



Ronny Creek to Waterfall Valley

(Palawa Country)

4 h to 6 h



10.8 km

One way segment



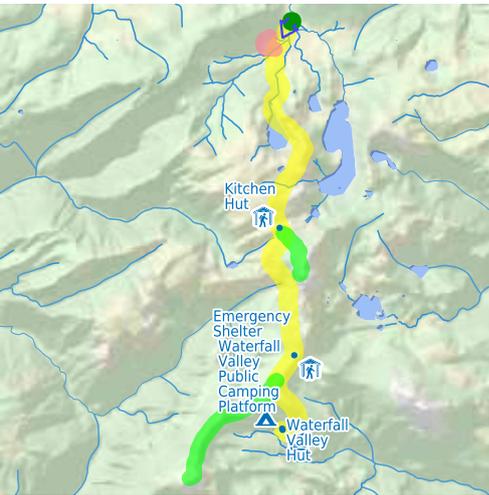
↑ 535 m
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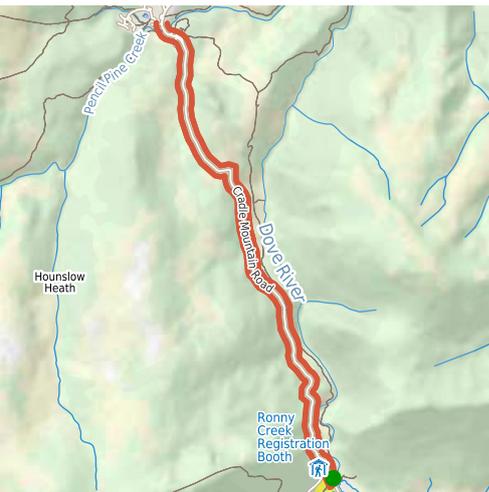
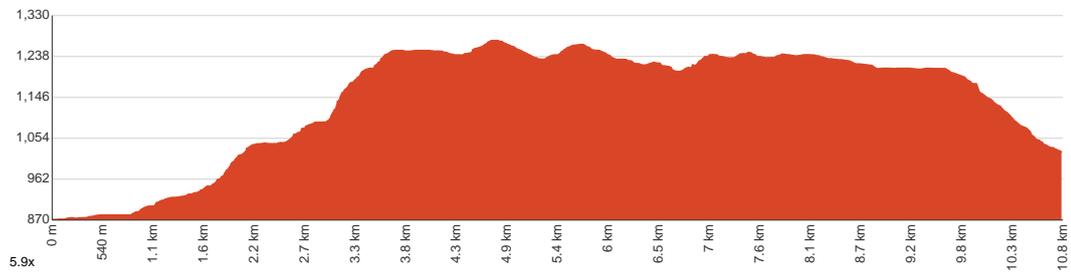
Very challenging



The Overland Track starts by guiding you through some amazingly diverse and spectacular landscapes. You start from the bus stop and car park at Ronny Creek, then wander for a few hundred meters through the buttongrass plains beside Ronny Creek. After this the uphill starts, it is very steep in places, take your time and enjoy the views. You will pass Crater Falls in a lovely rainforest before emerging at the mouth of the glacier-carved Crater Lake. The climbing continues up from here, with chains to assist one short rocky scramble up to Marion's Lookout and the amazing views over Dove Lake. Continue along the Overland Track to Kitchen Hut (a great lunch spot) where there is the potential side trip to Cradle Mountain. The Overland Track then continues 'behind' Cradle Mountain before wandering down the lovely Waterfall Valley. Before heading down to Waterfall valley is the option challenging side trip to Barn Bluff. One of the more challenging days on track with a stunning environment, start early and take your time to soak it all up. Let us begin by acknowledging the Palawa people, Traditional Custodians of the land on which we travel today, and pay our respects to their Elders past and present.



