



# Katoomba Cascades

(Dharug & Gundungurra Country)

10 min to 15 min

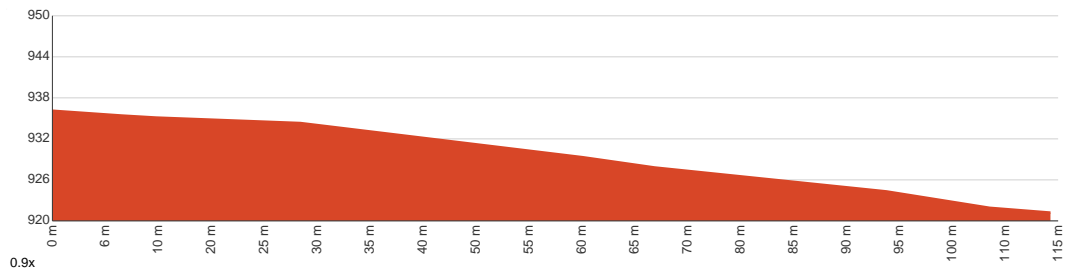
225 m  
Return

↑ 15 m  
↓ 15 m

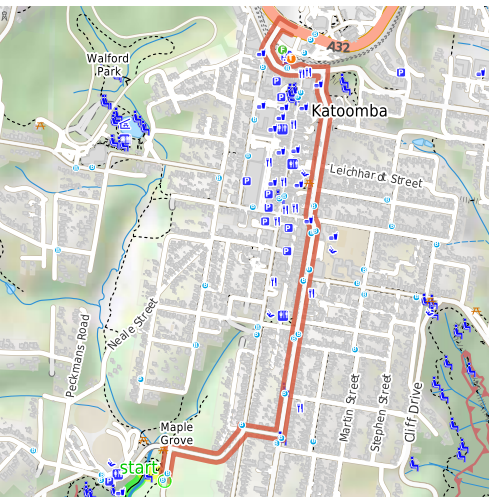
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Moderate track



This short walk starts at Katoomba Falls Park, on Cliff Drive. The track heads down to the popular Katoomba Cascades. There is some shade and a bench seat at the base of the falls. There are a few spots to enjoy a snack or get the feet wet on a hot day. An optional side trip can extend the walk to follow the Kedumba river to the spot it falls into the valley, a few hundred meters below, providing excellent views. Let us begin by acknowledging the Dharug & Gundungurra 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	
<b>Quality of track</b>	Formed track, with some branches and other obstacles (3/6)
<b>Gradient</b>	Gentle hills with occasional steps (2/6)
<b>Signage</b>	Directional signs along the way (3/6)
<b>Infrastructure</b>	Generally useful facilities (such as fenced cliffs and seats) (1/6)
<b>Experience Required</b>	No experience required (1/6)
<b>Weather</b>	Weather generally has little impact on safety (1/6)



**Getting to the start:** From Great Western Highway, A32

- Turn on to Parke Street, BMD then drive for 105 m
- At roundabout, take exit 1 onto Bathurst Road, BMD and drive for another 165 m
- At roundabout, take exit 1 onto Gang Gang Street, BMD and drive for another 105 m
- Turn right onto Lurline Street, BMD and drive for another 1.4 km
- Turn right onto Goyder Avenue and drive for another 140 m
- Turn left onto Katoomba Street and drive for another 10 m
- Keep right onto Katoomba Falls Road and drive for another 325 m
- Turn left onto Cliff Drive, BMD and drive for another 125 m

