



Mount Saint Phillack via Australian Alps Walking Track

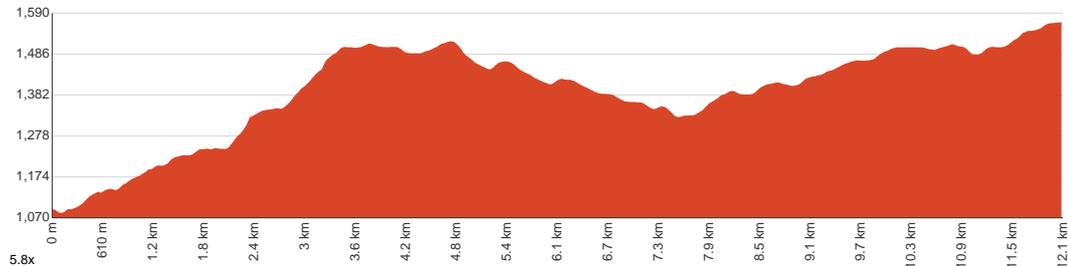
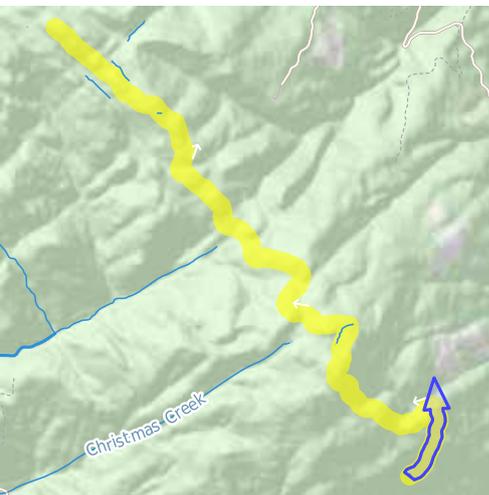
8 h, 12 h 30 min to 2 days

24.2 km
Return

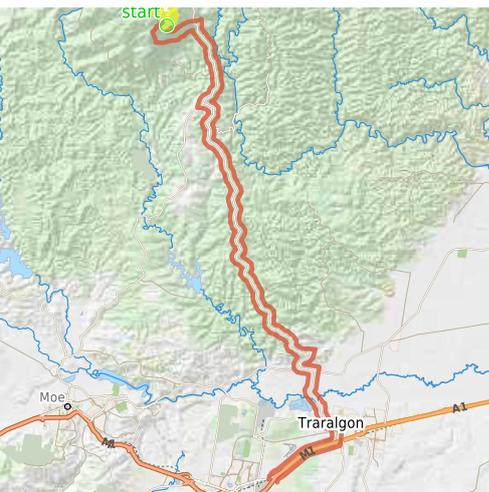
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Hard track

Starting from the Mt Erica Carpark at the end of Mt Erica Road, Baw Baw, this walk leads to the summit of Mount Saint Phillack and back via Australian Alps Walking Track. Located at the northeastern end of the Baw Baw National Park, Mount Saint Phillack is the highest peak in the park, standing at 1,556 metres. This is a true alpine walk as you traverse through beautiful vegetation that includes Mountain Ash, Snow Gum, Silver Wattle and tree ferns. The narrow trail winds its way gradually upwards, passing through a maze of giant granite tears known as the Mushroom Rocks. Upon reaching the summit of Mount Saint Phillack, you are rewarded with magnificent views that stretch out endlessly over the Victorian Alps. You can stay at the various campsites (may be closed) to make this a multi-day walk. At these altitude levels the weather can change very quickly, and it is advised to come prepared with the appropriate equipment. During winter, the area is inundated with snow and becomes a popular skiing spot. 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 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	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	Foretasted & unexpected storms and severe weather may impact on navigation and safety (4/6)



Getting to the start: From Princes Freeway, M1

- Turn on to Kosciuszko Street then drive for 950 m
- Turn sharp left onto Kay Street and drive for another 80 m
- Turn right onto Grubb Avenue and drive for another 500 m
- At roundabout, take exit 1 onto Grey Street, C477 and drive for another 820 m
- Turn right onto Tyers Road, C481 and drive for another 5 km
- Turn left onto Glengarry West Road, C103, C481 and drive for another 1.2 km
- Turn right onto Tyers - Walhalla Road, C481 and drive for another 26.8 km
- At roundabout, take exit 2 onto Knotts Siding Road, C481 and drive for another 600 m
- At roundabout, take exit 2 onto Knotts Siding Road, C481 and drive for another 1.1 km
- Keep right onto Knotts Siding Road, C481 and drive for another 45 m
- Turn sharp right onto Tyers - Thompson Valley Road, C481 and drive for another 7.6 km
- Turn left onto Mt Erica Road and drive for another 4.4 km
- Turn right onto Mt Erica Road and drive for another 1.1 km