This is part of longer journey and can not be completed on it is own.
Full journey: [The Overland Track](#)



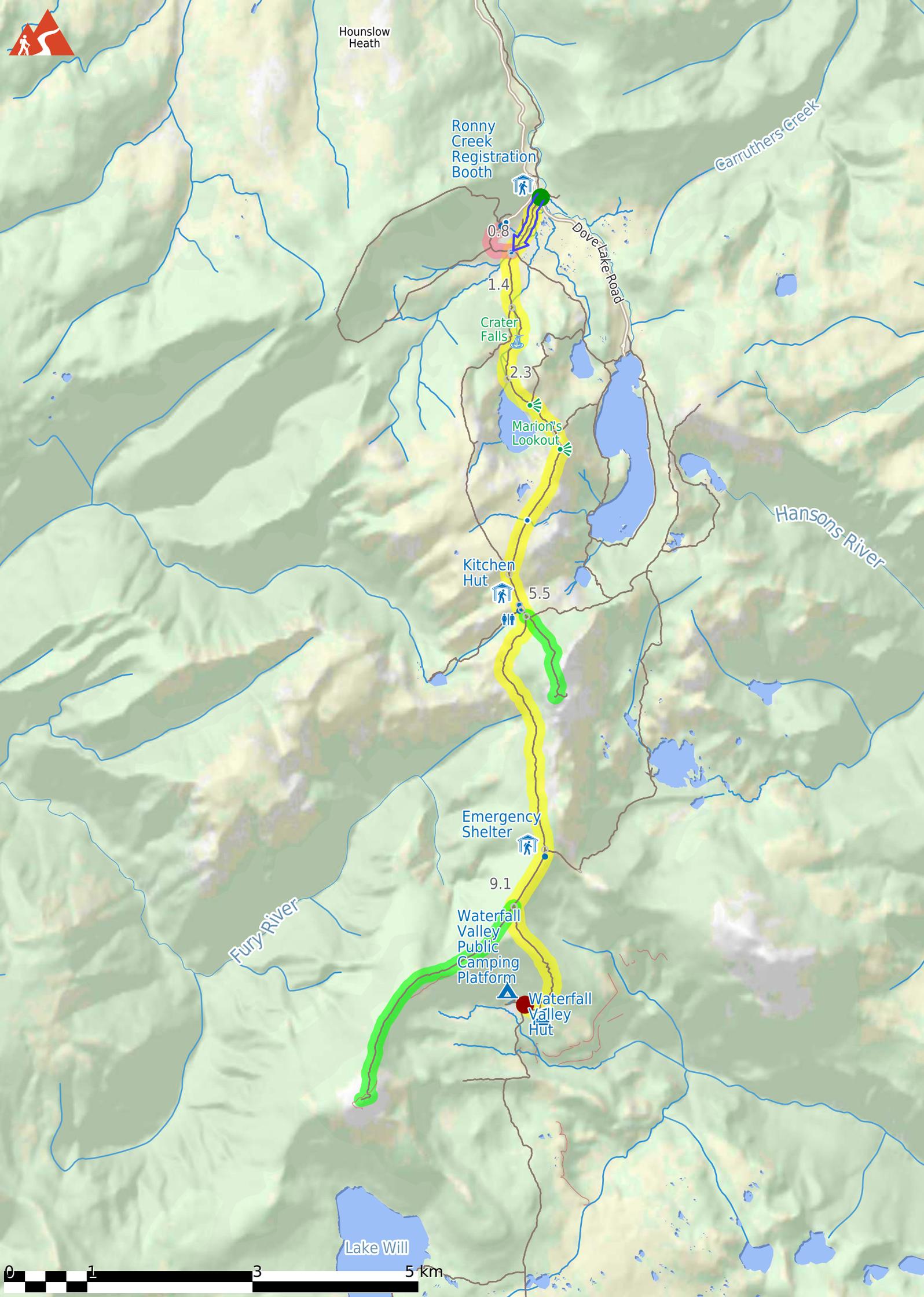
Class 5 of 6 Rough unclear track	
Quality of track	Formed track, with some branches and other obstacles (3/6)
Gradient	Very steep (4/6)
Signage	Clearly signposted (2/6)
Infrastructure	Limited facilities, not all cliffs are fenced (3/6)
Experience Required	Some bushwalking experience recommended (3/6)
Weather	Forecasted & unexpected severe weather likely to have an impact on your navigation and safety (5/6)

Getting to the start: From Cradle Mountain Road, C132, Pencil Pine.

