



Great River Walk: Wisemans Ferry to Mangrove Bridge

Dharug, Darkinjung and Guringai country

10 hrs to 2 days

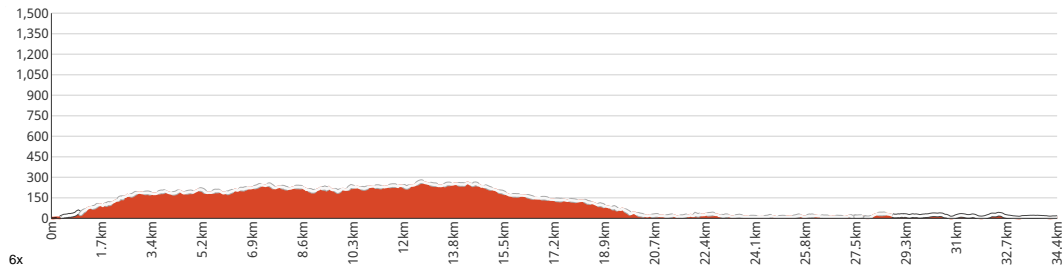
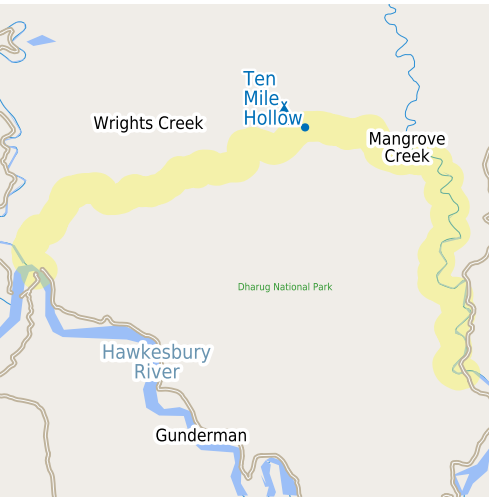
34.4km
one-way

↑ 937m
↓ 937m

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Hard track



This section of the Great River Walk starts from Wisemans Ferry Park (at the Convict Road Kiosk), crosses the Hawkesbury River on the ferry, and soon starts following the Old Great North Road after crossing the historic Thomas James Bridge. The walk leads you up along the old convict-built road (closed to cars), past Indigenous artwork, sandstone culverts, large rock cuttings, Hangmans Rock, and Devines Hill. The walk then leads you along the ridge past the Wat Buddha Dhamma (Theravadin Forest Monastery) in the middle of the bush to then find your overnight stay at Ten Mile Hollow Campsite. The next day, the walk winds down along Simpsons track, past some sandstone overhangs to follow alongside Mangrove Creek, then along Oyster Shell Road to the bridge over Sugee Bag Creek. Continue following Oyster Shell Road south along the right (west) bank of Mangrove Creek and passing the Eastern Commission Fire rail at 2.5km, and then crossing Birdseye Creek and Screech Owl Creek before arriving at Mangrove Creek Bridge on Wisemans Ferry Road, 6km north of the river town of Spencer and the end of the route.



Class: 4/6, Hard track	
Quality of track	Clear and well formed track or trail (2/6)
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)

Before you start ensure you;

- Tell someone you trust where you are going and what to do if you are late returning
- Have the equipment, supplies, skills & knowledge to undertake this journey safely
- Consider weather forecasts, park/track closures, fire dangers and foreseeable risks
- Can respond to emergencies & call for help at any point
- Are healthy and fit enough for this journey

If not, postpone or change plans and stay safe. Ask people for help.

Bushwalking can be fun, but it is also inherently dangerous. The information provided here is general in nature and does not account for your specific circumstances. It is your responsibility to evaluate your situation, prepare appropriately, and manage any risks, errors, omissions, or unforeseen challenges. The authors and publishers accept no responsibility or liability for any inconvenience, loss, or injury arising from the use of this information.

