



# Hill Springs

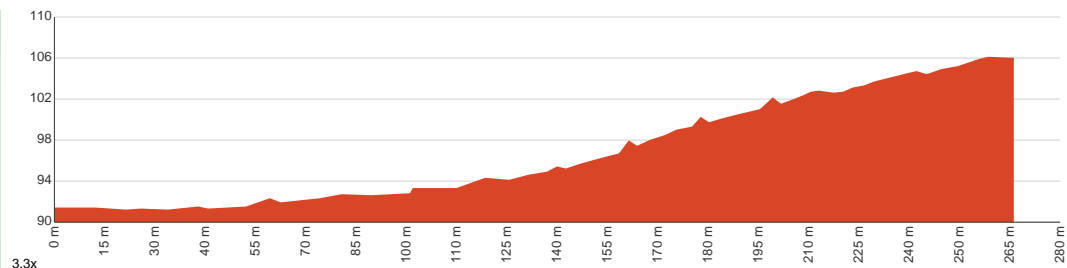
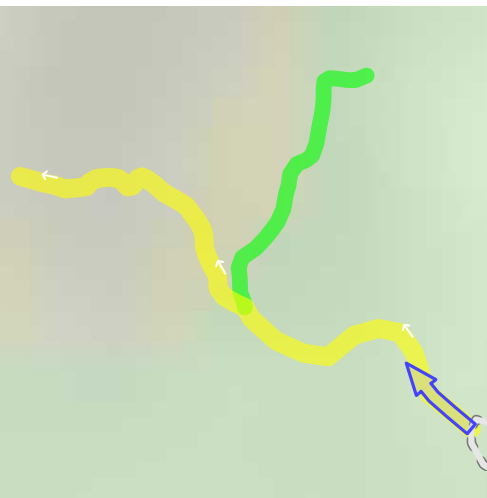
 9 min to 20 min

  
530 m  
Return

  
↑ 15 m  
↓ 15 m

  
Moderate track

Starting from the dirt car park in Cape Arid National Park, this walk takes you on a stroll, visiting the ruins of the historic Hill Springs. It is a historically informative walk and also provides panoramic views. Hill Springs belonged to John Baesjou and his family until 1910. The trail also visits the grave of William Ponton, John's uncle. Additionally, it offers visitors open views over the Recherche Archipelago and behind Mt Arid. There are no marks along the path, but the vegetation is cleared for a better walking experience. 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	Clear and well formed track or trail (2/6)
Gradient	Gentle hills with occasional steps (2/6)
Signage	Directional signs along the way (3/6)
Infrastructure	Generally useful facilities (such as fenced cliffs and seats) (2/6)
Experience Required	No experience required (1/6)
Weather	Weather generally has little impact on safety (1/6)

