



# Black Mountain Forest Track Circuit

 40 min to 1 h

  
2.1 km  
Circuit

  
↑ 66 m  
↓ 66 m

  
3  
Moderate track

Black Mountain Forest Track Circuit, Black Mt. Nature Reserve starts near Black Mountain Drive, Acton leading via the scenic Forest Track around the summit of Black Mt. and back. As you pivot around the mountain, expect to see panoramic views of Canberra in every part of the journey. Also look out for parrots whilst walking through the eucalyptus-dominated woodland, and see if you can get them to say hi. Drive up to the summit and squeeze out all the views you can get since you're so close to the top. Keep in mind that you need to take all your rubbish with you, so pack accordingly. 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.



<b>Class 3 of 6</b> Formed track, with some branches and other obstacles	
<b>Quality of track</b>	Formed track, with some branches and other obstacles (3/6)
<b>Gradient</b>	Short steep hills (3/6)
<b>Signage</b>	Clearly signposted (1/6)
<b>Infrastructure</b>	Generally useful facilities (such as fenced cliffs and seats) (2/6)
<b>Experience Required</b>	No experience required (2/6)
<b>Weather</b>	Weather generally has little impact on safety (2/6)

**Getting to the start:** From Parkes Way

- Turn on to Clunies Ross Street Offramp then drive for 260 m
- Turn slight right onto Clunies Ross Street Offramp and drive for another 10 m
- Turn right onto Clunies Ross Street and drive for another 410 m
- Keep left and drive for another 2 km



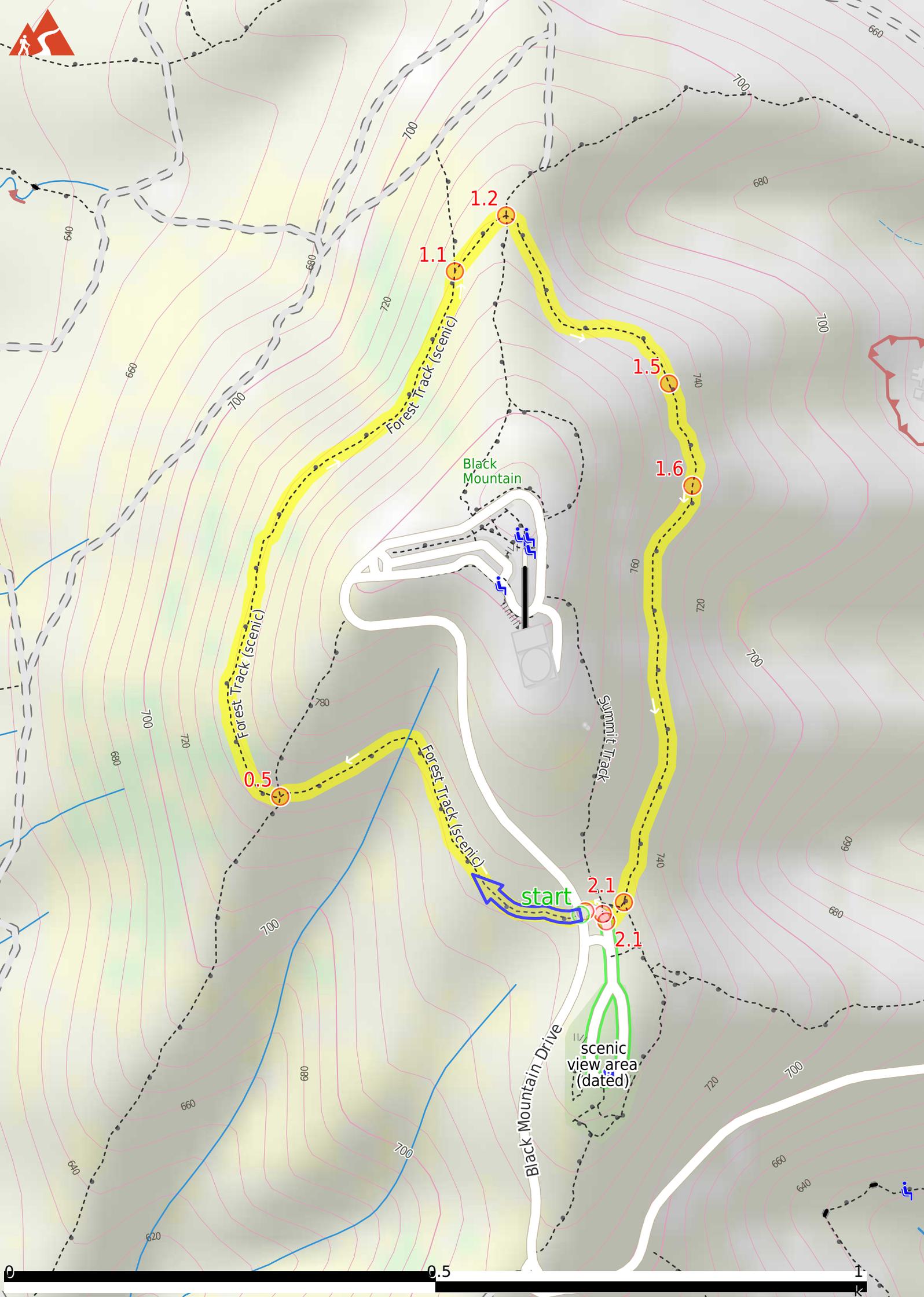
### Before you start any journey ensure you;

