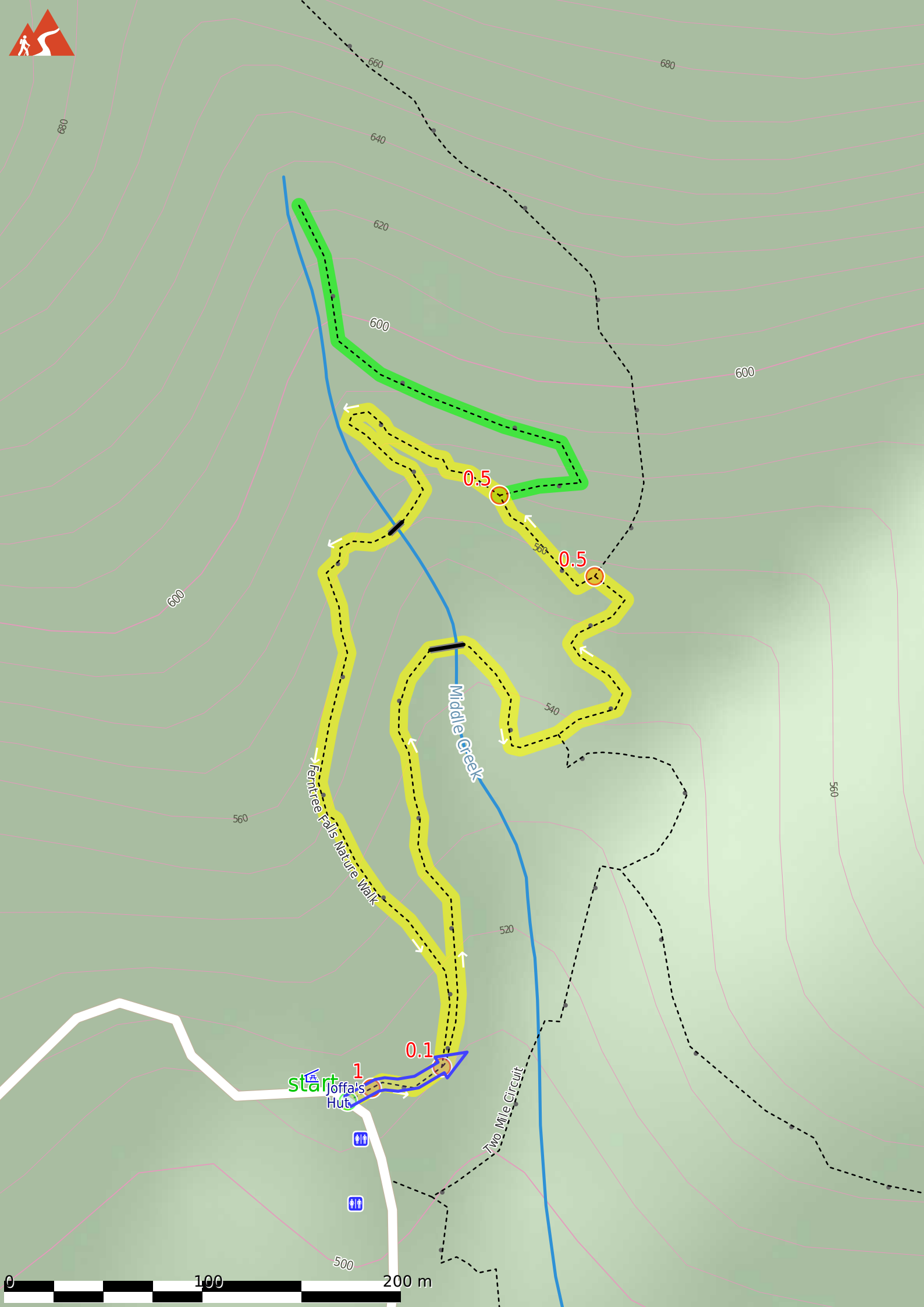
Before you start any journey ensure you;

