



Solitary Restaurant to Fossil Rock

(Dharug & Gundungurra Country)

 5 min to 10 min

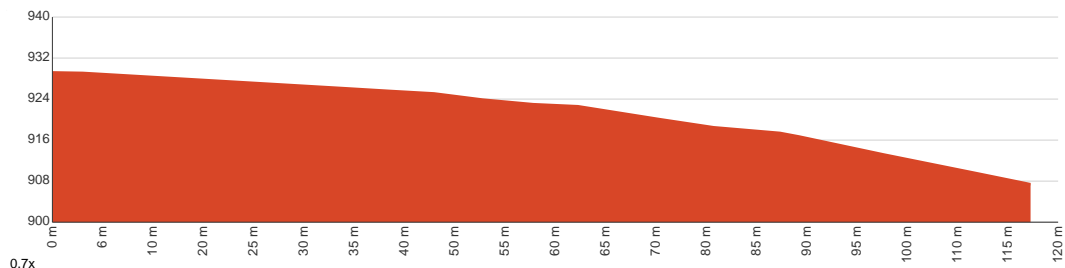

235 m
Return


↑ 22 m
↓ 22 m


Moderate track



This short walk starts at Solitary Restaurant on Cliff Drive, and soon arrives at the lookout at Fossil Rock, with great views down the valley. If you are feeling a bit more energetic, there is an optional side trip to Bridal Veil Lookout, giving great views of the Bridal Veil waterfall. This walk can be topped off with a snack from the kiosk back up on the road. 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.

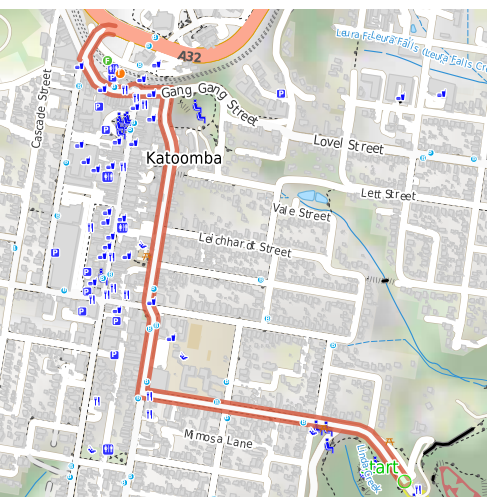
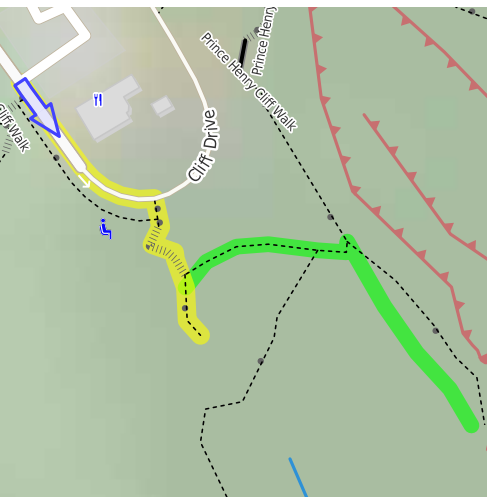


Class 3 of 6
Formed track, with some branches and other obstacles

Quality of track	Clear and well formed track or trail (2/6)
Gradient	Short steep hills (3/6)
Signage	Clearly signposted (1/6)
Infrastructure	Generally useful facilities (such as fenced cliffs and seats) (1/6)
Experience Required	Some bushwalking experience recommended (3/6)
Weather	Weather generally has little impact on safety (1/6)

Getting to the start: From

- Turn on to Bathurst Road, BMD then drive for 165 m
- At roundabout, take exit 1 onto Gang Gang Street, BMD and drive for another 105 m
- Turn right onto Lurline Street, BMD and drive for another 800 m
- Turn left onto Merriwa Street and drive for another 530 m
- Continue onto Cliff Drive, BMD and drive for another 225 m
- Turn left and drive for another 8 m



