



# Govetts Leap Loop

(Dharug & Gundungurra Country)

2 h 45 min to 4 h 30 min

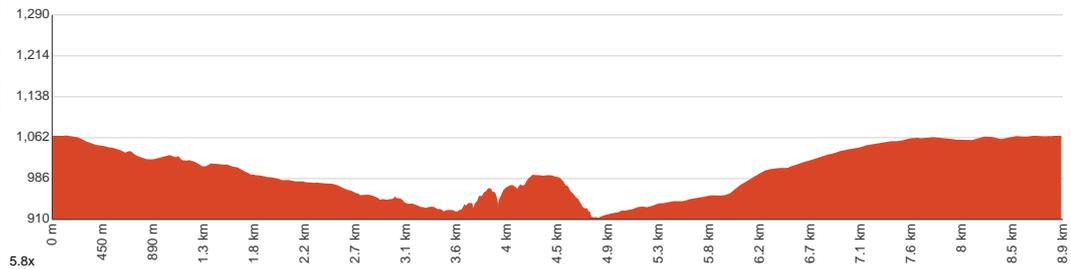
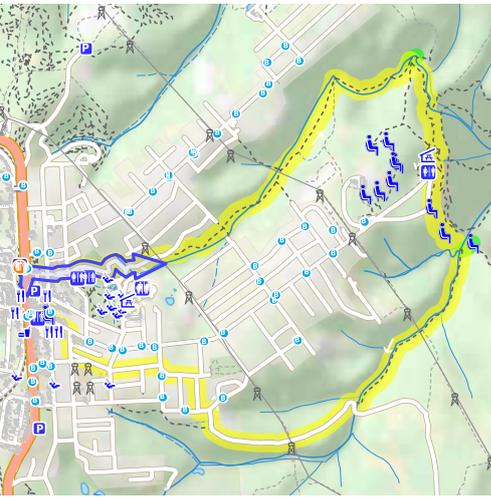
8.9 km  
Circuit

↑ 360 m  
↓ 360 m

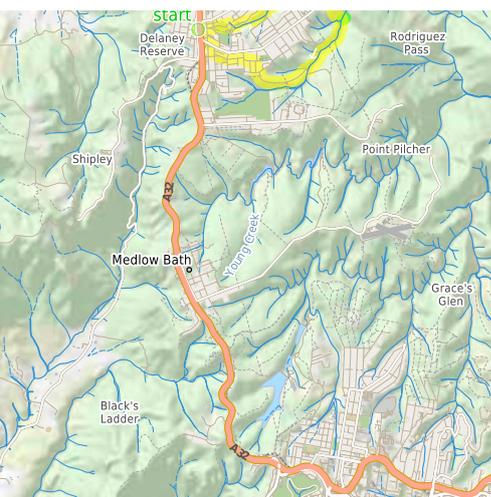
4  
Hard track



This walk, from Blackheath Train Station, is a fantastic way to see some of the iconic areas of the Blue Mountains in the Blackheath area. The walk heads through Pope's Glen to Govetts Leap via a wonderful stroll along the creek, before breaking out to the views of the Grose Valley. The stunning views over the valley, waterfalls and bush make this a great walk with public transport access. 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 4 of 6 Rough track, where fallen trees and other obstacles are likely	
<b>Quality of track</b>	Rough track, where fallen trees and other obstacles are likely (4/6)
<b>Gradient</b>	Very steep (4/6)
<b>Signage</b>	Directional signs along the way (3/6)
<b>Infrastructure</b>	Limited facilities, not all cliffs are fenced (3/6)
<b>Experience Required</b>	No experience required (1/6)
<b>Weather</b>	Weather generally has little impact on safety (1/6)



