## The Charles Darwin Walk <br> (Dharug \& Gundungurra Country)



## 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 Wentworth Falls Railway Station, this walk exits the station on the western side, on Station St, and turns left to head down to the Great Western Highway past the shops. At the highway, the walk crosses at the lights and turns right, heading down the hill along the foot path. This walk then turns left into Wilson Park soon after the colourful bus stop. The walk follows the footpath through Wilson Park. At the toilet block in the centre of the park, the walk tends slightly more to the left until coming to a large archway entrance to the Charles Darwin Walk, near the tennis courts.


Then head down the steps (about 15 m long)


Then cross the bridge (about 15 m long)


Then pass the "Coronation Park" (on your left).


After another 4 m continue straight

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After another 30 m continue straight.

After another 40 m pass a seat ( 15 m on your right).
Then pass the "Cafe Aliment" ( 30 m on your right).


After another 45 m pass the water tap ( 5 m on your left).


Then pass the toilet ( 10 m on your left).

After another 30 m pass the "Blue Mist Cafe" (30 m on your right).
After another 15 m pass the "Canton Palace" (30 $m$ on your right).
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After another 15 m pass the car park ( 45 m on your right).
 straight.



After another 7 m turn right.After another 10 m pass the "Mountain's Pizza Pasta \& Kebabs" (35 m on your right).


After another 10 m pass the playground ( 25 m on your right).

After another 40 m pass the toilet ( 6 m on your left).

After another 55 m pass the sign (on your right).


After another 170 m continue straight, to head along Charles Darwin Walk.


After another 10 m turn left, to head along Charles Darwin Walk.

After another 45 m cross the bridge (about 9 m long)


After another 7 m cross the bridge (about 4 m long)


After another 100 m cross the bridge (about 25 m long)


After another 215 m continue straight, to head along Charles Darwin Walk.

After another 20 m cross the bridge (about 8 m long)


After another 25 m continue straight, to head along Charles Darwin Walk.

After another 35 m cross the bridge (about 6 m long)


After another 35 m cross the bridge (about 15 m long)
After another 20 m cross the bridge (about 10 m long)


After another 55 m cross the bridge (about 7 m long)

After another 55 m cross the bridge (about 5 m long)

After another 345 m continue straight, to head along Charles Darwin Walk.

After another 600 m pass the waterfall ( 10 m on your left).


After another 95 m cross the bridge (about 5 m long)


After another 100 m (at the intersection of Weeping Rock Circuit \& Charles Darwin Walk) veer right, to head along Weeping Rock Circuit.


After another 60 m (at the intersection of Wentworth Falls Track \& Weeping Rock Circuit) turn left, to head along Wentworth Falls Track.

After another 50 m find the "Weeping Rock" (35 $m$ on your left).


Weeping Rock is a waterfall on Jamison Creek, upstream of Wentworth Falls in the Blue Mountains National Park. The water falls over the wide circular top overhang, to then cascade down the rocks to a pool below. A staircase beside the falls helps walkers view this waterfall from different angles. This is a nice cool spot on hot days. The rocks are slippery and there are no fences, care is needed.


Fletchers Lookout is a fenced and signposted lookout off the side of the Undercliff Walk, just north of the Wentworth Falls. The lookout provides a fairly close view of the top of Wentworth Falls and a great view into the Jamison Valley. There is a good distant view of Mount Solitary and Narrow Neck, and also great views of the surrounding escarpments.


After another 25 m (at the intersection of Wentworth Falls Track \& Weeping Rock Circuit) veer right, to head along Wentworth Falls Track.

Continue another 55 m to find the end. Then turn around here and retrace the main route for 3 km to get back to the start.
A stepping stones.


Queen's Cascades are a lovely set of falls on the Jamison Creek at the top of Wentworth Falls. The creek heads down the wide, two-stage cascades into a sandy pool. From the pool, the water flows between the stepping stones, under the fence and down the very tall Wentworth Falls. There are also great views to Sublime Point across the valley.
About 30 m past the end is "Grand Stairway".


The Grand Stairway is a very memorable section of the National Pass in the Blue Mountains National Park. The stairway is reported to be 'the tallest outdoor staircase in Australia' and was built in the early 1900's by hand (and dynamite). This stairway, and the rest of the National Pass, was built by a team nicknamed 'the Irish Brigade' for the cost of $\tilde{A}, \hat{A} £ 430$. Today, the Grand Stairway is well-maintained and provides walkers access to the valley below Wentworth Falls.
About 50 m past the end is "Upper Wentworth Falls".