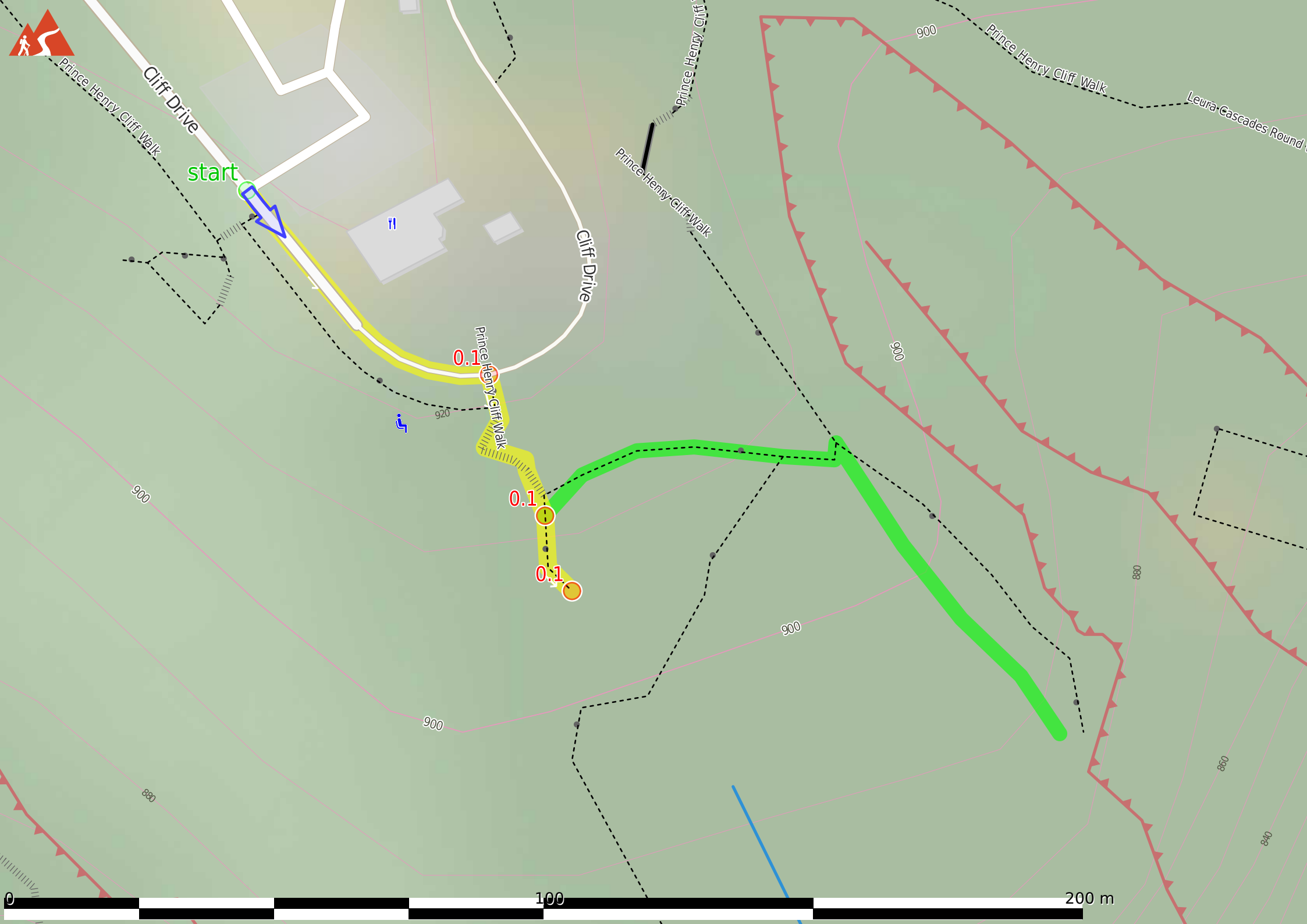
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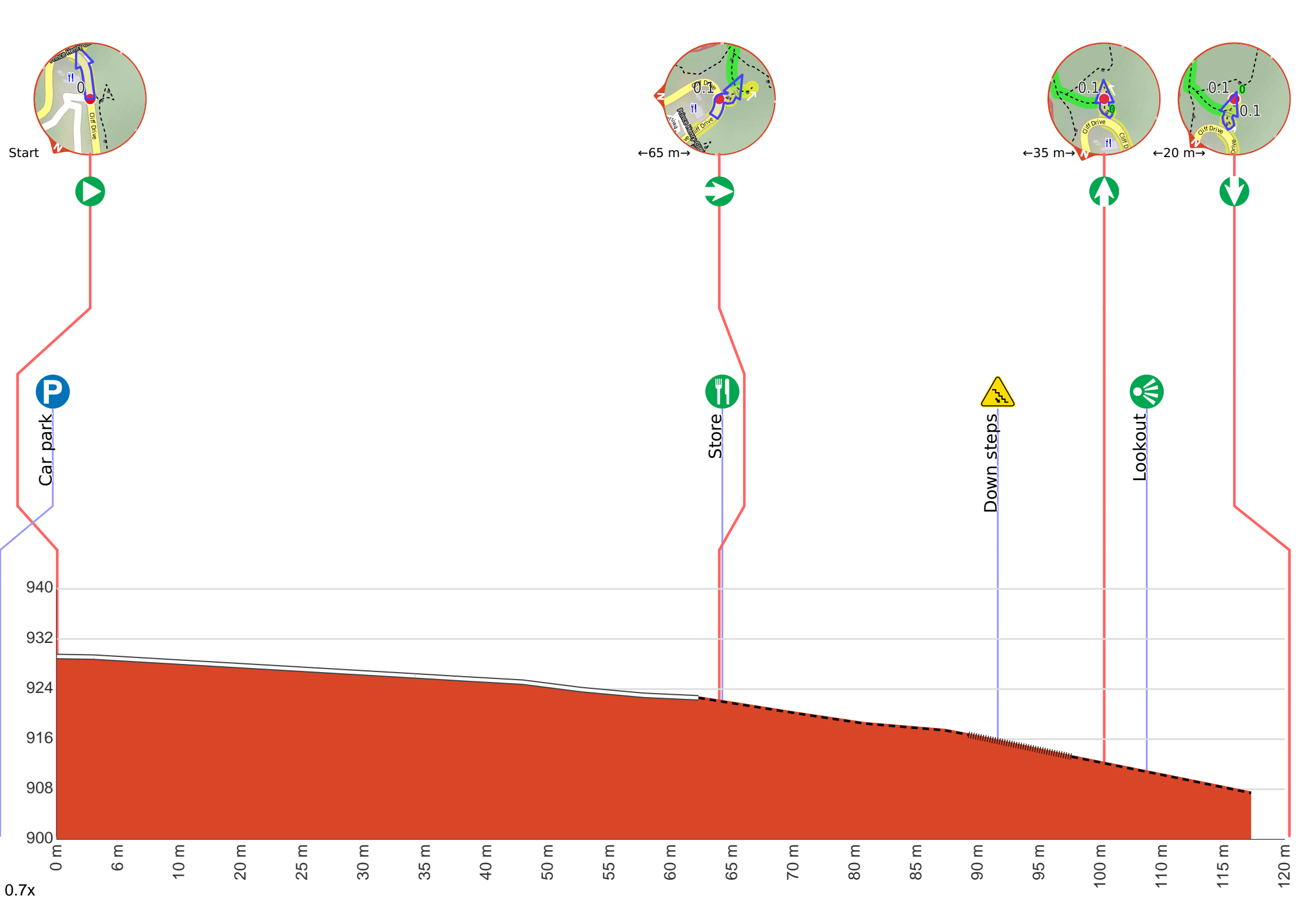
- Tell someone you trust where you are going and what to do if you are late returning
- Have adequate equipment, supplies, skills & knowledge to undertake this journey safely
- Consider weather forecasts, park/track closures & fire dangers
- Can respond to emergencies & call for help at any point
- Are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

