





# Wardanup Trail Loop

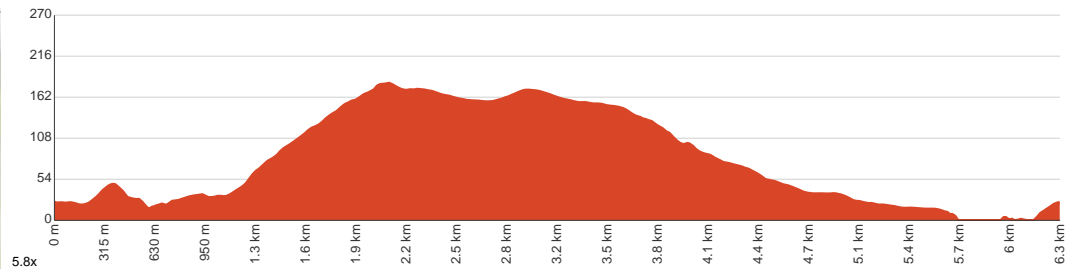
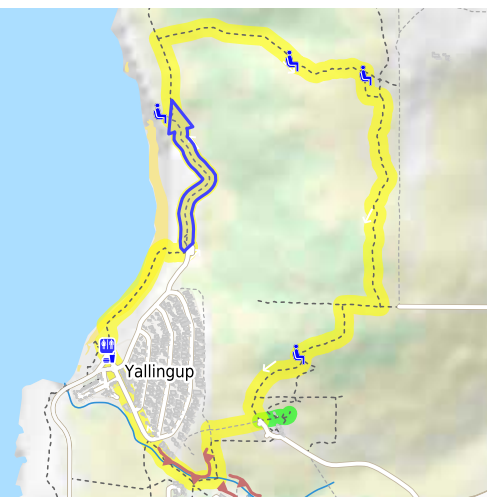
 1 h 30 min to 2 h  
 45 min to 1 h 15 min

  
6.3 km  
Circuit

  
↑ 244 m  
↓ 244 m

  
Moderate track

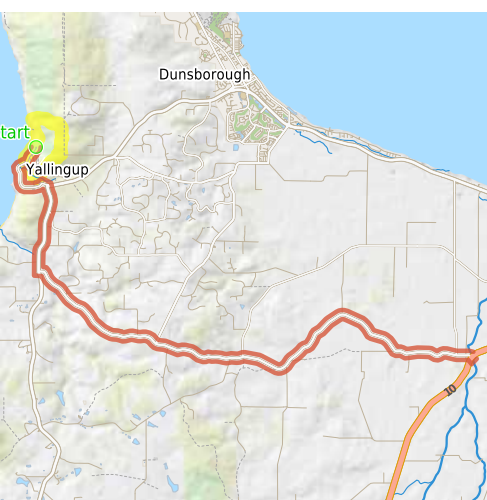
Starting from the Rabbit Hill Carpark at the end of Dawson Drive, Yallingup, this walk takes you on a circuit up Wardanup Hill, past Ngilgi Cave and along Yallingup Beach via the Wardanup Trail. A favourite with the locals, this picturesque 6.4 kilometre loop walk encompasses both coastal scenery and shady forest paths. You'll head along the cliff line that will provide you countless panoramic views. Keep an eye out for surfers as well. The trail climbs steeply up over Wardanup Hill through coastal peppermint forest, then heads down to Ngilgi Cave, an amazing Karst cave system with a beautiful array of varied crystal formations enhanced by colourful lighting. The trail then descends into the Yallingup Brook valley and the Yallingup township, passing the spectacular Yallingup reef and onto Yallingup Beach, where you walk along the sand before climbing back up to the Rabbit Hill Carpark. The Wardanup Trail is best suited for moderately experienced hikers due to the changing terrain that includes a sandy beach, dense forest coverage, steep hillsides, cliffs, and coastal rocks. Sturdy walking/hiking boots are recommended to handle the different ground coverings. The trail is open to the public every day, has restroom facilities and resting areas to take in the changing views or just to sit and enjoy a bottle of water and a snack. The loop trail is clearly defined and well signposted, with orange markers to guide you along the way. 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	Formed track, with some branches and other obstacles (3/6)
Gradient	Short steep hills (3/6)
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)

