

Sunset and Dargon Track Loop



3 h to 5 h



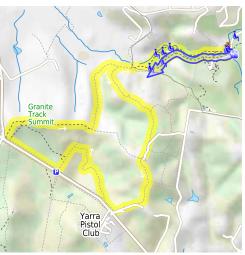
1 h 30 min to 2 h 30 min

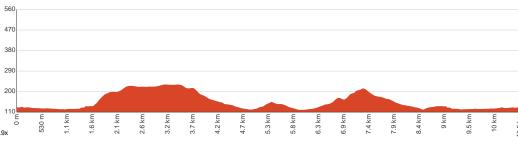




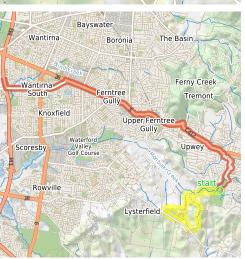


This loop walk starts near the Birdsland Reserve Carpark, on Mt Morton Rd, Belgrave Heights, leading along Monbulk Creek and looping around Lysterfield Park via the Dargon and Sunset Tracks. Enjoy this walk into the hills, through gum forests and meadows interspersed with diverse bush, with plenty of kangaroos and birdlife to be seen along the way. At the start, the track goes around a lake and provides lovely views of the water and the ducks. Further uphill, visitors are rewarded with views of Melbourne city, the outer suburbs, and the rolling hills all around. Dogs are allowed on a lead. The track can be slightly challenging at the start, with Sunset Track being very steep with gravel in places that can move under foot. Some parts can also get quite muddy. Also, be aware that there might be mountain bikers on the track. 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 4 of 6 Rough track, where fallen trees and other obstacles are likely	
Quality of track	Formed track, with some branches and other obstacles (3/6)
Gradient	Very steep (4/6)
Signage	Minimal directional signs (4/6)
Infrastructure	Generally useful facilities (such as fenced cliffs and seats) (2/6)
Experience Required	Some bushwalking experience recommended (3/6)
Weather	Storms may impact on navigation and safety (3/6)



Getting to the start: From High Street Road Offramp

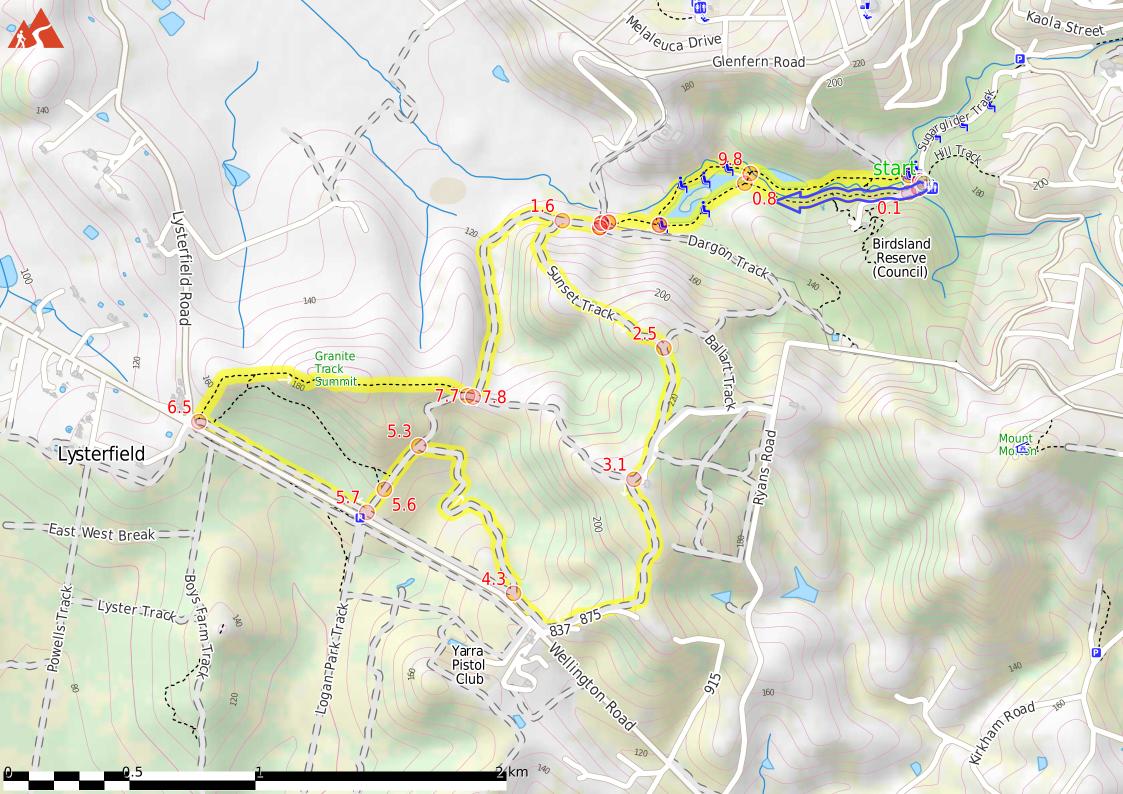
- Turn on to High Street Road Offramp then drive for 3.2 km
- Turn right onto Burwood Highway, 26 and drive for another 9.3 km
- Turn right onto Glenfern Road and drive for another 165 m
- Turn left onto Clifford Grove and drive for another 160 m
- $\bullet\,$ Turn right onto Fairy Dell Road and drive for another 55 m
- Turn left onto Laurie Avenue and drive for another 335 m
- $\bullet\,$ Turn right onto McNicol Road and drive for another 1.2 km
- Turn right and drive for another 730 m
- Keep right and drive for another 45 m

