



Pennant Hills Park Loop (via Lane Cove River)

 2 h 15 min to 3 h 30 min

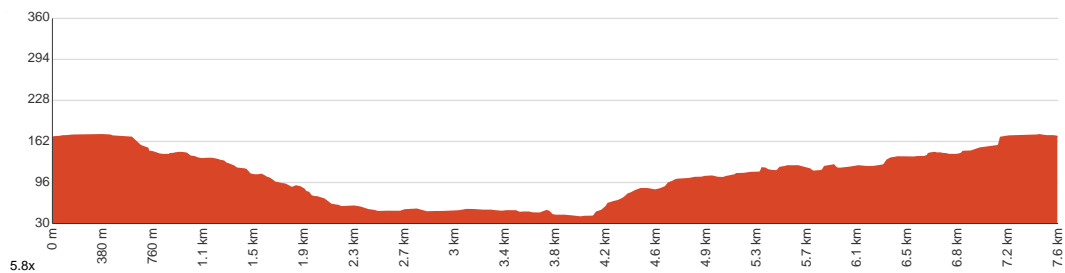

7.6 km
Circuit


↑ 187 m
↓ 187 m


Hard track



Setting out from Pennant Hills Train Station, this walk loops around Pennant Hills Park, exploring the surrounding bush and visiting Whale Rock on the way. The walk turns back towards the park after passing the Lane Cove River. The walk mostly follows management trails. 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 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	Storms may impact on navigation and safety (3/6)

Getting to the start: From Westlink M7, M7, Glenwood.

- Turn on to Pennant Hills Road Exit, M2 then drive for 960 m
- Keep left onto Pennant Hills Road Exit and drive for another 3.7 km
- Turn left onto Railway Street and drive for another 105 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

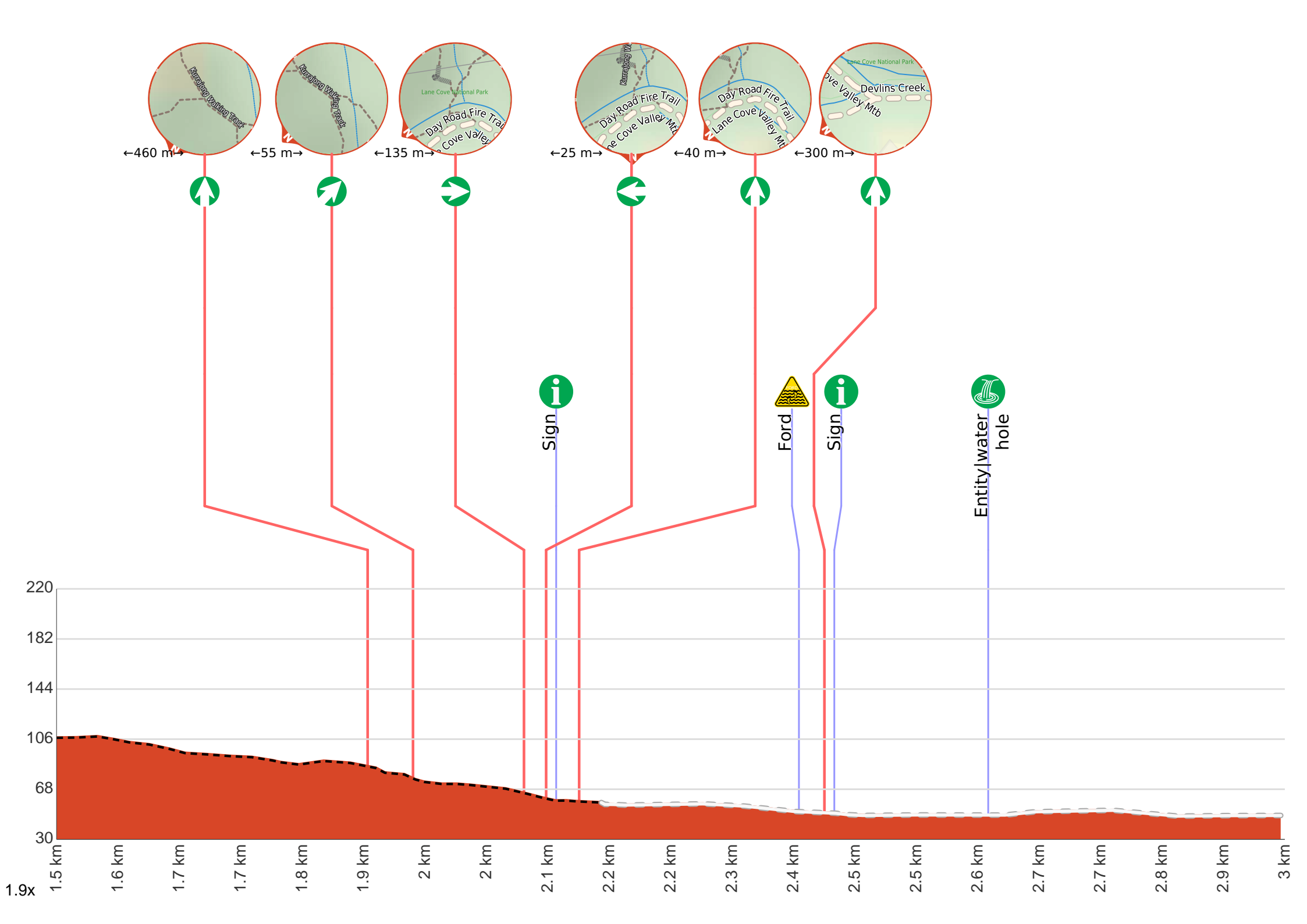
If not, change plans and stay safe. It is okay to delay and ask people for help.