**Getting to the start:** From Great Western Highway, A32

- Turn on to then drive for 15 m

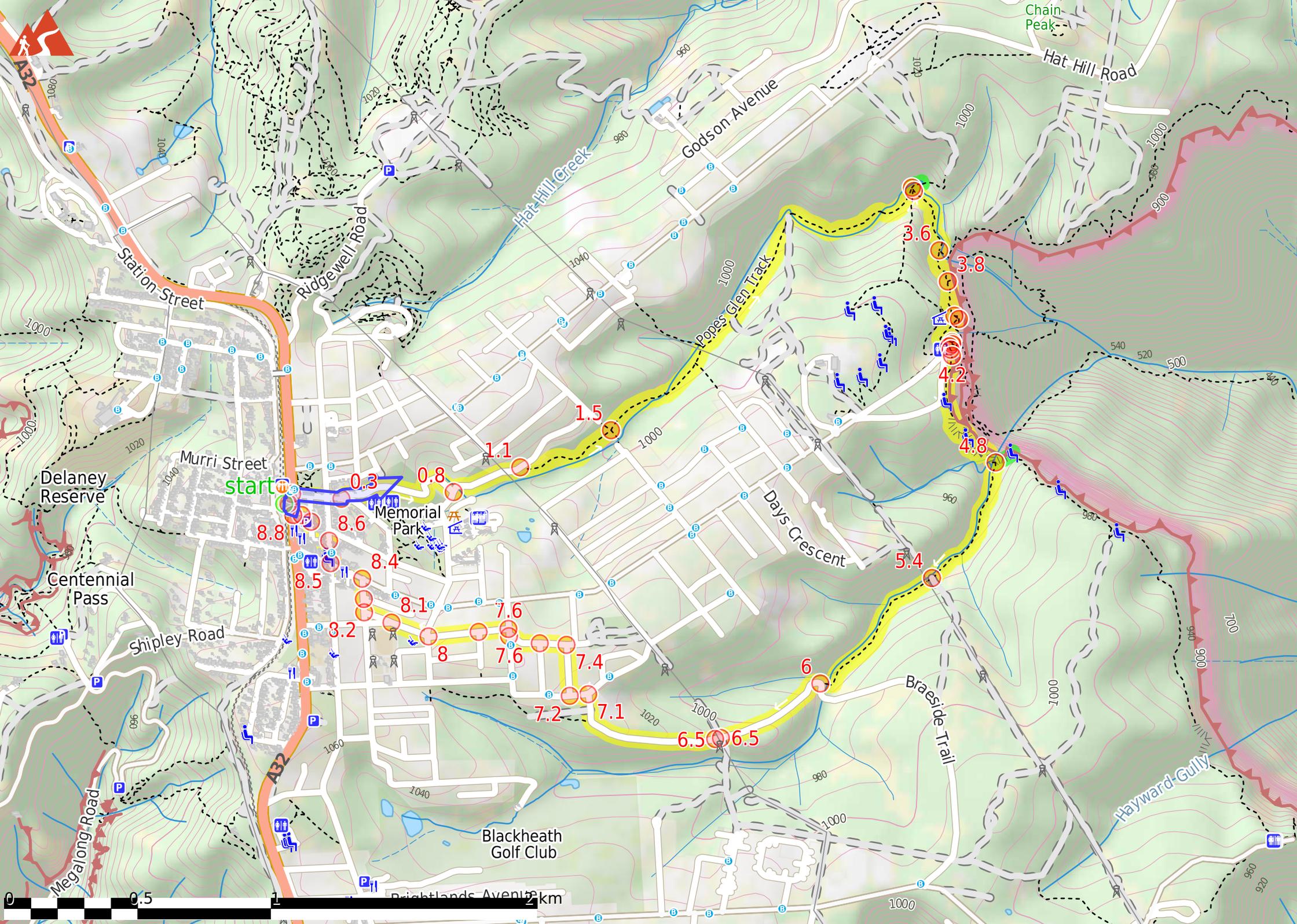
**Before you start any journey ensure you;**

- 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.