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

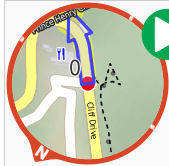
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Getting started: From the top of the stairs, this walk follows Cliff Drive down the gentle hill towards the point, passing the restaurant and the sandstone pillar, to the signposted intersection of the Prince Henry Cliff Walk.



Start heading along *Cliff Drive*.



Leura parking (about 9 m back from the start).



After 70 m come to the "Solitary Kiosk and Restaurant".



Solitary Restaurant offers fine dining in a heritage-listed building overlooking the beautiful Jamison Valley, as well as housing a kiosk for a more casual lunch. The kiosk is open for lunch 7 days a week, from 10am to 4pm (opens 11am weekdays in winter). The kiosk provides a casual dining experience, with breakfast foods from \$10 and lunches around \$15 per dish. The restaurant is open for lunch 7 days from 12-4.30pm, and dinner on Fridays and Saturdays from 6pm. Light lunches start from \$14, and dinners from \$55 for a mouth-watering 2 course meal. Contact details - 90 Cliff Drive, Leura Falls Ph: 02 4782 1164.

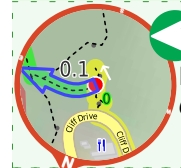


At the intersection of Prince Henry Cliff Walk & Cliff Drive **turn right**, to head along Prince Henry Cliff Walk (a walking track).



After another 25 m head down the steps (about 10 m long)

Start of an optional side trip: An optional side trip to Bridal Veil Lookout.



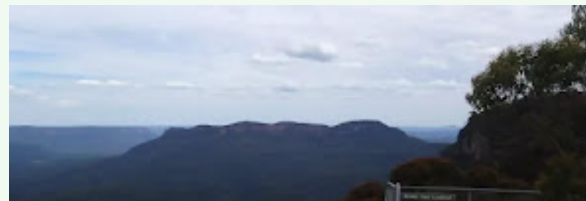
To start this optional side trip turn left here. **Start** heading along *Prince Henry Cliff Walk*.



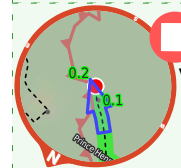
After another 50 m **continue straight**, to head along Prince Henry Cliff Walk.



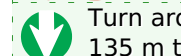
After another 85 m come to "Bridal Veil Lookout".



Bridal Veil Lookout provides a great views over Leura Forest and the Jamison Valley. Mount Solitary stands proudly in the distance. In keeping with its name, there are views of Bridal Veil Falls to the east. There is a small bench seat, but no shade.



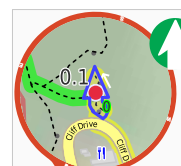
Continue another 0 m to find Bridal Veil Lookout at the end.



Turn around and retrace your steps back the 135 m to the main route.



Back at the main route veer left and follow on from the 100 m waypoint.



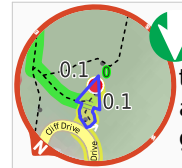
Continue straight.



Then find the "Fossil Rock" (7 m on your left).



Fossil Rock is a fenced lookout along Prince Henry Cliff Walk, near Katoomba. The lookout is close to Cliff Drive and gives great views along the Jamison Valley and over Mount Solitary, and along the far end of Kings Tableland. The sandstone floor of the lookout is mostly natural and has a few steps cut in it. The rock provides some natural sculptures to enjoy.



(Fossil Rock) Continue another 15 m to find the end. Then turn around here and retrace the main route for 115 m to get back to the start.



"Fossil Rock".