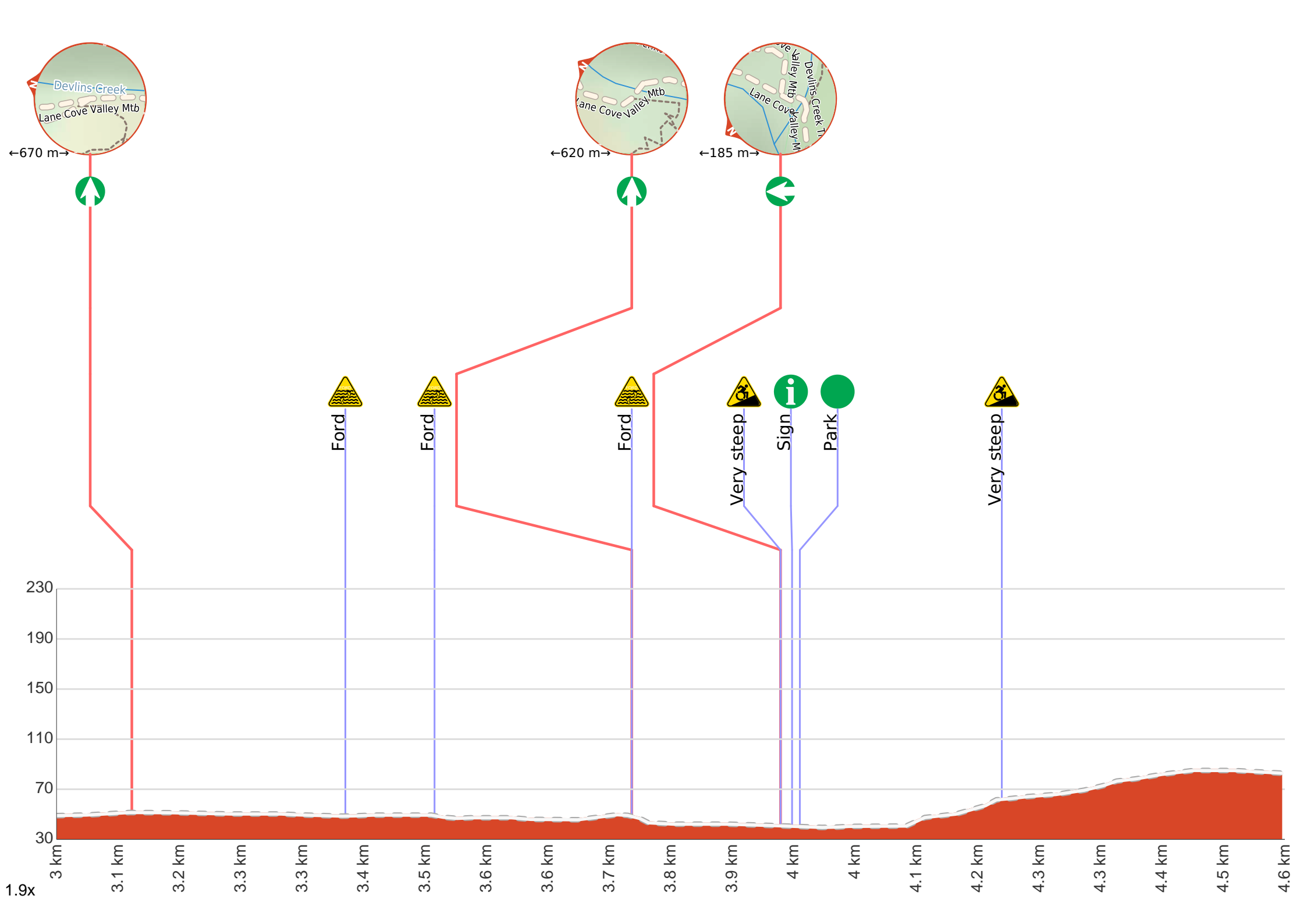
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