

## Carnarvon Gorge Amphitheatre

(Bidjara & Karingbal Country)











Starting from the Carnarvon Gorge Visitor Centre, Carnarvon Park, this walk takes you to the Amphitheatre of the Carnaryon Gorge and back via the Big Bend Walk, optionally visiting the Moss Garden along the way. You'll be dazzled by the colossal sandstone walls around you as you walk into this acoustic chamber. You'll be able to listen to the reverbing sounds of nature if there's no one else in there with you. And by any chance you're with a person who can sing, sit back and enjoy the natural surround sound system. As a plus, this little haven of a place is significantly cooler than the main gorge. Other than that, notice the diversity of the vegetation as you take in the scenery throughout the walk. Keep in mind that there is a steep tiered ladder and a narrow crevice you need to pass to access the Amphitheatre. Bring some insect repellent to protect yourself from the mozzies(Australian slang for mosquitoes) and expect to get wet feet. Let us begin by acknowledging the Bidjara & Karingbal 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	Flat, no steps (1/6)
Signage	Clearly signposted (2/6)
Infrastructure	Generally useful facilities (such as fenced cliffs and seats) (2/6)
Experience Required	Some bushwalking experience recommended (3/6)
Weather	Storms may impact on navigation and safety (3/6)

Getting to the start: From Carnarvon Highway, A7

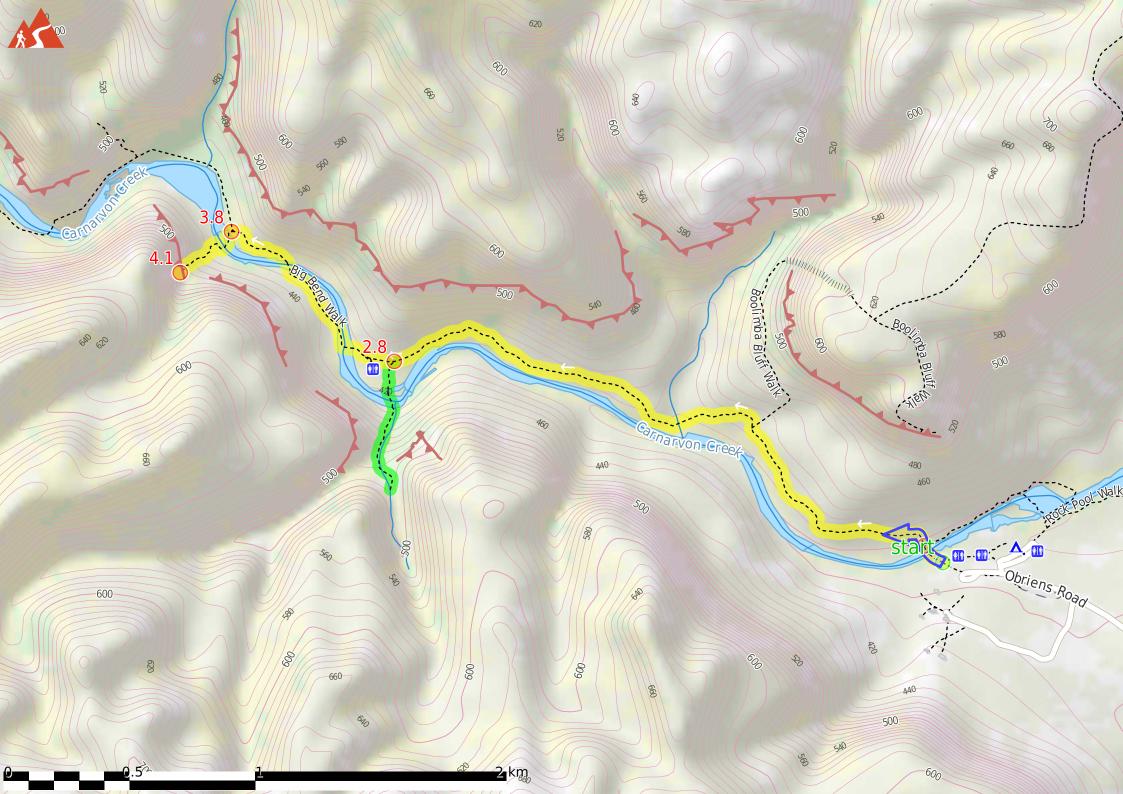
- Turn on to Wyseby Road, 2 then drive for 18.1 km
- Turn left onto Obriens Road and drive for another 25.5 km
- Continue and drive for another 190 m