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McMillan's Flat

12.1

Gwinear Flat

Baragwanath Flat

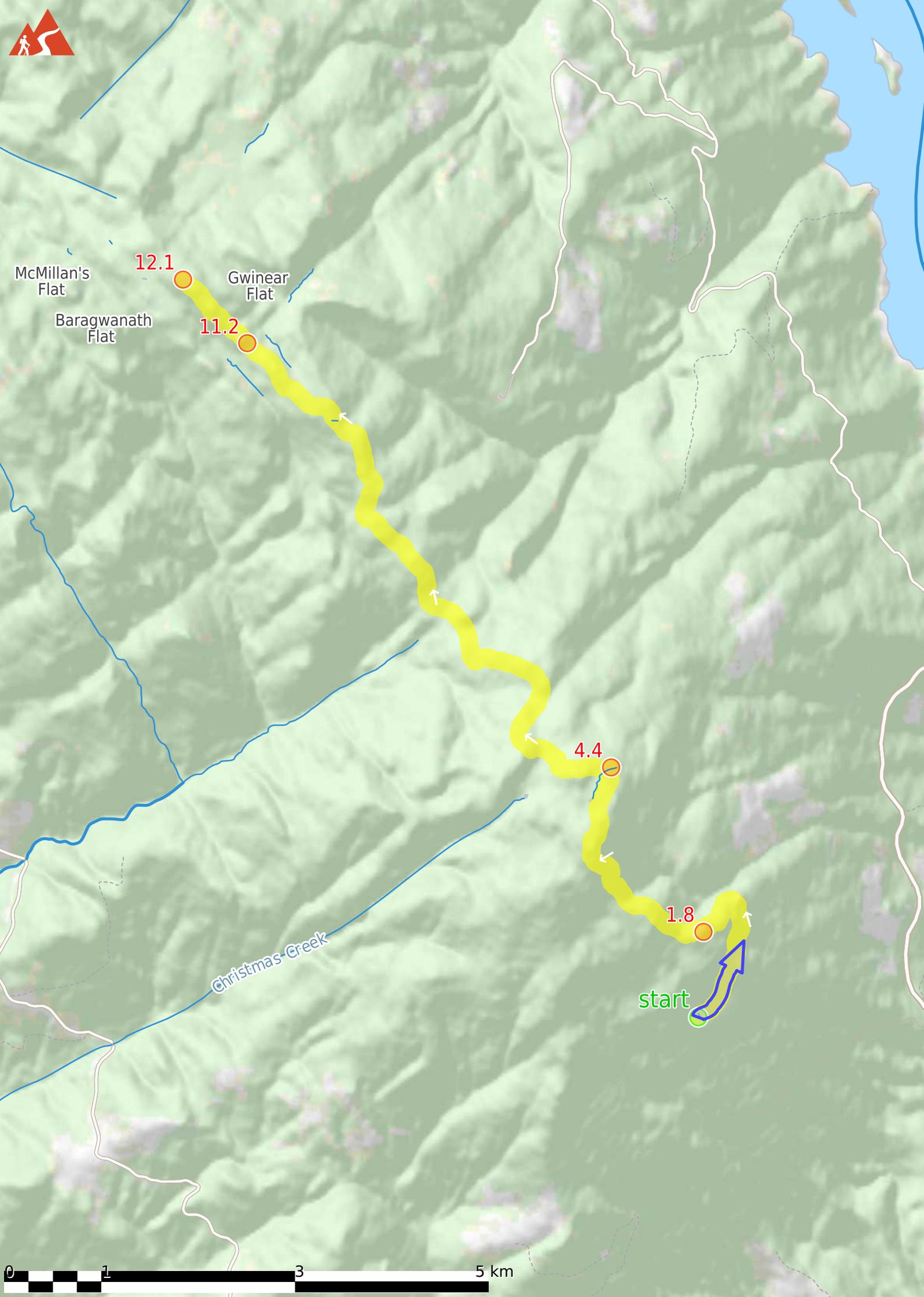
