





Earl Hill Walking Track

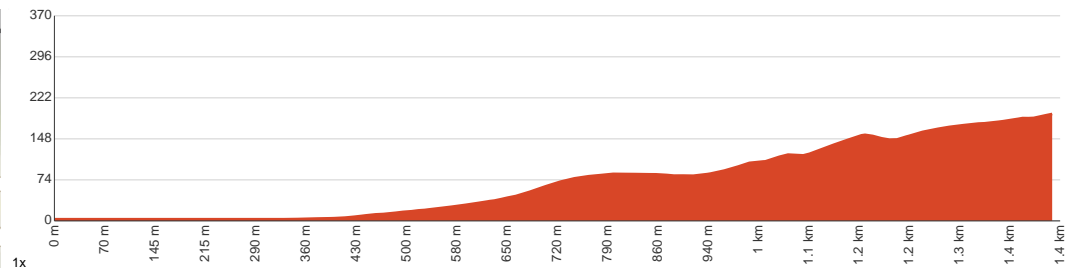
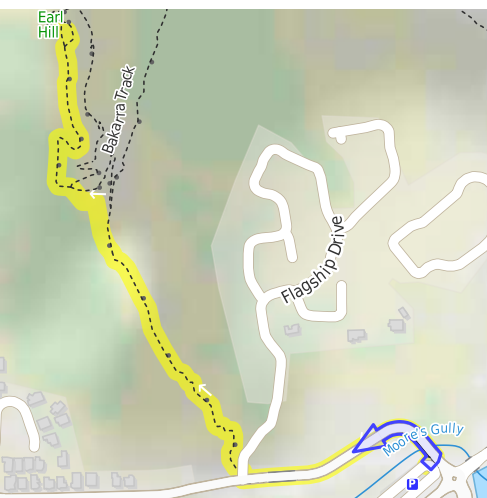
 1 h 15 min to 1 h 45 min
 45 min to 1 h


2.9 km
Return


↑ 218 m
↓ 218 m


Moderate track

Starting from the car park off Reed Road, Cairns, this track takes you to the summit of Earl Hill via the Earl Hill Walking Track. Expect to be welcomed by the remarkable views over the coastline as you feel the pleasant ocean breeze on your face. There are also great south-easterly views of the mountains near Cairns. The track was renewed and made less steep in early 2019, so it can make for a great first hike. As a plus, you can bring your dog with you, provided you keep him/her on a leash. Refuel at the drinking fountain next to a dog water bowl before going up. An insect repellent may save you from the 'mozzies' (Australian slang for mosquitos) in summer. 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 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) (2/6)
Experience Required	No experience required (2/6)
Weather	Weather generally has little impact on safety (1/6)

Getting to the start: From Captain Cook Highway, 44

- Turn on to Reed Road then drive for 275 m
- At roundabout, take exit 2 onto Reed Road and drive for another 340 m
- At roundabout, take exit 2 onto Reed Road and drive for another 1.2 km
- Turn left and drive for another 170 m