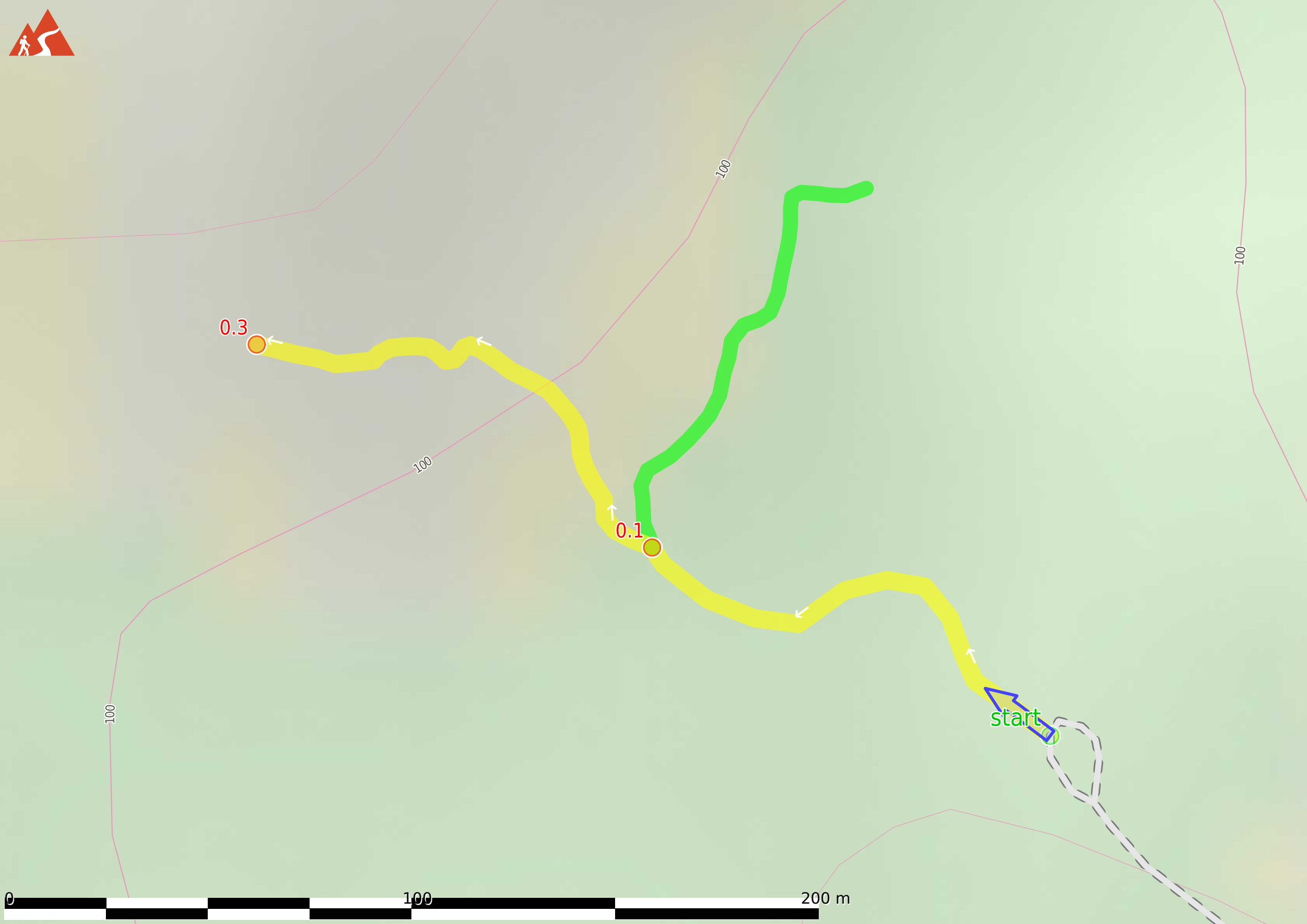
## Before you start any journey ensure you;