- 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.

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1.2

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2.1

2.1

start

Black Mountain

Forest Track (scenic)

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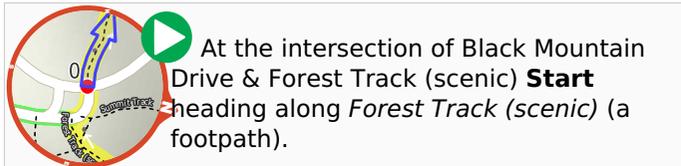
Summit Track

Black Mountain Drive

scenic view area (dated)



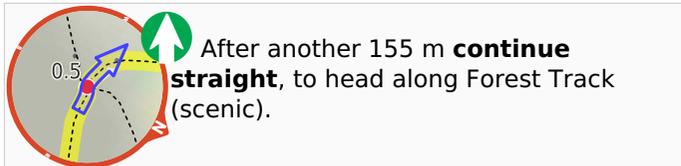




At the intersection of Black Mountain Drive & Forest Track (scenic) **Start** heading along *Forest Track (scenic)* (a footpath).



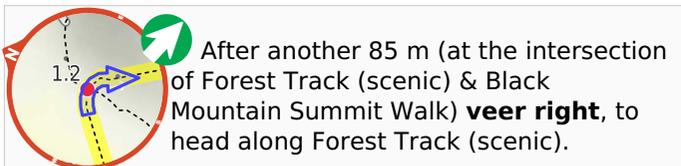
After 315 m cross the ford.



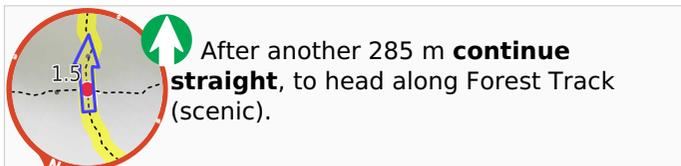
After another 155 m **continue straight**, to head along Forest Track (scenic).



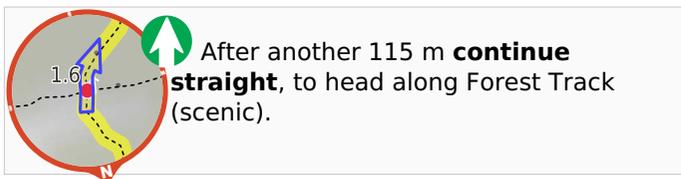
After another 670 m **veer right**, to head along Forest Track (scenic).



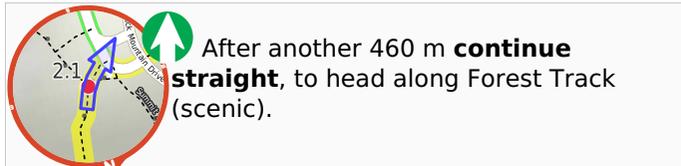
After another 85 m (at the intersection of Forest Track (scenic) & Black Mountain Summit Walk) **veer right**, to head along Forest Track (scenic).



After another 285 m **continue straight**, to head along Forest Track (scenic).

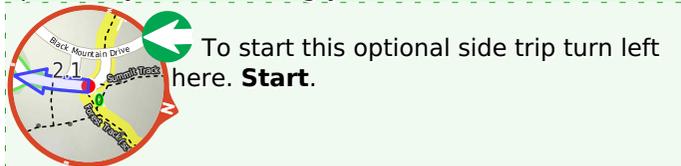


After another 115 m **continue straight**, to head along Forest Track (scenic).

