



Warrah Trig to Patonga

(Darkinjung & Guringai Country)

1 h to 2 h

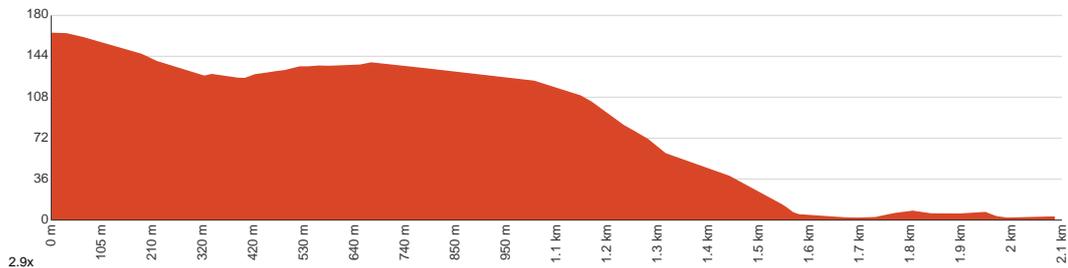
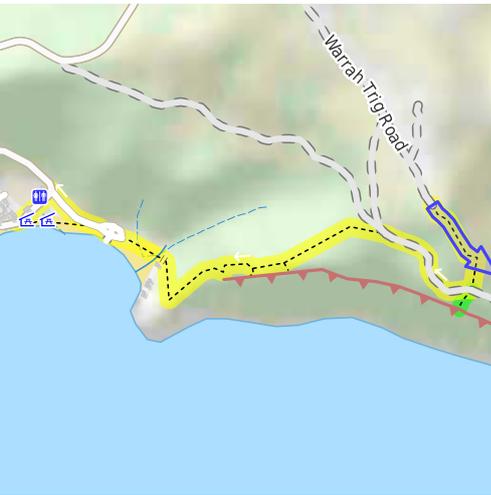
2.1 km
One way

↑ 24 m
↓ 186 m

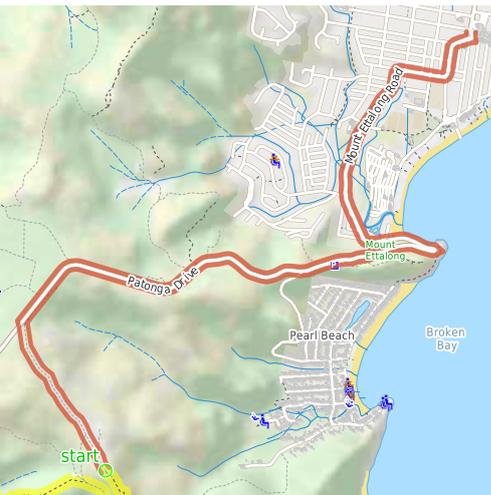
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Moderate track



This walk starts at the top of the ridge and leads through a field of wildflowers (in spring and early summer), past some panoramic water views and down to Patonga Village for fish and chips. Starting on the Tony Doyle Track, this walk passes the old Warrah Trig and then visits Warrah Lookout, a great site. After a short walk along a wide trail, you then follow the Patonga Track down the hill, passing some large angophoras and more water views before heading down to the beach at Patonga. Let us begin by acknowledging the Darkinjung & Guringai people, 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	
Quality of track	Clear and well formed track or trail (2/6)
Gradient	Short steep hills (3/6)
Signage	Directional signs along the way (3/6)
Infrastructure	Limited facilities, not all cliffs are fenced (3/6)
Experience Required	No experience required (1/6)
Weather	Weather generally has little impact on safety (1/6)



Getting to the start: From Ocean Beach Road

- Turn on to Sydney Avenue then drive for 1.8 km
- At roundabout, take exit 1 onto Mount Ettalong Road and drive for another 4.3 km
- Turn left onto Warrah Trig Road and drive for another 1.3 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.

