




The Sanctuary Circuit

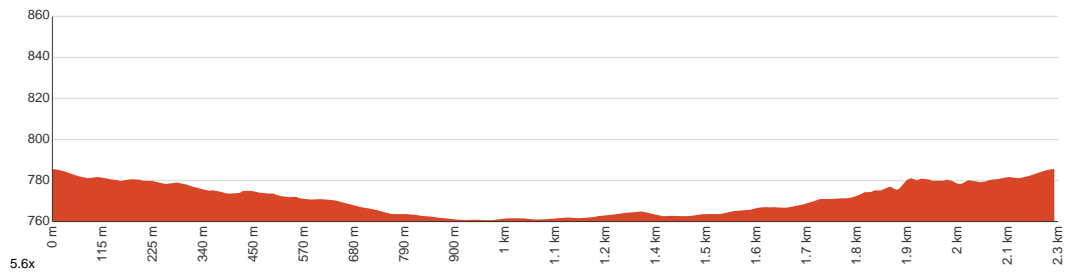
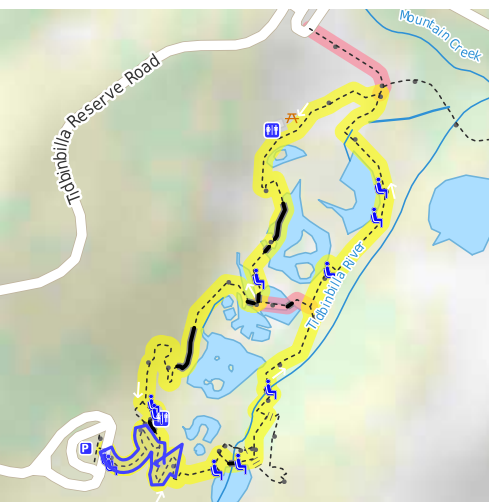
 40 min to 1 h


2.3 km
Circuit

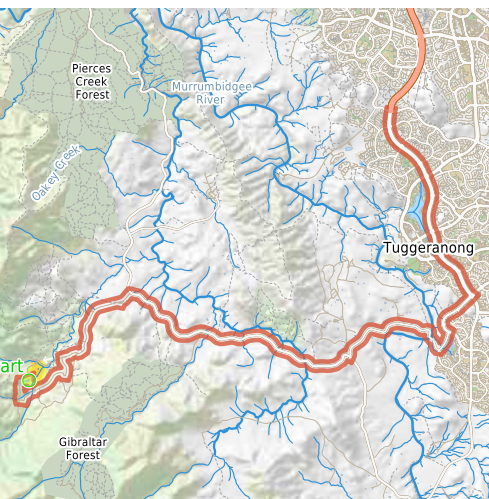

↑ 40 m
↓ 40 m

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Easy track

Starting from The Sanctuary's southern car park off Tidbinbilla Reserve Road, Paddys River, this walk takes you on a circuit around The Sanctuary via a concrete track all the way. The Sanctuary is an environmental project that is surrounded by a 'predator-proof' fence for about 40 years, thus teeming with wildlife. You can come across platypuses and brush-tailed rock-wallabies, along with some superb fairywrens (which are basically lightning-fast fluffballs) whilst going through the facility. The area is built to save endangered animal species from extinction. The track is flat and concrete all the way through, therefore wheelchair accessible. It is also a great spot to have a family picnic as there are plenty of picnic tables at scenic spots all around. 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 2 of 6 Clear and well formed track or trail	
Quality of track	Smooth and hardened path (1/6)
Gradient	Flat, no steps (1/6)
Signage	Clearly signposted (1/6)
Infrastructure	Generally useful facilities (such as fenced cliffs and seats) (1/6)
Experience Required	No experience required (1/6)
Weather	Weather generally has little impact on safety (2/6)



Getting to the start: From Tuggeranong Parkway

- Turn on to Drakeford Drive then drive for 2 km
- At roundabout, take exit 3 onto Woodcock Drive and drive for another 2 km
- Turn right onto Jim Pike Avenue and drive for another 820 m
- Turn right onto Point Hut Road and drive for another 4.8 km
- Turn right onto Tidbinbilla Road and drive for another 10 km
- Turn left onto Tidbinbilla Reserve Road and drive for another 550 m
- Continue onto Tidbinbilla Reserve Road and drive for another 3 km
- Turn slight right onto Tidbinbilla Reserve Road and drive for another 670 m
- Turn left onto Ashbrook Fire Trail and drive for another 3.2 km
- Turn right onto Tidbinbilla Reserve Road and drive for another 760 m
- Turn right and drive for another 440 m