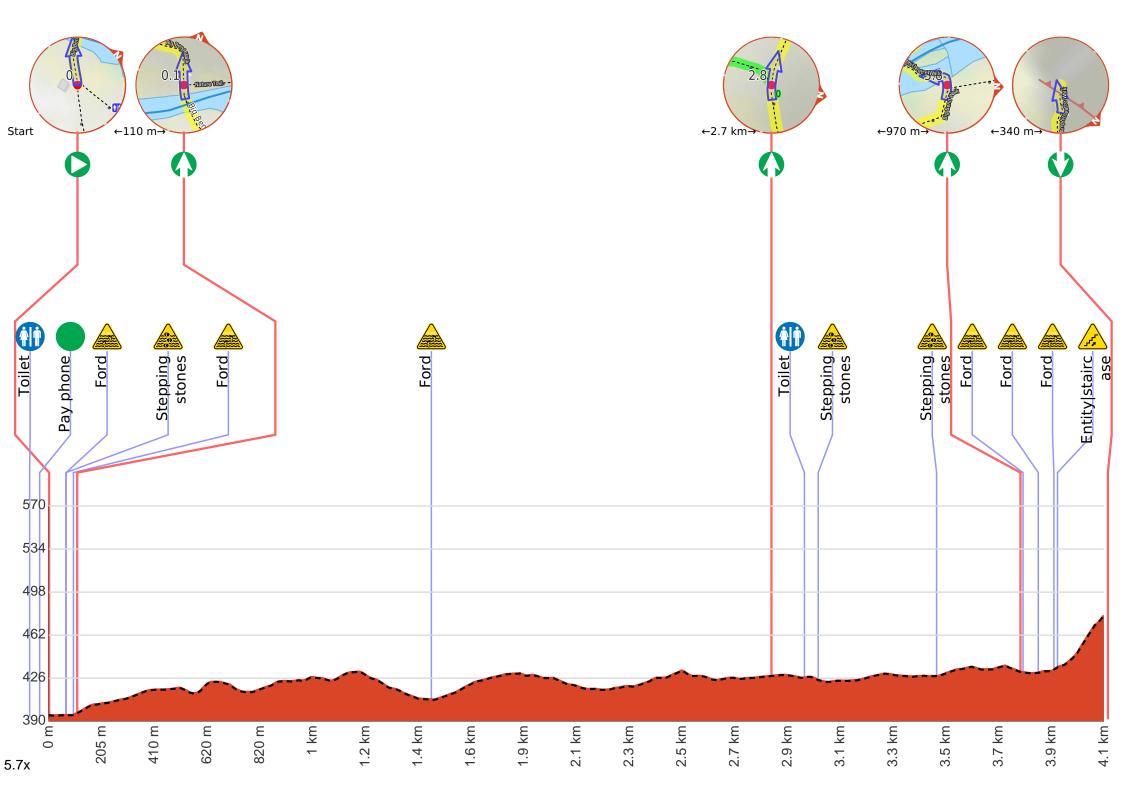
## Before you start any journey ensure you;

- 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.



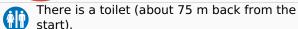




**Getting started:** From the Carnarvon Gorge Visitor Centre, head towards the creek along the formed walking track. After crossing the said creek, keep left at the first intersection to join the Big Bend Walk. Stay on the track as it veers left and meanders along the creek(to your left) to continue along Battleship Spur from Carnarvon Gorge Amphitheatre Track.



**Start** heading along *Big Bend Walk*.







After 105 m cross the ford.



Then cross the stepping stones (about 30 m



Then cross the ford.

After another 15 m (at the intersection of Nature Trail & Big Bend Walk) continue straight, to head along Big Bend Walk.



After another 1 km (at the intersection of Big Bend Walk & Boolimba Bluff Walk) continue **straight**, to head along Big Bend Walk.



After another 370 m cross the ford.

Start of an optional side trip: An optional but recommended side trip taking you to the Moss Garden, a place that has an incredibly peaceful and stunning scenery, along with a little waterfall to add to the serenity.



To start this optional side trip veer left here. at the intersection of Moss Garden Walk & Big Bend Walk Start heading along Moss Garden Walk (a walking track).



After 135 m cross the ford.



After another 55 m cross the ford.



After another 310 m cross the ford.



After another 125 m come to the end.



Turn around and retrace your steps back the 630 m to the main route.



Back at the main route veer left and follow on from the 2.8 km waypoint.



After another 1.3 km (at the intersection of Big Bend Walk & Moss Garden Walk) continue straight, to head along Big Bend Walk.



After another 130 m pass the toilet (50 m on vour left).



Continue straight, to head along Big Bend



After another 25 m continue straight, to head along Big Bend Walk.



After another 60 m cross the stepping stones (about 140 m long)



After another 320 m cross the stepping stones (about 45 m long)



After another 270 m (at the intersection of Big Bend Walk & Amphitheatre Walk) continue **straight**, to head along Amphitheatre Walk.



After another 10 m continue straight, to head along Amphitheatre



After another 10 m cross the ford.



After another 60 m cross the ford.



After another 60 m cross the ford.



After another 15 m find the "tiered ladder" (on your left).



Continue another 195 m to find the end. Then turn around here and retrace the main route for 4.1 km to get back to the start.