

Guthega Trig (Ngarigo Country)

5.9 km

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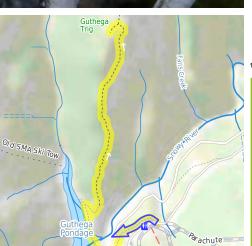






2 h 45 min to 3 h

On this walk, you will visit the old Guthega Trig station and its wide views over the Guthega Dam, the township and surrounding country side. The walk initially leads along management trails and across the dam wall before following a narrow foot pad up the ridge between Guthega River and Falls Creek. The ridge leads fairly steeply through a variety of vegetation before revealing its wide vistas at about 1860m above sea level. Let us begin by acknowledging the Ngarigo people, Traditional Custodians of the land on which we travel today, and pay our respects to their Elders past and present.



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Class 6 of 6 Off track (no visible track at times)							
Quality of track	Rough unclear track (5/6)						
Gradient	Very steep and difficult rock scrambles (5/6)						
Signage	No directional signs (5/6)						
Infrastructure	No facilities provided (5/6)						
Experience Required	Very high level of bushwalking experience recommended (6/6)						
Weather	Forecasted & unexpected severe weather likely to have an impact on your navigation and safety (5/6)						



Getting to the start: From Barry Way

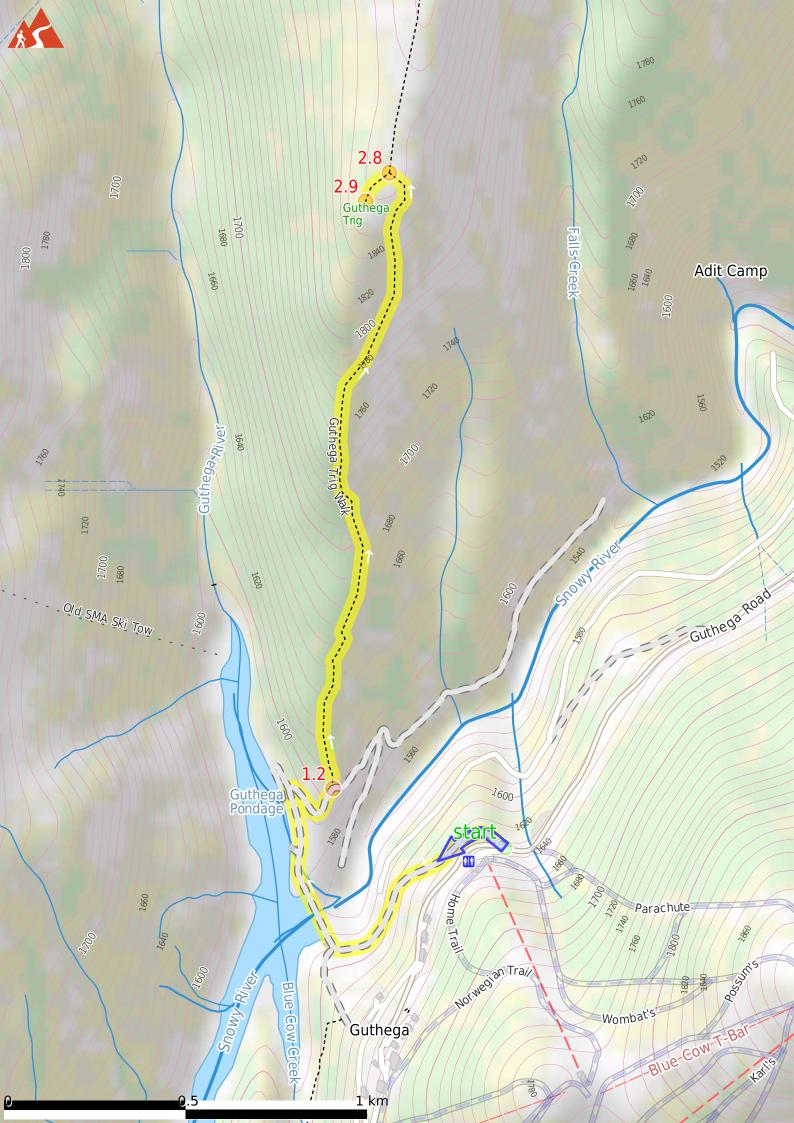
- Turn on to Kosciuszko Road then drive for 12.4 km
- Keep left and drive for another 255 m
- Turn slight left onto Kosciuszko Road and drive for another 16.5 km
- Turn right onto Link Road and drive for another 4.9 km
- Keep left onto Link Road and drive for another 45 m
- Continue onto Guthega Road and drive for another 4 km

