## Sublime Point Track

1 h 30 min to 1 h 45 min

Starting from the end of Foothills Road, Austinmer, this walk leads to the Sublime Point Lookout via the Gibson and Sublime Point tracks. Sublime Point Track is one of the iconic treks of the Illawarra escarpment and a challenging walk through the lush coastal rainforest to the plateau above with incredible scenic views. The walk starts along Gibson Track and then ascends sharply to the Sublime Point Lookout, through dense forests dotted with tree ferns and palms. The summit features a café, a lookout, picnic area and toilets, and is a popular spot for family picnics and birdwatching. This is a very steep and fairly narrow track, with a series of steel ladders to assist walkers up the jagged cliff lines near the top of the climb. The track is well maintained and clearly signposted. The steep climb is ideal for experienced bushwalkers, and the numerous stairs and ladders will undoubtedly give your legs a good workout. 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) |
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| Gradient | Very steep (4/6) |
| Signage | Clearly signposted (2/6) |
| Infrastructure | Generally useful facilities (such as fenced cliffs and seats) (1/6) |
| Experience Required | Some bushwalking experience recommended (3/6) |
| Weather | Storms may impact on navigation and safety (3/6) |

Getting to the start: From Princes Motorway, M1

- Turn on to Princes Highway, B65 then drive for 3.6 km
- Keep left onto Princes Highway and drive for another 125 m
- Turn left onto Lawrence Hargrave Drive and drive for another 220 m
- At roundabout, take exit 2 onto Lawrence Hargrave Drive and drive for another 1.8 km
- Turn left onto Henley Road and drive for another 680 m
- Keep right onto Railway Avenue and drive for another 20 m
- Turn right onto Railway Avenue and drive for another 50 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.

## Share




Getting started: From Austinmer Train Station, head towards Railway Avenue along the concrete car park. Turn left and head along the footpath, keeping Railway Avenue to your right. Turn right at the intersection and head along Balfour Road, then turn left at the next intersection along Asquith Street. Turn left at the intersection with Buttenshow Drive, then turn right and pass over the little wooden bridge(about 70 metres from the intersection with Buttenshow Drive). Follow the dirt walking track gently uphill towards the "Gibson Track" signpost. Turn right when you come to the signpost, and join the Gibson Track to continue along Sublime Point Track.


After another 35 m turn left, to head along Railway Avenue.


After another 50 m (at the intersection of Balfour Road \& Railway Avenue) turn sharp right, to head along Balfour Road.


5 After another 170 m (at the intersection of Balfour Road \& Asquith Street) turn left, to head along Asquith Street.


5 After another 740 m (at the intersection of Buttenshaw Drive \& Asquith Street) turn left, to head along Asquith Street.

1 After another 80 m (at the intersection of Gibson Track \& Asquith Street) veer right, to head along Gibson Track (a walking track).

After another 25 m turn right, to head along Gibson Track.

After another 35 m pass the sign.

After another 35 m pass the sign (on your left).

Then head up the surface|wood steps (about 35 $m$ long)
After another 20 m pass a seat ( 6 m on your right)., has a backrest.
After another 85 m (at the intersection of Sublime Point Track \& Gibson Track) continue straight, to head along Sublime Point Track. After another 45 m pass the sign.


After another 35 m turn left, to head along Sublime Point Track.

After another 60 m head up the
surface|wood;metal;ground steps (about 460 m long)
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Then pass a seat (on your right)., has no backrest.

After another 70 m pass a seat (on your left)., has no backrest.

After another 250 m pass the "Sublime Point
Cafe" ( 225 m on your right).
Then come to the viewpoint.

After another 45 m head up the earthen steps (about 65 m long)


After another 35 m pass a seat (on your left)., has a backrest.

After another 35 m pass the picnic table ( 10 m on your left).
About 140 m past the end is a shelter.


Turn around here and retrace the main route for 2.2 km to get back to the start.
"Sublime Point Lookout".

About 15 m past the end is a water tap.

About 85 m past the end is a toilet