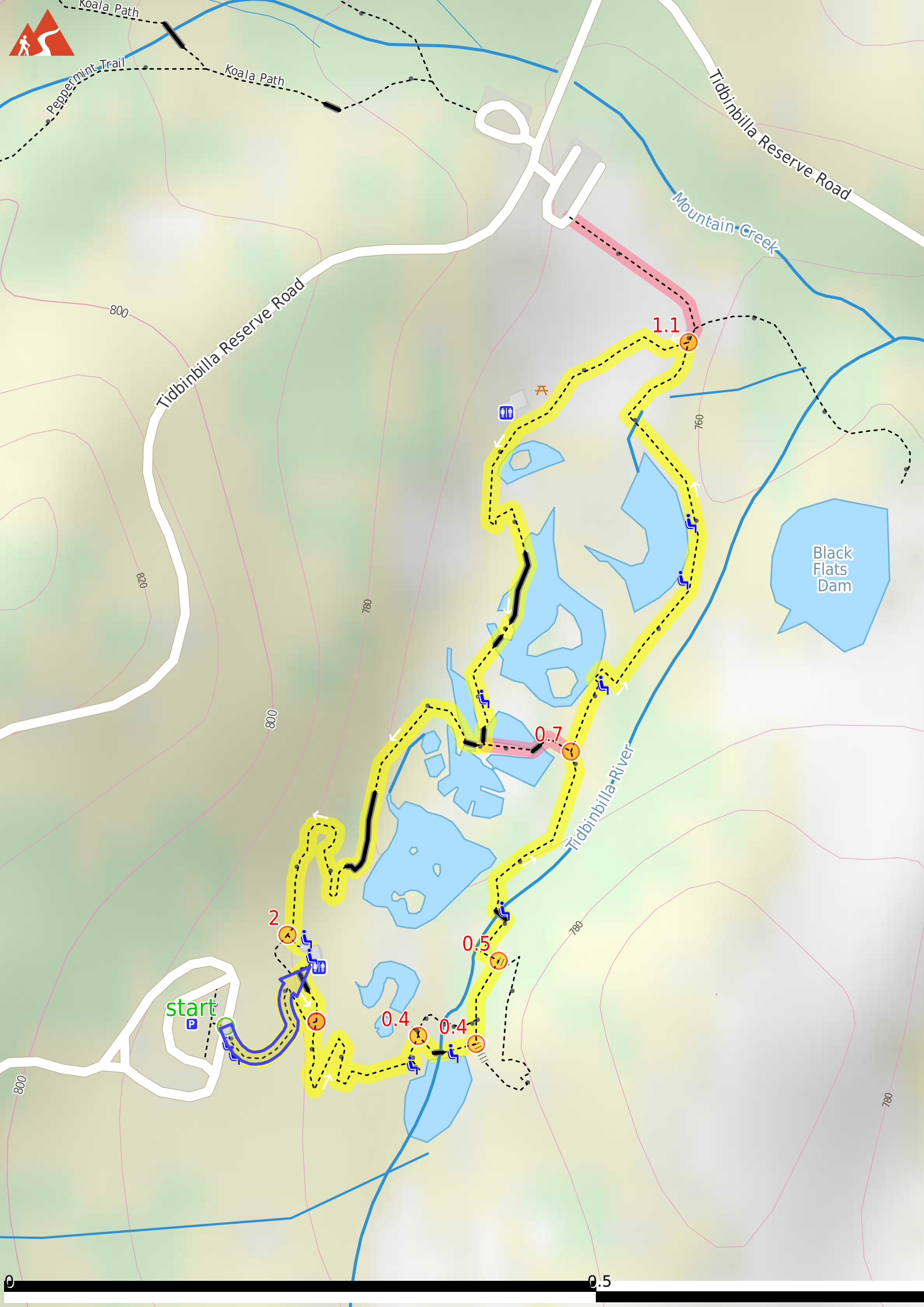
Before you start any journey ensure you;

- 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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start

