



# Rapid Creek to Dripstone Beach

 20 min to 45 min  
 15 min to 1 h  

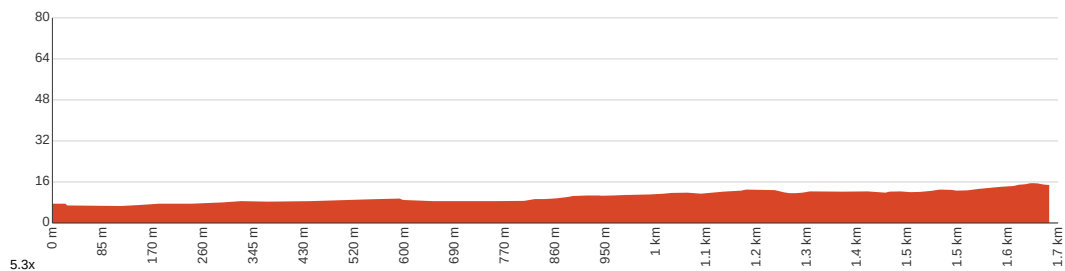
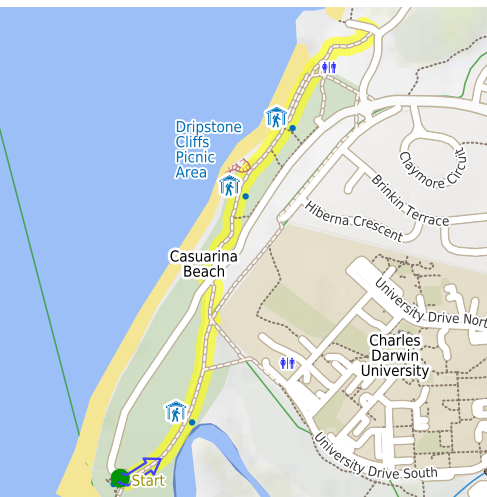

  
1.7 km  
One way

  
↑ 13 m  
↓ 6 m

  
Smooth & flat



Starting from Rapid Creek Carpark, Brinkin, this track takes you to Dripstone Beach via the Casuarina Bike Path. The Rapid Creek to Dripstone Beach track is a beautiful and scenic path running along Casuarina Beach, one of the most popular beaches in Darwin. The walk offers panoramic coastal views and is separated from the road, making it safe for walkers/riders. Look up to the skies for a chance to spot black kites and red-tailed black cockatoos. There are BBQs and picnic tables throughout the walk, so feel free to stop anywhere and enjoy a scenic meal. Dogs are allowed on lead (on-track). However, keep an eye out for saltwater crocodiles, even though they're rare to come by here. Box Jellyfish, on the other hand, are seen throughout the year. Try to swim in winter to minimize your chance of stumbling upon one, as their sting can be fatal. 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 1 of 6  
Smooth and hardened path

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| 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 (1/6)                 |

**Getting to the start:** From Stuart Highway

- Turn on to then drive for 15 m
- Turn slight right and drive for another 6 km
- Turn left onto Lakeside Drive and drive for another 1.1 km
- Turn left onto Ken Suter Drive and drive for another 260 m
- Turn right onto University Drive South and drive for another 45 m
- At roundabout, take exit 2 onto Ellengowan Drive and drive for another 295 m
- At roundabout, take exit 2 onto Ellengowan Drive and drive for another 650 m
- Turn left onto Trower Road and drive for another 720 m
- At roundabout, take exit 2 and drive for another 1.4 km