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Settlers Road

Wrights Creek

Central Macdonald

Yengo National Park

Ten Mile Hollow

14.6

Convict Trail plaque and log book

Mead Gully

Worleys Creek

Crafts Creek

Inn of the Mangrove Dam Creek bore field

Popran National Park

Devines Hill
Hangmans Rock
Old Great North Road
Wisemans Ferry Park

Roses Creek

Dharug National Park

28.3

Greengrove

Wisemans Ferry

Hawkesbury River

Birdseye Creek

Screech Owl Creek

Mangrove Creek

Dinner Creek

Woodbury Gully

Fotheringham Gully

Never Fail

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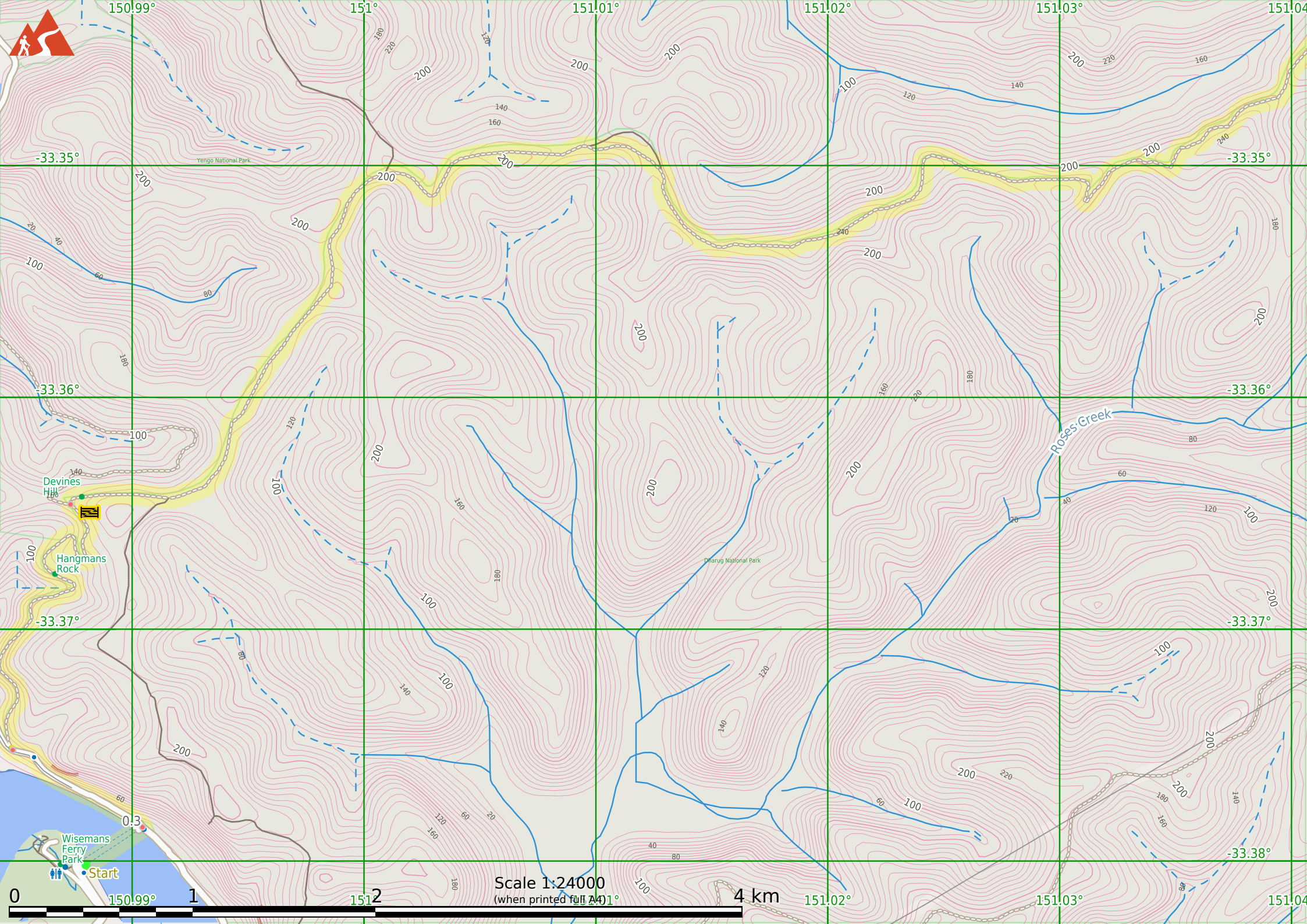
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10 km



