



Rod Earp Rain Forest Circuit (from Lookout Rd)

(Awabakal & Worimi Country)

 50 min to 1 h

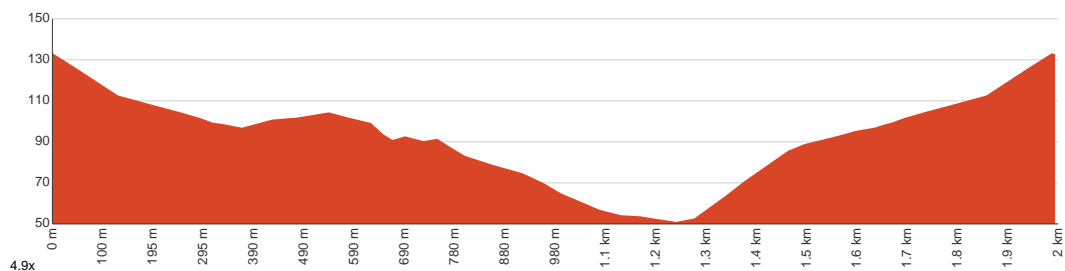

2 km
Circuit


↑ 93 m
↓ 93 m


Moderate track



This quiet and secluded walk is an easy amble through attractive rainforest. This walk circumnavigates Rainforest Creek and takes the walker into cool dense forest. You are likely to see flying foxes in the trees and if you are lucky, a Powerful Owl. Accessed from the quieter Lookout Road car park, this walk escapes the crowds well. A recommended walk, particularly on a hot day. Let us begin by acknowledging the Awabakal & Worimi people, Traditional Custodians of the land on which we travel today, and pay our respects to their Elders past and present.

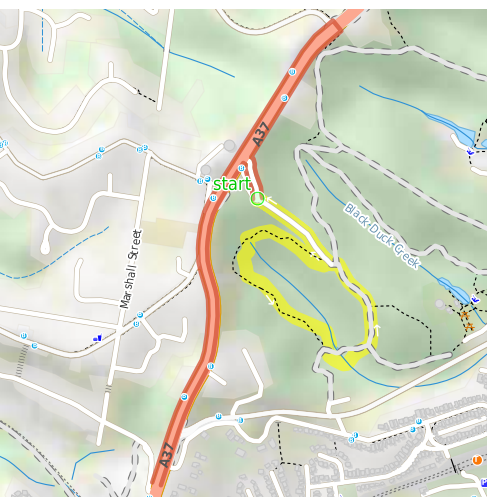


Class 3 of 6
Formed track, with some branches and other obstacles

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| 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 | 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 Charlestown Road, A37

- Turn on to Lookout Road, A37 then drive for 520 m
- Turn left and drive for another 140 m