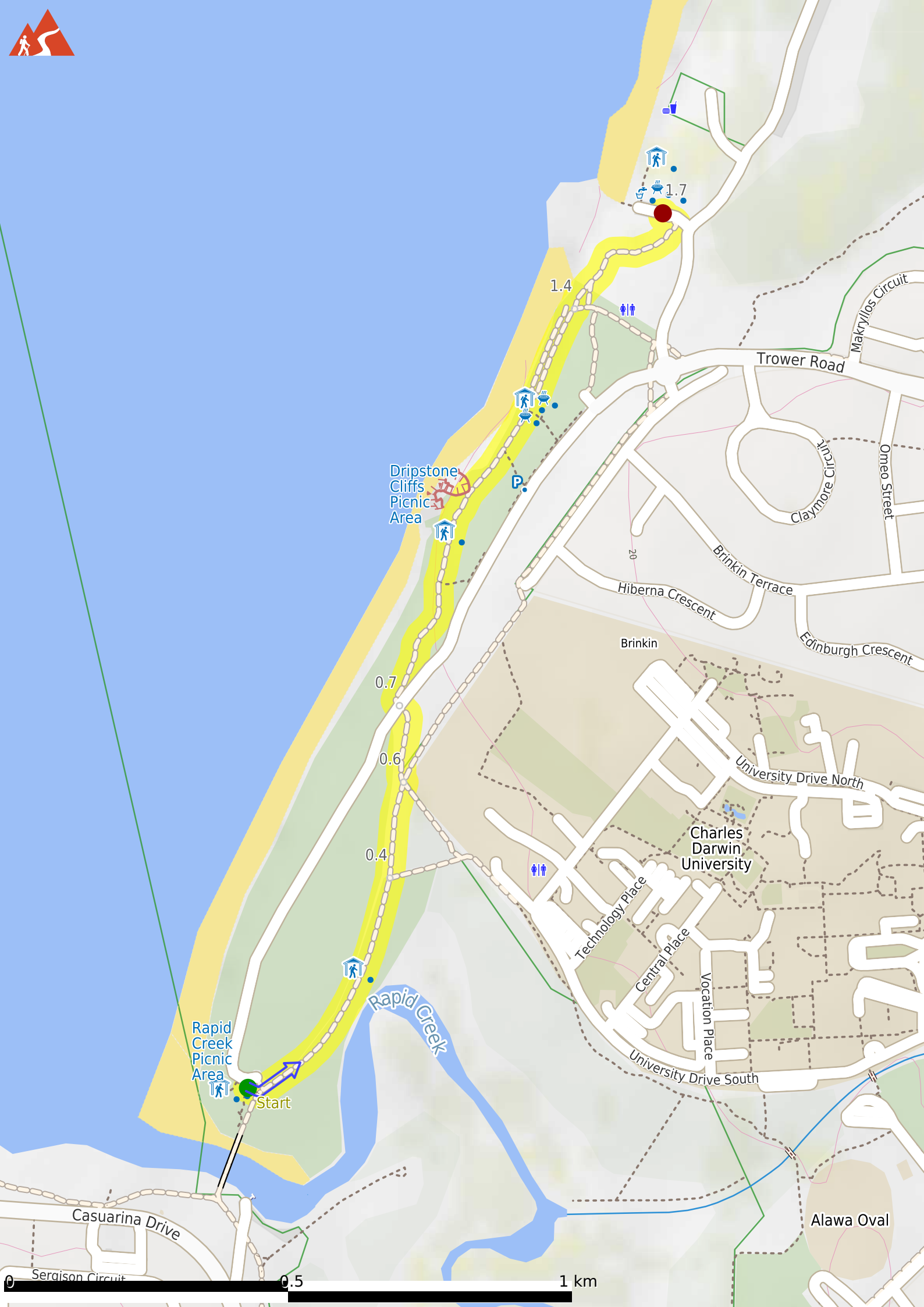
## Before you start any journey ensure you;

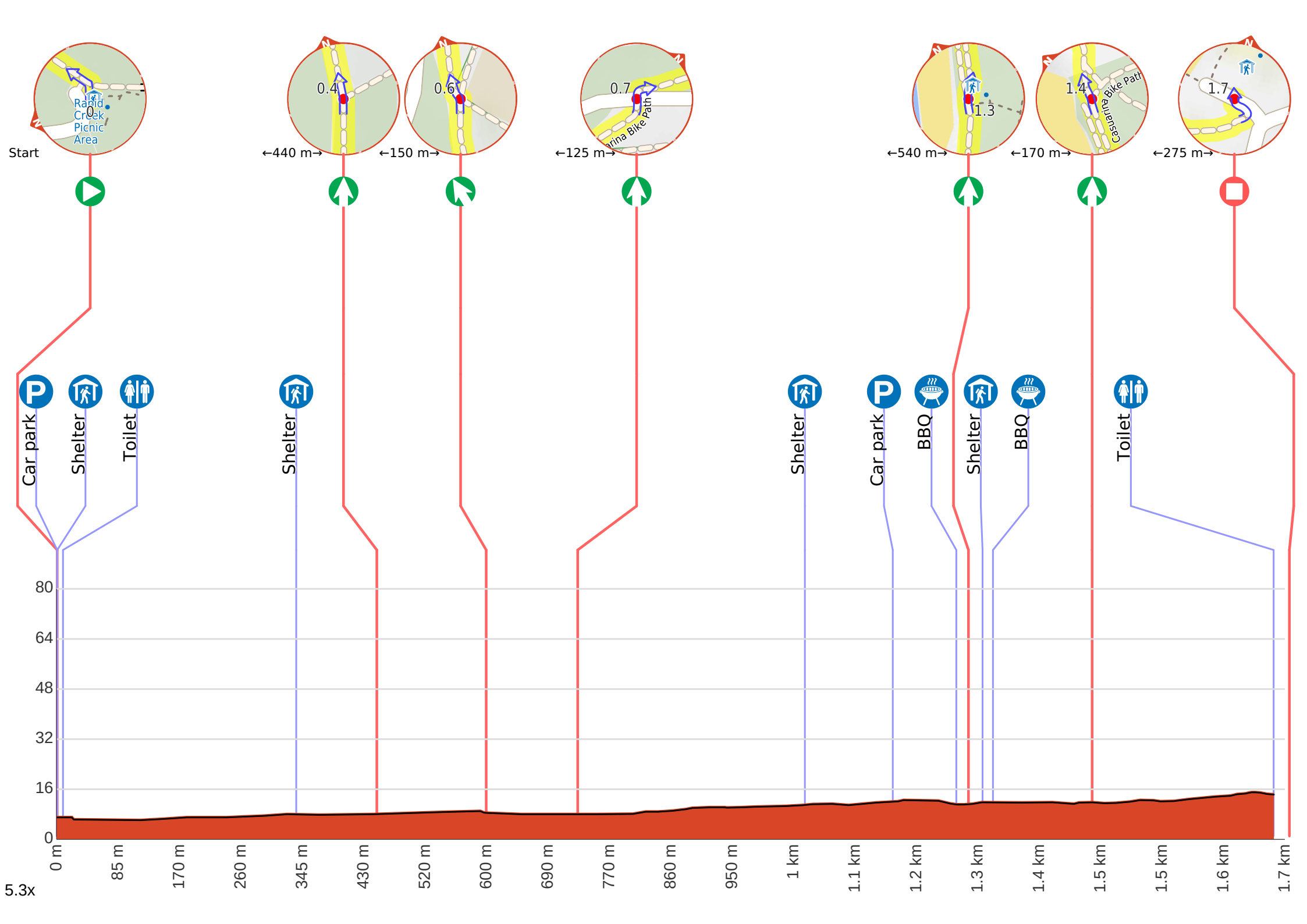
- Tell someone you trust where you are going and what to do if you are late returning
- Have adequate equipment, supplies, skills & knowledge to undertake this journey safely
- Consider weather forecasts, park/track closures & fire dangers
- Can respond to emergencies & call for help at any point
- Are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