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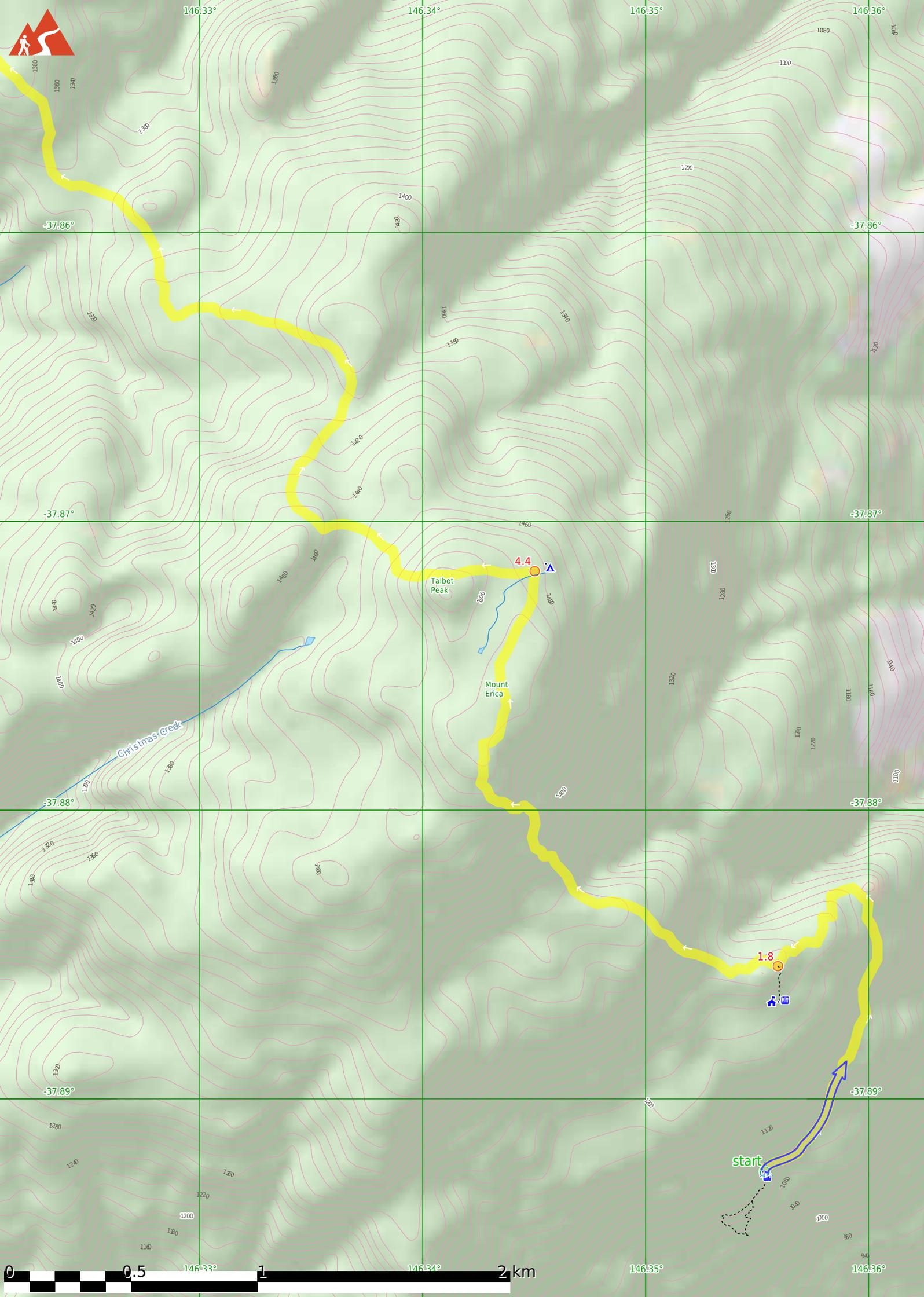
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