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Yengo National Park

Dharug National Park

Devines Hill

Hangmans Rock

Roses Creek

Wisemans Ferry Park

Start

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4 km

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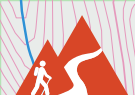
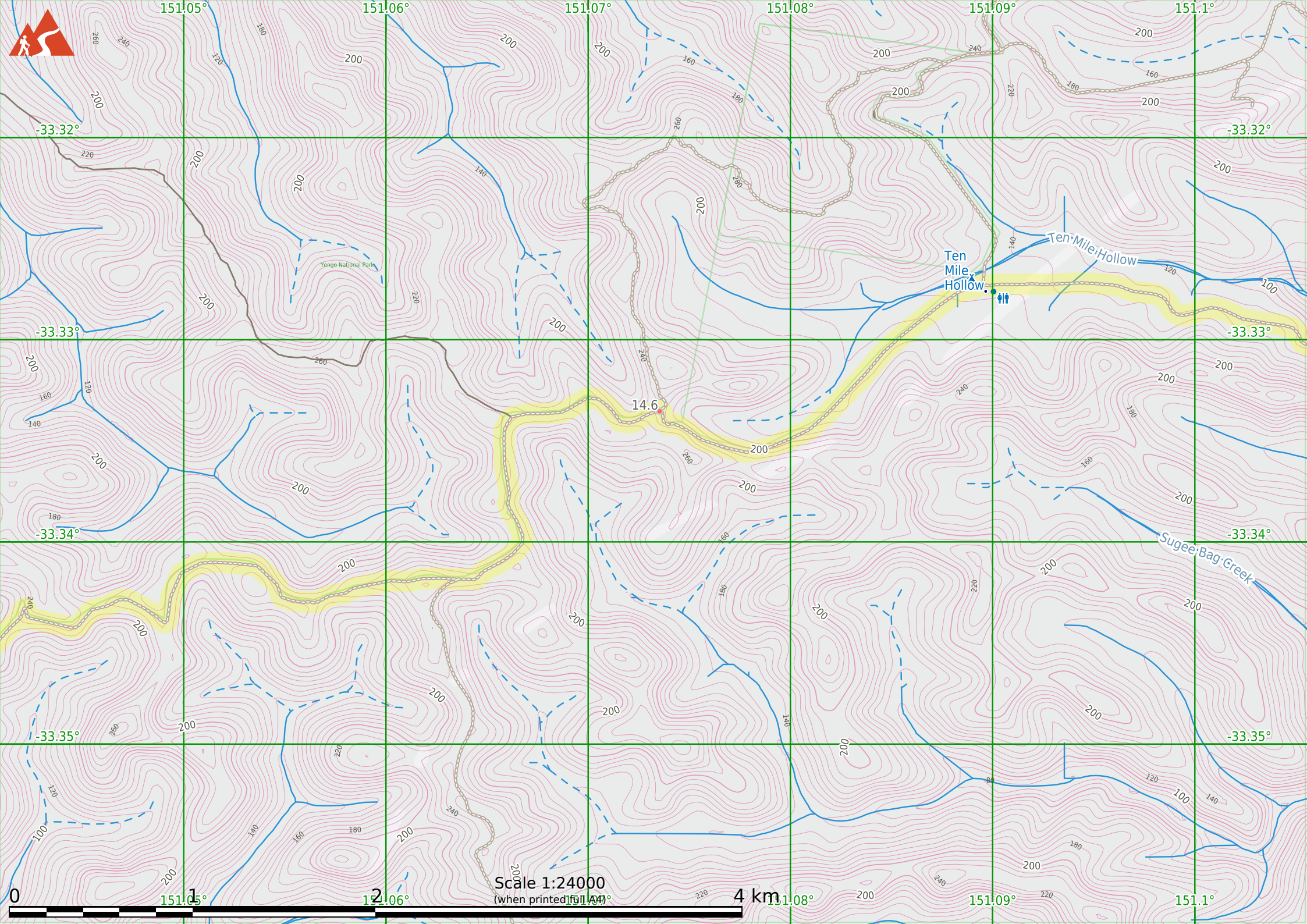
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Yengo National Park

Ten Mile Hollow

Ten Mile Hollow

Sugee Bag Creek

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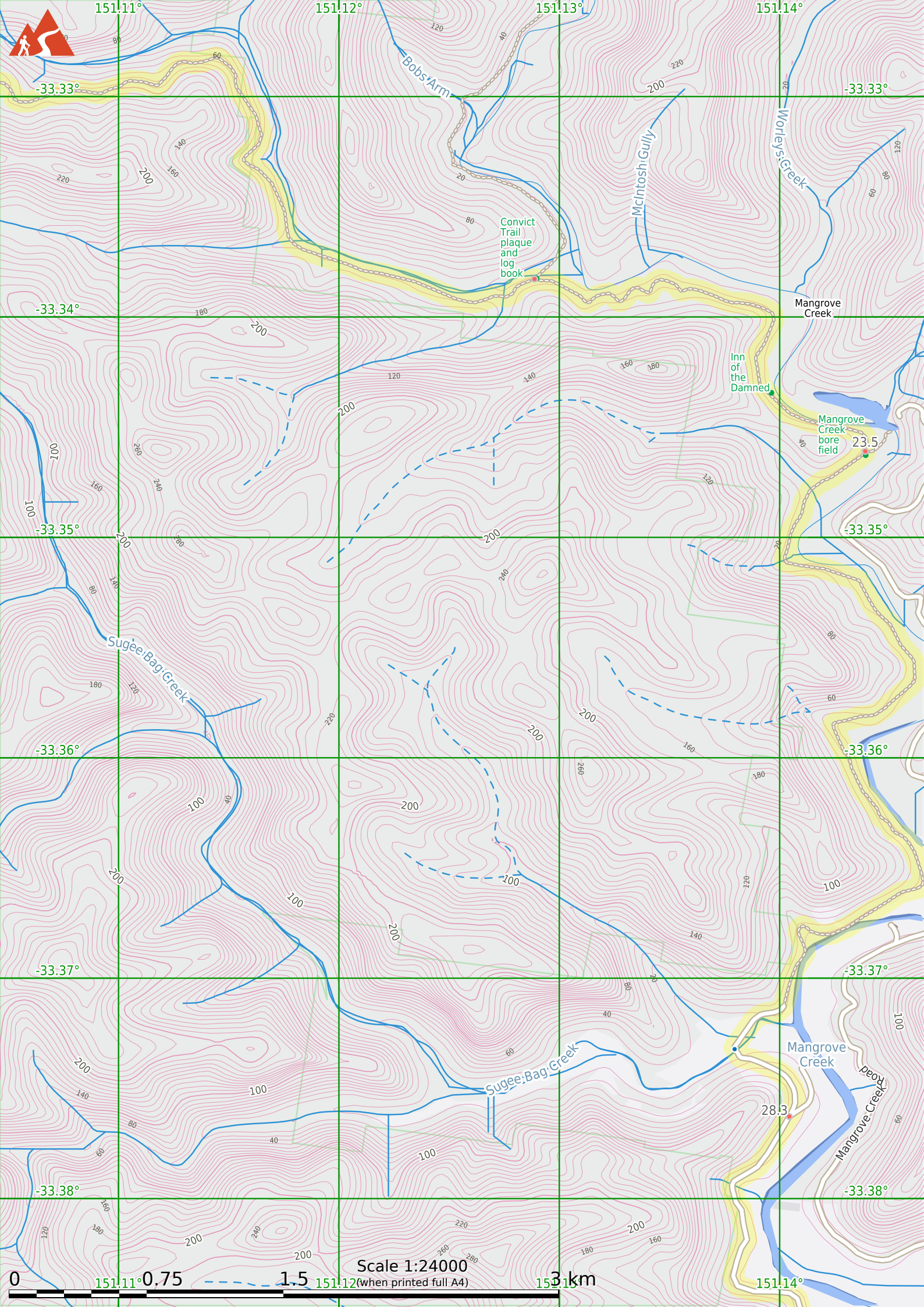
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Convict Trail plaque and log book