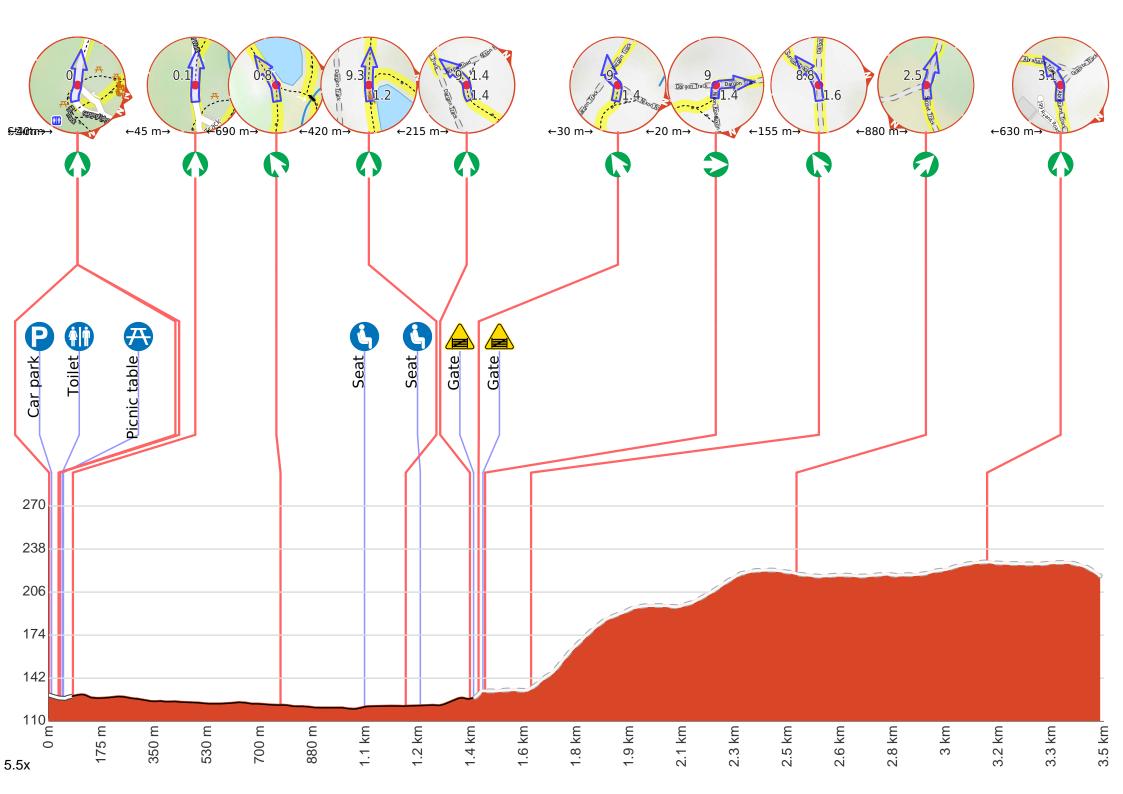
Before you start any journey ensure you;