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Patonga Drive

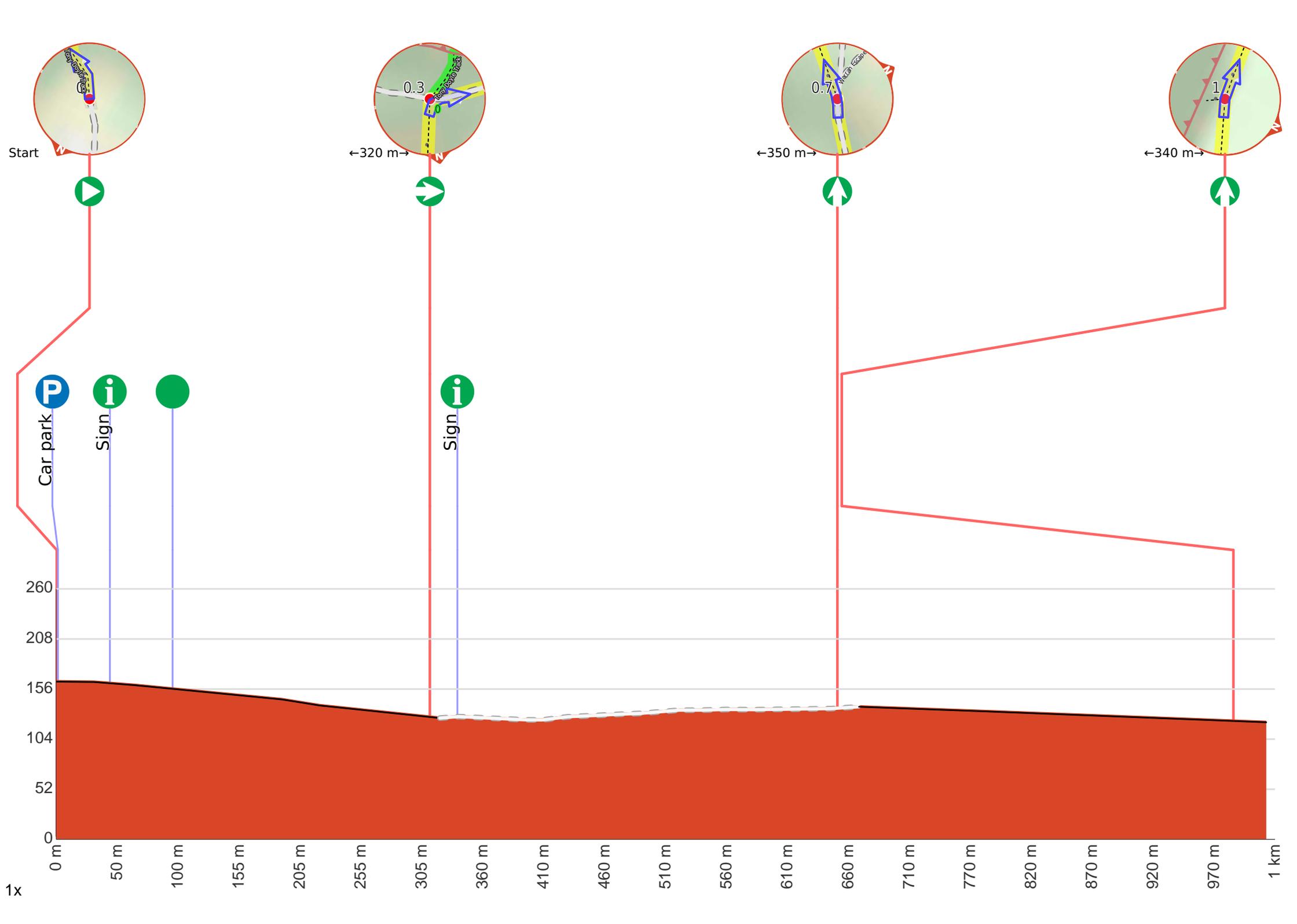
Pearl Beach-Patonga Firetrail

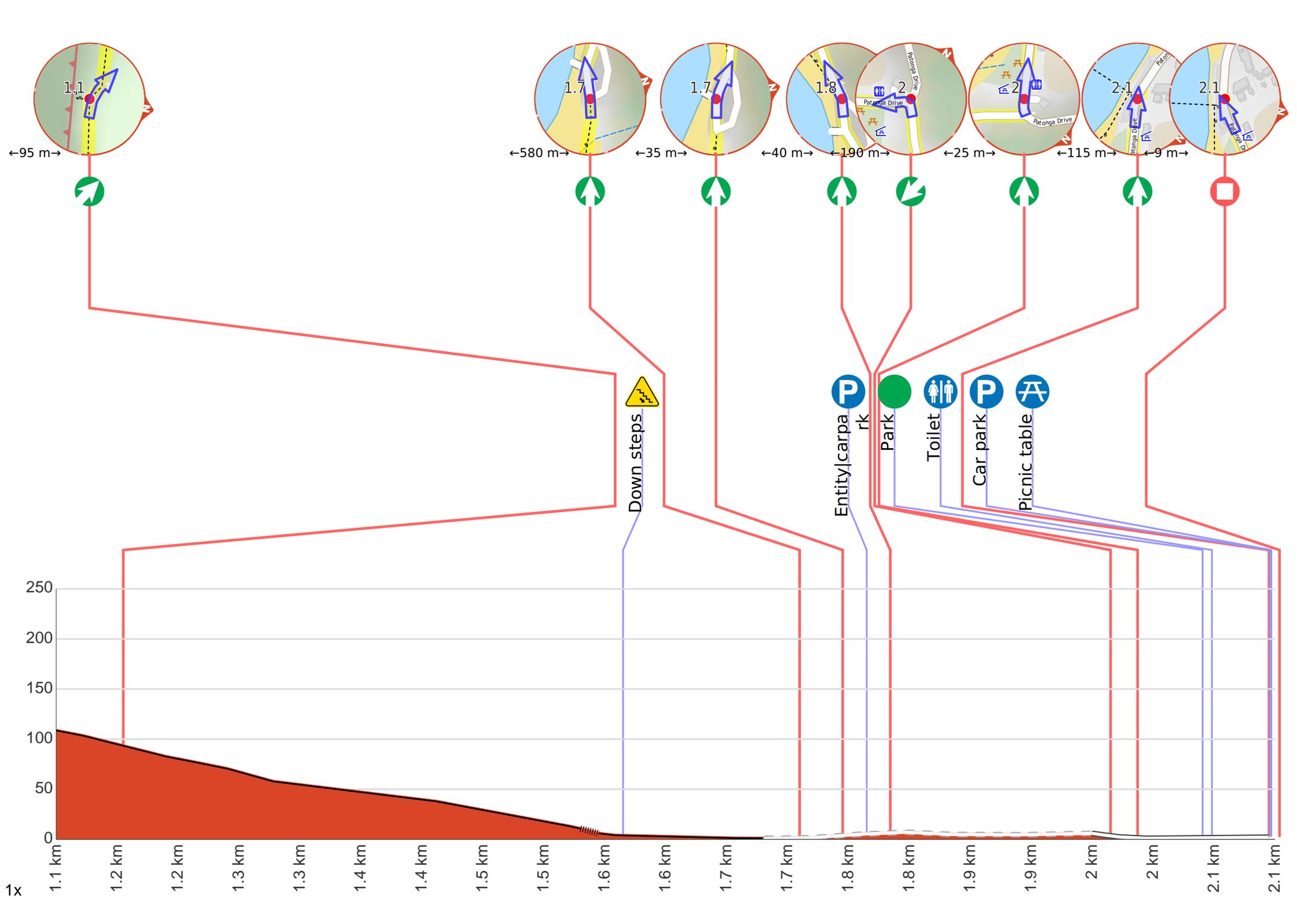
Warrah-Trig Road

start

Broken Bay







Getting started: From Warrah car park, this walk follows the 'Tony Doyle Track' sign up the steps and sandstone footpath. The path winds a short distance up to a rock platform with the old Warrah Trig station, and offering filtered distant views.



Start.

P Find the car park at the start.

i After 45 m pass the sign (5 m on your left).

● After another 55 m find the "Warrah Trig Station" (on your right).

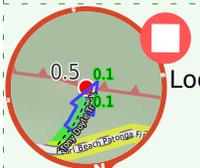


Warrah Trig Station is part of a national geodetic survey established during the 1970's. The 'Triangulation station' (aka trigonometrical or trig station) is a distinct marker once clear of trees, and would have been visible for many kilometers in the area. There are many such trig stations around Australia, which were used to help in surveying. Each station has a known position and altitude, which allows surveyors to use triangulation and determine another point's location. With advances in technology, these trig stations have been abandoned and superseded. The trig station is now surrounded by trees, with some filtered views along the Hawkesbury River. The area is rich with wildflowers in spring.