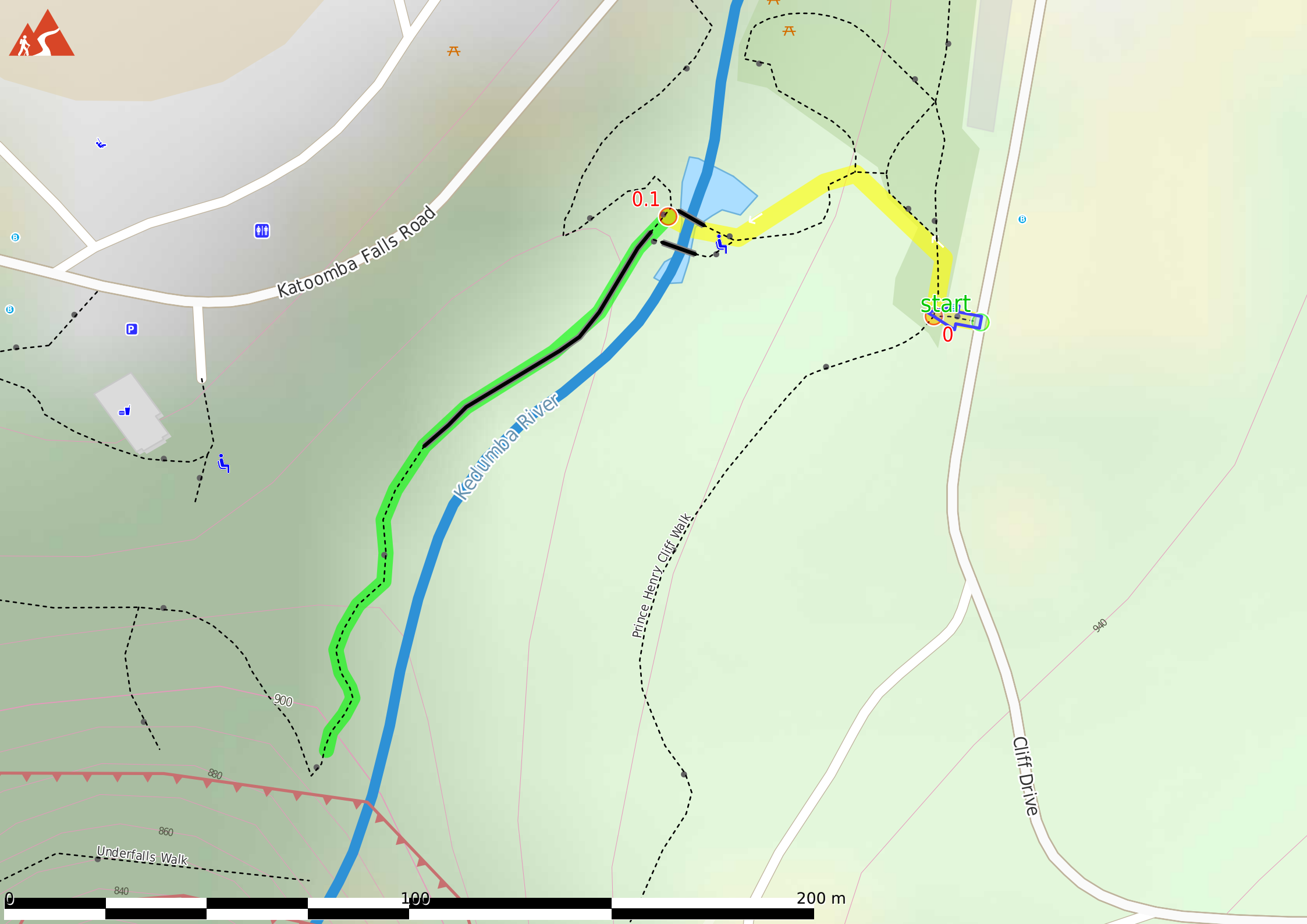
**Before you start any journey ensure you;**

- 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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Katoomba Falls Road