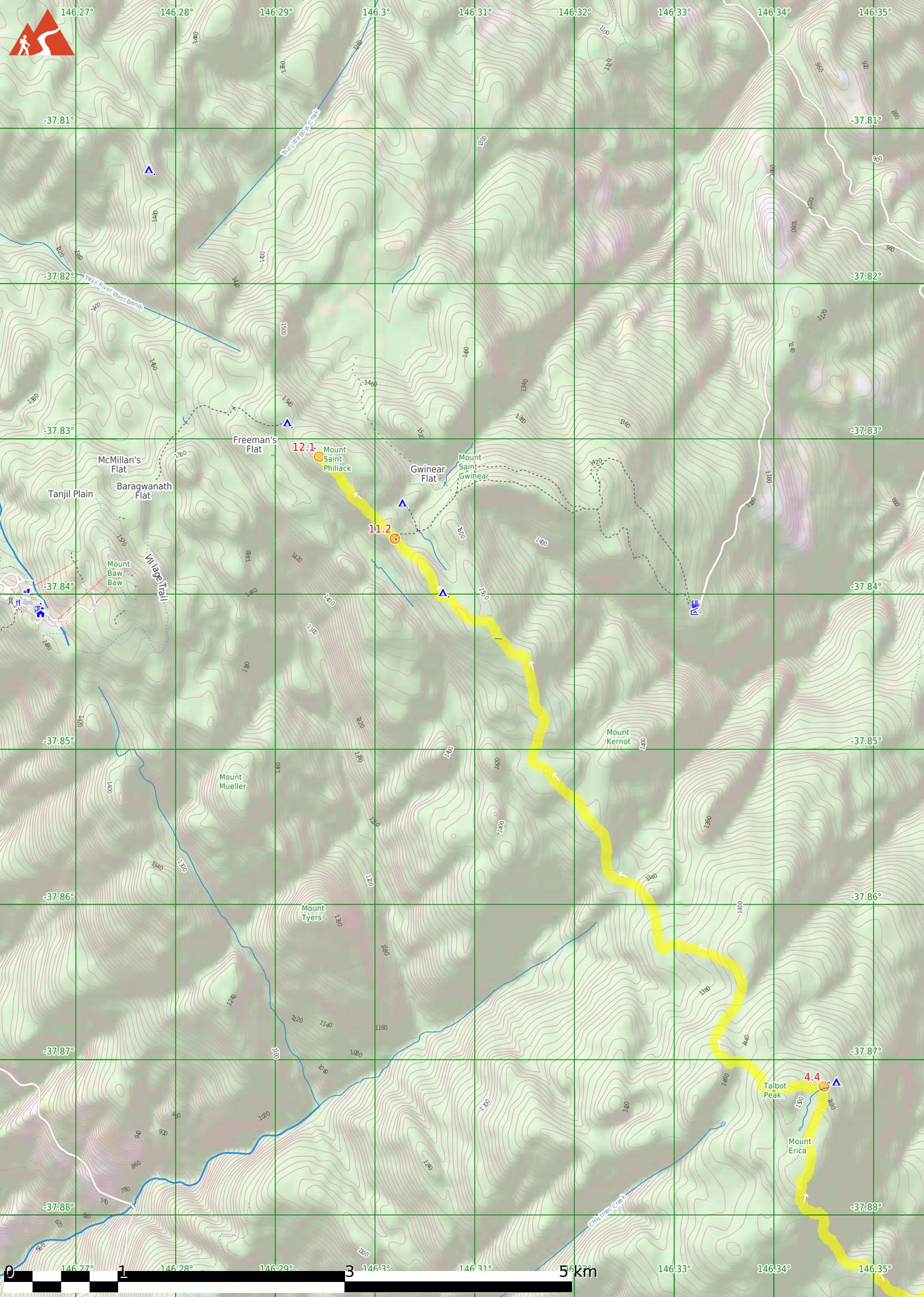
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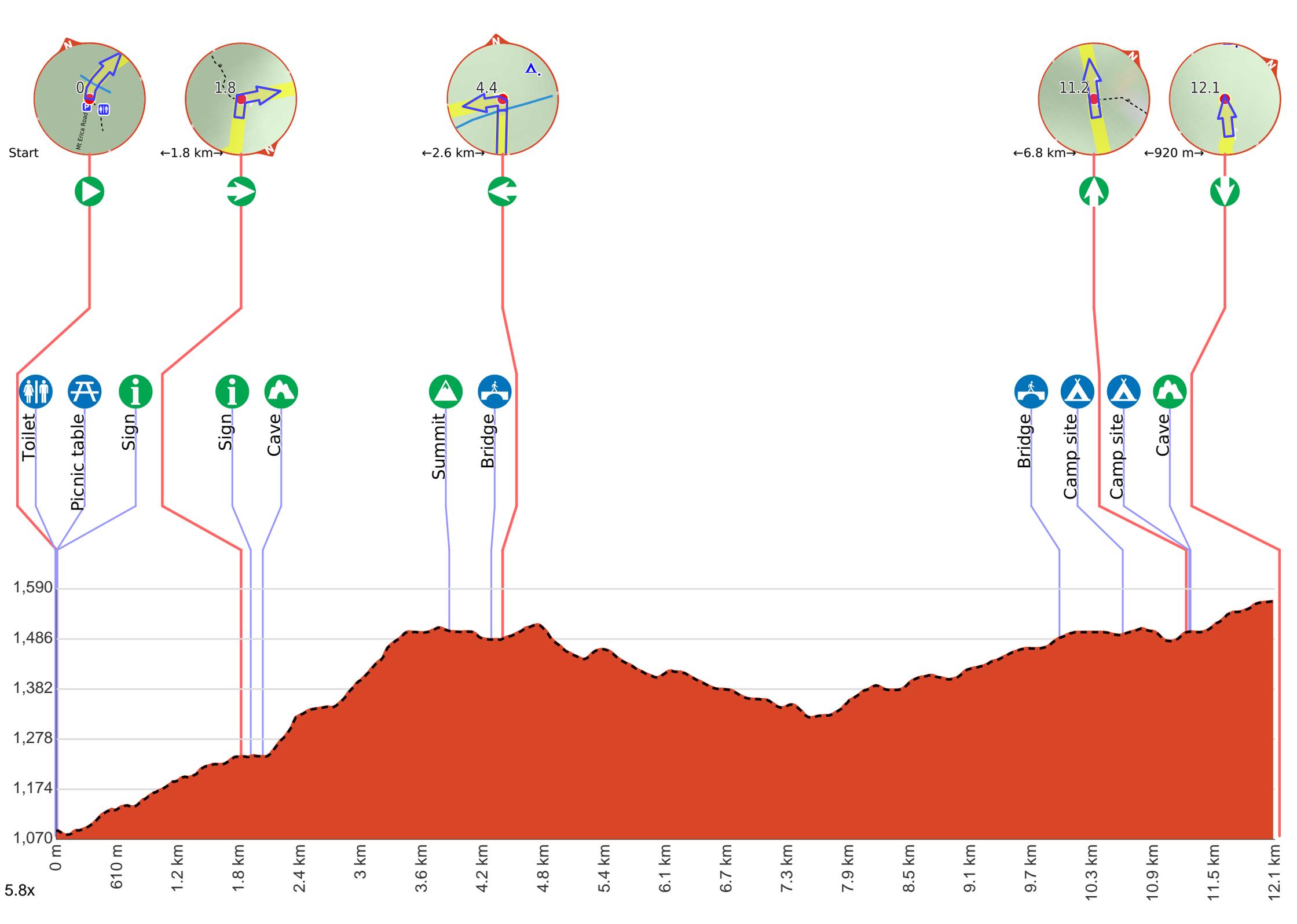
start