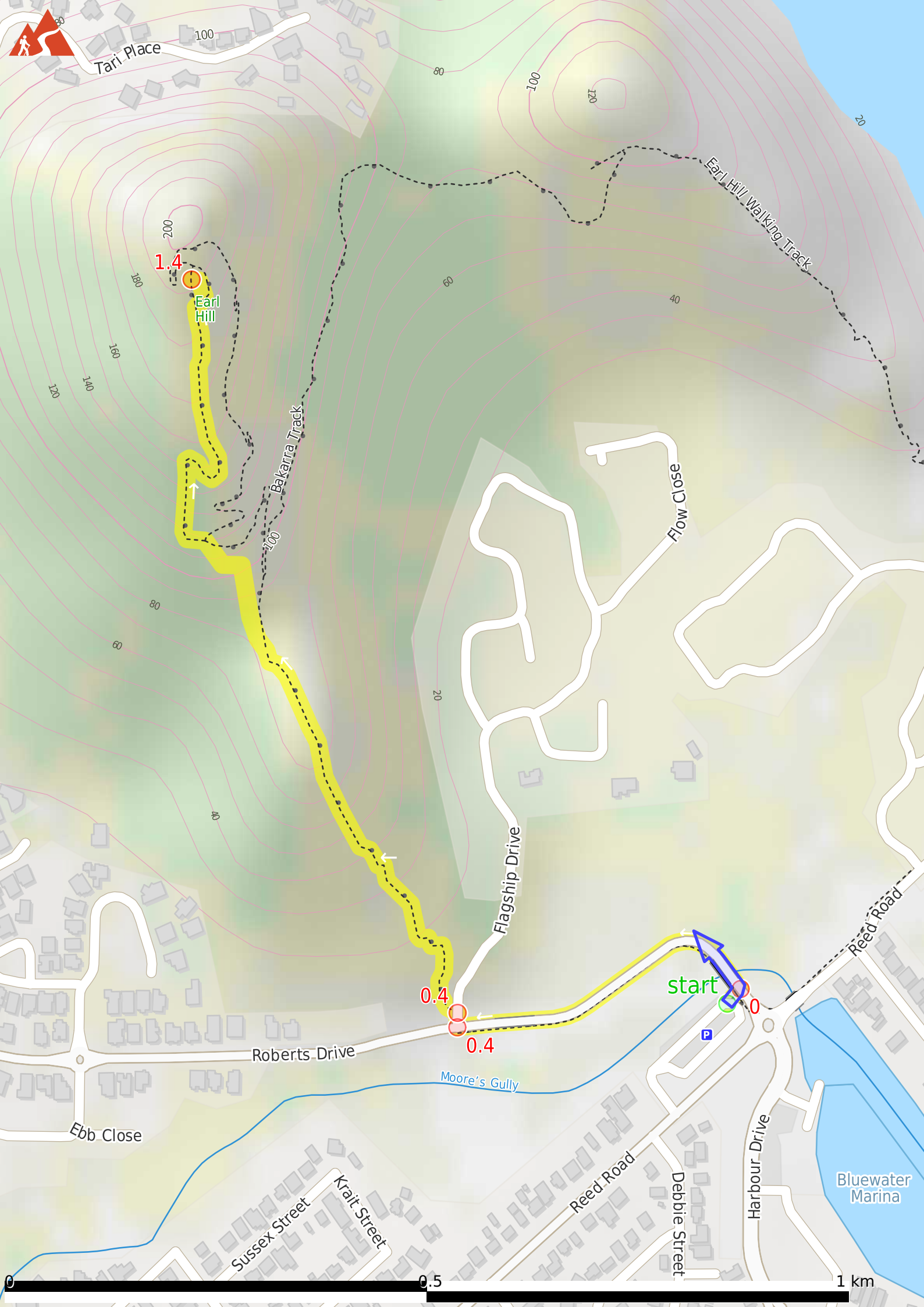
Before you start any journey ensure you;

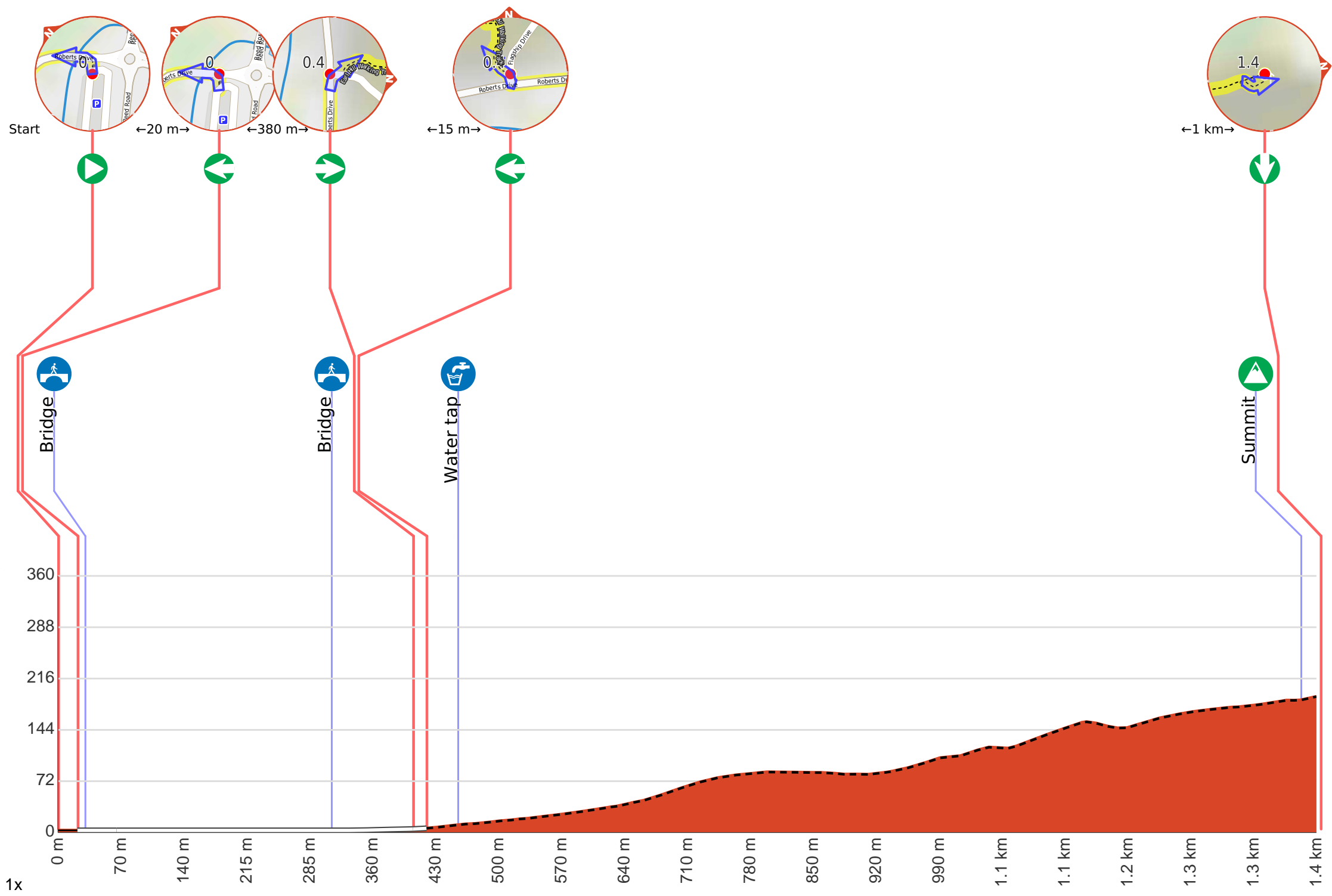
- Tell someone you trust where you are going and what to do if you are late returning
- Have adequate equipment, supplies, skills & knowledge to undertake this journey safely
- Consider weather forecasts, park/track closures & fire dangers
- Can respond to emergencies & call for help at any point
- Are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