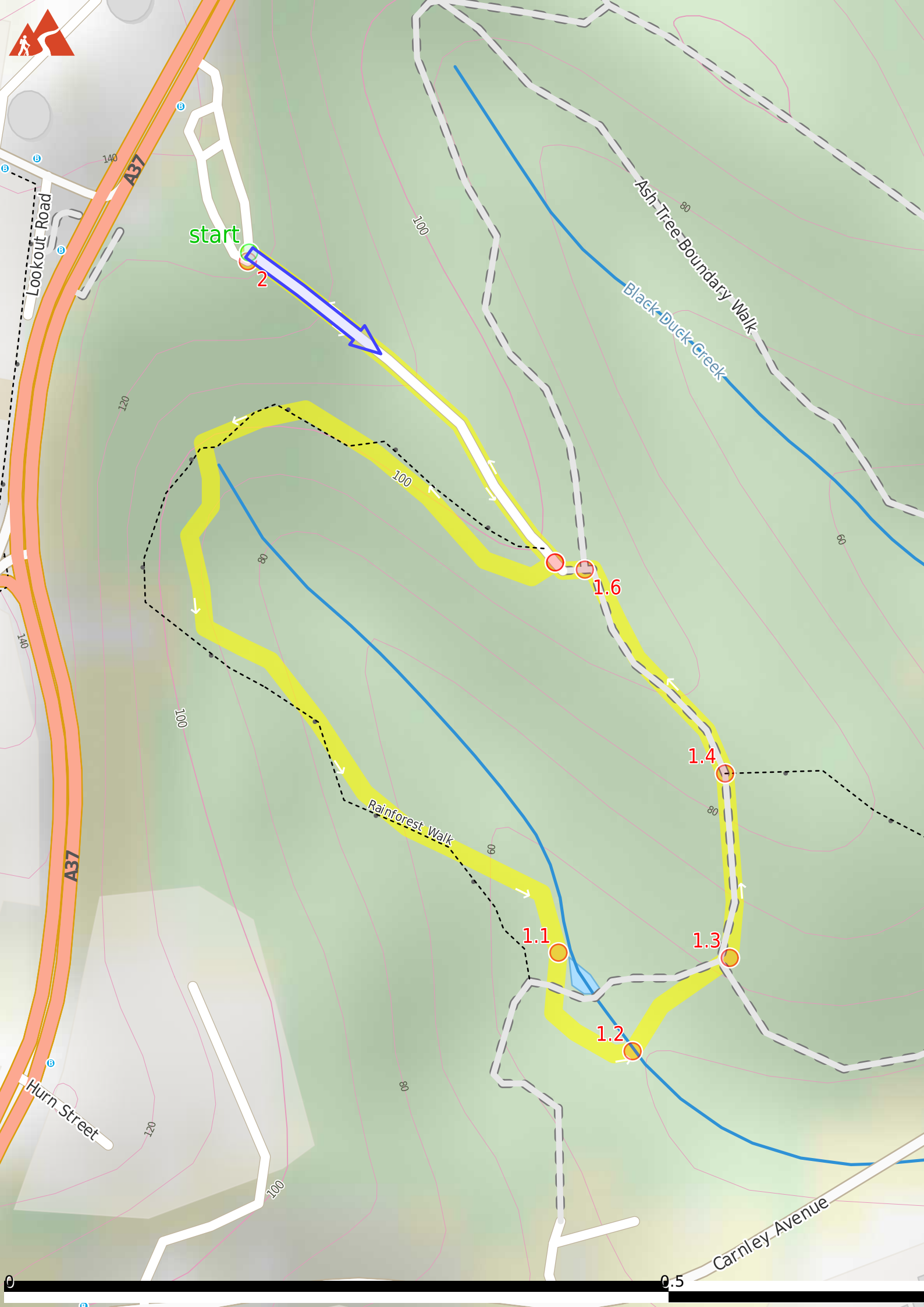
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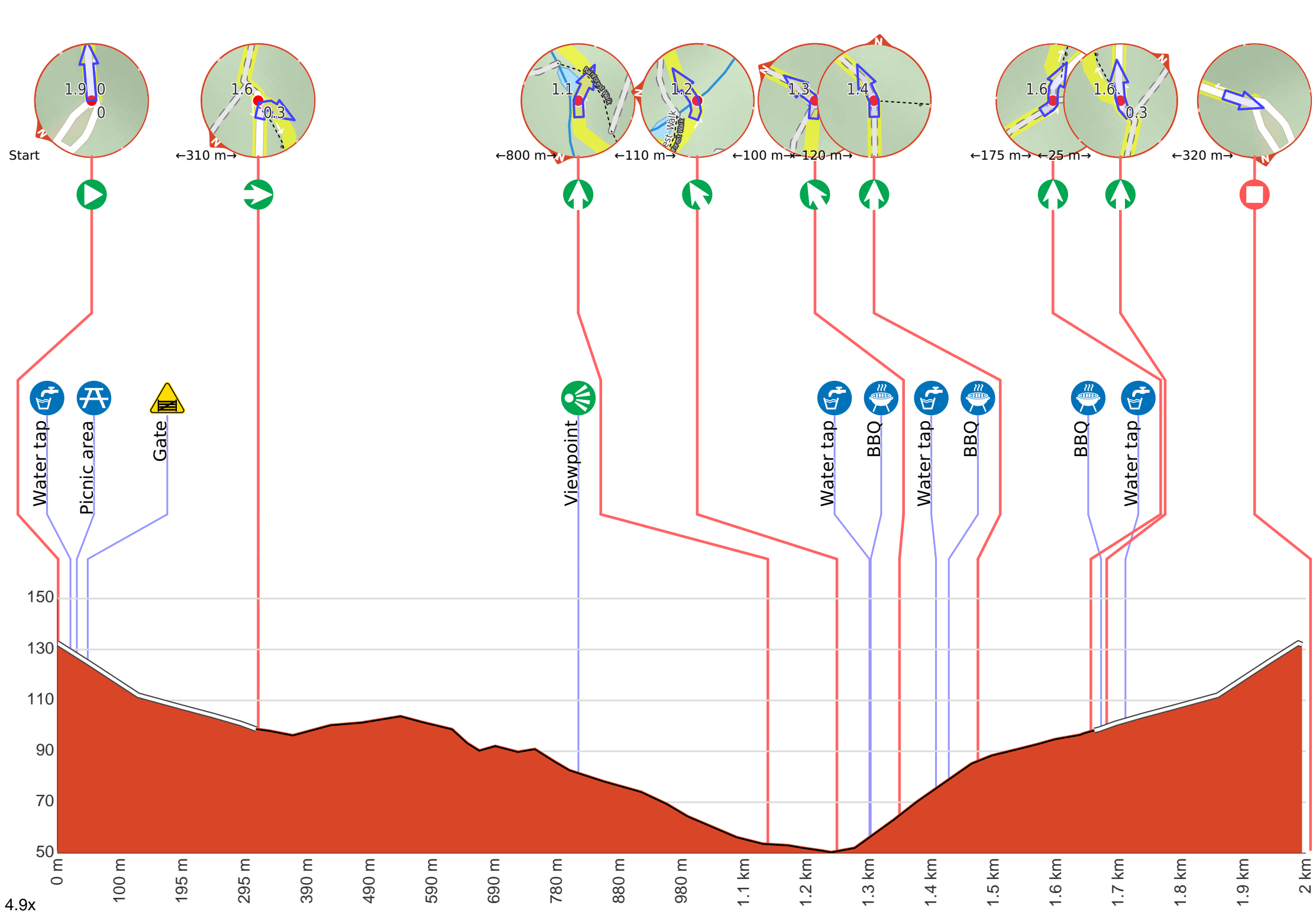
- Tell someone you trust where you are going and what to do if you are late returning
- Have adequate equipment, supplies, skills & knowledge to undertake this journey safely
- Consider weather forecasts, park/track closures & fire dangers
- Can respond to emergencies & call for help at any point
- Are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