Christmas Creek











At the intersection of Beech Gully Nature Trail & Australian Alps Walking Track **Start** heading along *Australian Alps Walking Track* (a walking track).



There is a toilet (about 30 m back from the start), not equipped with Handwashing basin.



There is a picnic table (about 15 m back from the start).



There is a sign (about 10 m back from the start).



After another 1.8 km **turn right**, to head along Australian Alps Walking Track.



After another 95 m pass the "Mushroom Rocks" (on your left).



After another 120 m pass the "Overhanging Rock" (9 m on your left).



After another 1.8 km pass the "Mount Erica" (15 m on your right).



After another 420 m cross the bridge (about 100 m long)



After another 10 m **turn left**, to head along Australian Alps Walking Track.



After another 5.5 km cross the bridge (about 10 m long)



After another 610 m come to the camp site (15 m on your right).



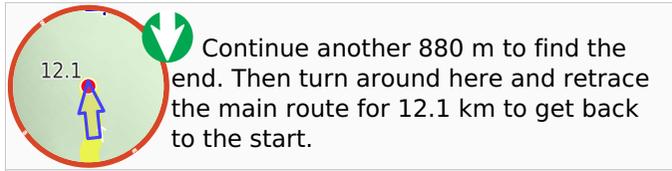
After another 630 m **continue straight**, to head along Australian Alps Walking Track.



After another 30 m come to the "Rock Shelter" (6 m on your right).
Open fires are not allowed.



After another 15 m pass the cave (5 m on your right).



Continue another 880 m to find the end. Then turn around here and retrace the main route for 12.1 km to get back to the start.



"Mount Saint Phillack".



About 90 m past the end is a camp site.
This is a free campsite. Open fires are not allowed.