- Turn on to then drive for 5 m

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Hounslow Heath

Ronny Creek Registration Booth

Carruthers Creek

Crater Falls

Marion's Lookout

Kitchen Hut

Emergency Shelter

Fury River

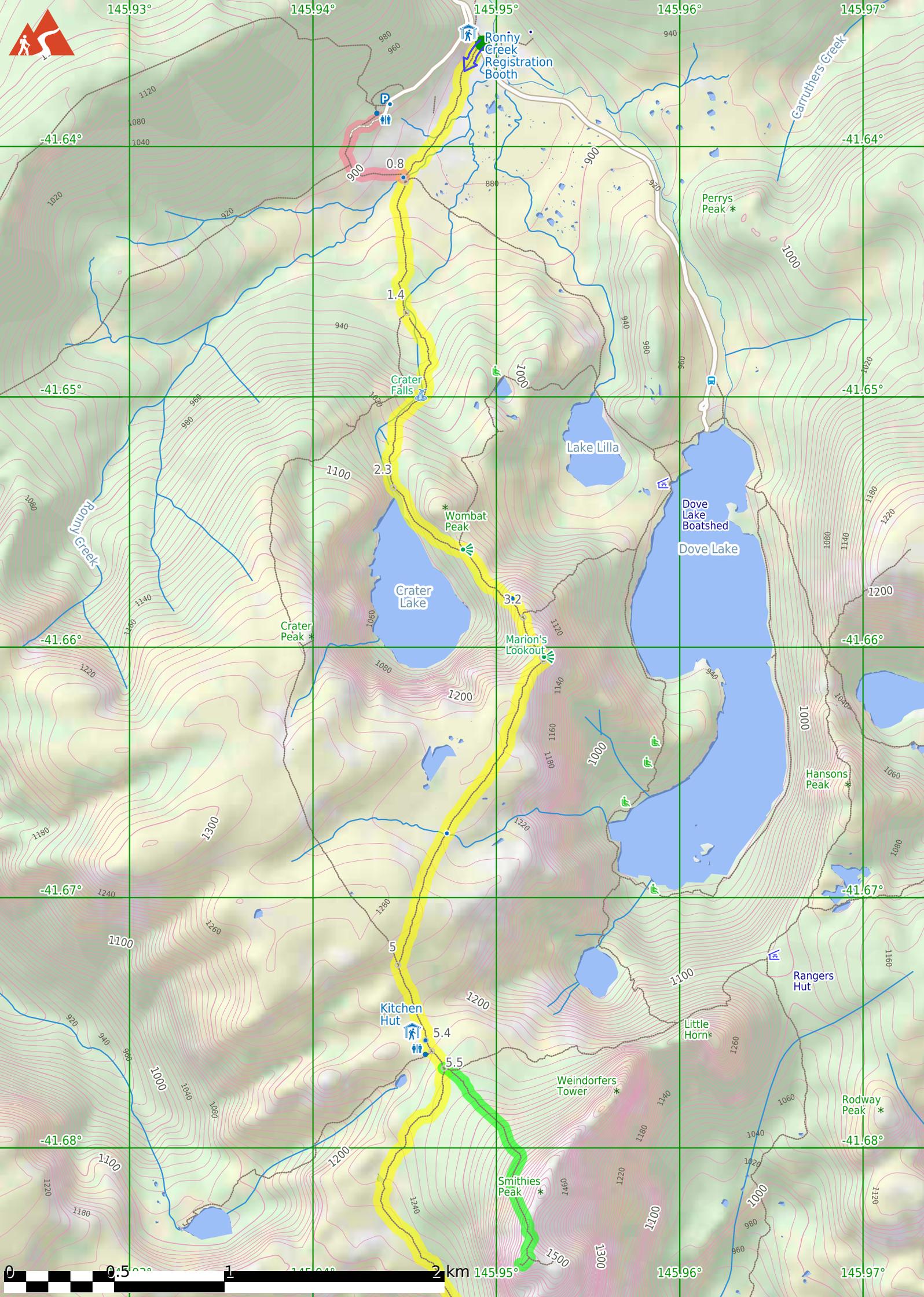
Hansons River

