



# Ouraka Point Loop

(Darkinjung & Guringai Country)

1 h to 1 h 15 min

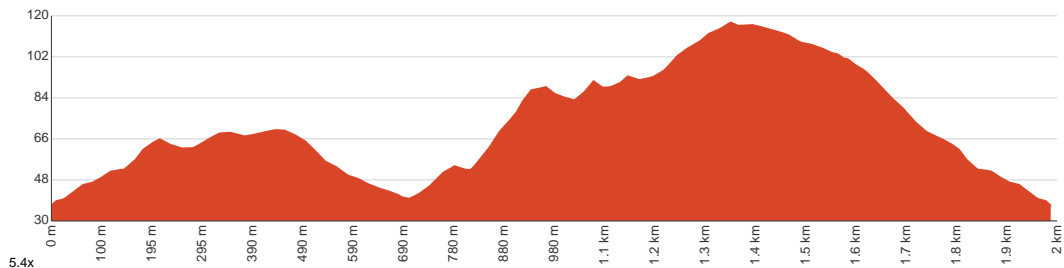
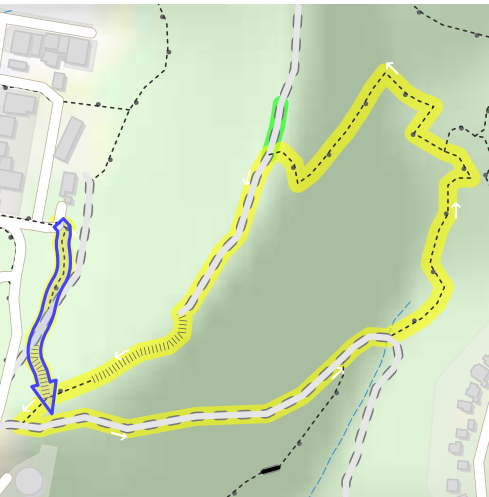
1.9 km  
Circuit

↑ 128 m  
↓ 128 m

4  
Hard track



A beautiful walk, taking in some of the scenic highlights of the lower section of the Rumbalara Reserve. The walk covers a great variety of vegetation, from quite dry eucalypt forest through to rainforest. The tracks are well formed, with a lot of steps in the steeper sections, making the walking a little easier. This is a great walk to see some of the excellent scenery in Rumbalara. A very short, optional sidetrip takes you to a sculpture of Charles Sturt, adding some more variety to the walk. The easy access from Gosford train station also makes it a great walk for those using public transport. Let us begin by acknowledging the Darkinjung & Guringai 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

Quality of track	Formed track, with some branches and other obstacles (3/6)
Gradient	Very steep (4/6)
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	Weather generally has little impact on safety (1/6)

**Getting to the start:** From York Street, A49

- Turn on to Henry Parry Drive then drive for 1.7 km
- Turn right onto Donnison Street and drive for another 250 m
- Keep left onto Henry Wheeler Place and drive for another 45 m
- Continue and drive for another 30 m



