

Hay Monolith (Dharug & Gundungurra Country)





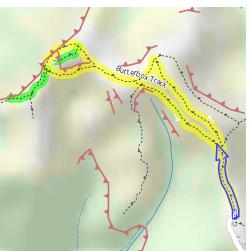






This walk follows the exposed ridges of the Mt Hay area, taking in an interesting array of low heath, wildflowers and insects which add to the surrounding scenery. The track rounds the Hay Monolith, a large mass of rock that stands alone. An optional side trip offers views over the cliffs and to the prominent Lockley Pylon. Let us begin by acknowledging the Dharug & Gundungurra 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	Formed track, with some branches and other obstacles (3/6)
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 generally has little impact on safety (1/6)

Getting to the start: From Alexandra Terrace

- Turn on to Leura Mall then drive for 155 m
- Turn right onto Victory Lane and drive for another 115 m
- Keep right onto Churchill Street and drive for another 265 m
- Turn left onto Mount Hay Road and drive for another 760 m
- Turn right onto Mount Hay Road and drive for another 6.8 km
- Keep left onto Mount Hay Road and drive for another 7.4 km
- Turn left onto Mount Hay Road and drive for another 310 m
- Turn left and drive for another 10 m



Before you start any journey ensure you;

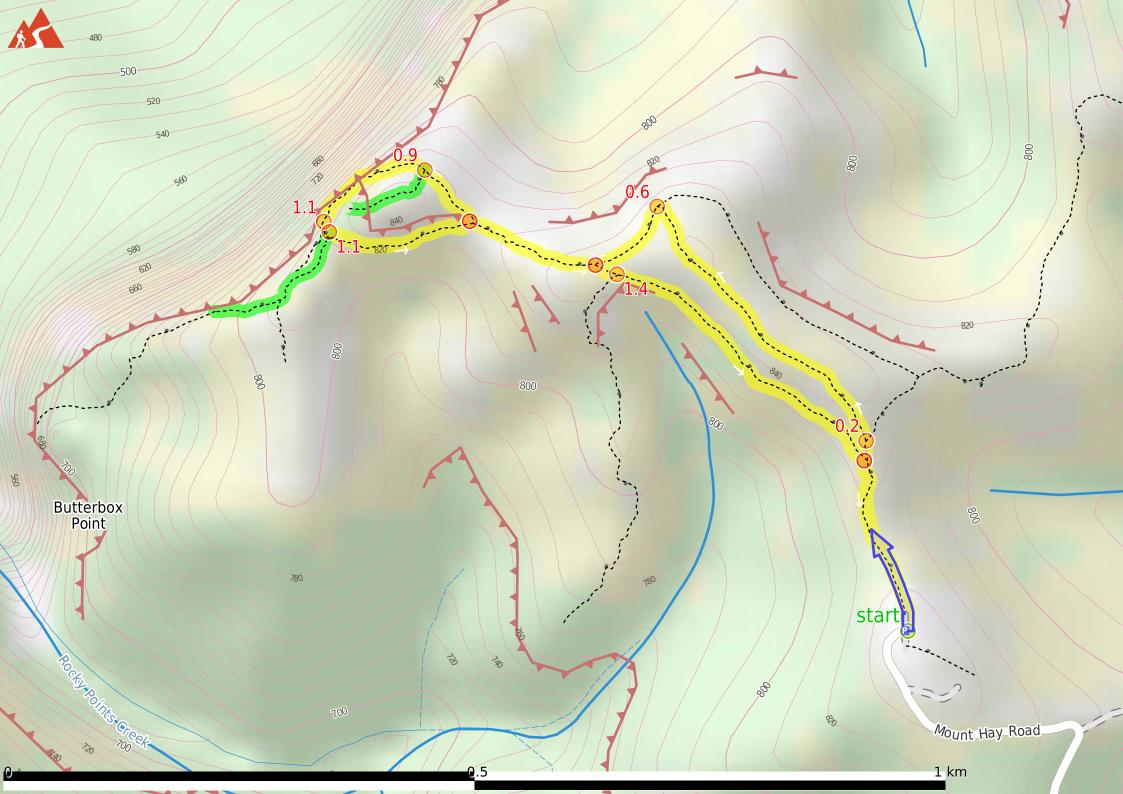
- · Tell someone you trust where you are going and what to do if you are late returning
- Have adequate equipment, supplies, skills & knowledge to undertake this journey safely