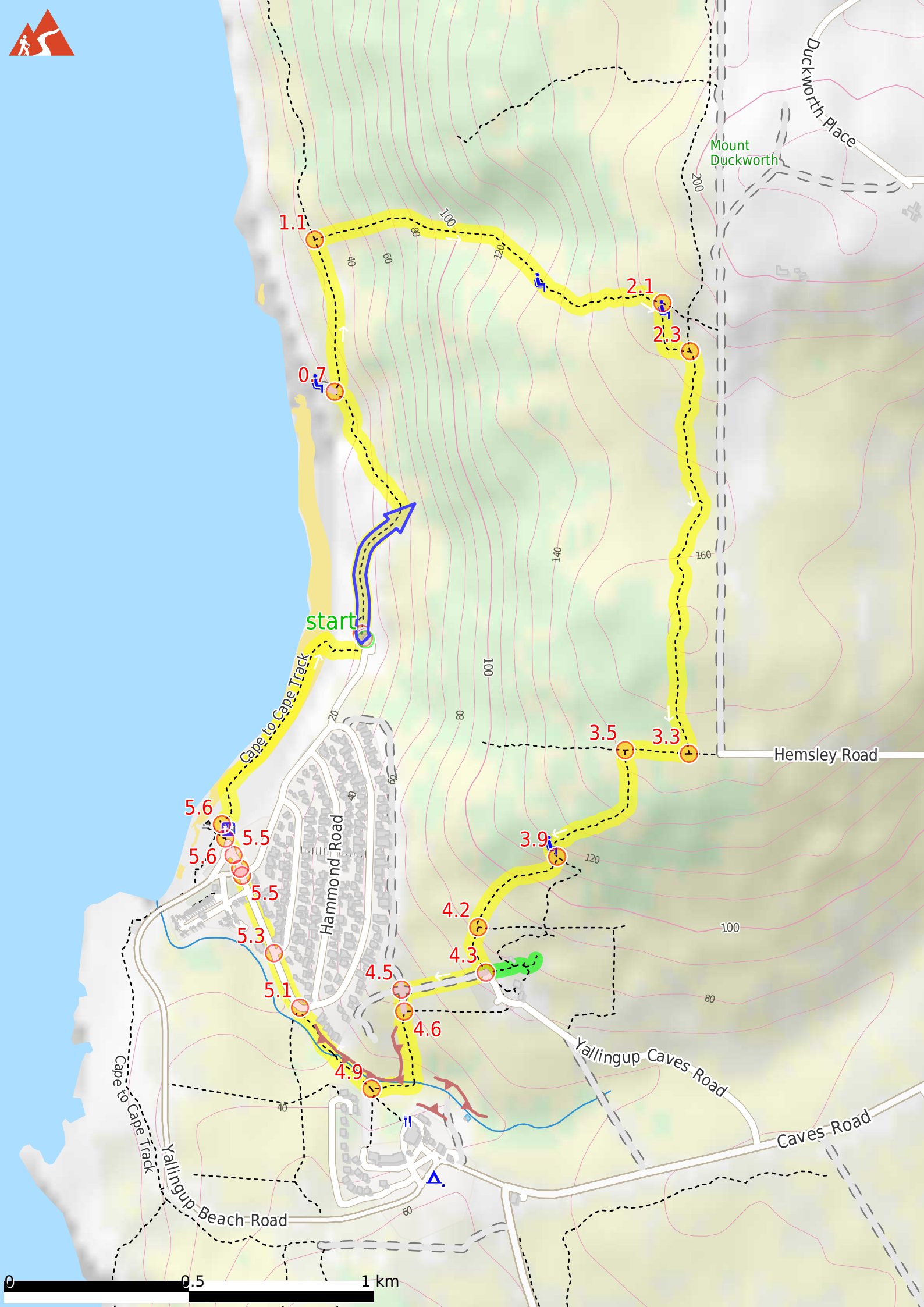
**Getting to the start:** From Bussell Highway, 10

