

Gawler Ranges Organ Pipes



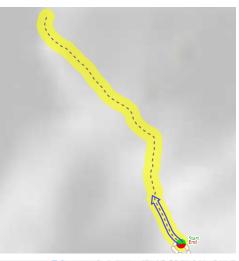
30 min to 45 min







Starting from the Organ Pipes car park off Yardea Road, Gawler Ranges National Park, this walk takes you to the Organ Pipes and back via the Organ Pipes Walk. Known for its spectacular rock formations, Gawler Ranges National Park is home to the magnificent Organ Pipes, formed over 1.5 billion years ago as a result of volcanic eruptions, and is rich in Aboriginal and pastoral heritage. The park's weathered landscape, characterised by jutting rhyolite pillars and large granite domes, is teeming with wildlife and protects several rare and endangered plant and animal species, including crimson mallee and the yellow-footed rock-wallaby. This short walk meanders through open eucalypt woodland to the Organ Pipes, a stunning natural amphitheatre surrounded by an ancient rhyolite outcrop. The walk begins near the Yandinga and Scrubby Peak campgrounds, which are suitable for tents, caravans, camper vans and camper trailers and have toilets and fire pits. This walk consists of narrow, gently undulating walking trails, with uneven natural surfaces and rocky sections, suitable for average fitness levels. 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 3 of 6 Formed track, with some branches and other obstacles	
Quality of track	Formed track, with some branches and other obstacles (3/6)
Gradient	Gentle hills with occasional steps (2/6)
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)



Getting to the start: From Eyre Highway, Minnipa.

- Turn on to Yardea Road then drive for 145 m
- Turn left onto McKenzie Road and drive for another 5.8 km
- Turn left onto Yardea Road and drive for another 28.9 km
- Turn left and drive for another 1.2 km
- Continue onto Organ Pipes Road and drive for another 150 m
- Keep left and drive for another 345 m
- Turn sharp right and drive for another 140 m
- Turn left onto Organ Pipes Road and drive for another 3.4 km
- Continue onto Organ Pipes Road and drive for another 1.5 km
 Keep left onto Organ Pipes Road and drive for another 530 m
- Turn slight left onto Organ Pipes Road and drive for another 55 m
- Turn right onto Organ Pipes Road and drive for another 35 m

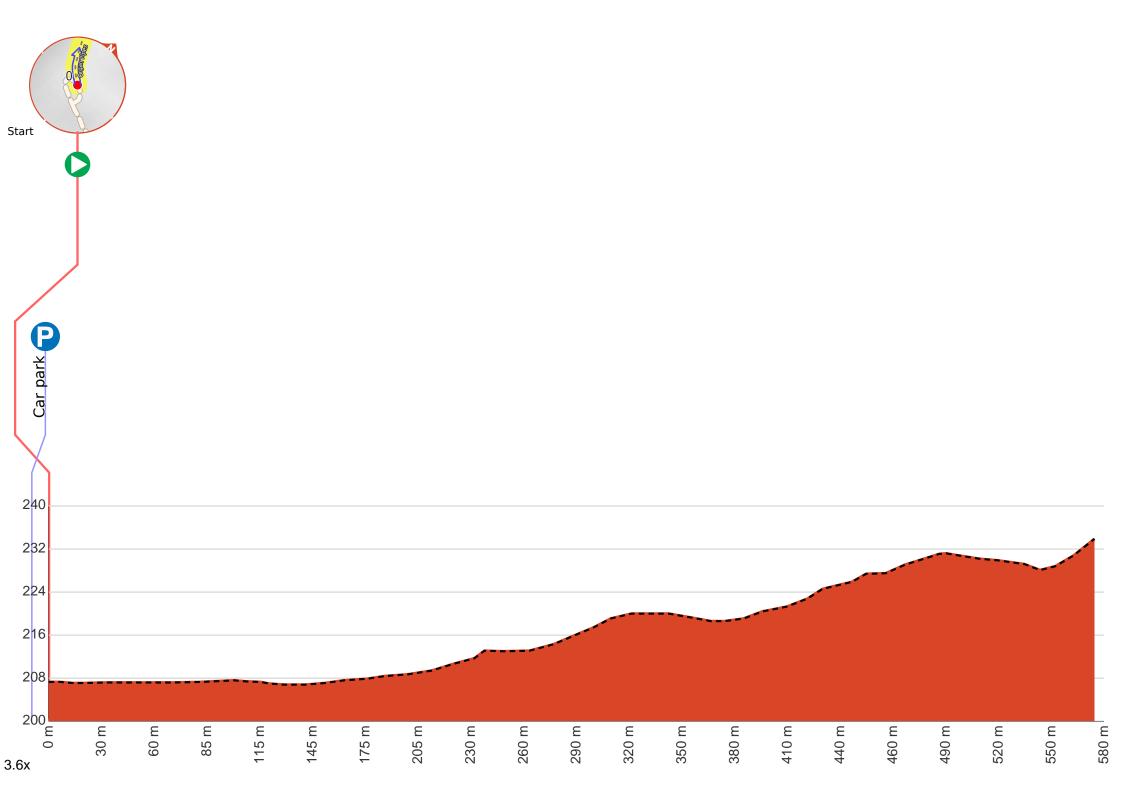
Before you start any journey ensure you;

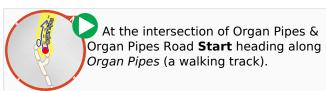
- Tell someone you trust where you are going and what to do if you are late returning
- Have adequate equipment, supplies, skills & knowledge to undertake this journey safely
- Consider weather forecasts, park/track closures & fire dangers
- Can respond to emergencies & call for help at any point
- Are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

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









Organ Pipes (about 9 m back from the start).

After another 580 m come to "Organ Pipes".



Turn around here and retrace the main route for 570 m to get back to the start.