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

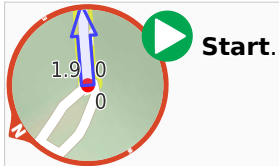
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Getting started: From the Lookout Road Recreation Area (off Lookout Rd, New Lambton Heights), this walk passes through metal gates and follows the 'Lower Carpark' sign and road moderately steeply downhill, while leaving the picnic area behind and to the right. This walk continues for about 300m, becoming gently downhill, until coming to a three-way intersection, with a trail and 'Sensory Trail (return)' sign on the right.




Start.

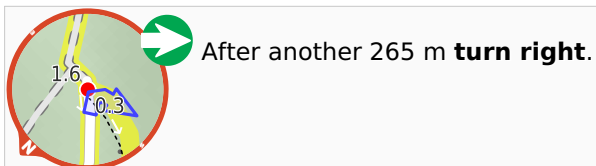
 There is water tap (about 25 m back from the start).

 Lookout Road Recreation Area (about 15 m back from the start).




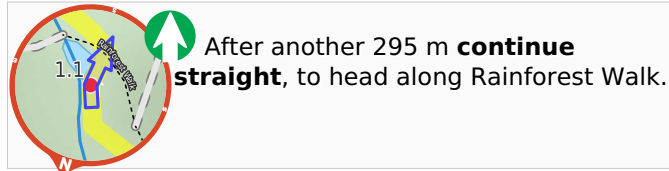
The Lookout Road Recreation Area in Blackbutt Reserve has picnic tables, a drinking fountain, shelter, picnic tables and car parking. There is ample, free car parking. The car park is open from 7am to 5pm, or 7am to 7pm during daylight savings. For further information phone: 02 4904 3344.

 After another 15 m head through/around the gate.

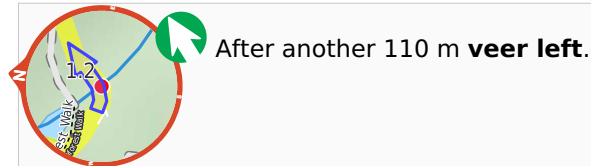


After another 265 m **turn right.**


 After another 500 m come to the "Flying Foxes" (on your left).




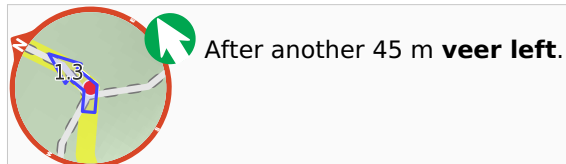
After another 295 m **continue straight**, to head along Rainforest Walk.




After another 110 m **veer left.**


 After another 50 m pass the water tap (6 m on your right).

 Then pass the BBQ (15 m on your left).




After another 45 m **veer left.**


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

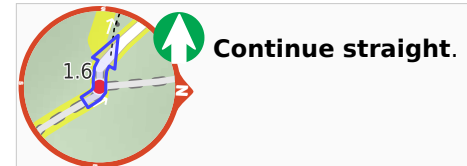
 After another 20 m pass the BBQ (7 m on your right).



After another 45 m **continue straight.**

 After another 190 m pass the BBQ (20 m on your right).

 After another 40 m pass the water tap (15 m on your right).



Continue straight.



After another 25 m **continue straight.**



After another 320 m come to the end.