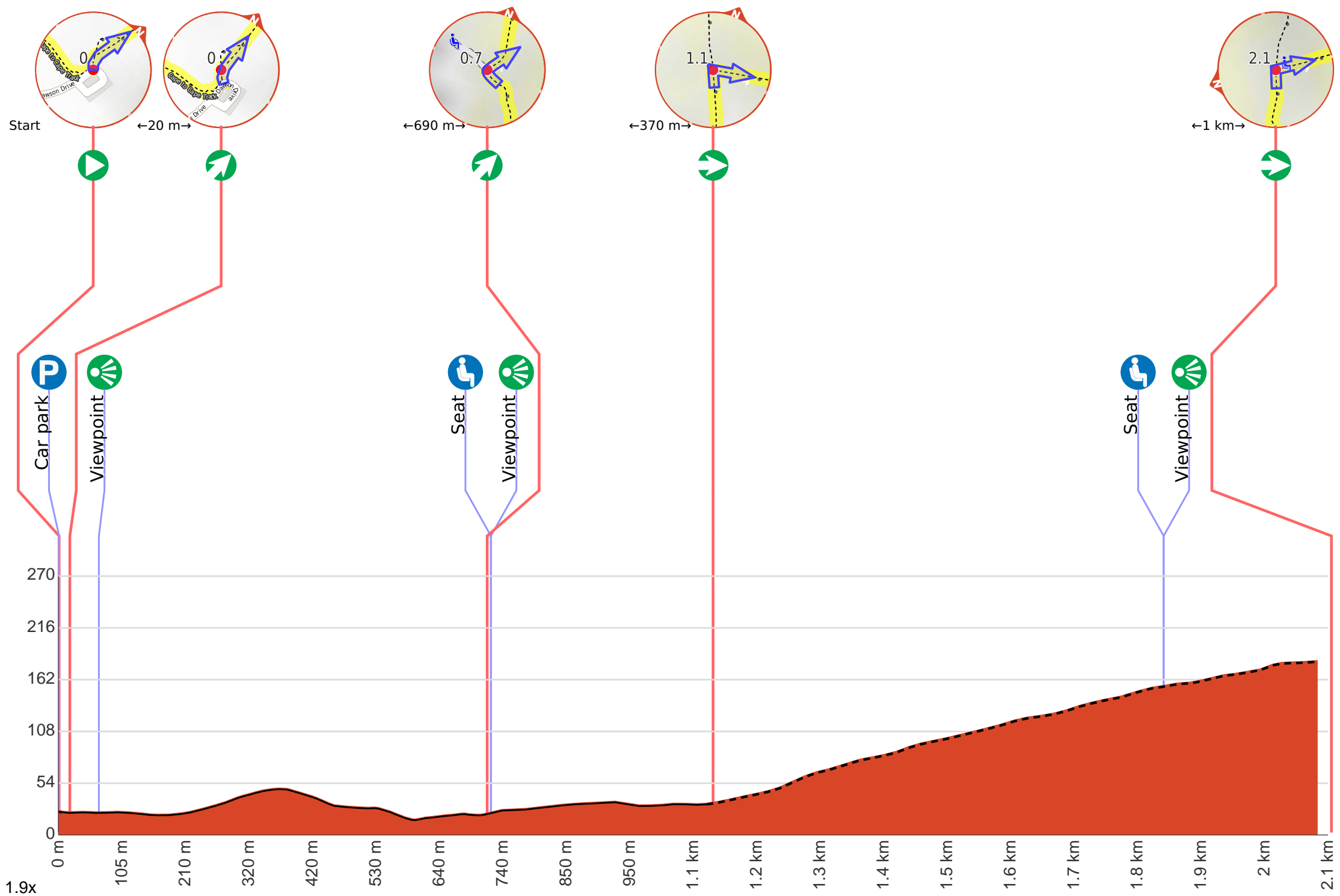
- Turn on to Wildwood Road then drive for 17.3 km
- Turn right onto Caves Road, 250 and drive for another 3 km
- Turn left onto Yallingup Beach Road and drive for another 1.9 km
- At roundabout, take exit 2 onto Dawson Drive and drive for another 460 m
- Keep left onto Dawson Drive and drive for another 235 m