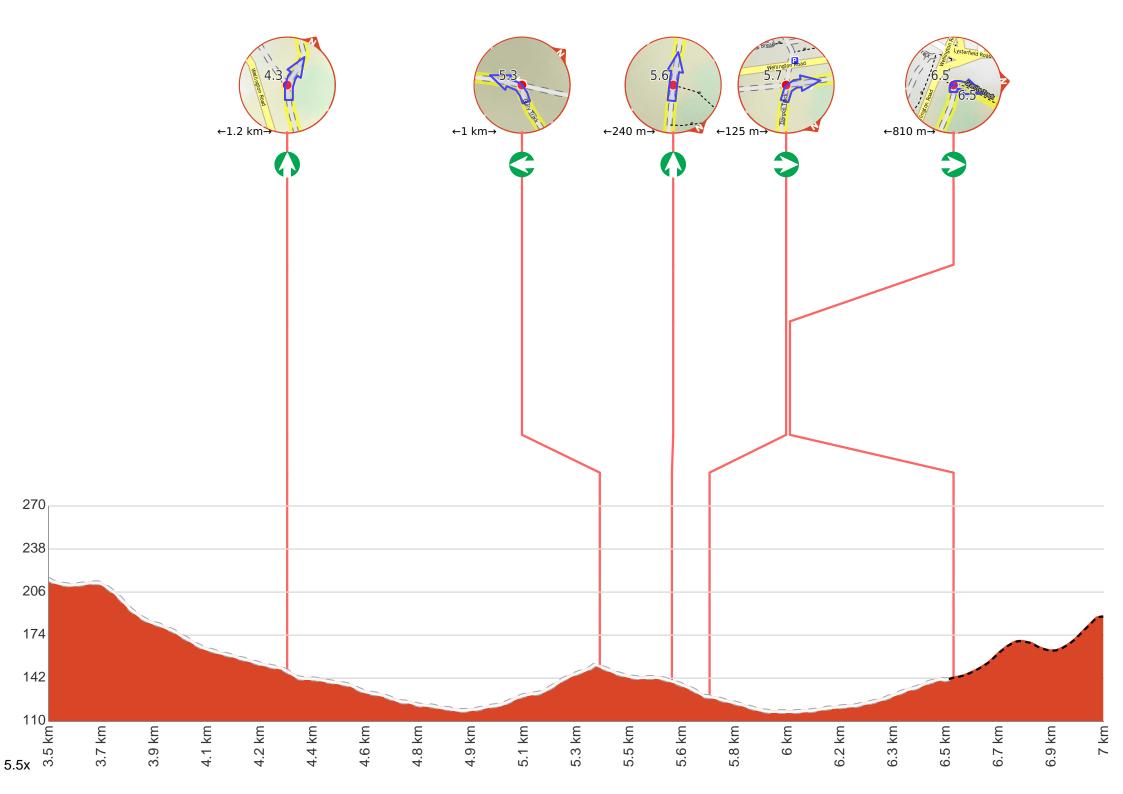
- Tell someone you trust where you are going and what to do if you are late returning
- · Have adequate equipment, supplies, skills & knowledge to undertake this journey safely
- Consider weather forecasts, park/track closures & fire dangers
- · Can respond to emergencies & call for help at any point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

