



Thor Head

(Dharug & Gundungurra Country)

2 h to 3 h 30 min

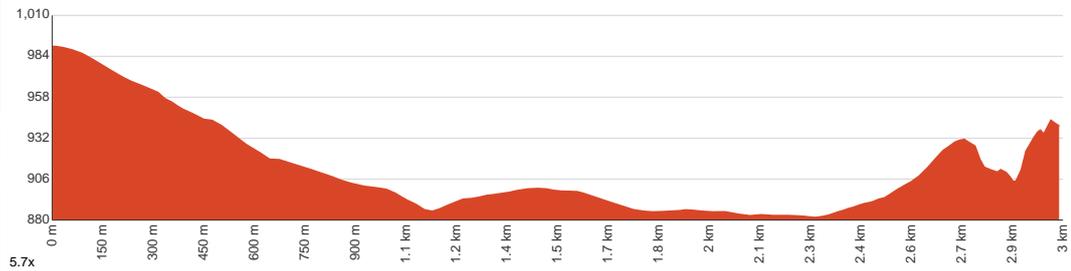
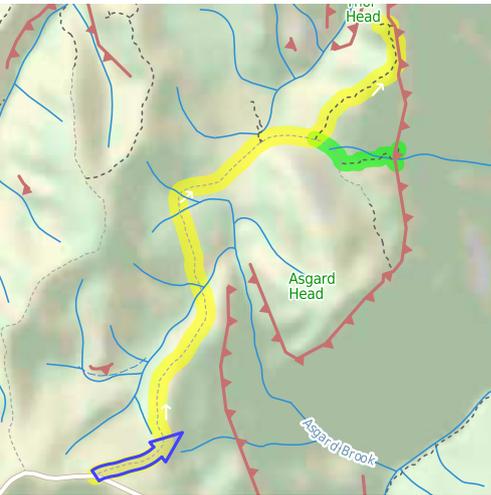
6 km
Return

↑ 269 m
↓ 269 m

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Hard track



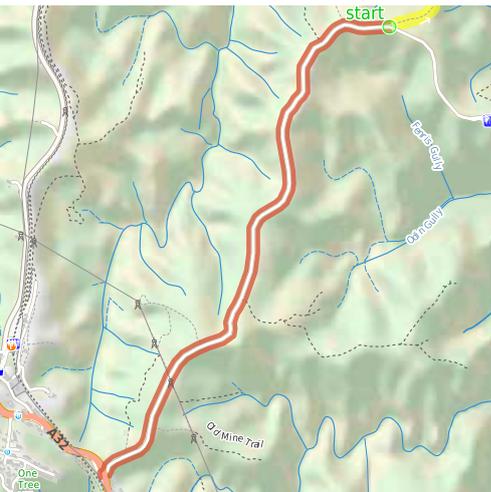
The walk to Thor Head has some breathtaking views. The last part of the walk follows a large unfenced cliff line and there is no track for the last 1km. The views along the way are fantastic. If the climb up Thor Head is not for you, the views from the rocky knoll along the cliff line are just as spectacular. If you have some extra time, the optional side trip to Asgard Kiln and Mine are a great way to add some heritage to your walk of breathtaking 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 4 of 6 Rough track, where fallen trees and other obstacles are likely	
Quality of track	Rough track, where fallen trees and other obstacles are likely (4/6)
Gradient	Very steep (4/6)
Signage	Minimal directional signs (4/6)
Infrastructure	Limited facilities (such as cliffs not fenced, significant creeks not bridged) (4/6)
Experience Required	Moderate level of bushwalking experience recommended (4/6)
Weather	Weather generally has little impact on safety (1/6)