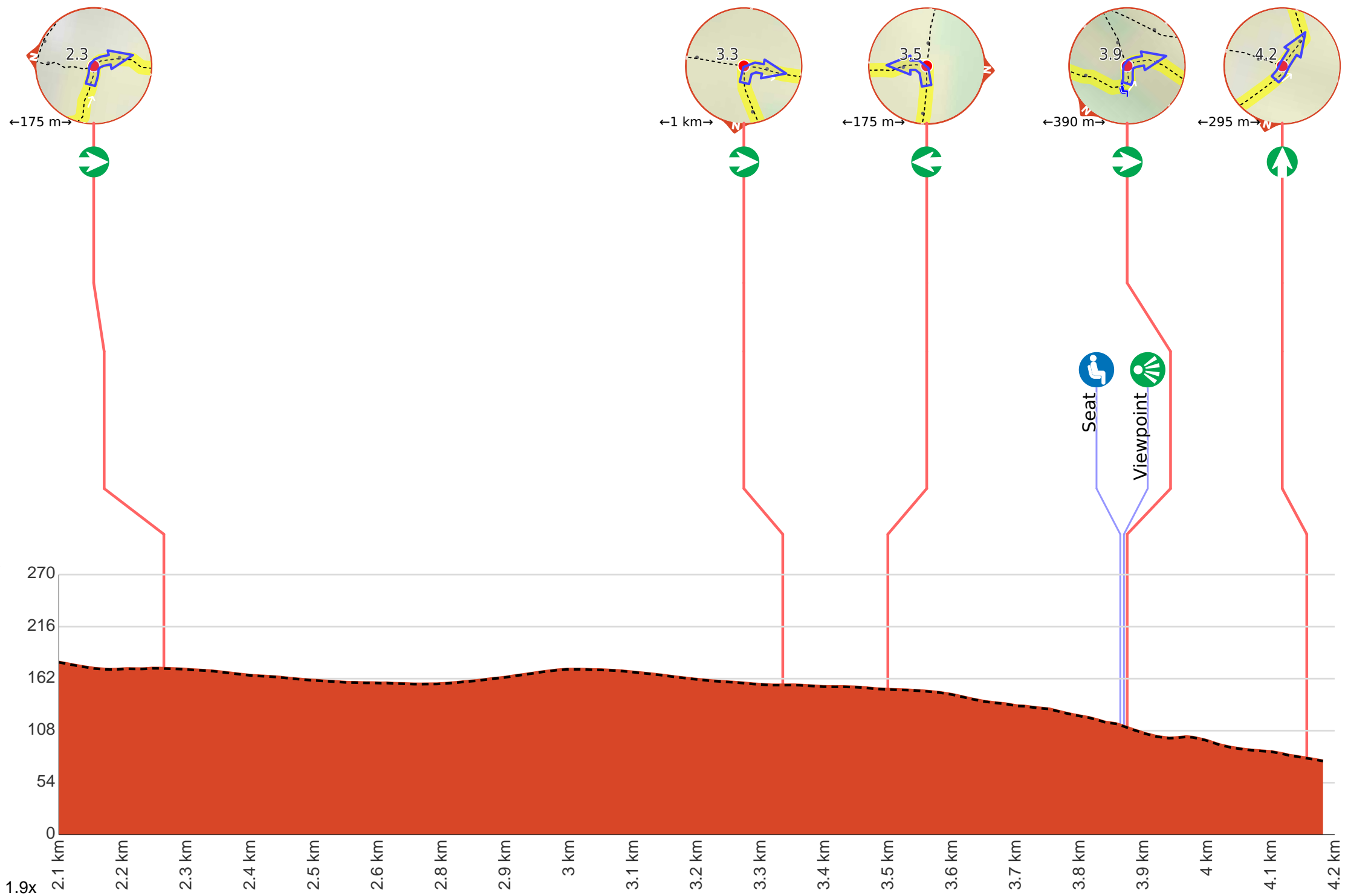


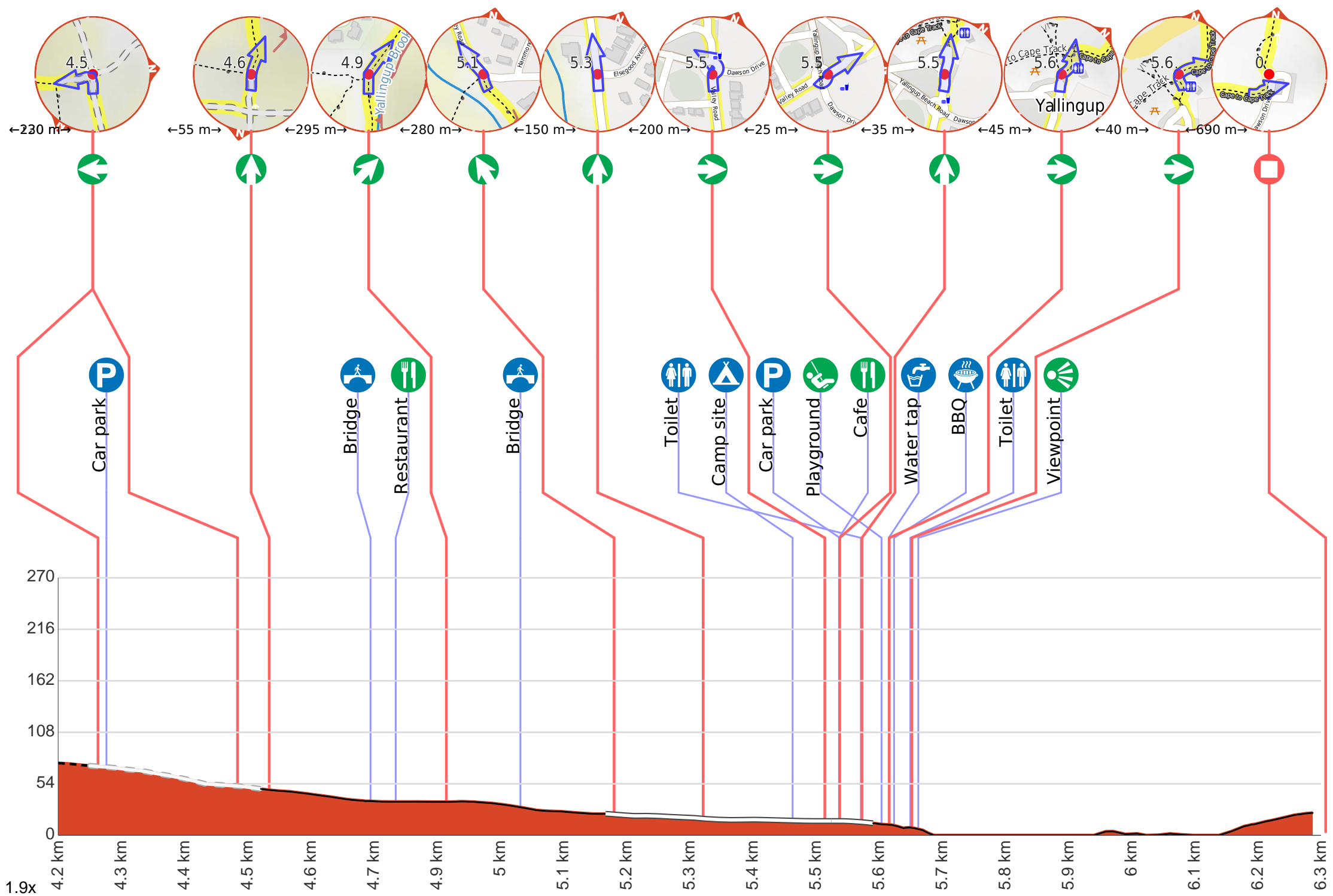
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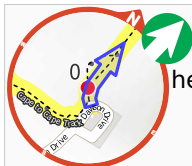
**Getting started:** From the Rabbit Hill Carpark at the end of Dawson Drive, Yallingup, head along the sandy path at the corner of the carpark, then climb the steps onto the wooden lookout with a couple of benches. From the lookout, head along the short sealed path until it joins the Cape to Cape Track, then turn left and follow the trail ahead to continue the Wardenup Trail Loop.