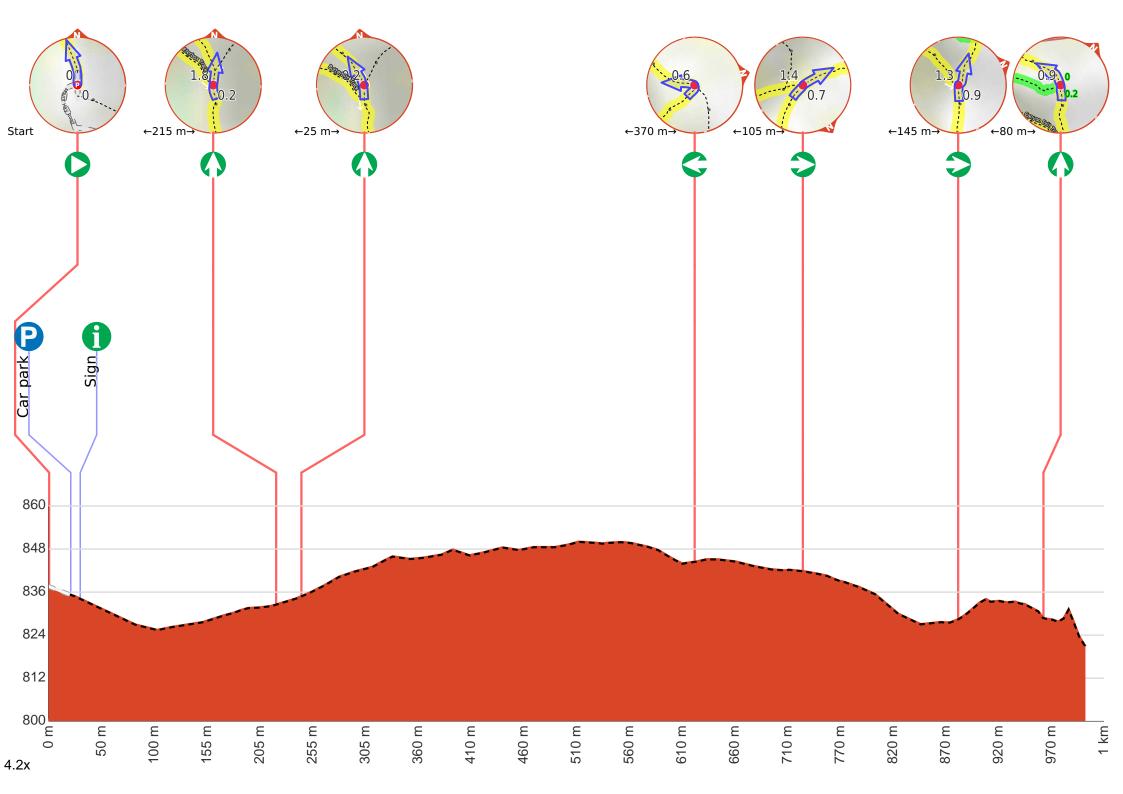
Weather

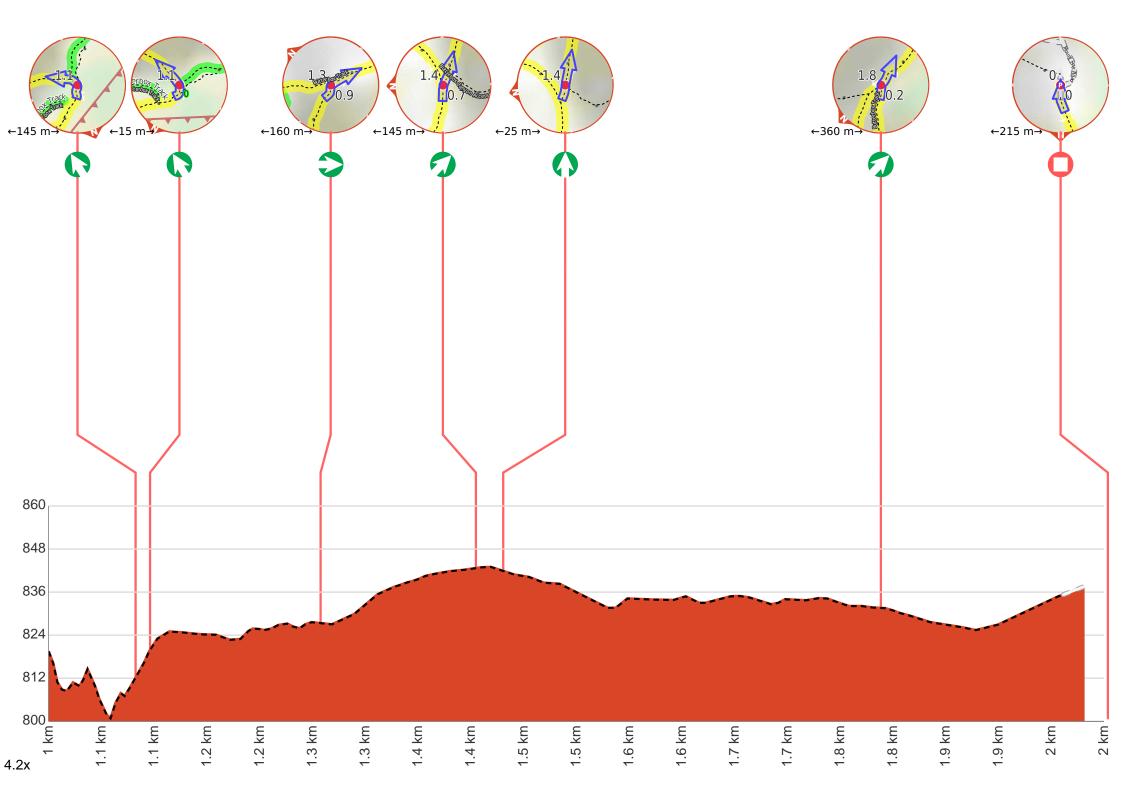
- Consider weather forecasts, park/track closures & fire dangers
- Can respond to emergencies & call for help at any point
- · Are healthy and fit enough for this journey

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









Getting started: From the car park, this walk heads past the gap in the train trackstyle fencing, passing a sign for 'Butterbox Canyon'. The track traverses the saddle to rise up onto a flat area, continuing for approximately 20m to an intersection with a track to the left.

From the intersection, this walk heads approximately 20m up the hill, keeping the rocky knoll to the left of the track, soon coming to the intersection.

From the intersection, this walk heads up the hill, with Mt Hay to the right of the track. The track follows the ridgeline, undulating slightly for approximately 200m, then drops down to a rocky surface at the intersection.



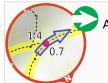
After 20 m to find the car park.

After another 9 m pass the "Butterbox Canyon" (on your left).



After another 25 m continue straight.





After another 105 m turn right.



After another 145 m **turn right**.



Back at the main route veer left and follow on from the 940 m waypoint.

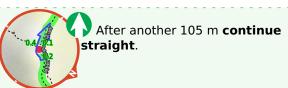




After another 145 m veer left.

Start of an optional side trip: An optional side trip to Hay Wall Lookout.

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



After another 90 m come to the viewpoint.



After another 55 m turn around.



After another 145 m come to the end.



Turn around and retrace your steps back the 390 m to the main route.



Back at the main route turn sharp right and follow on from the 1.1 km waypoint.



After another 15 m veer left.



After another 160 m turn right.



After another 145 m veer right.





After another 360 m veer right.



After another 215 m come to the end.