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start

Murri Street

Memorial Park

Blackheath Golf Club

Brightlands Avenue

Delaney Reserve

Centennial Pass

Shipleigh Road

Megalong Road

Hat Hill Creek

Godson Avenue

Popes Glen Track

Days Crescent

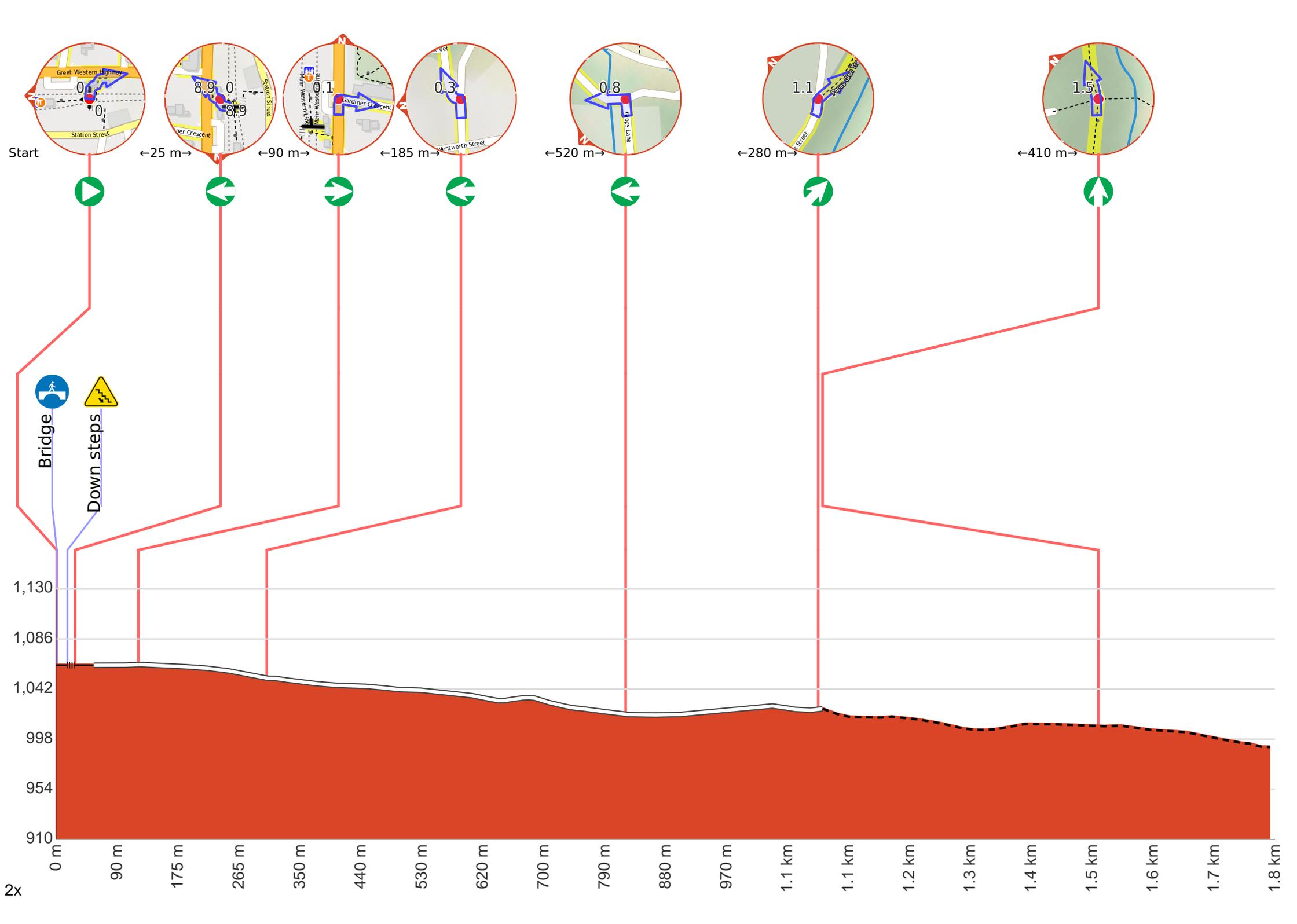
Braeside Trail