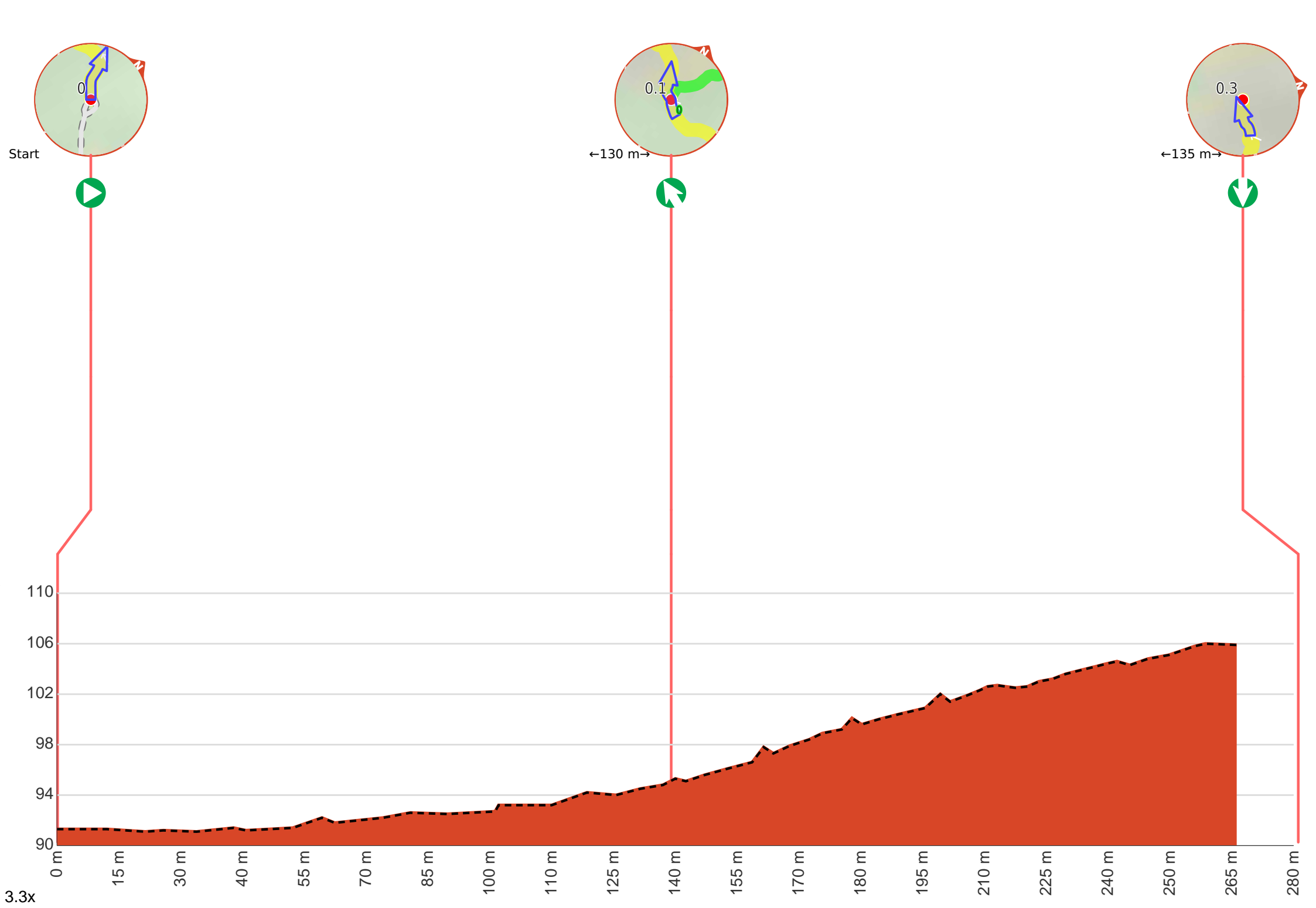
- Tell someone you trust where you are going and what to do if you are late returning
- Have adequate equipment, supplies, skills & knowledge to undertake this journey safely
- Consider weather forecasts, park/track closures & fire dangers
- Can respond to emergencies & call for help at any point
- Are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

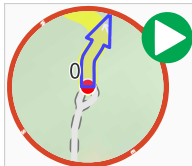
If not, change plans and stay safe. It is okay to delay and ask people for help.

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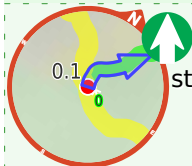




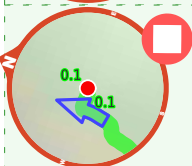


**Start.**

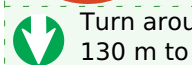
**Start of an optional side trip:** This side trip is part of the walk and takes you up north for a bit.



To start this optional side trip continue straight here. **Start.**

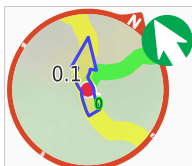


After another 130 m come to the end.



Turn around and retrace your steps back the 130 m to the main route.

Back at the main route ERROR >360 and follow on from the 130 m waypoint.



After another 130 m **veer left.**



Continue another 135 m to find the end. Then turn around here and retrace the main route for 265 m to get back to the start.