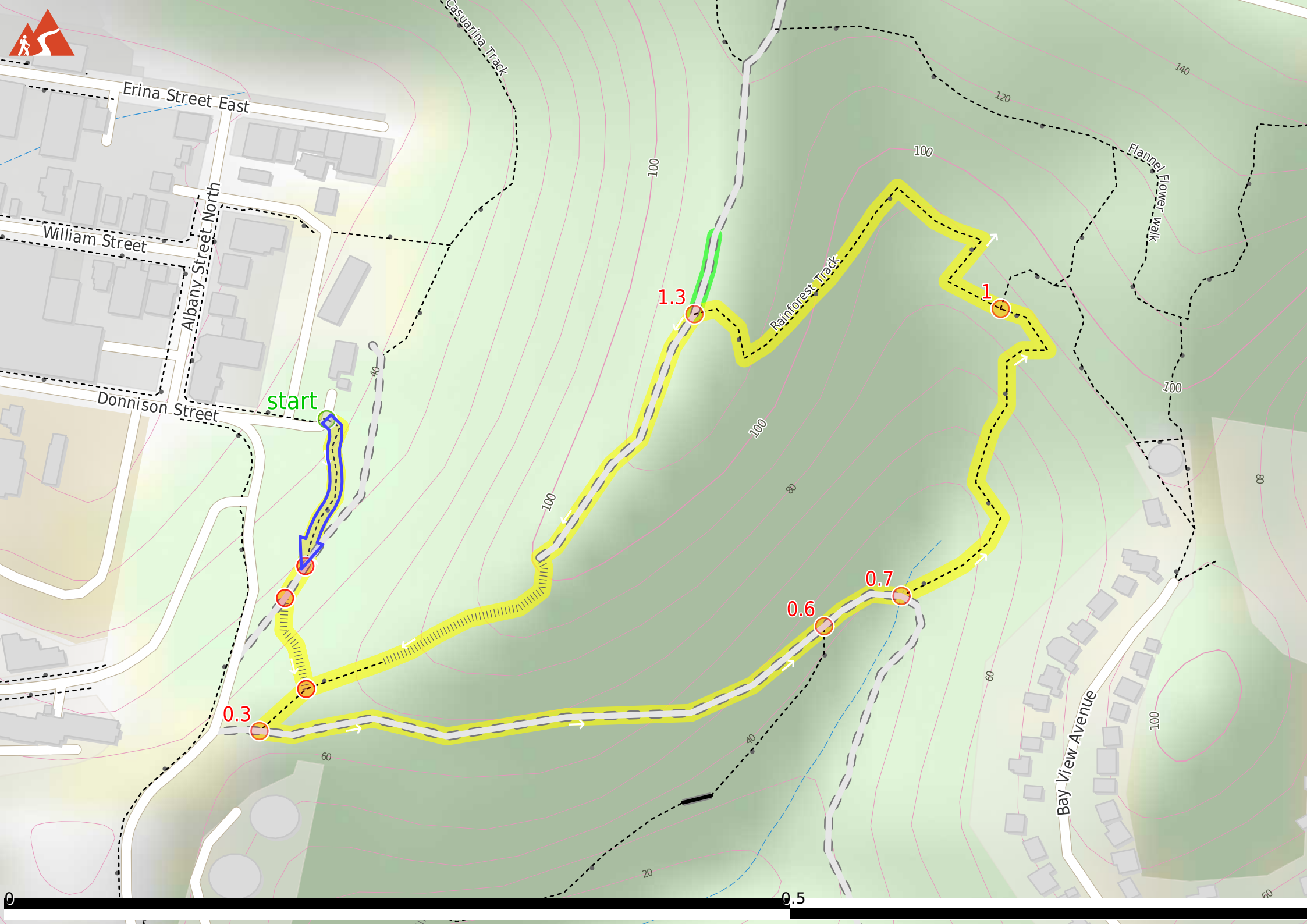
## Before you start any journey ensure you;

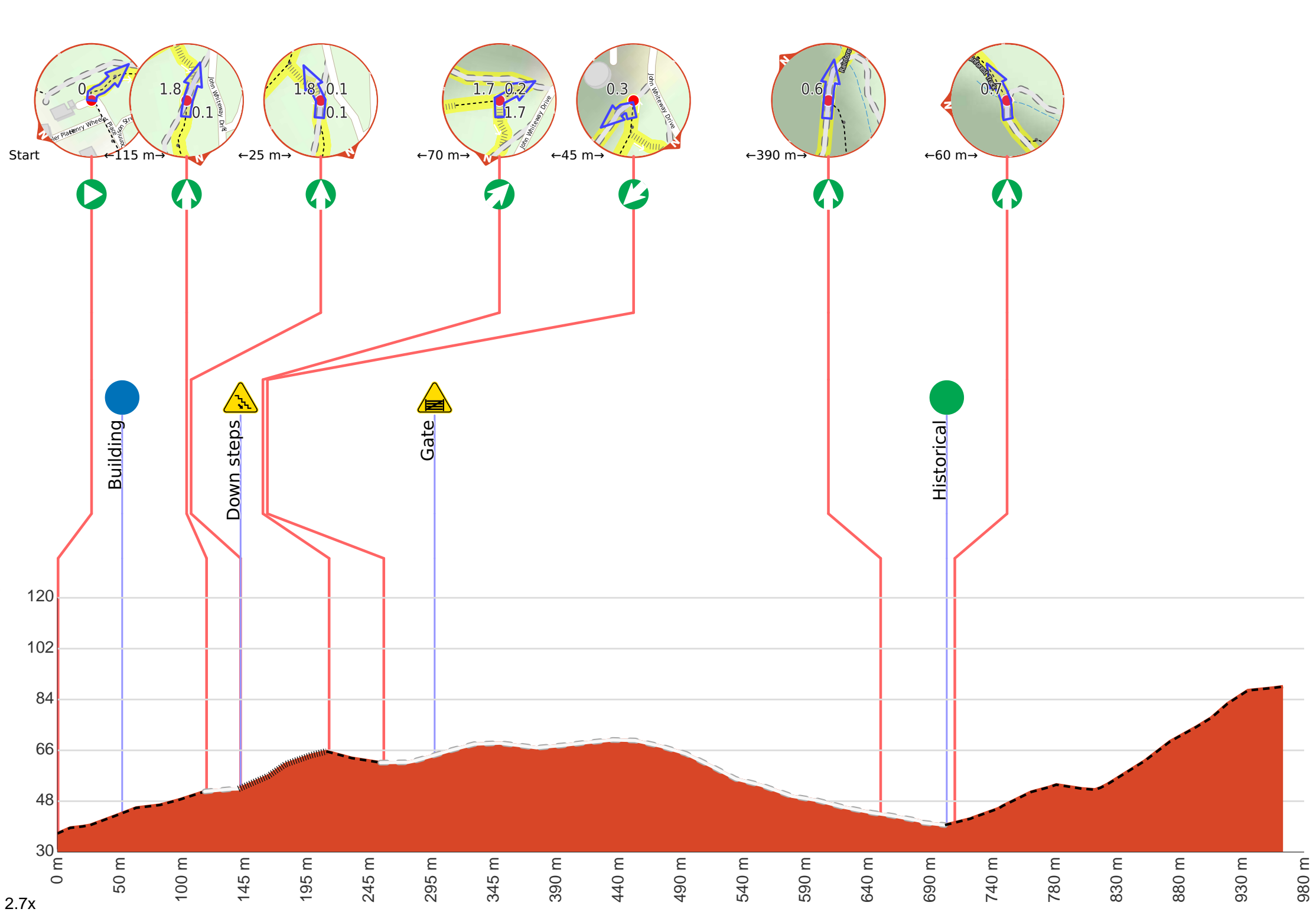
- Tell someone you trust where you are going and what to do if you are late returning
- Have adequate equipment, supplies, skills & knowledge to undertake this journey safely
- Consider weather forecasts, park/track closures & fire dangers
- Can respond to emergencies & call for help at any point
- Are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