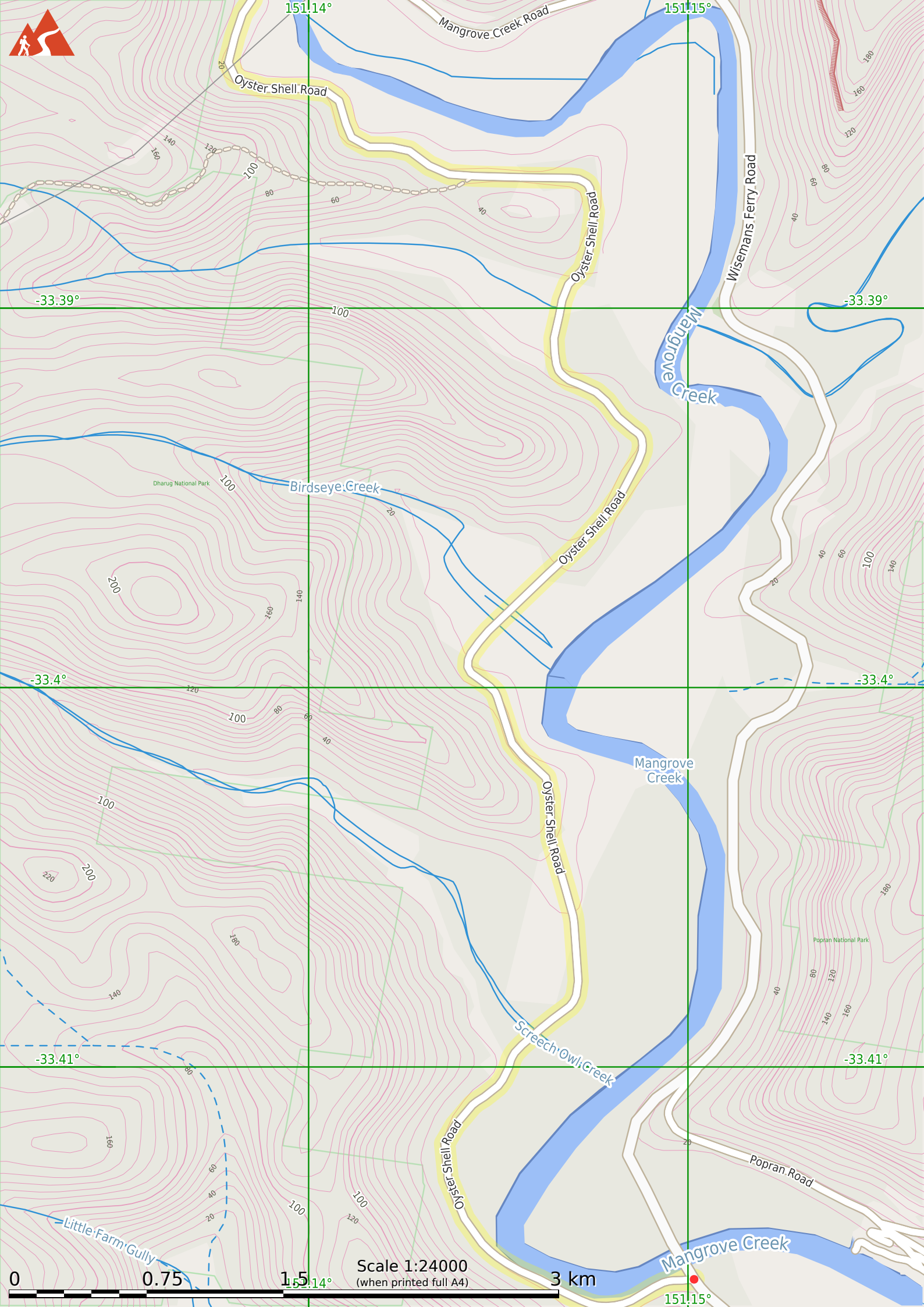
Mangrove Creek bore field

Inn of the Damned

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3 km

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3 km

Mangrove Creek