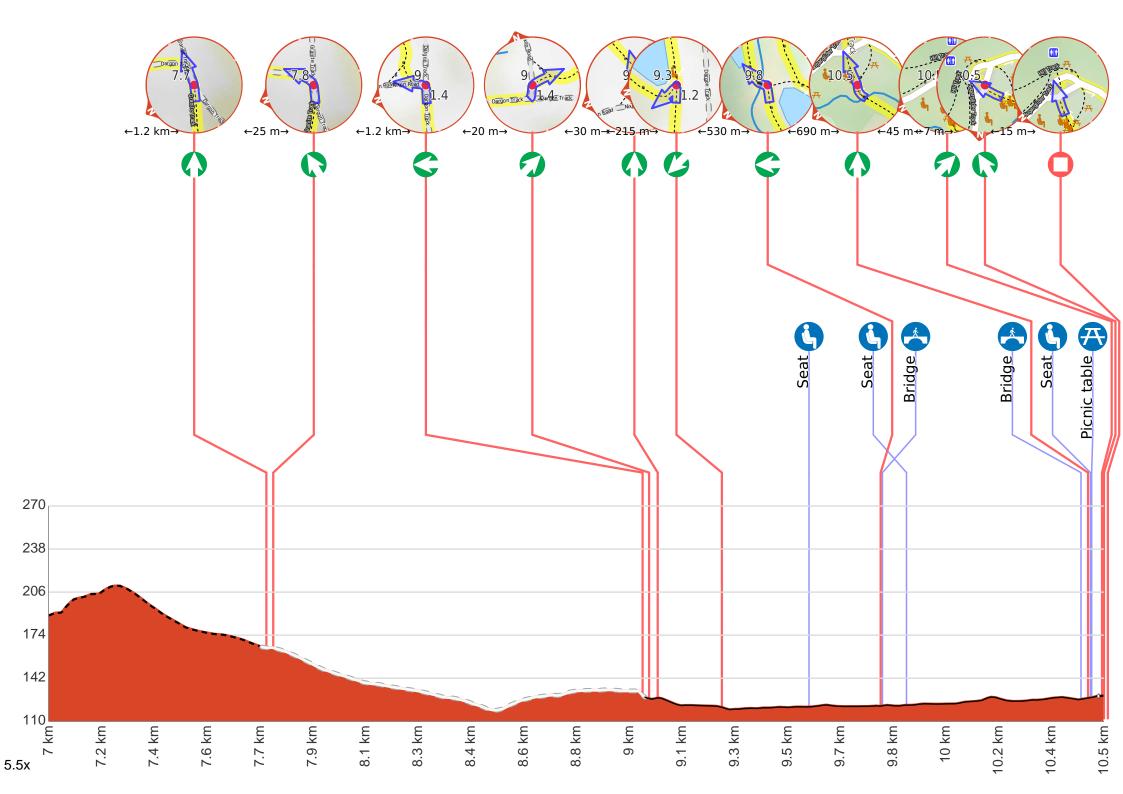
If not, change plans and stay safe. It is okay to delay and ask people for help.













Find the car park at the start.

After 35 m pass the toilet (45 m on your left).

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Continue straight.



After another 4 m continue straight.





After another 280 m pass a seat (6 m on your left).

After another 185 m pass a seat (on your right).



Continue straight.



After another 215 m continue straight.



After another 10 m head through/around the gate.



After another 15 m **veer left**, to head along Nixon Road.



After another 15 m head through/around the gate.



After another 7 m (at the intersection of Dargon Track & Nixon Road) **turn right**, to head along Dargon Track.



After another 155 m (at the intersection of Dargon Track & Sunset Track) **veer left**, to head along Sunset Track.



After another 880 m (at the intersection of Abrahams Track & Sunset Track) **veer right**, to head along Abrahams Track.



After another 400 m (at the intersection of Abrahams Track & Lanes Track) **continue straight**, to head along Abrahams Track.



After another 230 m (at the intersection of Granite Track & Abrahams Track) **continue straight**, to head along Abrahams Track.



After another 45 m **continue straight**, to head along Abrahams Track.



After another 1.1 km continue straight, to head along Gully Track.



After another 1 km (at the intersection of Dargon Track & Gully Track) **turn**left, to head along Dargon Track.



After another 240 m continue straight, to head along Dargon Track.



After another 125 m **turn right**.



After another 810 m **turn right**, to head along Granite Track.

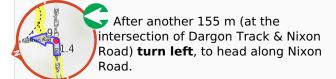


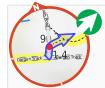
After another 610 m pass the "Granite Track Summit" (30 m on your left).



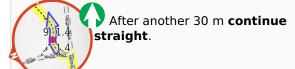
After another 25 m (Stock Yard Gates) veer left, to head along Dargon Track.

After another 1.1 km (at the intersection of Sunset Track & Dargon Track) **continue straight**, to head along Dargon Track.





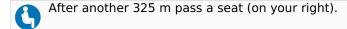
After another 20 m veer right.





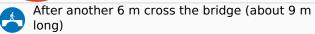
After another 215 m **turn sharp left**.

After another 290 m pass a seat (on your right).





Turn left.





After another 520 m continue straight.



After another 130 m cross the bridge (about 5 m long)



After another 20 m continue straight.



After another 8 m pass a seat (on your left).



Then pass the picnic table (10 m on your left).



After another 35 m veer right.



After another 7 m veer left.



After another 15 m come to the end.