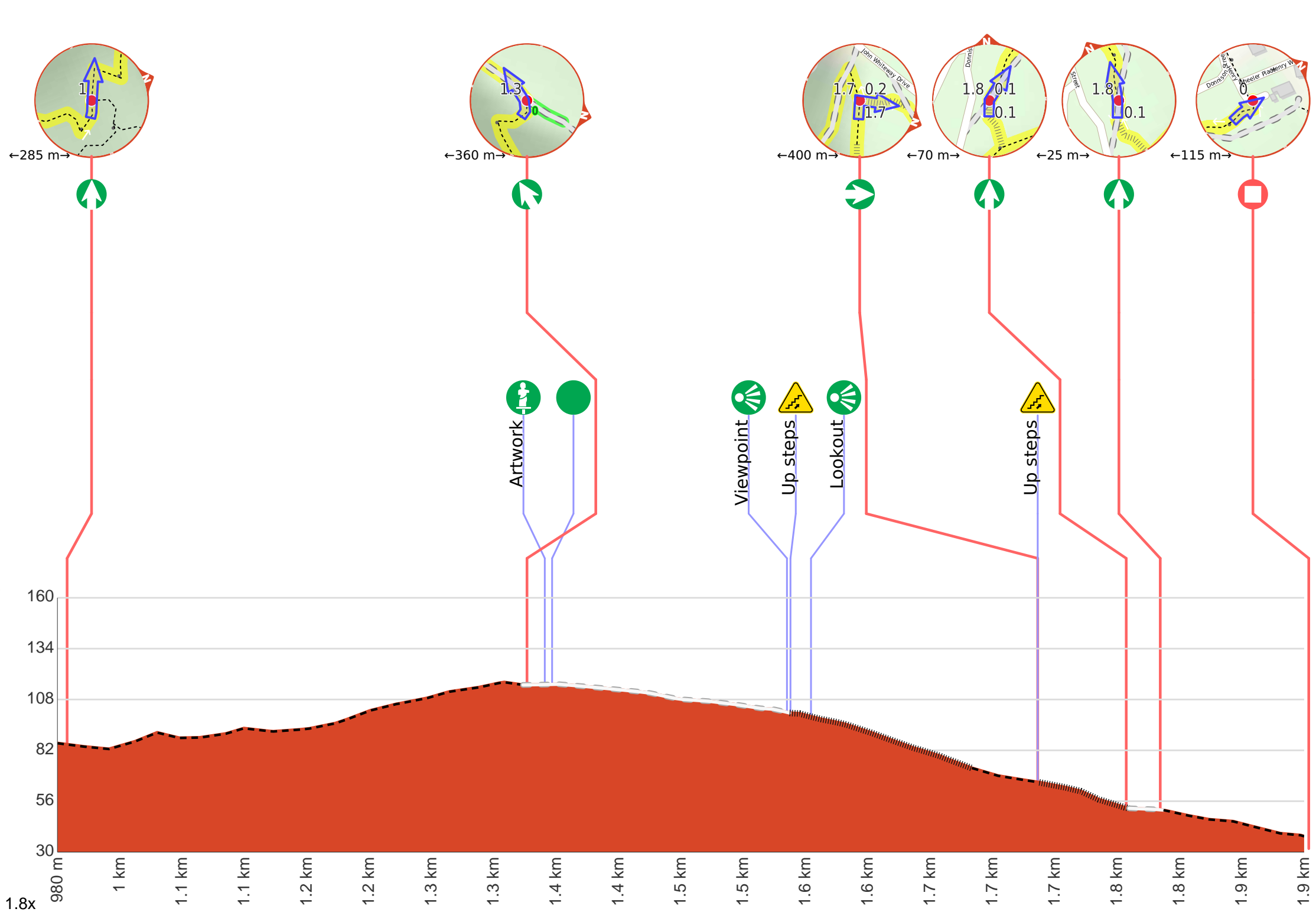
If not, change plans and stay safe. It is okay to delay and ask people for help.