Getting to the start: From Great Western Highway, A32

- Turn on to Victoria Falls Road then drive for 4.1 km



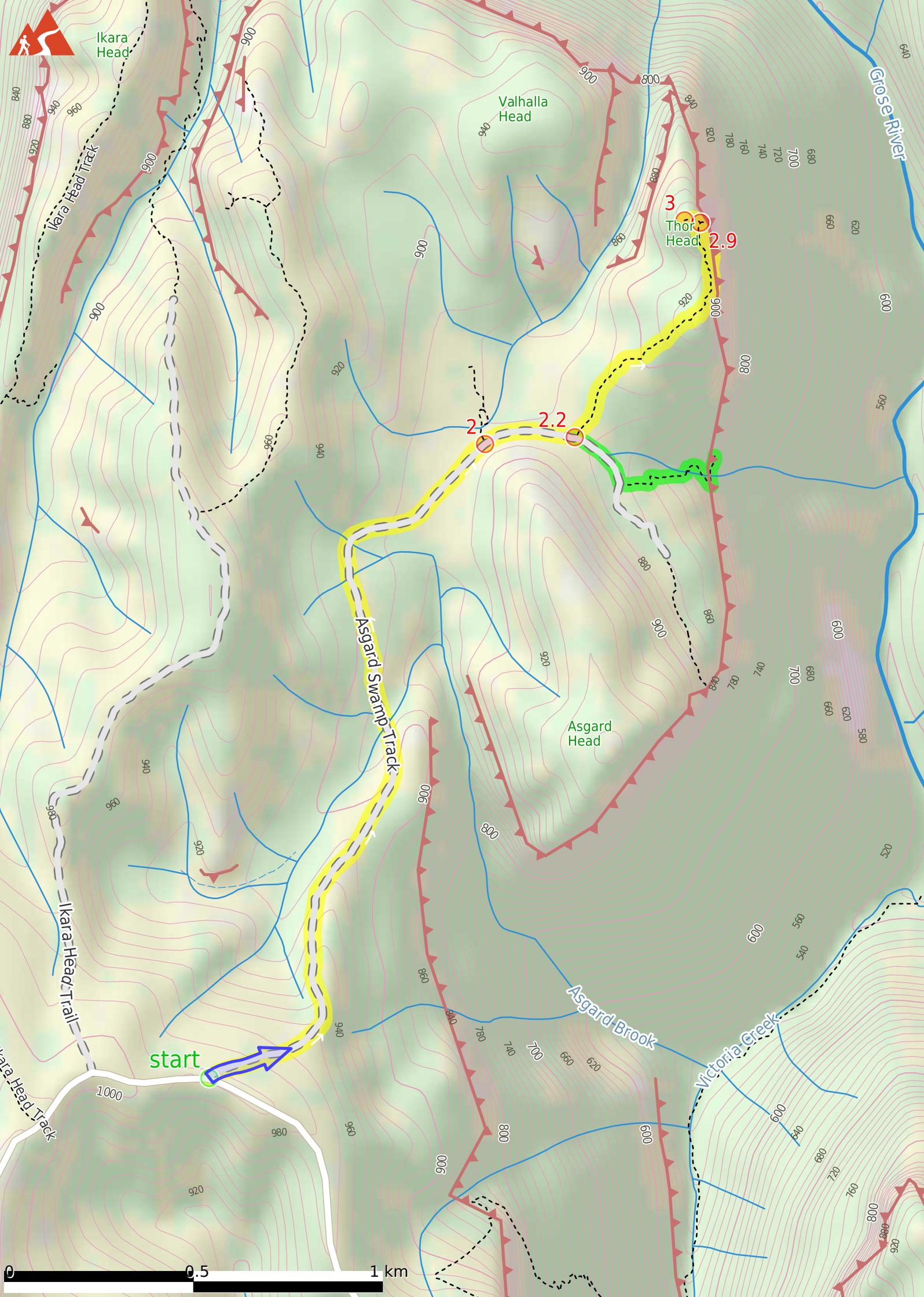
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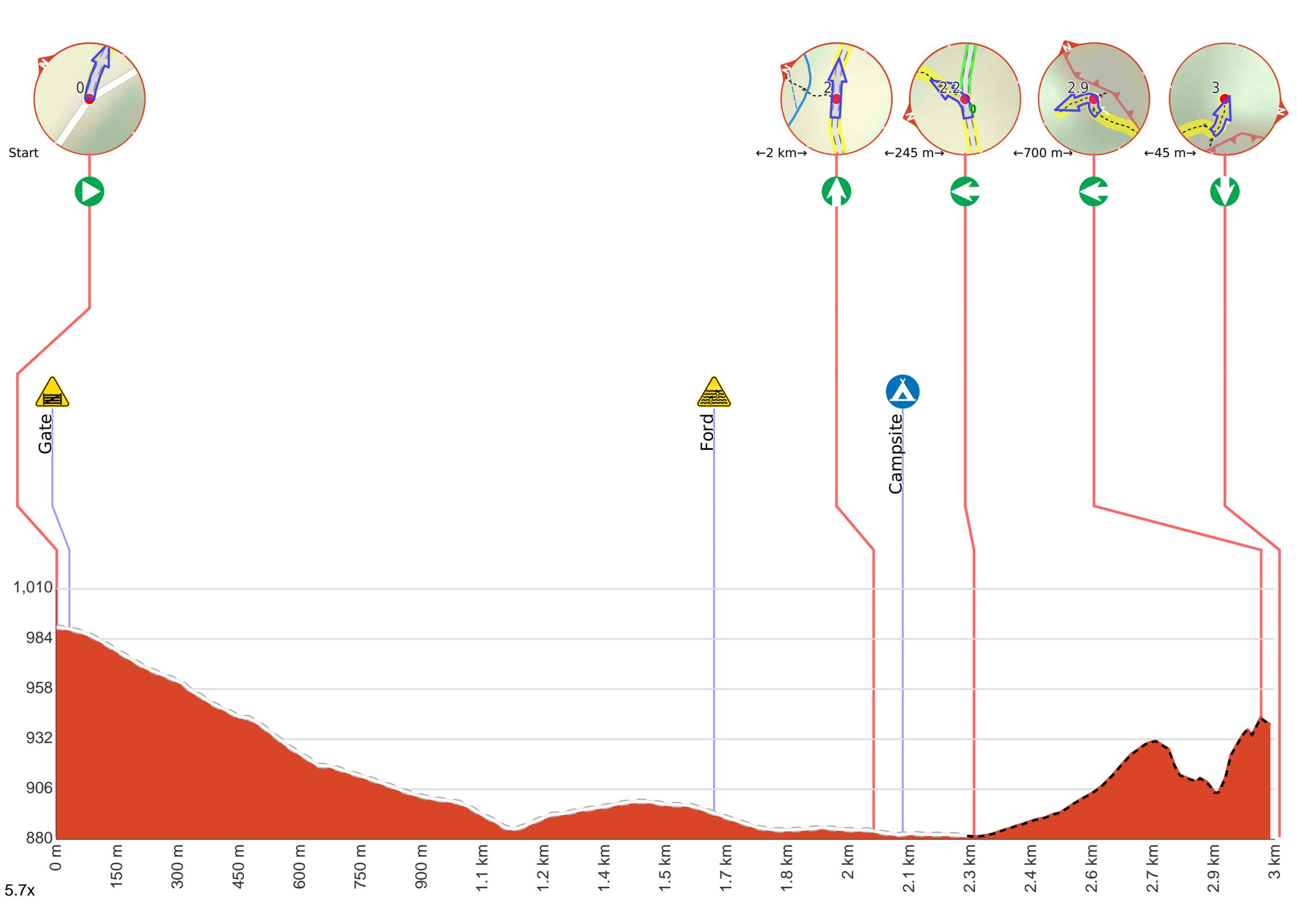
- Tell someone you trust where you are going and what to do if you are late returning
- Have adequate equipment, supplies, skills & knowledge to undertake this journey safely
- Consider weather forecasts, park/track closures & fire dangers
- Can respond to emergencies & call for help at any point
- Are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

