



Stephenson Rd to Crackneck Lookout

(Darkinjung & Guringai Country)

15 min to 30 min

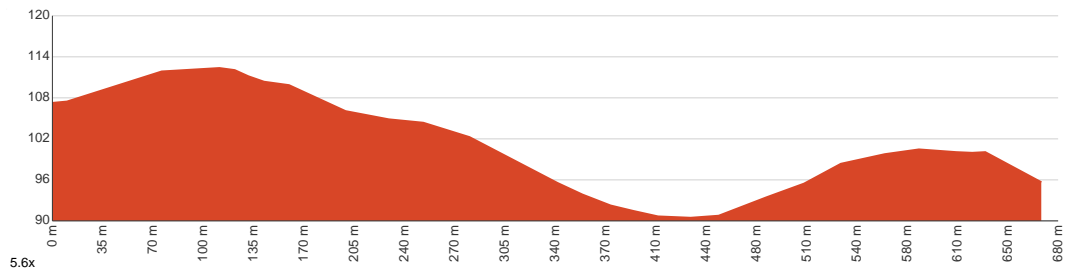
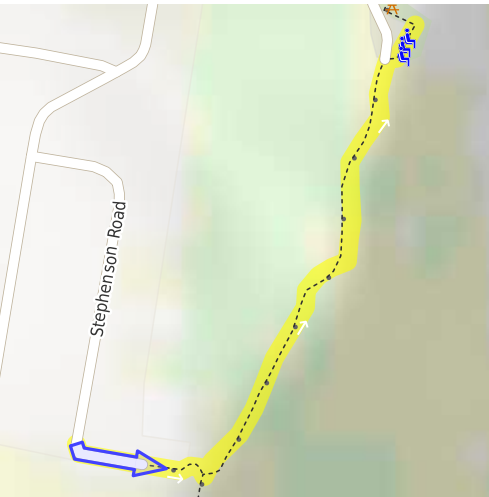
670 m
One way

↑ 15 m
↓ 27 m

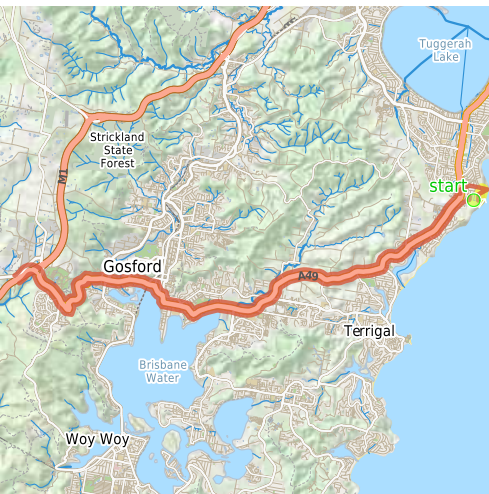
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Moderate track



A great short walk through some beautiful coastal forest, with some brilliant coastal views along the way. Crackneck Lookout, at the end of the walk, is a great spot for a picnic lunch, enjoying the views and atmosphere of this part of Wyrabalong National Park. If you are doing this as a return walk, the alternative exit to Stephenson Rd, through some beautiful forest scenery, is a nice way to finish. 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 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	Gentle hills with occasional steps (2/6)
Signage	Directional signs along the way (3/6)
Infrastructure	Limited facilities, not all cliffs are fenced (3/6)
Experience Required	No experience required (1/6)
Weather	Weather generally has little impact on safety (1/6)



Getting to the start: From Pacific Motorway, M1

- Turn on to Central Coast Highway, A49 then drive for 7.8 km
- At roundabout, take exit 2 onto Dane Drive, A49 and drive for another 6.5 km
- At roundabout, take exit 2 onto The Entrance Road, A49 and drive for another 3.6 km
- At roundabout, take exit 2 onto The Entrance Road, A49 and drive for another 710 m
- At roundabout, take exit 1 onto The Entrance Road, A49 and drive for another 1.6 km
- At roundabout, take exit 2 onto The Entrance Road, A49 and drive for another 100 m
- Continue onto The Entrance Road, A49 and drive for another 870 m
- At roundabout, take exit 1 onto The Entrance Road, A49 and drive for another 2 km
- At roundabout, take exit 3 onto Coleridge Road and drive for another 390 m
- Turn right onto Shakespeare Avenue and drive for another 440 m
- Turn sharp right onto Kipling Drive and drive for another 130 m
- Turn left onto Stephenson Road and drive for another 360 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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Keats Avenue