Waterfall Valley Public Camping Platform

Waterfall Valley Hut

Lake Will





Ronny Creek
Registration
Booth

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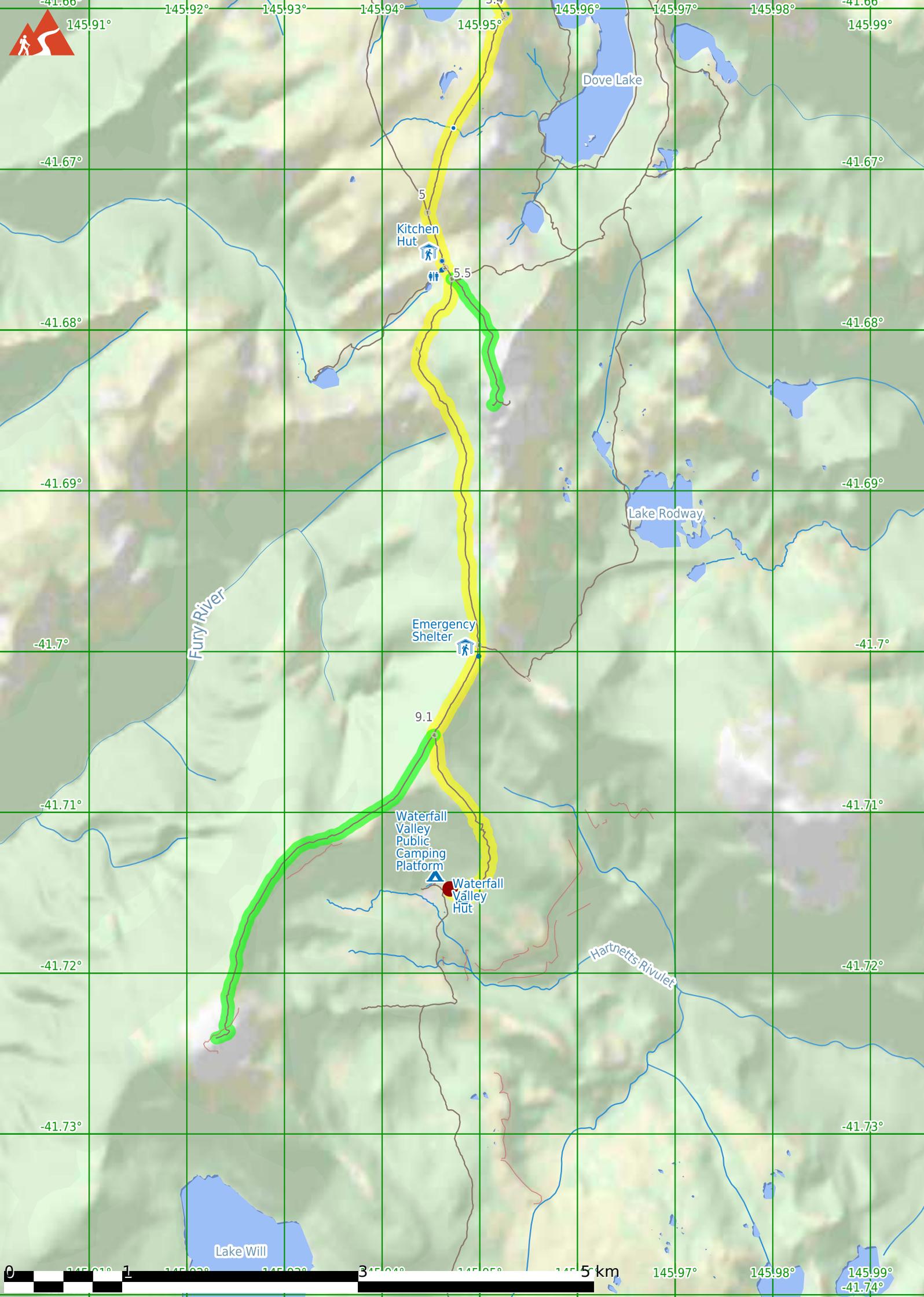
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Kitchen
Hut