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

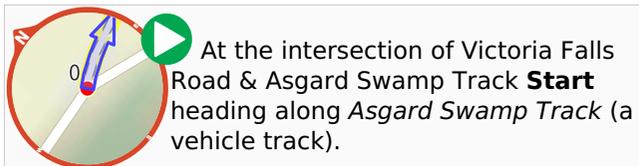
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Getting started: From the car park with the 'Asgard Swamp 3km' sign, this walk passes the closed gate and heads down the hill. After a short distance, the track tends left, more steeply down the hill, to then follow the spur for approximately 500m. The walk then comes to a creek crossing in a swampy area, after which the trail heads up the hill and tends right, continuing for a few hundred metres to an area between two rock outcrops, the larger one on the right.



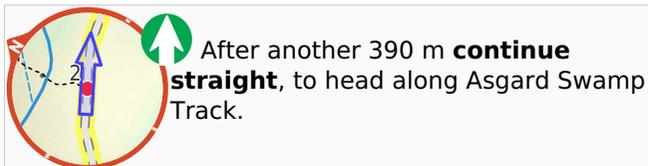
At the intersection of Victoria Falls Road & Asgard Swamp Track **Start** heading along *Asgard Swamp Track* (a vehicle track).



Find the gate at the start.



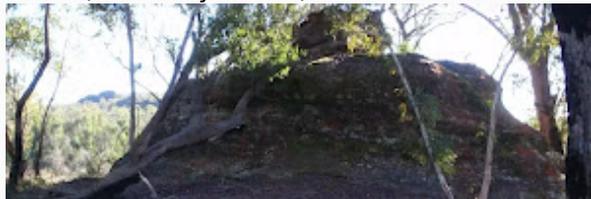
After another 1.6 km cross the ford.



After another 390 m **continue straight**, to head along Asgard Swamp Track.



After another 70 m find the "Pyramid Shaped Rock" (85 m on your left).



The pyramid-shaped rock, Blue Mountains NP, is, as the name suggests, a rock shaped like a pyramid. This rock is situated just south of Asgard Swamp, next to the service trail. The campsite has a well-established fireplace and nicely cleared area for tents. The pyramid shaped rock adds some character to the campsite, providing views over the swamp.

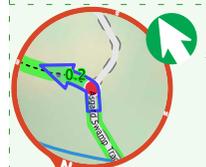
Start of an optional side trip: An optional side trip to Asgard Kiln.



To start this optional side trip continue straight here. **Start** heading along *Asgard Swamp Track*.



After 120 m cross the ford.



After another 50 m **veer left**.



After another 230 m find the "Asgard Mine" (35 m on your right).



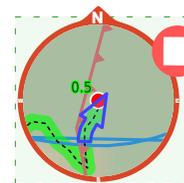
Asgard mine is the entrance to an old coal mine. The mine and kiln are the only heritage links to such industrial efforts of the 1860's to 1920's, in New South Wales. The mine's entrance is approximately 1.6m tall and wide and expands some 30m into the hill, so pack a torch if peering in. (The integrity of the mine is unknown.)



Then find the "Asgard Kiln" (15 m on your right).



Asgard kiln is an old coke oven which was used in the processing of the coal. The oven looks as though it has never been used, with a clean set of bricks inside and sandstone blocks on the outside. The oven is overgrown, although the entrance is still clear.



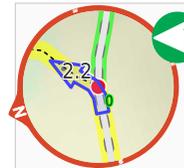
After another 145 m come to the end.



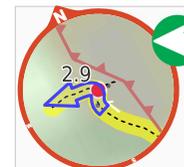
Turn around and retrace your steps back the 540 m to the main route.



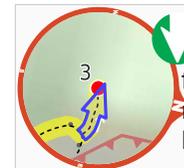
Back at the main route turn right and follow on from the 2.2 km waypoint.



After another 175 m **turn left**.



After another 700 m **turn left**.



(Thor Head) Continue another 45 m to find the end. Then turn around here and retrace the main route for 3 km to get back to the start.



"Thor Head".