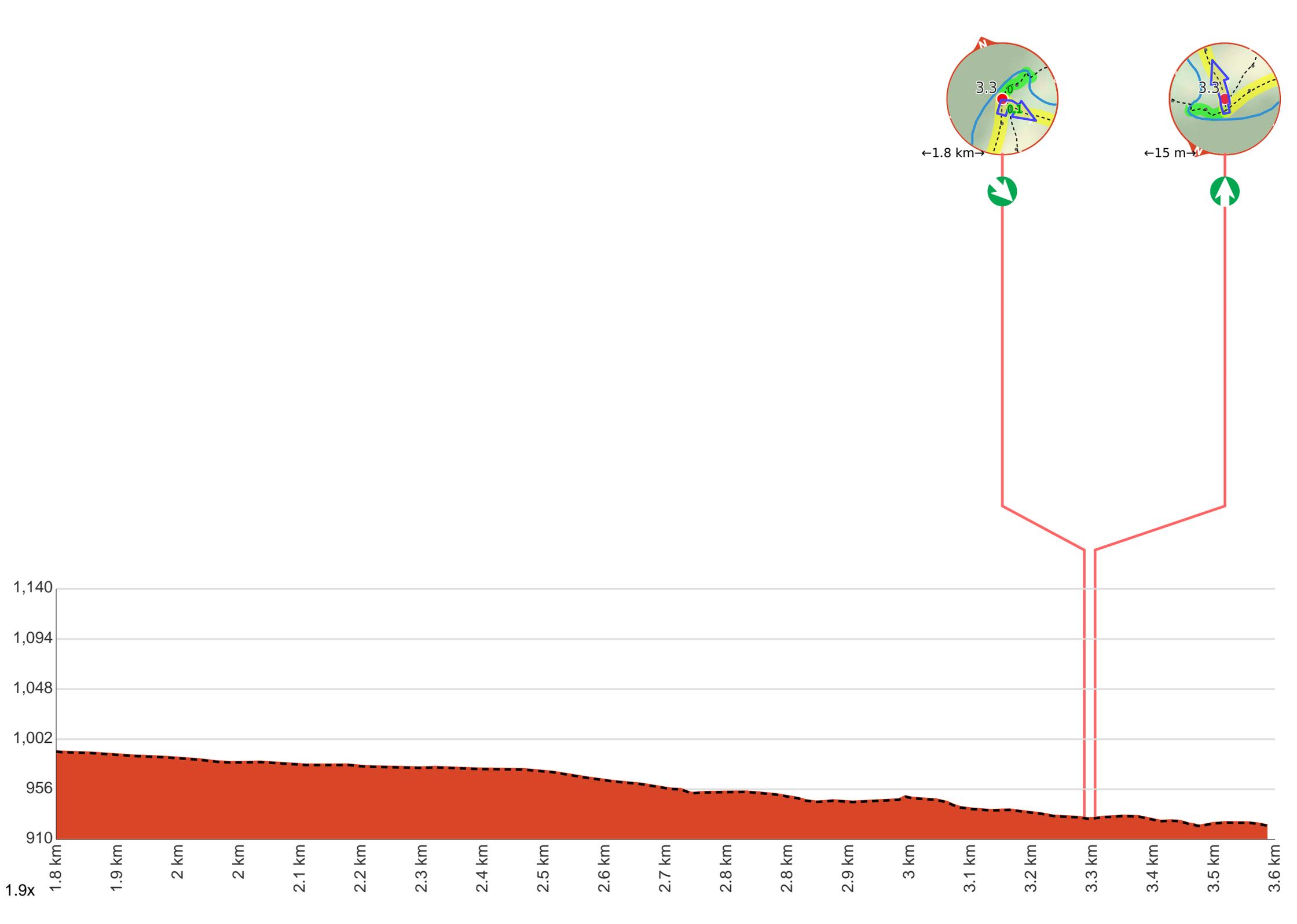
Hayward Gully

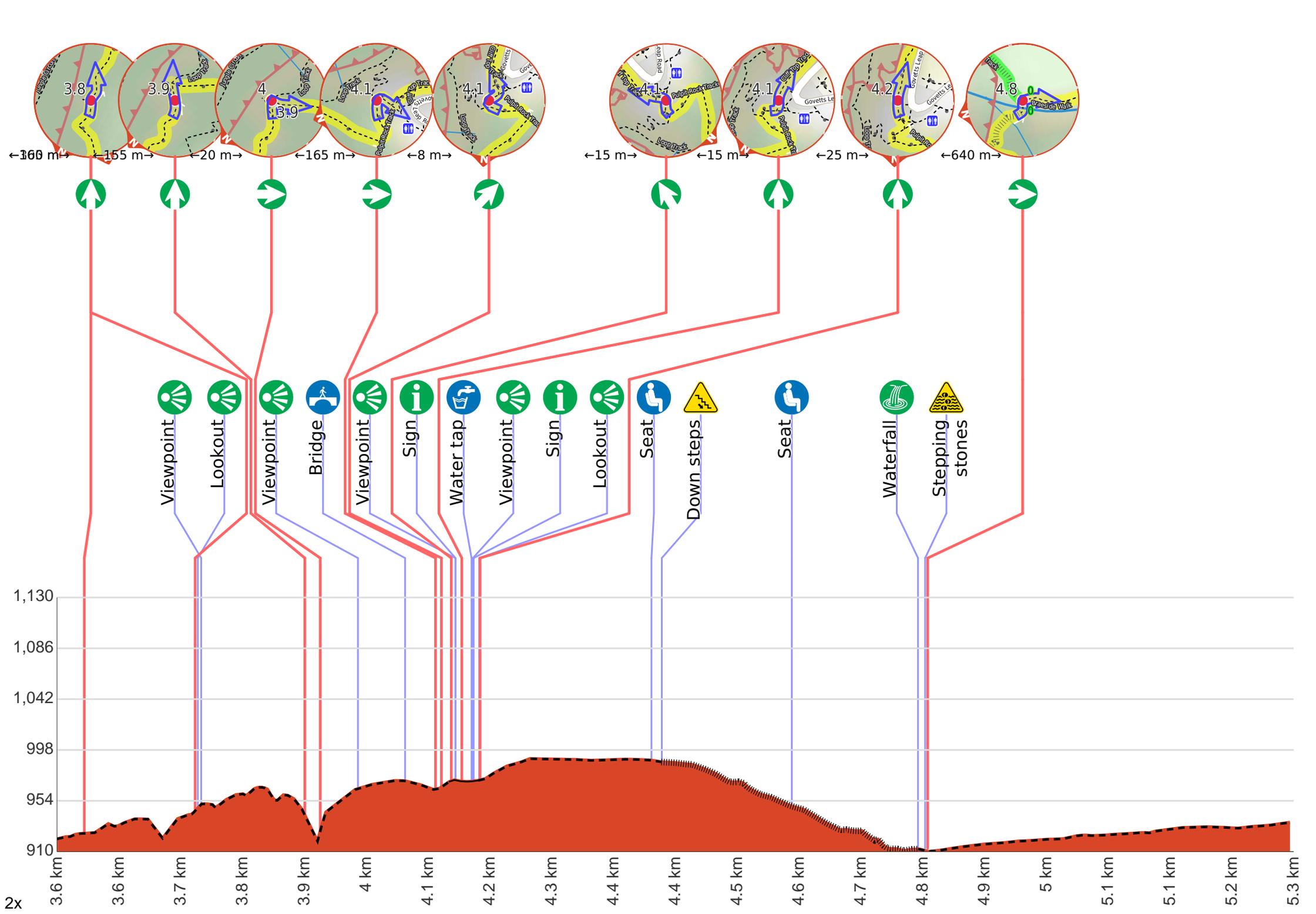
Hat Hill Road

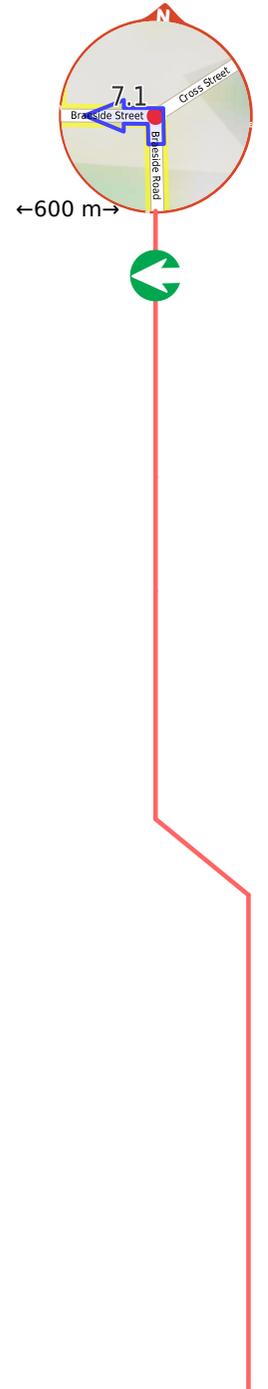
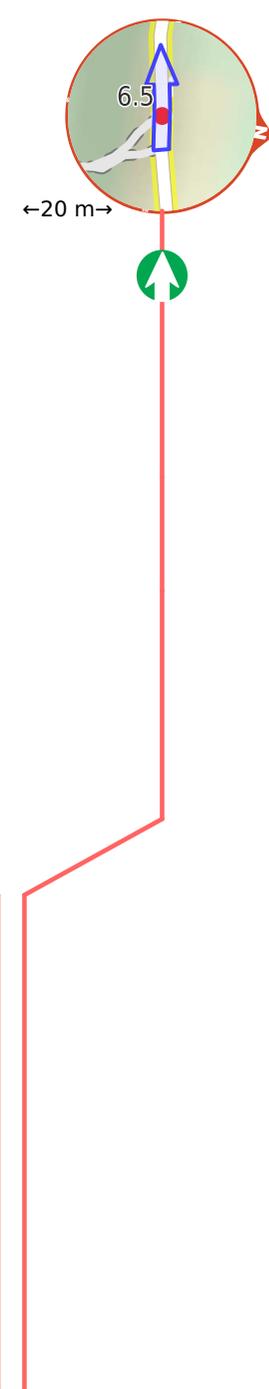