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-41.72°

-41.72°

-41.73°

-41.73°

Lake Will

Dove Lake

Lake Rodway

Fury River

Hartnetts Rivulet

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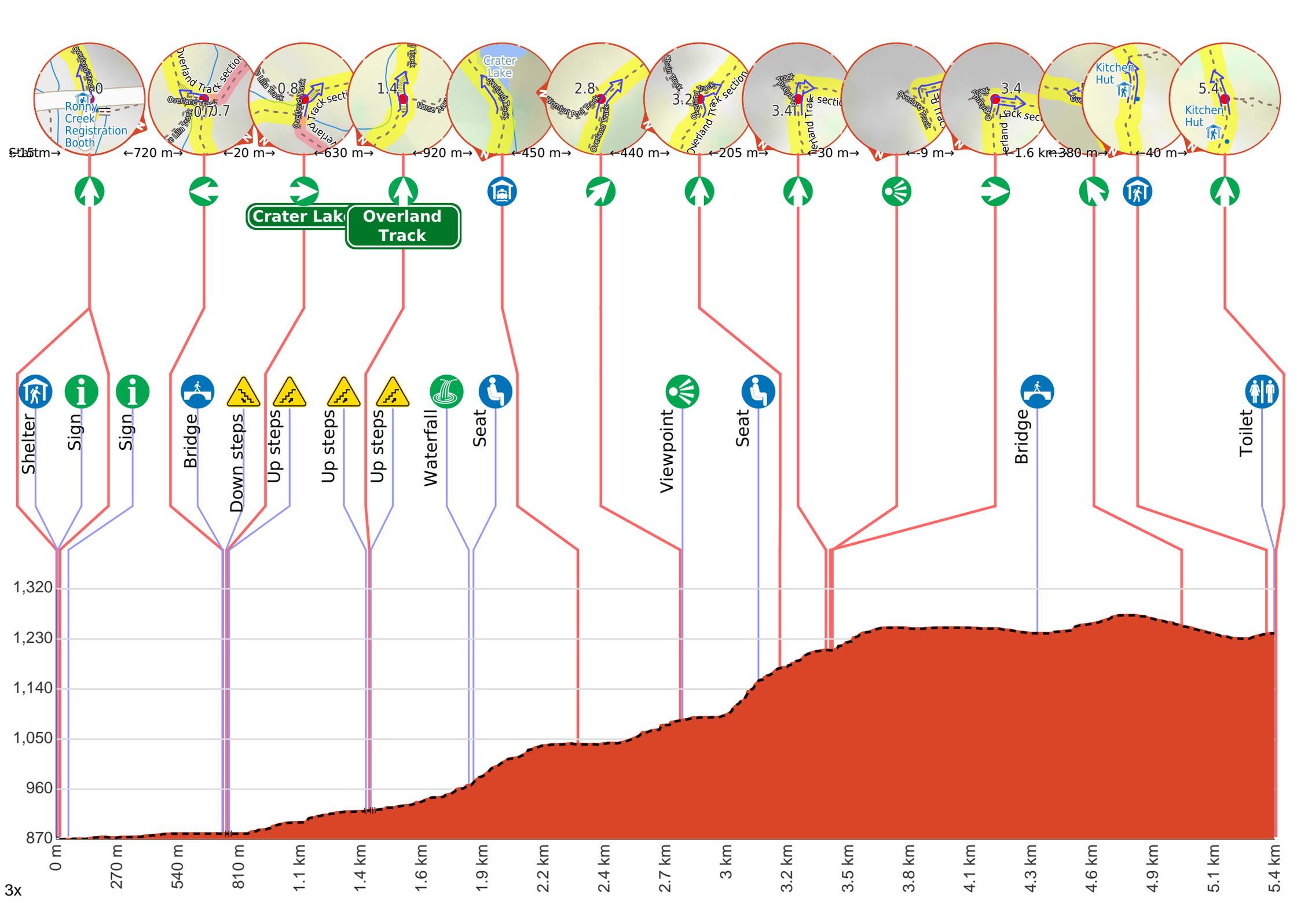
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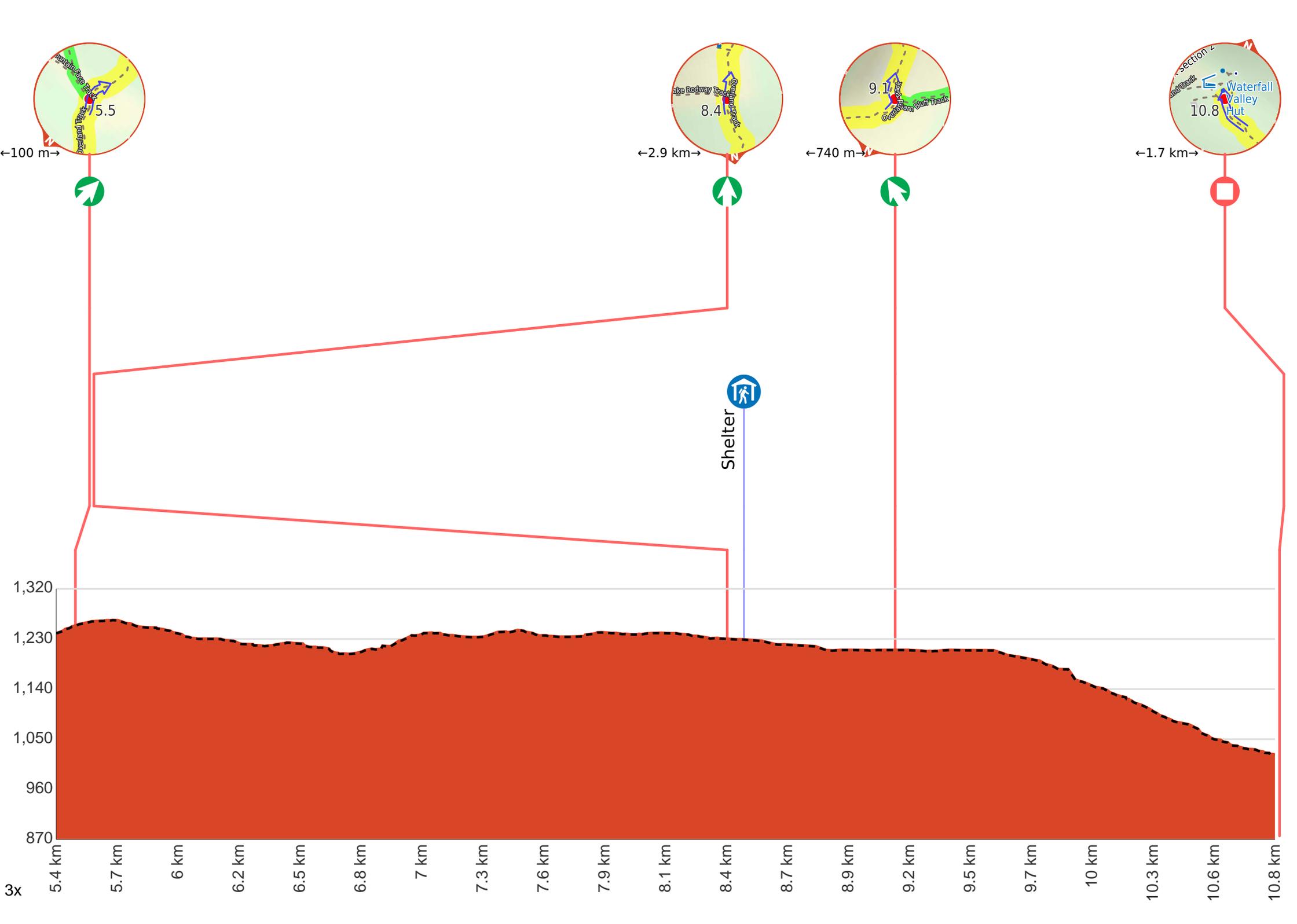
145.97°