151.15°

Little Farm Gully

Screech Owl Creek

Mangrove Creek

Birdseye Creek

Mangrove Creek
Wisemans Ferry Road

Oyster Shell Road

Oyster Shell Road

Mangrove Creek Road

Popran Road

Dharug National Park

Popran National Park

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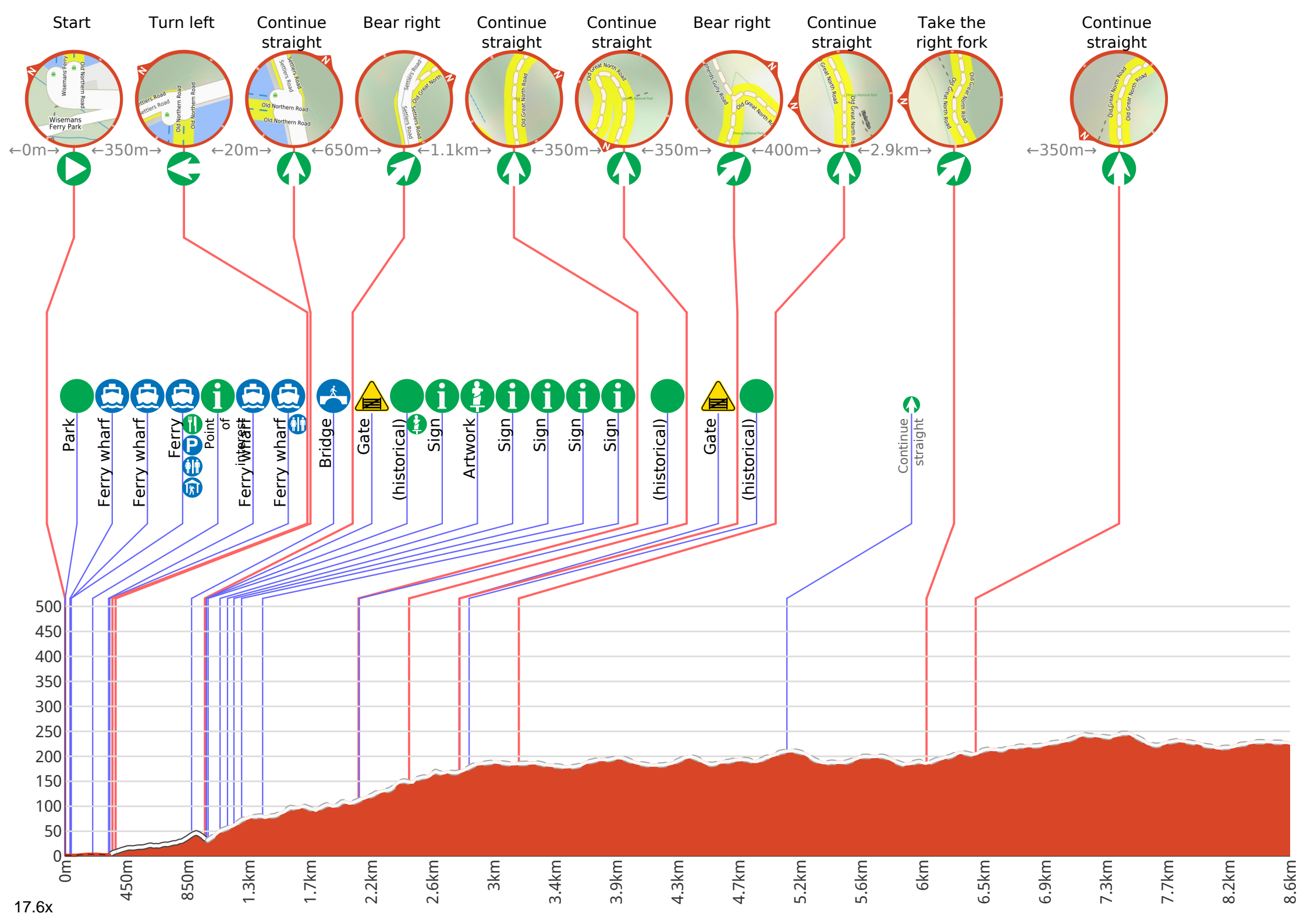
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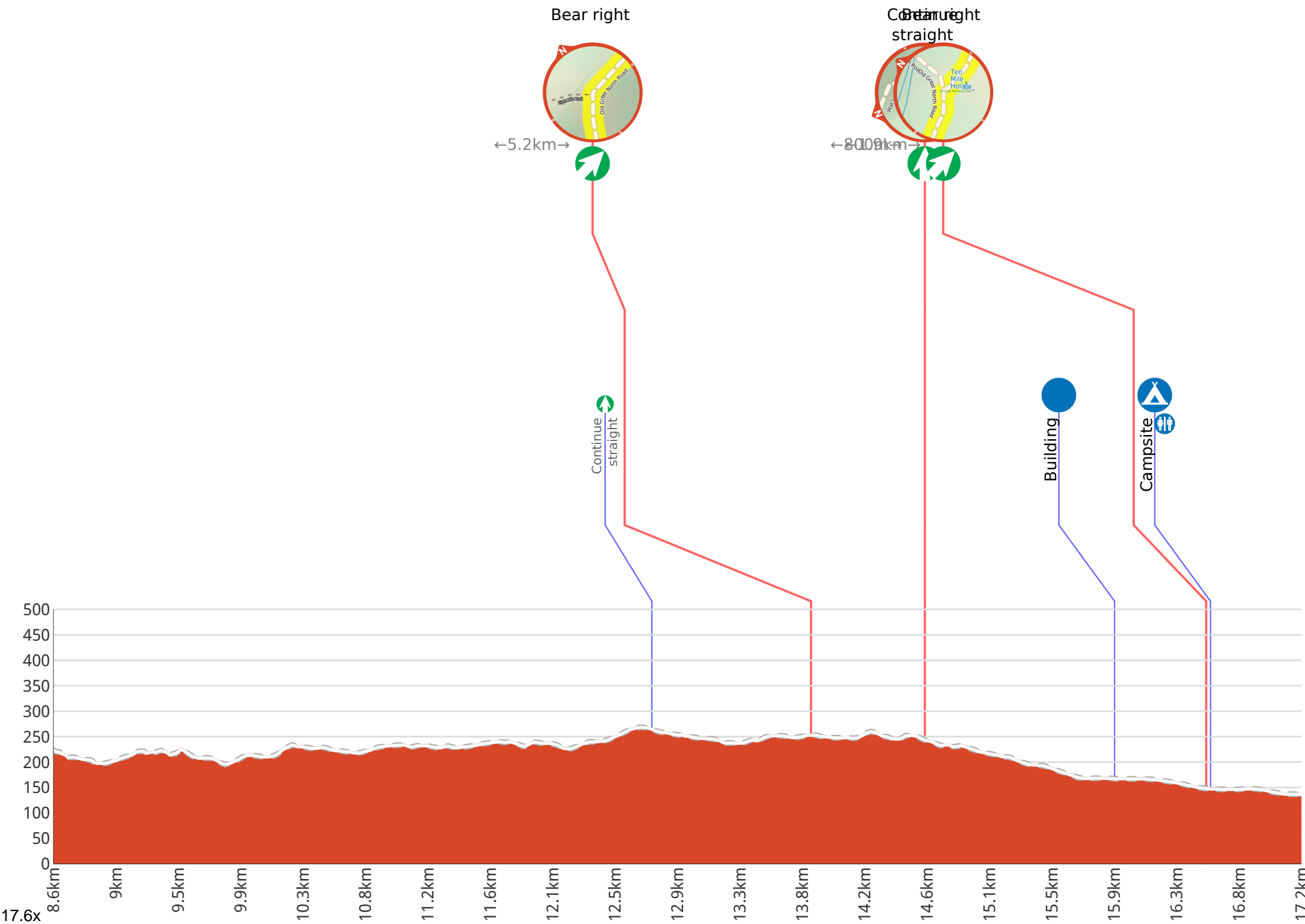