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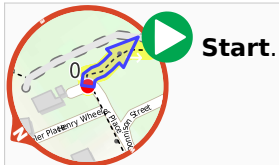








**Getting started:** From the car park, this walk follows the 'Rumbalara Environmental Education Centre' arrow along the paved footpath to the trackhead at the back of the buildings, signposted 'Walking Trail'.

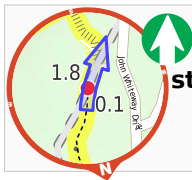


**Start.**

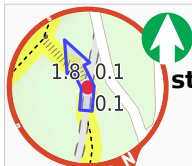
After 50 m find the "Rumbalara Environmental Education Centre" (20 m on your right).



This centre is 'a New South Wales Department of Education and Training facility that provides environmental education and field work opportunities to students, teachers and the community of the Central Coast'. The centre is at the end of Donnison St, Gosford and is a good access point to some of the walking tracks in the adjoining Rumbalara Reserve.



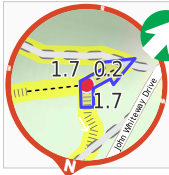
After another 65 m **continue straight**.



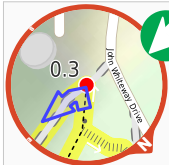
After another 25 m **continue straight**.



Then head down the steps (about 70 m long)



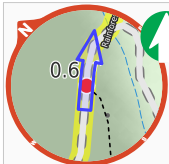
**Veer right.**



After another 45 m **turn sharp left**.



After another 40 m head through/around the gate.



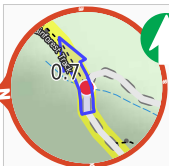
After another 345 m **continue straight**.



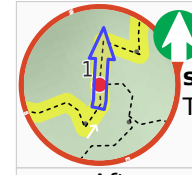
After another 50 m find the "Cappers Gully quarry" (7 m on your right).



This old quarry site is beside Cappers Gully in the Rumbalara Reserve, Gosford. The area is fenced off for safety reasons. The neat, square-cut walls of the quarry make an interesting sight on the walks in the area.



After another 6 m **continue straight**, to head along Rainforest Track.



After another 285 m **continue straight**, to head along Rainforest Track.



After another 370 m pass the "Statue" (75 m on your right).

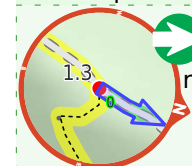


After another 6 m find the "Casuarina" (25 m on your right).




Commonly known as the she-oak, sheoak, ironwood, or beefwood, casuarinas have 'delicate, slender ultimate branches and leaves that are no more than scales, making the tree look more like a wispy conifer'. There are 17 species of Casuarina 'native to Australasia, southeastern Asia, and islands of the western Pacific Ocean'.


**Start of an optional side trip:** An optional side trip to Sculpture of Charles Sturt.




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




After another 60 m come to "Casuarina".




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The end.




About 15 m past the end is "Statue".




Turn around and retrace your steps back the 60 m to the main route.




Back at the main route continue straight and follow on from the 1.3 km waypoint.




**Veer left.**




After another 200 m come to the "Ouraka Lookout" (10 m on your right).




Then head up the steps (about 140 m long)




Then find the "Ouraka Point" (on your left).



This picturesque spot with fantastic views over Gosford and the surrounding areas, including Brisbane Waters, is located within the Rumbalara Reserve, along the Casuarina Walk. It is a beautiful spot to sit and enjoy the views for a while during a walk in the reserve.



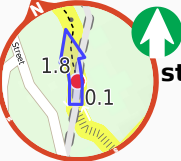
After another 175 m **turn right**.



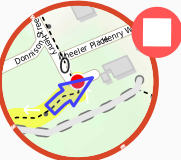
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**Continue straight.**



After another 25 m **continue straight**.



After another 115 m come to the end.