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145.99°

-41.74°





Getting started: From the Visitor Center at Cradle Mountain catch the shuttle bus towards Dove Lake, but get off about halfway at "Ronny Creek". There is a small car park and small shelter at Ronny Creek, fill out the logbook, then cross the road to follow the timber boardwalk past the well signposted formal start of the Overland Track.



Start.



Find the Ronny Creek Registration Booth at the start.



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After another 10 m (at the intersection of Overland Track & Dove Lake Road) **continue straight**, to head along Overland Track (a walking track).



After another 40 m pass the "Overland Track" (4 m on your left).

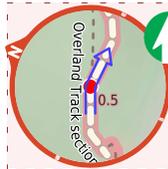
Start of an alternate access route: The alternate Access track to Waldheim Cabins on Connells Ave



Start.



After another 430 m **turn right**.



After another 60 m **continue straight**.



After another 110 m pass the toilet (25 m on your left).



About 75 m past the end is a car park.



The end.



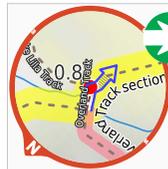
After another 680 m **turn left**, to head along Overland Track.



Then cross the bridge (about 15 m long)



Then head down the wooden steps (about 3 m long)



Crater Lake

After another 5 m (at the intersection of Overland Track & Lake Lilla Track) by following the "Crater Lake" sign **turn right**, to head along Overland Track.



After another 6 m head up the steps (about 15 m long)



After another 590 m head up the steps (about 10 m long)



Overland Track

After another 6 m (at the intersection of Overland Track & Horse Track) by following the "Overland Track" sign **continue straight**, to head along Overland Track.