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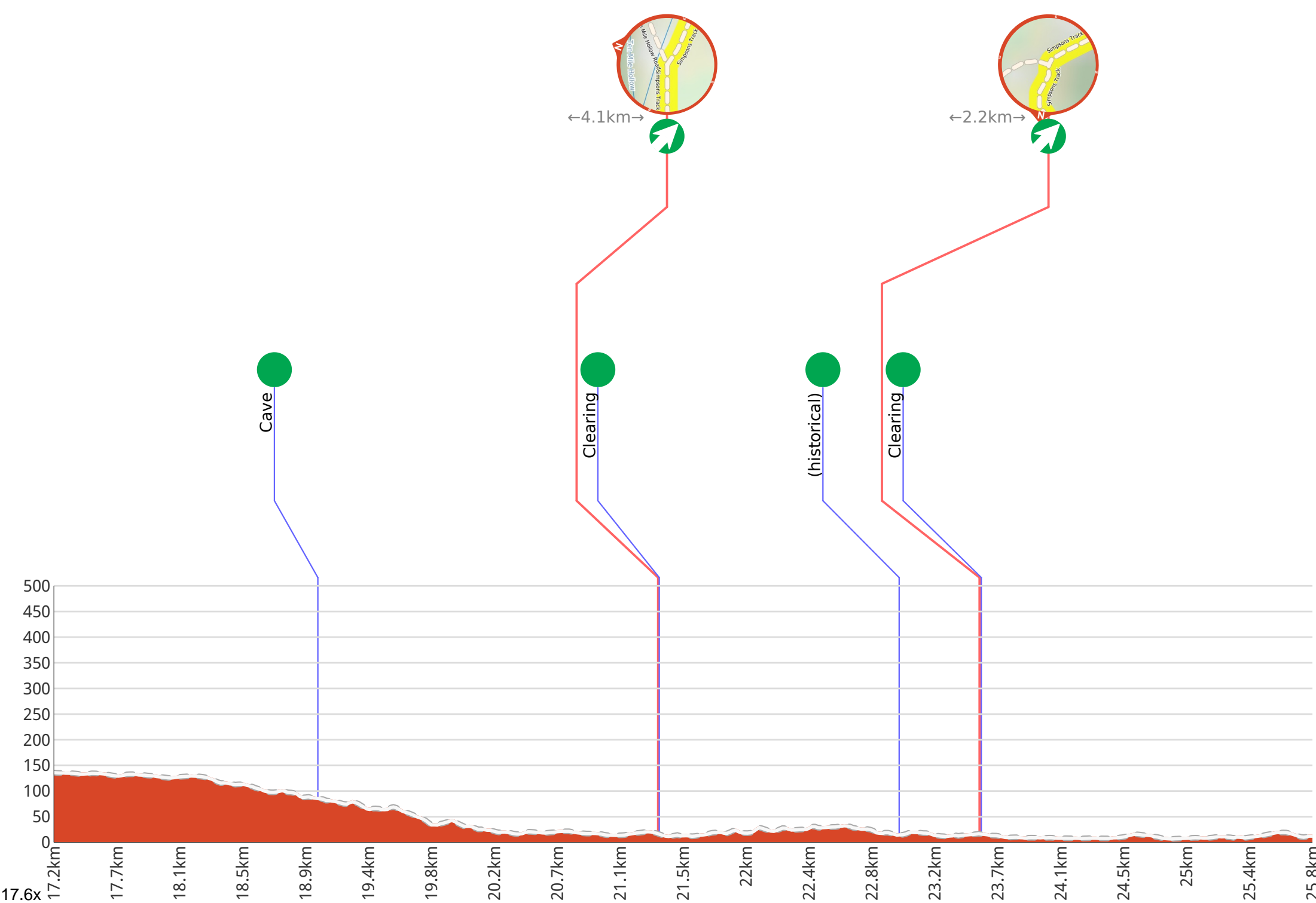
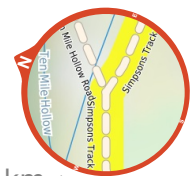
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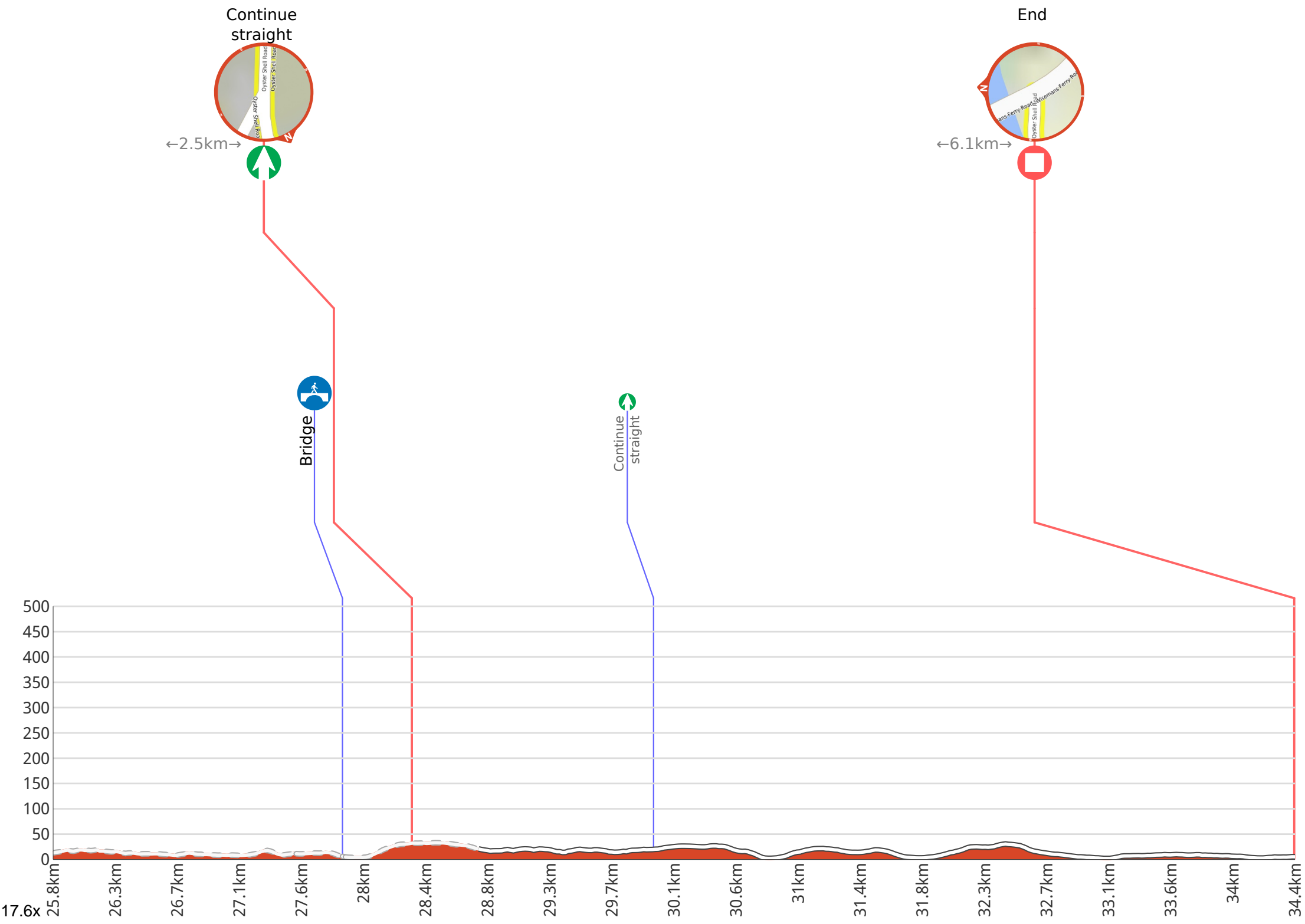