Tidbinbilla Reserve Road

Tidbinbilla Reserve Road

Mountain Creek

Black Flats Dam

Tidbinbilla River

800

820

780

800

760

780

800

780

2

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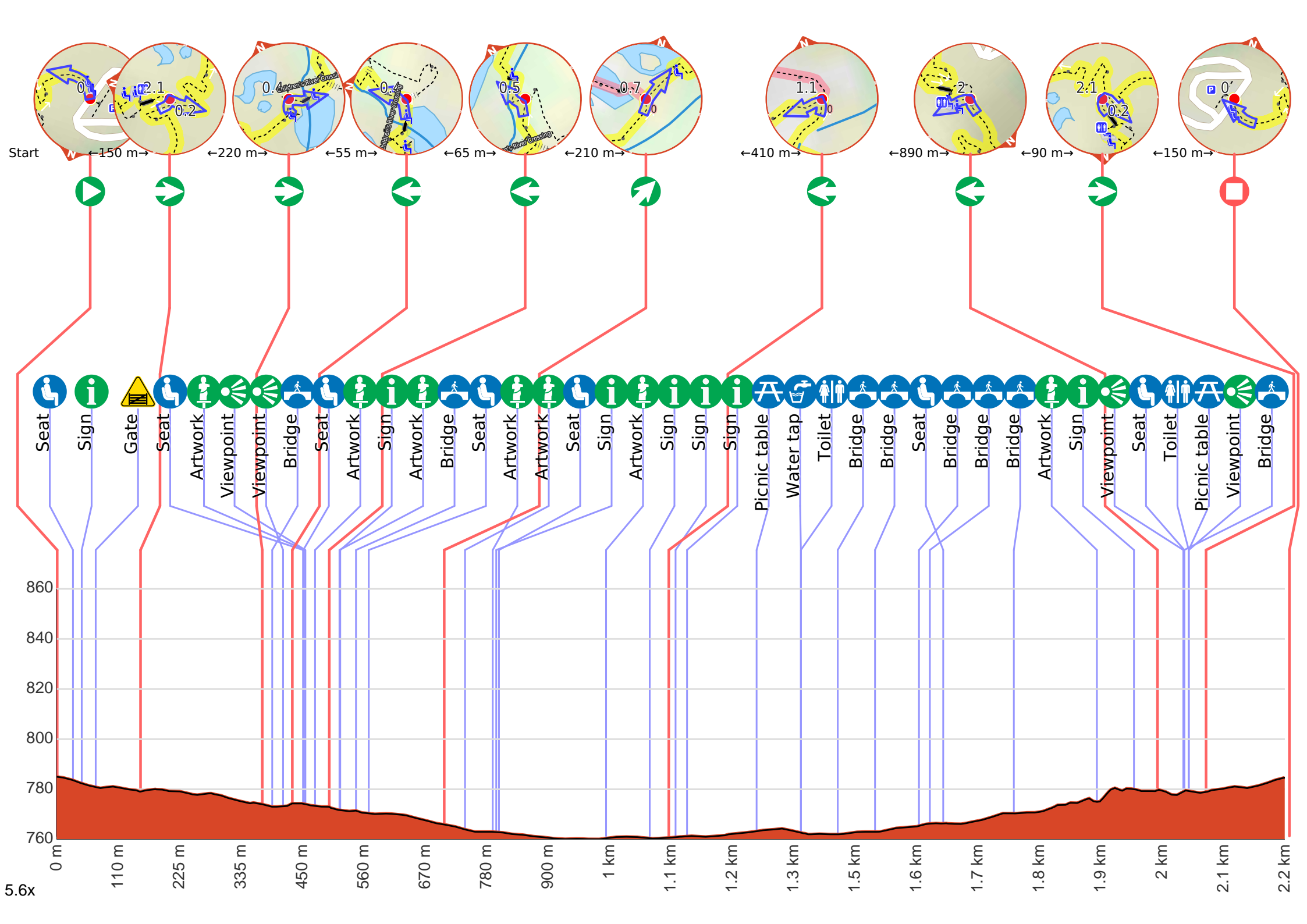
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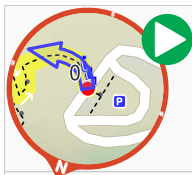
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Getting started: From The Sanctuary's southern car park off Tidbinbilla Reserve Road (660 metres southwest of Black Flats Dam), head towards the slanted "The Sanctuary" informational signpost along the concrete footpath. Pass by the said signpost (to your left) and follow the track as it veers left. Head between the boulders and pass through the gate. Turn right as the track divides into two to continue along The Sanctuary Circuit (counterclockwise).