**Start.**



Find the car park at the start.



After another 20 m **veer right**, to head along Cape to Cape Track.



After another 50 m come to the viewpoint (15 m on your left).



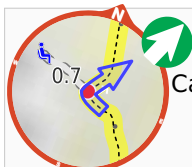
**Continue straight**, to head along Cape to Cape Track.



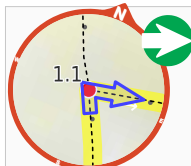
After another 650 m pass a seat (60 m on your left).



Then come to the viewpoint (60 m on your left).



**Veer right**, to head along Cape to Cape Track.



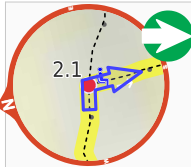
After another 370 m **turn right**.



After another 740 m pass a seat (7 m on your right)., has no backrest.



Then come to the viewpoint (7 m on your right)., has no backrest.



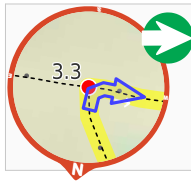
After another 275 m **turn right**.



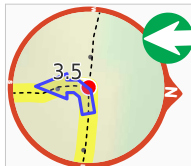
After another 40 m pass a seat (on your left)., has no backrest.



After another 135 m **turn right**.



After another 1 km **turn right**.



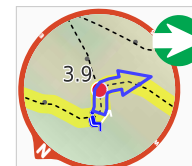
After another 175 m **turn left**.



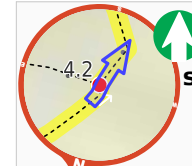
After another 380 m pass a seat (5 m on your right)., has no backrest.



After another 6 m come to the viewpoint (5 m on your right).

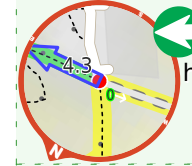


After another 5 m **turn right**.



After another 295 m **continue straight**.

**Start of an optional side trip:** This side trip takes you to the Ngilgi Cave, as mentioned in the description.



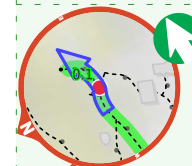
To start this optional side trip turn left here. **Start.**



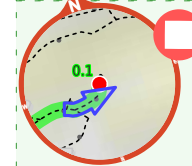
There is a car park (about 15 m back from the start).



After another 95 m **continue straight**.



After another 35 m **veer left**.



After another 35 m come to the end.



Turn around and retrace your steps back the 145 m to the main route.



Back at the main route continue straight and follow on from the 4.3 km waypoint.