After another 6 m head up the steps (about 25 m long)



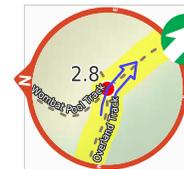
After another 410 m pass the "Crater Falls" (9 m on your right).



After another 20 m pass a seat (on your right).



After another 460 m pass the "Crater Lake Hut" (on your right).



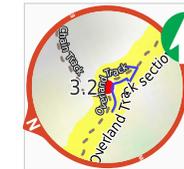
After another 450 m (at the intersection of Overland Track & Wombat Pool Track) **veer right**, to head along Overland Track.



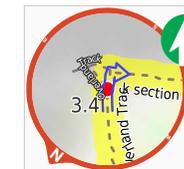
After another 10 m come to the viewpoint (15 m on your left).



After another 335 m pass a seat (9 m on your left).



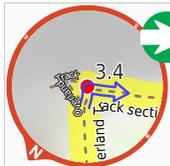
After another 95 m (at the intersection of Overland Track & Chain Track) **continue straight**, to head along Overland Track.



After another 205 m **continue straight**, to head along Overland Track.



After another 30 m come to the "Marion's Lookout" (30 m on your left).



Turn right, to head along Overland Track.



After another 920 m cross the bridge (about 10 m long)



After another 630 m (at the intersection of Overland Track & Horse Track) **veer left**, to head along Overland Track.



After another 380 m pass the "Kitchen Hut" (6 m on your right).



After another 35 m pass the "Kitchen Hut Toilet" (30 m on your right).



After another 8 m (at the intersection of Overland Track & Kitchen Hut Toilet Track) **continue straight**, to head along Overland Track.

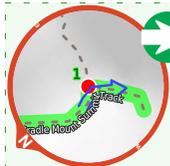
Start of an optional side trip: An optional side trip to climb the famous Cradle Mountain. Very steep and slippery so not recommended in wet or icy conditions. There is some rock scrambling near the summit that requires extra care. Requires between 2-3 hours to enjoy this side trip.



To start this optional side trip veer left here. at the intersection of Cradle Mountain Face Track & Overland Track **Start** heading along *Cradle Mountain Face Track* (a walking track).



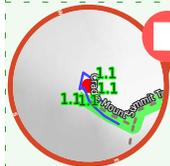
After another 35 m (at the intersection of Cradle Mount Summit Track & Cradle Mountain Face Track) **veer right**, to head along Cradle Mount Summit Track.



After another 1 km **turn right**, to head along Cradle Mount Summit Track.



After another 55 m come to "Cradle Mountain".



Continue another 0 m to find Cradle Mountain at the end.



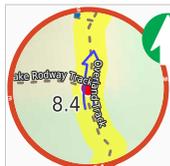
Turn around and retrace your steps back the 1.1 km to the main route.



Back at the main route turn left and follow on from the 5.5 km waypoint.



After another 100 m (at the intersection of Overland Track & Cradle Mountain Face Track) **veer right**, to head along Overland Track.



After another 2.9 km (at the intersection of Overland Track & Lake Rodway Track) **continue straight**, to head along Overland Track.



After another 75 m pass the "Emergency Shelter" (15 m on your left).

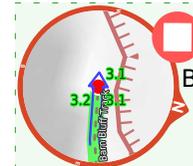
Start of an optional side trip: Barn Bluff side trip. This is for very experienced walkers comfortable with rock scrambles, exposed heights and faint tracks. Leave 3-4hrs to complete this sidetrip.



To start this optional side trip turn right here. **Start**.



After another 3.1 km come to "Barn Bluff".



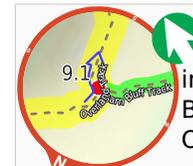
Continue another 0 m to find Barn Bluff at the end.



Turn around and retrace your steps back the 3.1 km to the main route.



Back at the main route turn sharp left and follow on from the 9.1 km waypoint.



After another 670 m (at the intersection of Overland Track & Barn Bluff Track) **veer left**, to head along Overland Track.



After another 1.7 km come to "Waterfall Valley Hut".



About 20 m past the end is "Waterfall Valley Toilets".



About 35 m past the end is "Waterfall Valley Public Camping Platform".
W: www.parks.tas.gov.au



Continue another 0 m to find at the intersection of Waterfall Valley Hut Track & Waterfall Valley Hut Toilet Track at the end.