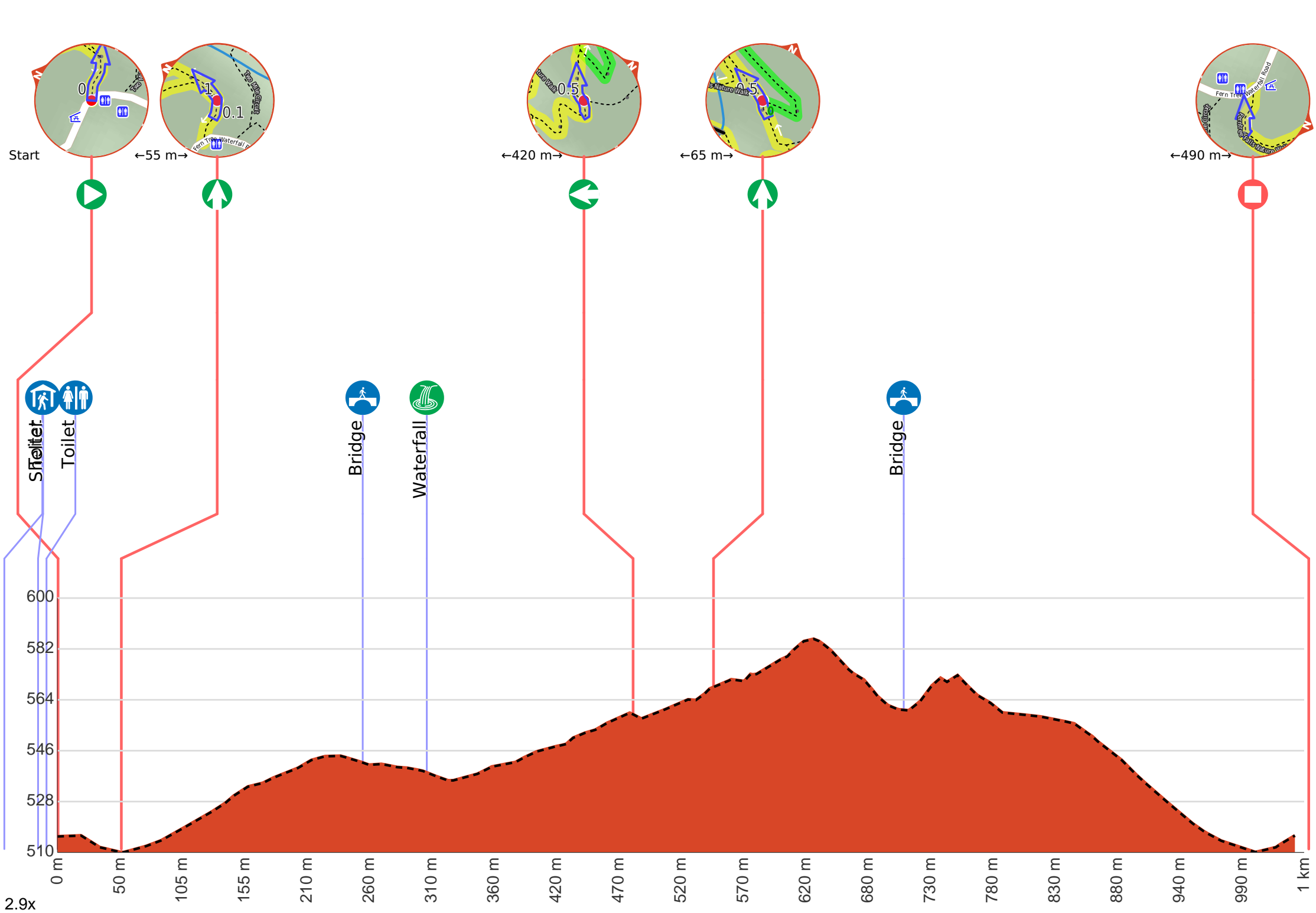
- Tell someone you trust where you are going and what to do if you are late returning
- Have adequate equipment, supplies, skills & knowledge to undertake this journey safely
- Consider weather forecasts, park/track closures & fire dangers
- Can respond to emergencies & call for help at any point
- Are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

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

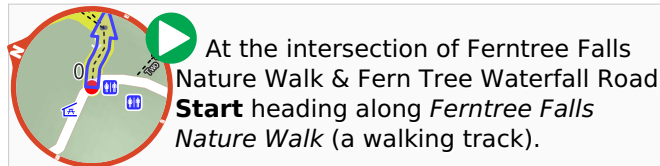
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Getting started: From the northeastern end of the Fern Tree Camping Area(near Joffa's Hut), head towards the informational signpost along the dirt path, keeping the hut to your left. Pass through the bollard, then move past the said signpost(to your left) towards the formed walking track. In about 40 metres, veer right as the track splits into two to continue along Ferntree Falls Loop(counterclockwise).



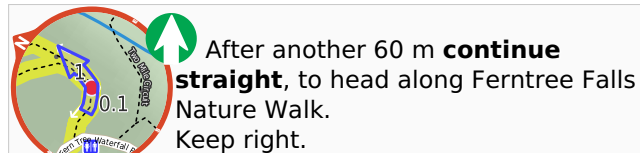
There is a toilet (about 60 m back from the start).
This toilet is wheelchair accessible.



Joffa's Hut (about 30 m back from the start).



There is a toilet (about 25 m back from the start).



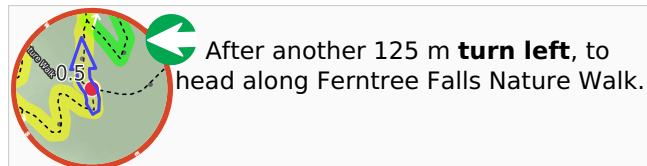
After another 200 m cross the bridge (about 15 m long)



After another 35 m pass the "Fern Tree Falls" (10 m on your left).



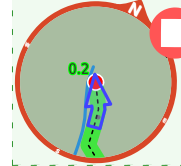
After another 45 m **continue straight**, to head along Ferntree Falls Nature Walk.



Start of an optional side trip: Optional but highly recommended side trip to the Cascade Falls, another little waterfall sitting beautifully in nature. Keep in mind that this side trip is steeper than the core route.



To start this optional side trip turn right here. **Start**.



After another 250 m come to the end.



About 10 m past the end is "Cascades".



Turn around and retrace your steps back the 250 m to the main route.



Back at the main route veer right and follow on from the 540 m waypoint.



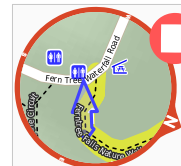
After another 65 m **continue straight**, to head along Ferntree Falls Nature Walk.



After another 160 m cross the bridge (about 8 m long)



After another 290 m **veer right**, to head along Ferntree Falls Nature Walk.



After another 40 m come to the end.