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

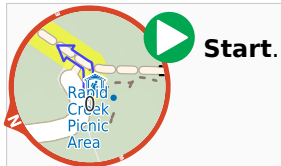
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**Getting started:** From Rapid Creek Carpark, pass through the bollard and head along the narrow paved track towards the sheltered signpost. Pass between the said signpost and a white metal gate. Follow the paved track as you keep the ocean to your left to continue along Rapid Creek to Dripstone Beach Track.



Find the car park at the start.



Find the Rapid Creek Picnic Area at the start.



Find the toilet at the start.



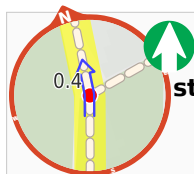
After another 15 m **turn left**.



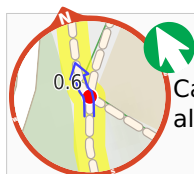
After another 10 m **continue straight**.



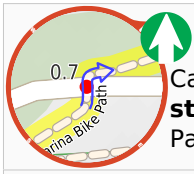
After another 300 m pass the shelter (15 m on your right).



After another 110 m **continue straight**.



After another 150 m (from the Casuarina Bike Path) **veer left**, to head along Casuarina Bike Path.



After another 125 m (from the Casuarina Bike Path) **continue straight**, to head along Casuarina Bike Path.



After another 220 m (from the Casuarina Bike Path) **continue straight**, to head along Casuarina Bike Path.



After another 95 m pass the "Dripstone Cliffs Picnic Area" (20 m on your right).



After another 120 m pass the car park (65 m on your right).



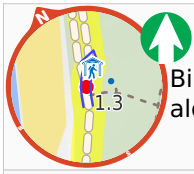
After another 20 m (from the Casuarina Bike Path) **continue straight**, to head along Casuarina Bike Path.



After another 65 m pass the BBQ (25 m on your right).



After another 8 m (from the Casuarina Bike Path) **continue straight**, to head along Casuarina Bike Path.



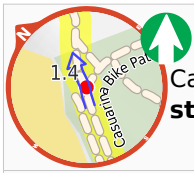
After another 9 m (from the Casuarina Bike Path) **continue straight**, to head along Casuarina Bike Path.



After another 20 m pass the shelter (25 m on your right).



After another 15 m pass the BBQ (35 m on your right).



After another 135 m (from the Casuarina Bike Path) **continue straight**.



After another 50 m **continue straight**.



After another 200 m pass the toilet (35 m on your right).



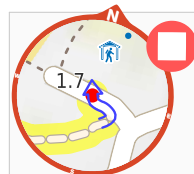
About 25 m past the end is a water tap.



About 30 m past the end is a BBQ.



About 70 m past the end is a shelter.



The end.