Kedumba River

Prince Henry Cliff Walk

Underfalls Walk

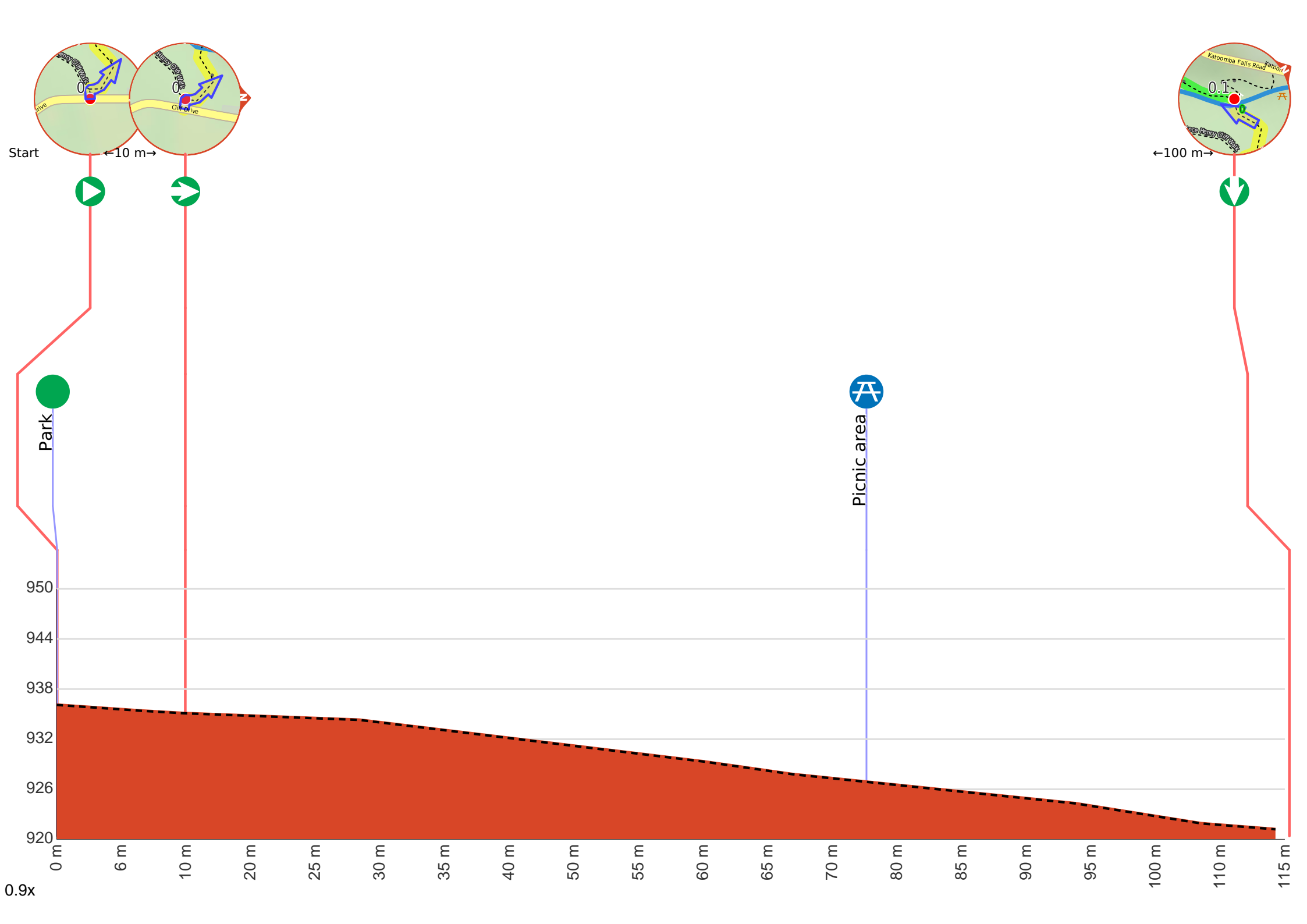
Cliff Drive

start

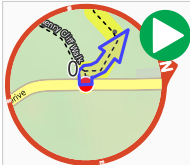
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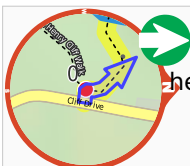


**Getting started:** From the intersection, this walk heads away from the 'Cliff View Lookout' sign, keeping the road on the right of the footpath. The path heads into open parkland, around the edge of the park and down the wooden steps to the bottom, where the walk comes to the Kedumba River crossing, just downstream of the Katoomba Cascades.



**Start.**

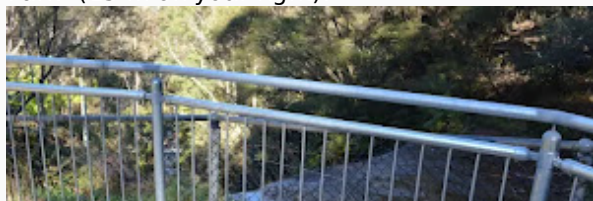
Find the Katoomba Falls Reserve at the start.



After another 10 m **turn right**, to head along Prince Henry Cliff Walk.



After another 65 m find the "Katoomba Falls Park" (15 m on your right).



The Katoomba Falls Picnic area and park is found at the corner of 'Katoomba Falls Rd' and 'Cliff Dr', Katoomba. The south and western edge of the park is lined with a fence protecting the small Kedumba River, just above Katoomba Cascades. There is a fenced (1.2m high) viewing platform at the top of the cascades, and a smooth/flat concrete footpath leading to it. The park is also home to a series of 8 picnic tables. There is a car park for around 17 cars on Cliff Dr, as well as a separate signposted mobility parking bay at the south-eastern corner of the park. A pleasant picnic area.



After another 40 m come to a ford.

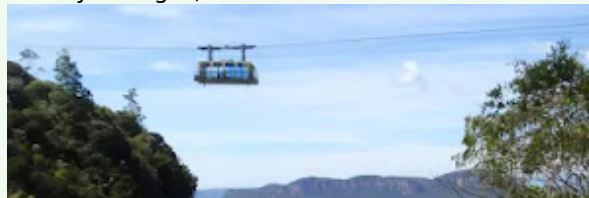
**Start of an optional side trip:** An optional side trip to Kedumba River lookout.



To start this optional side trip turn left here. **Start** heading along *Prince Henry Cliff Walk*.



After 175 m find the "Kedumba River lookout" (5 m on your right).



This unnamed, fenced lookout is at the bend in the track along Kedumba River, at the top of Katoomba Falls. The lookout gives great views across the valley to Mount Solitary and Narrow Neck. There are also glimpses of the Katoomba Falls as it drops away, far into the valley below.



After another 5 m come to the end.



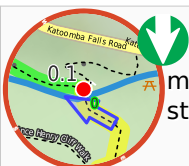
About 25 m past the end is "Katoomba Falls".



Turn around and retrace your steps back the 180 m to the main route.



Back at the main route veer right and follow on from the 115 m waypoint.



Turn around here and retrace the main route for 115 m to get back to the start.



About 15 m past the end is "Katoomba Cascades".



Popular with locals and visitors alike, these picturesque cascades are on the Kedumba River. The cascades are nestled in the bend on Cliff Drive, near Katoomba Park. There are stepping stones across the creek at the bottom of the falls and a bench seat in the shade. There are a few small clearings where visitors can sit and enjoy the falls.