Start.



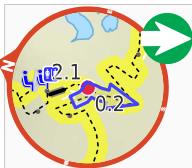
After 30 m pass a seat (on your right).



After another 15 m pass the sign (7 m on your left).



After another 25 m head through/around the gate.



After another 80 m **turn right.**



After another 200 m **turn left.**



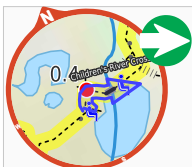
After another 95 m pass a seat (on your right).



Then pass the artwork (8 m on your right).



Then come to the viewpoint (10 m on your right).



Turn right.



After another 40 m come to the viewpoint (10 m on your left).



Then cross the bridge (about 8 m long)



After another 30 m **turn left.**



After another 20 m pass a seat (on your right).



After another 20 m pass the artwork (10 m on your left).



After another 25 m **turn left.**



After another 20 m pass the sign (on your right).



Then pass the "No rocks, No icecream" (5 m on your right).



After another 30 m cross the bridge (about 10 m long)

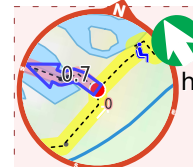


After another 10 m pass a seat (5 m on your right).



After another 225 m pass the artwork (15 m on your left).

Start of an alternate route: An alternate route cutting the loop short if you're low on time.



To take the alternate route veer left here. **Start.**



After 25 m pass the artwork (30 m on your left).



Then cross the bridge (about 8 m long)



After another 10 m pass the artwork (5 m on your left).



After another 30 m come to the end.



At the end of this alternate route, rejoin the main route.



The alternate route finishes here. Continue straight to rejoin the main route at the 1.6 km waypoint.



Veer right.



After another 40 m pass the artwork (30 m on your left).



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



Then pass the sign (on your left).



After another 200 m pass the artwork (5 m on your left).



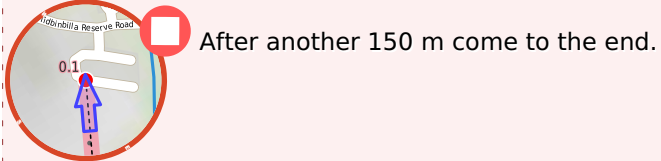
After another 80 m pass the sign (on your left).



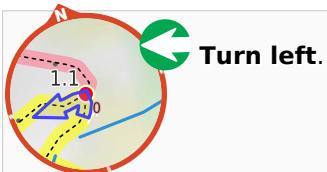
After another 45 m pass the sign (on your right).

Start of an alternate access route: An alternate access point from/to the northern car park off

Tidbinbilla Reserve Road, Paddys River.



A car park.



After another 35 m pass the sign (on your right).

After another 125 m pass the picnic table (20 m on your right).

After another 80 m pass the water tap (8 m on your right).

Then pass the toilet (20 m on your right).

After another 65 m cross the bridge (about 55 m long)

After another 15 m cross the bridge (about 9 m long)

After another 115 m pass a seat (on your left).

Then cross the bridge (about 10 m long)

The alternate route finishes here. Continue straight to rejoin the main route at the 1.6 km waypoint.

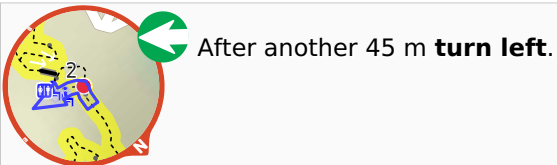
After another 2 m **turn right.**

After another 8 m cross the bridge (about 30 m long)

After another 125 m cross the bridge (about 70 m long)

After another 80 m pass the artwork (9 m on your left).

After another 70 m pass the sign (on your right).



After another 45 m come to the viewpoint (9 m on your left).

Then pass a seat (on your right).

After another 8 m pass the toilet (7 m on your left).

Then pass the picnic table (10 m on your left).

Then come to the viewpoint (15 m on your left).

Continue straight.
Keep left.

After another 8 m cross the bridge (about 15 m long)