Start of an optional side trip: An optional side trip to Warrah Lookout.



To start this optional side trip continue straight here. at the intersection of Tony Doyle Track & Pearl Beach Patonga Firetrail **Start** heading along *Tony Doyle Track* (a footpath).



Continue another 70 m to find Warrah Lookout at the end.



"Warrah Lookout".

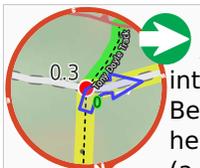


Warrah Lookout is a mostly fenced lookout on a large sandstone platform. The lookout provides fantastic views across the Hawkesbury River. From left to right, you can see along the escarpment which forms the southern boundary of Brisbane Water National Park, out to the Pacific Ocean, Barrenjoey Headland, West Head, along Cowan Creek, Juno Point and along the escarpment to Patonga. This is a great place to spend some time soaking up the views. "Warrah Lookout".



Turn around and retrace your steps back the 70 m to the main route.

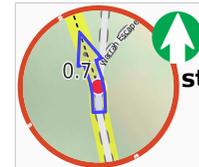
Back at the main route veer left and follow on from the 320 m waypoint.



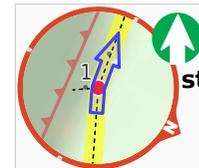
After another 220 m (at the intersection of Tony Doyle Track & Pearl Beach Patonga Firetrail) **turn right**, to head along Pearl Beach Patonga Firetrail (a vehicle track).



After another 25 m pass the sign (on your left).



After another 325 m **continue straight**.



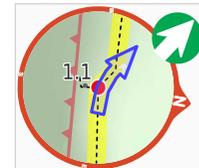
After another 340 m **continue straight**.



After another 520 m find the "Broken Bay View" (30 m on your left).



Broken Bay View is an informal, unnamed and unfenced vantage point at the top of the cliffs, east of Patonga. The large rock platform has a number of large Sydney Red Gums, providing some shade. There are great views across the Hawkesbury River, along Cowan Creek and to West Head. The views to the left extend past Lion Island to Barrenjoey Head and out to the Pacific Ocean.



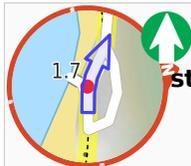
Veer right.



After another 430 m head down the steps (about 15 m long)



After another 135 m **continue straight**.



After another 35 m **continue straight**.



After another 20 m find the "Warrah Reserve boat ramp" (15 m on your right).



Warrah Reserve boat ramp provides a large car park and access to both the boat ramp and Patonga Beach. There are garbage bins, a picnic table and information board. The boat ramp offers good views along the beach to 'Dark Corner', found at the eastern end of Patonga Beach.



After another 20 m **continue straight**.



After another 190 m **turn sharp left**, to head along Patonga Drive.



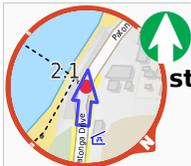
After another 25 m **continue straight**, to head along Patonga Drive.



After another 55 m pass the park (8 m on your left).



After another 8 m pass the toilet (15 m on your right).



After another 50 m **continue straight**, to head along Patonga Drive.



Then pass the car park (on your left).



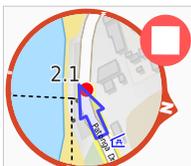
Then pass the picnic table (20 m on your left).



About 20 m past the end is a shelter.



About 10 m past the end is a sign.



The end.



"Patonga Village".



Patonga Village is a lovely small township on the Hawkesbury River. Just near the ferry wharf are a few helpful facilities: The Eve Williams Memorial Oval, where you will find a large pavilion, drinking water and public toilets. A fish and chips shop (and general store) is open reasonable hours, where you can buy lunch, a coffee and basic supplies (fishing needs, milk, canned food). Patonga Beach Hotel is available for a cold drink at the bar or a meal on the deck, or even overnight accommodation (from \$242 a couple) ph: 02 4379 1111.



About 70 m past the end is a artwork.



About 30 m past the end is a cafe.

W:www.patongahotel.com

Mo-Su 07:00-15:00