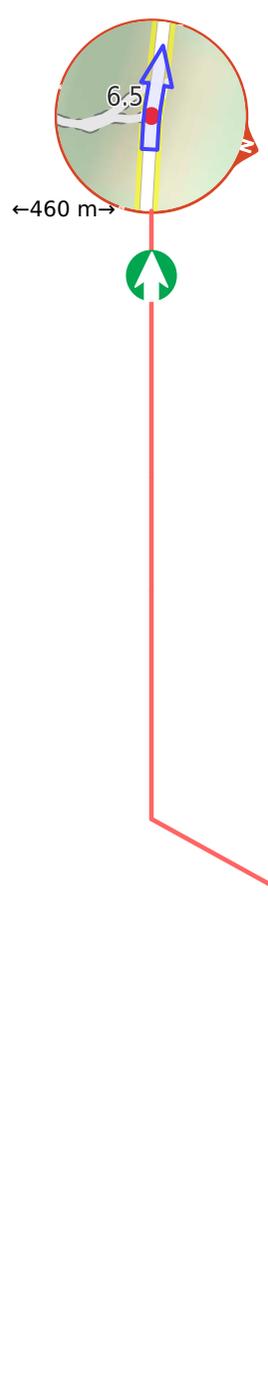
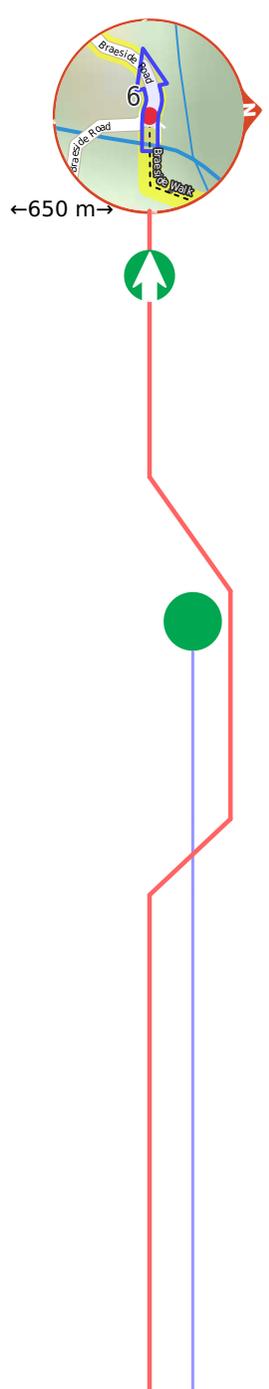
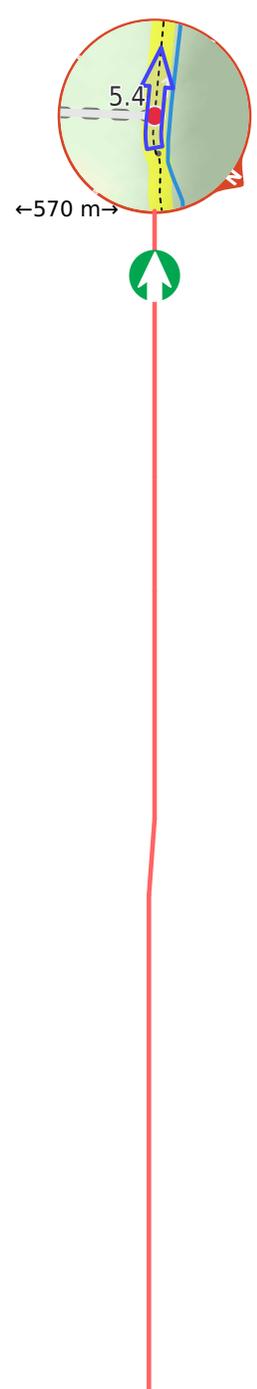
Chain Peak