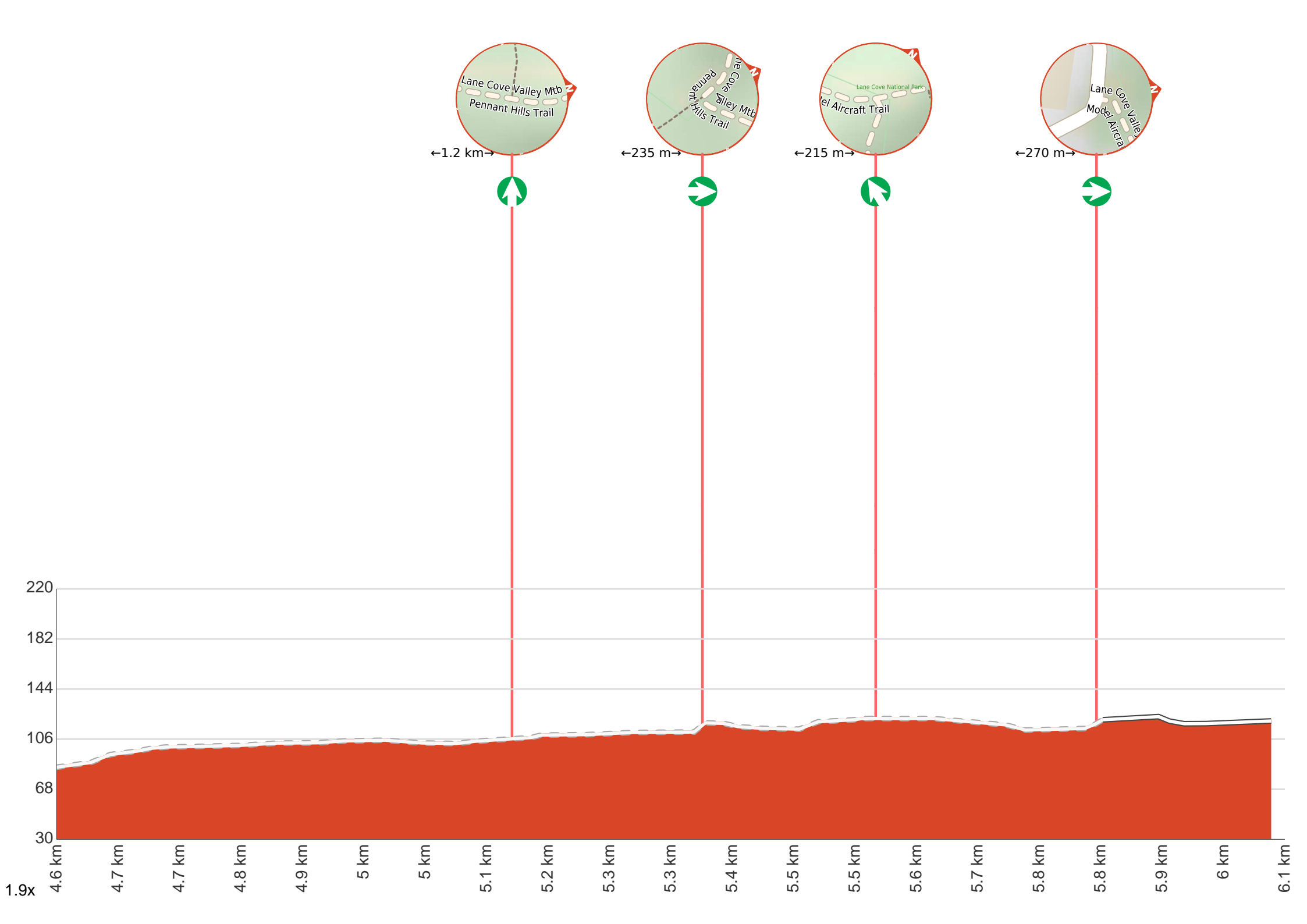