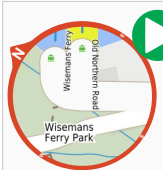
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






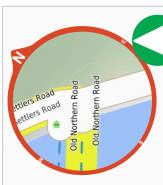


Getting started: From the parking area on the west side of the Wisemans Ferry on Old Northern Road, wait until the ferry arrives and the vehicles have unloaded. Then, following instructions, walk down to board the vehicle ferry (no charge), which will take you across the Hawkesbury River. On the other side, walk off the ferry and turn left to walk along the side of Settlers Road for 650m to the signposted intersection with Old Northern Road (on your right).

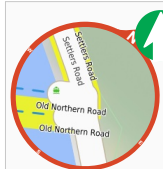


Start (from, Wisemans Ferry) by heading north-east along Old Northern Road.


-  The *Wisemans Ferry Park*, park is at the start.
-  After another 10m find a ferry wharf (30m on the left).
-  Then almost immediately come to a ferry wharf.
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Then catch the *Wisemans Ferry Crossing*. You will also find a café, parking area, toilet and a shelter here.
-  After another 150m, pass the *Wisemans Ferry*, a point of interest (on your right).
-  After another 100m find a ferry wharf (20m on the left).
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Then almost immediately come to a ferry wharf. There is a toilet here.

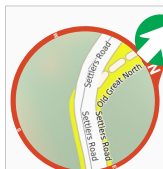


Then (at the 3-way intersection, with Settlers Road & Old Northern Road) **turn left**, to follow Wisemans Ferry Road.












After another 20m, (at the 3-way intersection, with Wisemans Ferry Road & Settlers Road) **continue straight**, to follow Settlers Road.

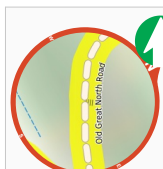
 After another 550m, cross the hardened *Thomas James Bridge*.




After another 90m, (at the 3-way intersection, with Settlers Road & Old Great North Road) **bear right**, to follow Old Great North Road.


 After another 10m, head around the gate.

-   Then almost immediately, pass the *Old Great North Road*, a (historical) (on the left). There is an artwork here.
-  After another 10m you will find the *1 Welcome* sign.
-  After another 60m pass an artwork (on the left).
-  After another 50m you will find the *Australian convict sites* sign (on the left).
-  After another 50m you will find the *Why Devines Hill?* sign (on the left).
-  After another 50m you will find the *3 Culvert and table drain* sign (5m on the left).
-  After another 150m you will find the *4 The large rock cutting* sign.




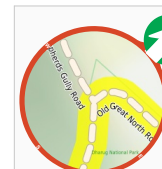
After another 650m, (at the 3-way intersection) **continue straight**, to stay on Old Great North Road.

 Then almost immediately, pass the *Hangmans Rock*, a (historical) (on your right).




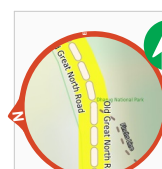
After another 350m, (at the 3-way intersection) **continue straight**, to stay on Old Great North Road.

 After another 350m, head around the gate.

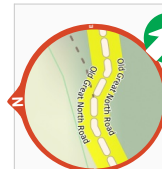


Then (at the 3-way intersection) **bear right**, to stay on Old Great North Road.

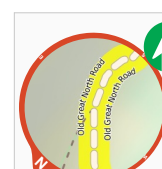
 After another 70m, pass the *Devines Hill*, a (historical) (on the left).



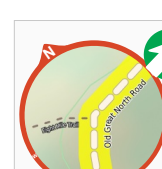
After another 350m, (at the 3-way intersection) **continue straight**, to stay on Old Great North Road. Then continue straight again after another 1.9km.



After another 1000m, (at the 3-way intersection) **take the right fork**, to stay on Old Great North Road.



After another 350m, (at the 3-way intersection) **continue straight**, to stay on Old Great North Road. Then continue straight again after another 6.3km.



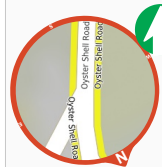
After another 1.1km, (at the 3-way intersection) **bear right**, to stay on Old Great North Road.



After another 800m, (at the 3-way intersection) **continue straight**, to stay on Old Great North Road.



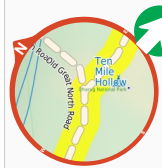
After another 1.3km, pass the *Wat Buddha Dhamma*, a building (15m on the left).



After another 500m, (at the 3-way intersection, with Simpsons Track & Oyster Shell Road) **continue straight**, to follow Oyster Shell Road. Then continue straight again after another 1.7km.



After another 4.4km you come to **the end** at the intersection of Oyster Shell Road & Wisemans Ferry Road, Lower Mangrove.



After another 650m, (at the 3-way intersection, with Old Great North Road & Simpsons Track) **bear right**, to follow the Simpsons Track.



After another 30m you will find the *Ten Mile Hollow* campsite (30m on your right).

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There is a toilet here.



After another 2.4km, pass the *Simpsons Cave* (on your right).



After another 2.3km, (at the 3-way intersection) **bear right**, to stay on the Simpsons Track.



Then almost immediately, pass the *Convict Trail plaque and log book*, a clearing (5m on the left).



After another 1.6km, pass the *Inn of the Damned*, a (historical) (10m on the left).



After another 550m, (at the 3-way intersection) **bear right**, to stay on the Simpsons Track.



After another 10m, pass the *Mangrove Creek bore field* (10m on the left).



After another 4.3km, cross the wooden bridge, over the *Sugee Bag Creek*.