

Callicoma Caves



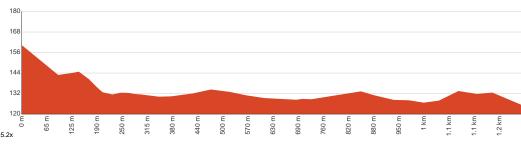








This walk provides a beautiful mixture of scenery, including rainforest-like sections along the creek, as well as drier forest with grass trees and beautiful sandstone overhangs. The walk starts on Francis Greenway Dr and follows part of the Callicoma Walk. There are two main points of interest on the walk, the 'Coachwood Grotto' and the 'Callicoma Caves', making it a rewarding walk. 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 Rough track, where fallen trees and other obstacles are likely (4/6) 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 Some bushwalking experience recommended (3/6) Weather Storms may impact on navigation and safety (3/6)

Getting to the start: From Pennant Hills Road, A28

- Turn on to Boundary Road then drive for 2.4 km
- Keep left onto Boundary Road and drive for another 150 m
- Turn right onto Francis Greenway Drive and drive for another 460 m
- Enter roundabout and drive for another 50 m

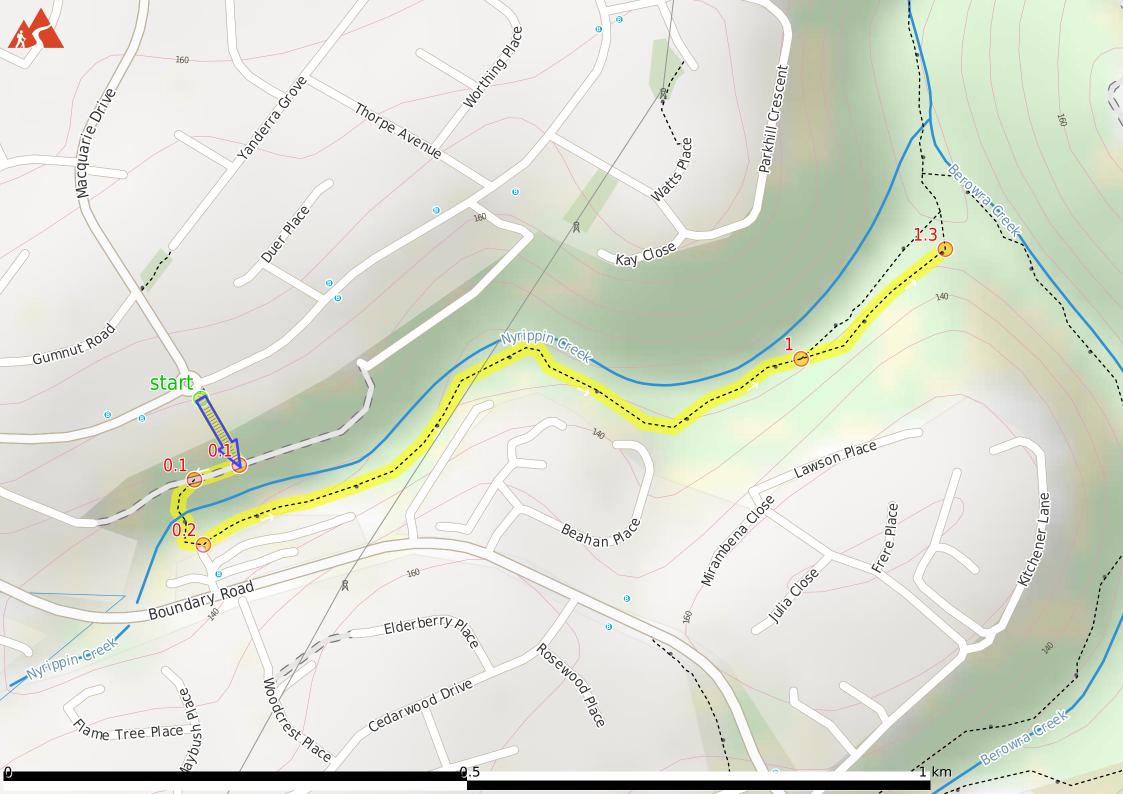


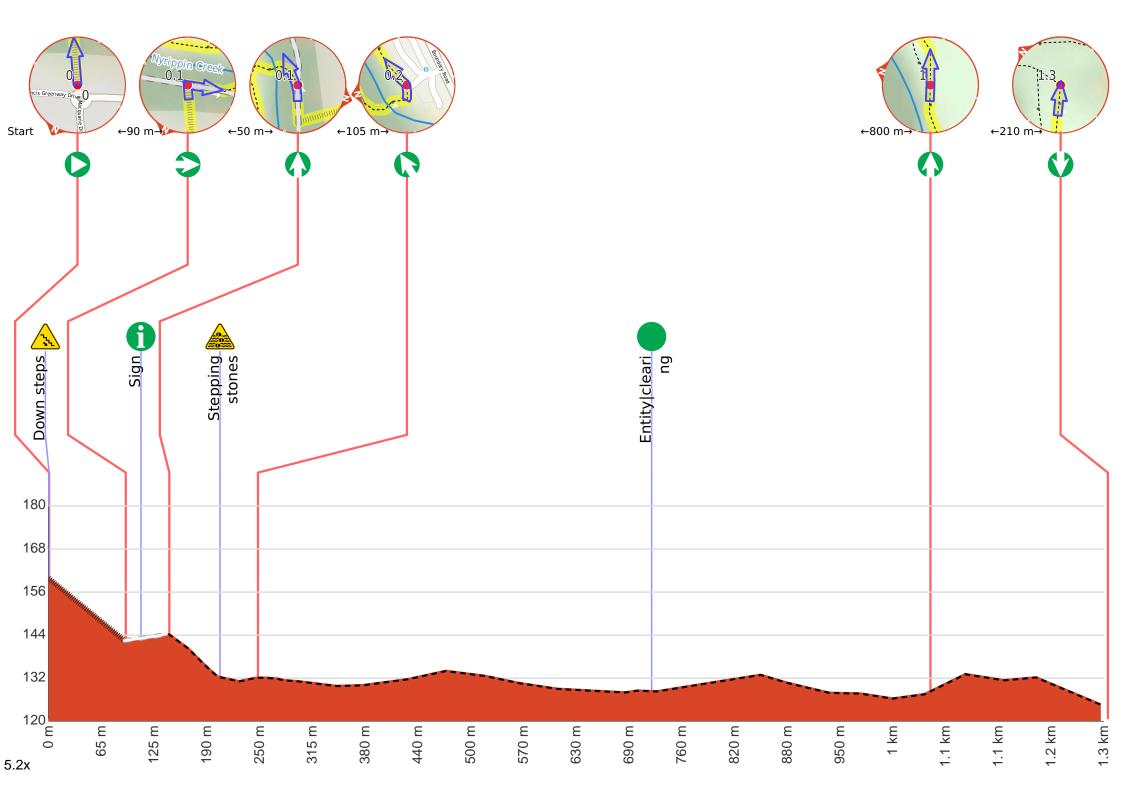
Before you start any journey ensure you;

- 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.







Getting started: From the intersection of Francis Greenway Drive and Macquarie Drive, the walk follows the 'Bushland Walking Trail' arrow, then goes steeply down the stepped bush track, arriving at an intersection with a management trail, marked with a 'Callicoma Walk' signpost.



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Then head down the steps (about 90 m long)



Turn right.



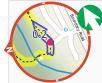
After another 20 m pass the sign (on your left).



After another 35 m continue straight.



After another 60 m cross the stepping stones.



After another 45 m veer left.



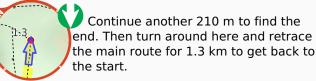
After another 470 m find the "Coachwood grotto" (15 m on your left).



This beautiful, shady spot is beside Nyrippin creek, on the Callicoma Walk near Cherrybrook. The 'grotto' is an open area, shaded by Coachwood trees, with a curved section of low cliffs across the creek, giving an 'amphitheatre' feeling. This is a very atmospheric spot to sit and relax for a while.



After another 330 m continue straight.





"Callicoma caves".



The Callicoma caves are a series of large sandstone overhangs on the Callicoma Walk near Cherrybrook. These beautiful sandstone overhangs are a highlight on the walks in the area. The sandstone has some beautiful texture and golden colouring.