Shape must have at least 2 pairs of points



**Getting started:** From the top of the station steps, this walk heads towards the Great Western Highway and Gardiners Inn. The walk turns right down a flight of stairs, then turns left across the Great Western Highway at the pedestrian crossing.

From the intersection, this walk heads up the Great Western Highway, keeping the Gardiners Inn to the right. This walk turns right after the petrol station, turning onto Gardiners Cres. The walk continues down Gardiners Cres to take the first left onto Inconstant St. The walk then takes the first right onto Wills St, which later becomes Robertson Lane. Robertson Lane tends right into Gipps Lane, which is followed to the intersection with Dell St/Wills St (unsignposted, road changes name near this intersection).

From the intersection, this walk heads up the road, leaving Gipps St behind on the left and passing a wooden house (also on the left). The walk passes Cleopatra St on the left before coming to the signposted intersection with the Pope's Glen track on the right, near 49 Dell St.



**Start.**



Then cross the bridge (about 15 m long)

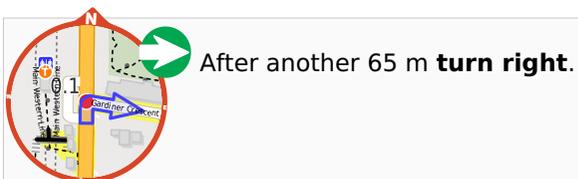


Then head down the steps (about 10 m long)



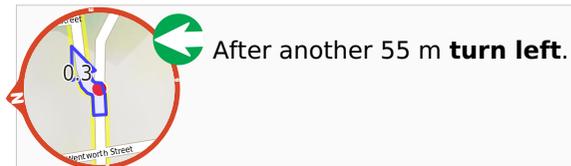
**Turn left.**

After another 30 m **turn left.**



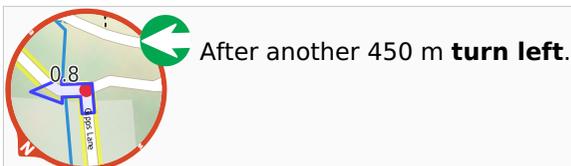
After another 65 m **turn right.**

After another 130 m **continue straight.**

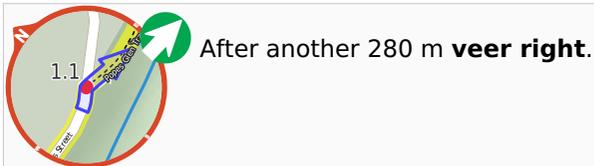


After another 55 m **turn left.**

After another 70 m **continue straight.**



After another 450 m **turn left.**



After another 280 m **veer right.**



After another 410 m **continue straight.**

After another 265 m cross the bridge (about 9 m long)

After another 170 m **continue straight.**

After another 740 m cross the bridge (about 8 m long)

After another 380 m cross the bridge (about 9 m long)



Back at the main route turn left and follow on from the 3.3 km waypoint.



After another 170 m **turn sharp right.**



After another 15 m **continue straight.**



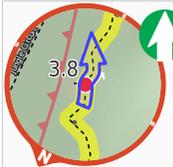
After another 305 m **continue straight.**

After another 165 m come to the "Rodriguez Lookout".

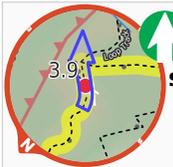
Then find the "Horseshoe Falls Lookout" (25 m on your left).



Horseshoe Falls Lookout, Blue Mountains National Park, is a small fenced lookout. There are views down to Horseshoe Falls and across the Grose Valley.



**Continue straight.**



After another 155 m **continue straight.**



After another 20 m (Laws Lookout) **turn right.**



After another 55 m come to the "Laws Lookout".