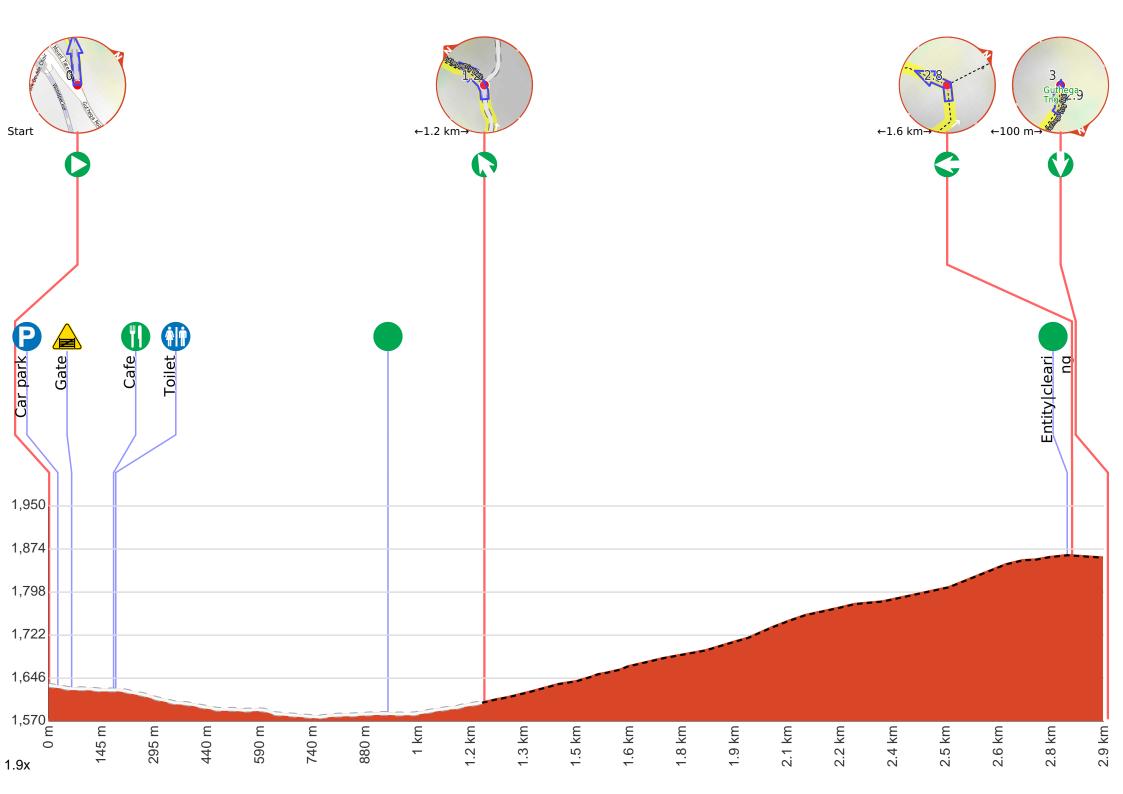
Before you start any journey ensure you;

- 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.







Getting started: From the car park in front of the Guthega Centre (before the main resort), this walk follows the road for a short distance east (out of town) then turns left and heads down along the management trail towards the dam. The walk soon passes a 'No Entry Authorised Vehicles Only' sign and then heads around the locked gate and down along the gravel road. The management trail gently winds down the hill, enjoying the views of the dam wall, and soon comes to a large clearing, some information signs and a building just before the dam wall).



Start.



After 25 m pass the "Guthega Day Parking" (on your left).



After another 40 m head through/around the gate.



After another 115 m pass the cafe (60 m on your left).



After another 6 m pass the toilet (65 m on your left).



After another 760 m find the "Guthega Pondage" (50 m on your right).



Guthega Dam collects the water from Blue Cow Creek, Guthega River and the Snowy River. The dam has been built to provide the water and pressure to drive the Guthega Power Station. The water is carried to the power station via the Guthega pressure tunnel (and pipeline). This dam is 33m high and 137m across at the top, and stores up to 1550 megalitres of water.



Continue straight.



After another 345 m **veer left**, to head along Guthega Trig Walk.



After another 1.6 km find the "Guthega View" (on your right).



Guthega view is an informal lookout point, east of Guthega Trig. The flat area marked with a couple of boulders provides a great view (in clear weather) to the south, down the ridge to Guthega Village and dam. The area can be a great place to rest at the top of the ridge, giving a chance to enjoy the scattering of snow gums and if you look carefully in the grasses, you may spot some unusual fungus.



After another 15 m **turn left**, to head along Guthega Trig Walk.



(Guthega Trig) Continue another 100 m to find the end. Then turn around here and retrace the main route for 2.9 km to get back to the start.



Guthega Trig is found on a granite outcrop at about 1865m (AMSL) between Guthega River and Falls Creek. In clear weather, there are great views down along Guthega River to Guthega Dam and the surrounding hills (Mount Twynam and Tate). The actual trig station has fallen off the top of the knoll and lies between some boulders on the eastern side of the outcrop.