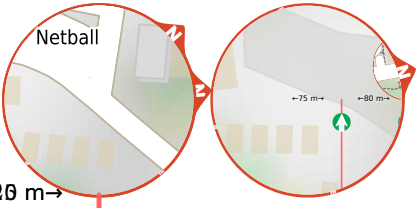












←220 m→



Playground



Car park

Getting started: From the platform the track heads out onto Railway street, turns right and continues up towards Pennant Hills road. Before it reaches the main road, the track heads up a short set of steps and up the ramp to the overpass, where it crosses the main road and continues down the other side to the bottom. Turning right at the main road, the track follows the footpath along the main road east for a short distance to the intersection of the Crescent. From the intersection the track follows the Crescent down the hill and along to the end of the road turning left and then immediately right onto Charlotte road which joins onto Britannia street and to the intersection of the Pennant Hills Park entry at the round about.

: From the 'Pennant Hills Park' entry sign (beside the Britannia St roundabout, near the car park), this walk leads gently downhill along the narrow concrete footpath, keeping the road to your right (and ignoring the short path on your right). After 10m this walk comes to a log seat (on your right), and 'Wildlife Protection Area', 'Mambara Track' and 'Mambara Access Track' signs (on your left). This walk continues for 40m along the path around the sharp left bend then continues for another 20m to come to a 3-way intersection, marked with an arrow post (on your left).

From the intersection, this walk follows the arrow post gently downhill along the concrete path, keeping the road (a short distance) to your right. After 5m this walk passes 'The Ultimate Jigsaw' sign (on your left) then continues gently uphill for about 140m over a series of rough concrete sections to come to a 3-way intersection with a dirt track (on the right).

From the intersection, this walk follows the

concrete path gently up over a rise (keeping the road to your right). After about 15m this walk leads gently downhill and soon bends left. This walk continues along the path for about 70m past a 'Bush Recycling' sign (on the left) to come to a 4-way intersection (with two dirt tracks on the right).

From the intersection, this walk heads distinctly but gently downhill along the concrete path as the track bends left. This walk then gently meanders downhill for about 20m through the open forest, passing a potential trip hazard on the path. This walk then continues for about 35m along the path which soon bends right, then comes to a sharp left hand bend. Half way through the bend there is a 3-way intersection with a dirt track (on the right).

From the intersection, this walk leads downhill along the concrete path, immediately passing the turning rest bay (on the left) and a 'You scratch my back' sign (on the right). This walk then continues gently downhill through the open forest for another 35m to a distinct 3-way intersection with a short concrete path (on the right).







After another 40 m (from the Day Road Fire Trail) **continue straight**, to head along Day Road Fire Trail (a vehicle track).



After another 270 m cross the ford (about 30 m long)



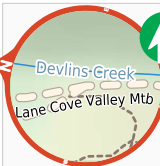
From the Devlins Creek Trail **continue straight**, to head along Devlins Creek Trail.



After another 10 m pass the sign (9 m on your left).



After another 190 m find the "Big Ducky Waterhole" (on your left). The service trail loops around the top of the Big Ducky waterhole and there is a nice rock overhang in which to break. Is also a popular bird watching area. Unfortunately, recently there has been large quantities of rubbish in the area. (If going down to the waterhole please consider carrying out some of the rubbish if every walker carries out a bit it will make a difference)



After another 460 m (at the intersection of Devlins Creek Trail & Boundary Road Firetrail) **continue straight**, to head along Devlins Creek Trail.



After another 265 m cross the ford (about 40 m long)



After another 70 m cross the ford (about 30 m long)



After another 210 m (from the Devlins Creek Trail) **continue straight**, to head along Devlins Creek Trail.



Then cross the ford (about 25 m long)



After another 160 m (at the intersection of Pennant Hills Trail & Devlins Creek Trail) **turn left**, to head along Pennant Hills Trail.



Then head up the very steep (10% ~ 5.7°) concrete incline (about 75 m long)



Then pass the sign (5 m on your right).



After another 10 m pass the "Bradley Reserve" (30 m on your right).



After another 250 m head up the very steep (20% ~ 11.3°) concrete incline (about 170 m long)



After another 330 m (from the Pennant Hills Trail) **continue straight**, to head along Pennant Hills Trail.



After another 410 m (from the Pennant Hills Trail) **continue straight**, to head along Pennant Hills Trail.



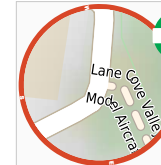
After another 160 m (from the Pennant Hills Trail) **continue straight**, to head along Pennant Hills Trail.



After another 70 m (from the Pennant Hills Trail) **turn right**, to head along Pennant Hills Trail.



After another 215 m (at the intersection of Model Aircraft Trail & Pennant Hills Trail) **veer left**, to head along Model Aircraft Trail.



After another 270 m (from the Model Aircraft Trail) **turn right** (a service road).



After another 255 m **continue straight**.



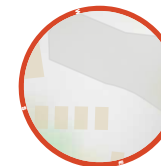
After another 110 m pass the playground (25 m on your left).

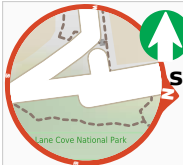


After another 110 m **continue straight**.



After another 55 m pass the "Netball" (on your right).





After another 15 m **continue straight.**



After another 65 m **continue straight.**



After another 70 m (from the Mambara Track)
continue straight.