Shakespeare Avenue

Kipling Drive

Stephenson Road

Hilltop Street

The Coast Walking Track

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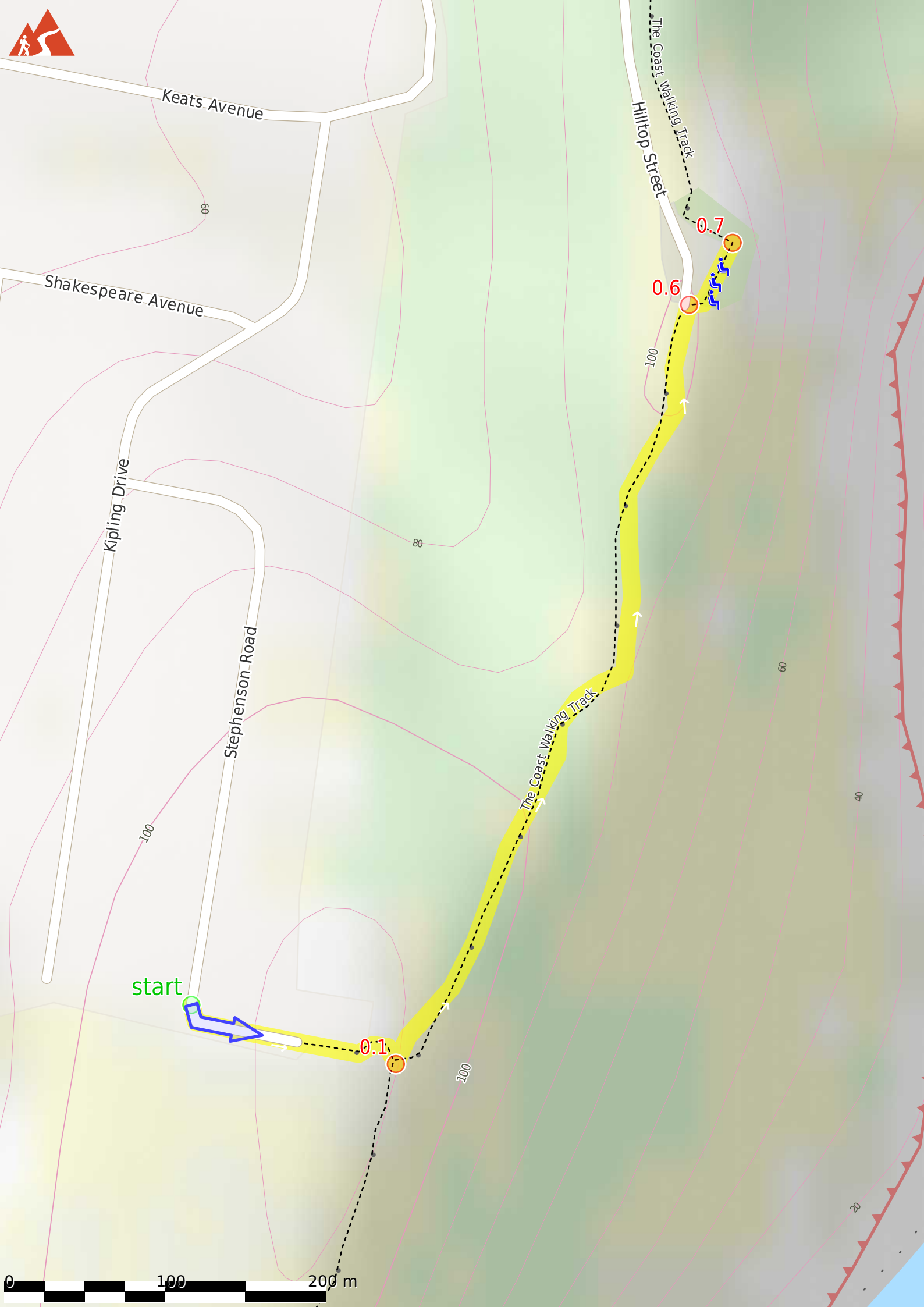
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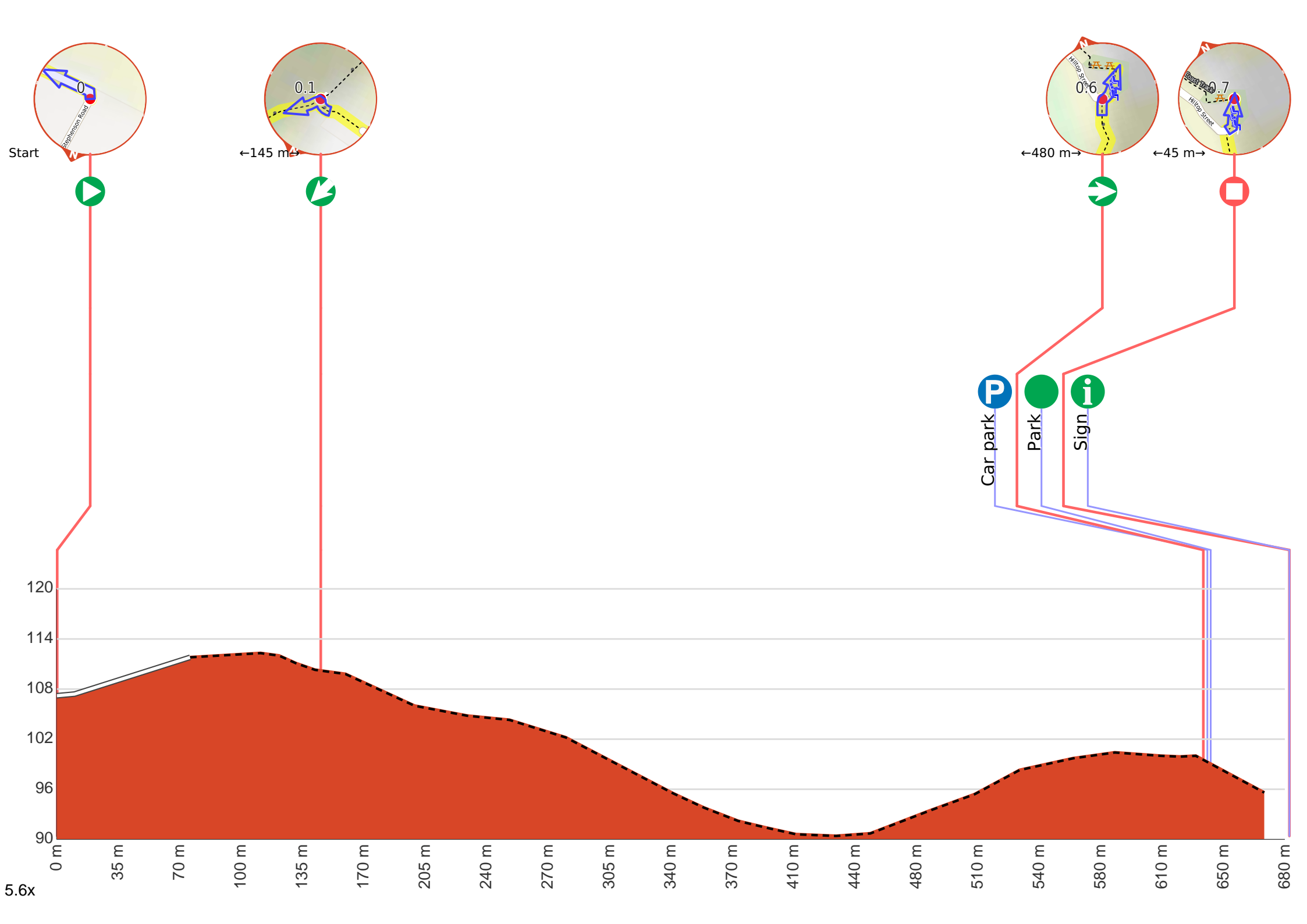
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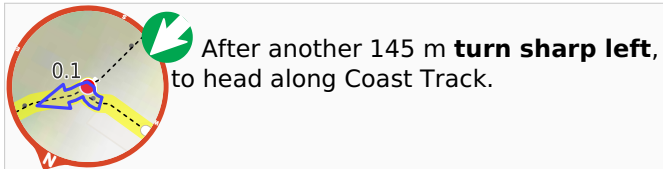
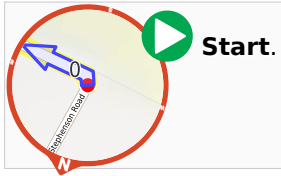
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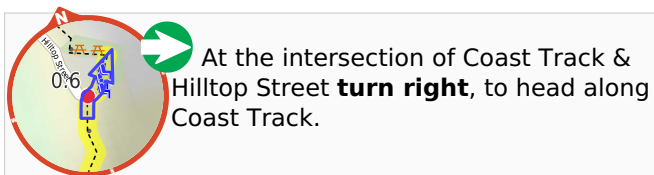




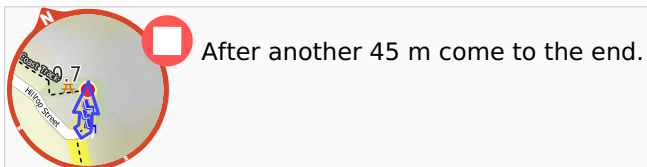
Getting started: From the end of Stephenson Rd, Bateau Bay, this walk passes around the gate and follows the management trail up the hill. The trail passes a house and then several large water tanks, to the left, before narrowing and going a short distance further to an intersection with a sandy track.



P After another 480 m to find the car park.



● Then pass the park (on your left).



i Then pass the sign (on your right).

♿ A seat.



About 10 m past the end is "Crackneck Lookout".



This lookout, at the end of Hilltop St, Bateau Bay, has stunning views up and down the coastline, and out to sea. There are picnic tables and an information board about marine mammals. There is a hangliding launch spot beside the lookout.



About 10 m past the end is a picnic table.



About 30 m past the end is a picnic table.