After another 65 m cross the bridge (about 4 m long)



After another 40 m **turn right.**



After another 8 m **veer right.**



After another 20 m come to the viewpoint (6 m on your left).



**Veer left.**



After another 6 m pass the sign (on your right).



After another 9 m **continue straight.**



After another 15 m pass the water tap (7 m on your right).



Then come to the "Govetts Leap Lookout" (9 m on your left).



Then pass the sign.



After another 8 m find the "Govetts Leap Lookout" (6 m on your right).



Govetts Leap Lookout is named after the first European man to have enjoyed this view, William Govett, as an assistant surveyor in June 1831. Govetts Leap Lookout offers wonderful views over the Grose Valley and the spectacular Bridal Falls. The word `leap` is an old Scottish word meaning waterfall. The lookout is easily accessed from the car park, there are also toilets and picnic shelters nearby.



After another 1 m **continue straight.**



After another 245 m pass a seat (5 m on your right).



After another 15 m head down the earthen steps (about 370 m long)



Then pass a seat (5 m on your right)., has no backrest.

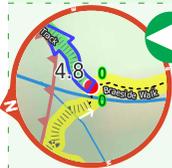


After another 180 m pass the "Bridal Veil Falls" (30 m on your left).



After another 10 m cross the stepping stones.

**Start of an optional side trip:** An optional side trip to Barrow Lookout.



To start this optional side trip turn left here. **Start.**



Then head down the earthen steps (about 75 m long)



After another 8 m come to "Barrow Lookout".



Barrow Lookout, Blue Mountains National Park, looks down to Govetts Leap falls and across the Grose Valley. The lookout is fenced and has a bench seat to rest.



A seat., has a backrest.



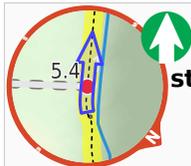
Turn around and retrace your steps back the 85 m to the main route.



Back at the main route veer left and follow on from the 4.8 km waypoint.



After another 4 m **turn right.**



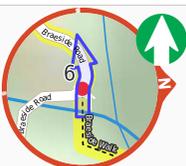
After another 570 m **continue straight**.



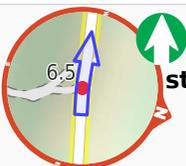
After another 690 m find the "Braeside Picnic Area" (10 m on your left).



Braeside Picnic Area, Blue Mountains National Park, is a small picnic area on the southern end of the Braeside walking track. The picnic area has a bench table and stone barbecue. The picnic area is situated next to a small weir and waterfall amongst the ferns.



**Continue straight.**



After another 460 m **continue straight**.



After another 20 m **continue straight**.



After another 600 m **turn left**.



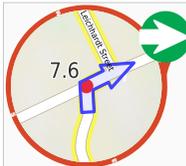
After another 70 m **turn right**.



After another 215 m **turn left**.



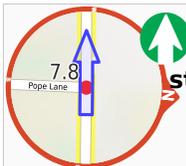
After another 100 m **continue straight**.



After another 125 m **turn right**.



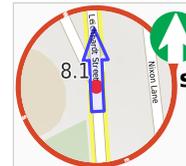
After another 30 m **turn left**.



After another 115 m **continue straight**.



After another 190 m **continue straight**.



After another 150 m **continue straight**.



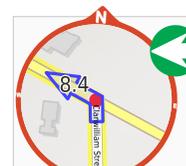
After another 30 m pass the "Jubilee Park" (15 m on your left).



After another 85 m **turn right**.



After another 55 m **continue straight**.



After another 85 m **turn left**.



After another 135 m **turn right**.



After another 215 m pass the "Blackheath Bar & Bistro" (15 m on your left).

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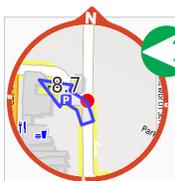
Then pass the water tap (9 m on your left).



After another 20 m pass a seat (6 m on your left).



**Turn left.**

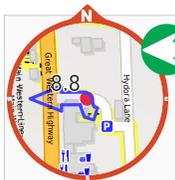


After another 140 m **turn left.**

**P** After another 60 m to find the car park.

**Turn left.**

**A** After another 30 m pass the picnic table (on your right).



After another 2 m **turn left.**



After another 30 m **turn right.**

After another 25 m **turn left.**



After another 40 m come to the end.

 Then head down the steps