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

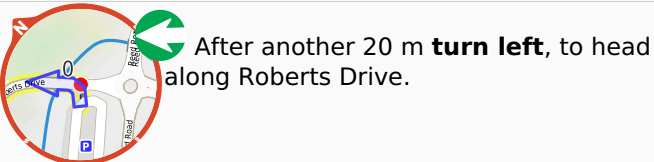
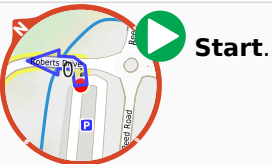
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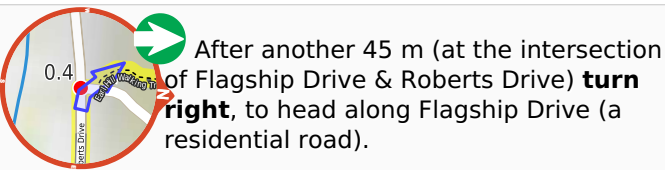


Getting started: From the car park off Reed Road, head towards Roberts Drive along the concrete path. At the end of the car park, use the metal crossing to get to the footpath on the side of Roberts Drive. Turn left and head towards the bridge along the concrete footpath. Pass over the bridge and stay on the footpath as it veers left. Pass over another bridge, then turn right at the intersection to head along Flagship Drive. Veer left shortly after joining the road and pass through the bollard. Head along the formed walking track(Earl Hill Walking Track) as you pass by an informative signpost to your left. Stay on the track as it meanders up the hill to continue along Earl Hill Walking Track.

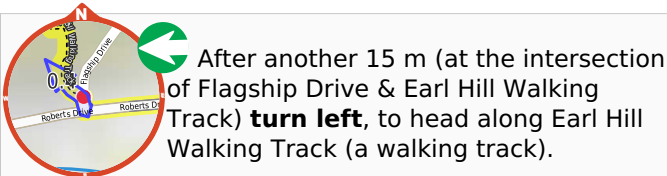


After another 20 m **turn left**, to head along Roberts Drive.

After another 8 m cross the bridge (about 35 m long)

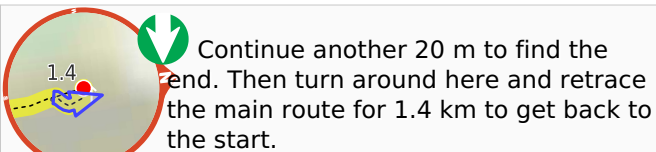


After another 45 m (at the intersection of Flagship Drive & Roberts Drive) **turn right**, to head along Flagship Drive (a residential road).



After another 15 m (at the intersection of Flagship Drive & Earl Hill Walking Track) **turn left**, to head along Earl Hill Walking Track (a walking track).

After another 35 m pass the "Water fountain" (15 m on your left).



A viewpoint.