

Knox Gorge

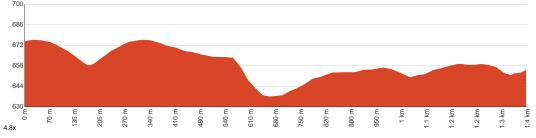






Starting from the Knox Gorge car park at the end of Knox Gorge Road, Karijini National Park, this walk takes you past Knox Lookout, then down into Knox Gorge and back via the Knox Lookout and Knox Gorge Walk Trails. Intersecting Wittenoom Gorge near the Knox Lookout, Knox Gorge is a deep and picturesque chasm. After a short walk to the lookout, the trail descends to the bottom of the gorge via one of the steepest paths in the park. Other gorges in the area have proper steps, yet the track going down Knox Gorge is a bit more "natural" and challenging. Although steep, the descent is relatively straightforward until an awkward scramble near the bottom, which requires walkers to lower themselves down several rock shelves. At the bottom of the descent, there is the option to turn left or right, with the path to the right leading to a photogenic pool. After heading left along the main walk trail, the initial section of Knox Gorge is filled with trees and plants growing along the watercourse. Continually crisscrossing its way along the gorge floor, the trail ends at an unusual slot canyon formation with large, expansive shelves on either side of the slot. From here, walkers can retrace their steps back to the start of the walk. After the scrambling ends, the steep track takes you out of the gorge. Take care in the gorge and leave if it starts to rain as flash flooding can occur. 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.





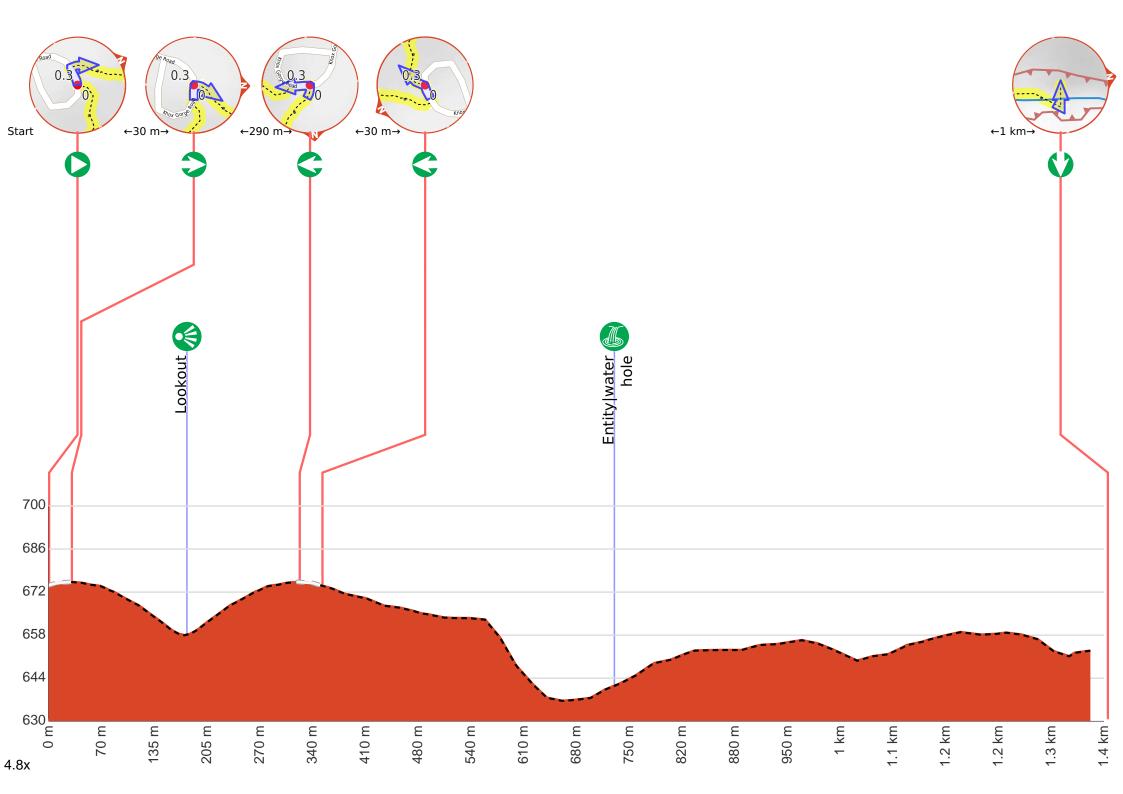
Class 5 of 6 Rough unclear track	
Quality of track	Rough unclear track (5/6)
Gradient	Very steep and difficult rock scrambles (5/6)
Signage	Directional signs along the way (3/6)
Infrastructure	Limited facilities (such as cliffs not fenced, significant creeks not bridged) (4/6)
Experience Required	Moderate level of bushwalking experience recommended (4/6)
Weather	Forecasted & unexpected severe weather likely to have an impact on your navigation and safety (5/6)

Getting to the start: From Great Northern Highway, 95, Juna Downs.

- Turn on to Karijini Drive then drive for 29.4 km
- Turn right onto Banjima Drive and drive for another 9.9 \mbox{km}
- Continue onto Banjima Road and drive for another 27.9 km
- Turn right onto Knox Gorge Road and drive for another 5.4 km

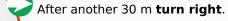






Getting started: From the Knox Gorge car park, head along the dirt walking path and look for the brown "Knox Lookout Track - 300 Metres Return 15 Min" sign. Walk past an informational sign about the gorge as you make your way to the Knox Lookout sign. Pass by the lookout sign as well and head along the singular track towards the lookout. Once you're at the lookout, retrace your steps back to the informational signpost, then turn left. Pass by a "Walking at Knox Gorge" sign to your right as you keep left to continue along the Knox Gorge Track.

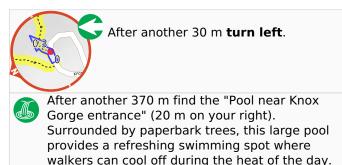




After another 145 m come to the "Knox Lookout".

Knox Lookout lets you view the confluence of the two gorges, which can make you wonder how many years it took and how much force was there to form such an interesting landscape. The lookout, smaller than others in the park, provides wonderful photographic opportunities throughout the day. Come here at sunset/sunrise to get the most out of the experience. Be cautious around the lookout as small loose rocks can be slippery underfoot.

After another 145 m **turn left**.



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Continue another 630 m to find the

end. Then turn around here and retrace

the main route for 1.4 km to get back to