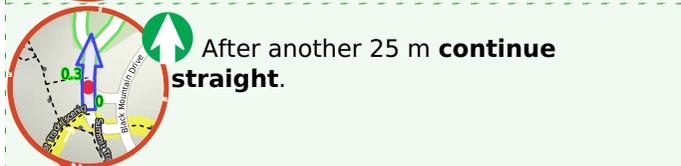


After another 460 m **continue straight**, to head along Forest Track (scenic).

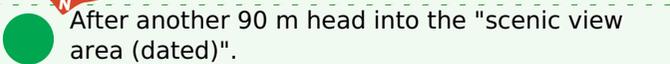
**Start of an optional side trip:** An optional side trip taking you to a scenic area with multiple lookout points if you're still hungry for views.



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



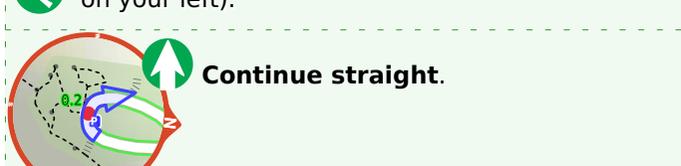
After another 25 m **continue straight.**



After another 90 m head into the "scenic view area (dated)".



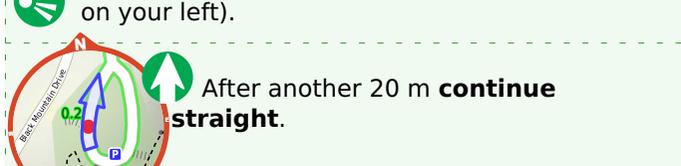
After another 70 m come to the viewpoint (25 m on your left).



**Continue straight.**



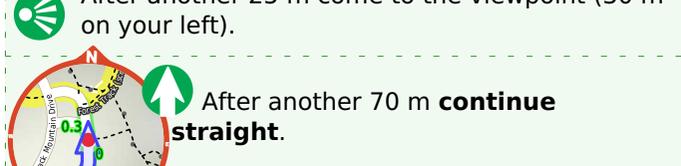
After another 25 m come to the viewpoint (35 m on your left).



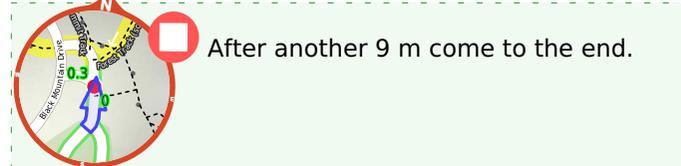
After another 20 m **continue straight.**



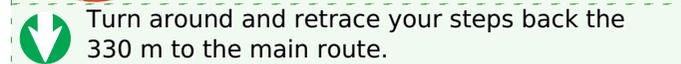
After another 25 m come to the viewpoint (30 m on your left).



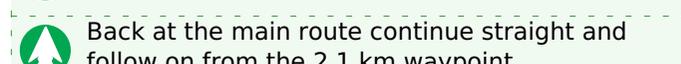
After another 70 m **continue straight.**



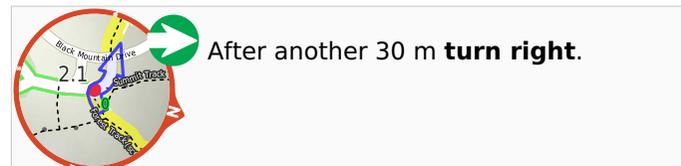
After another 9 m come to the end.



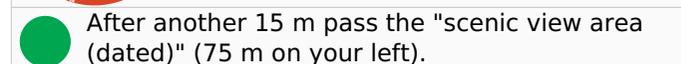
Turn around and retrace your steps back the 330 m to the main route.



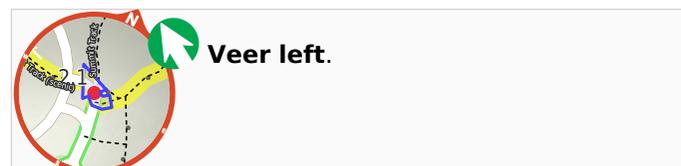
Back at the main route continue straight and follow on from the 2.1 km waypoint.



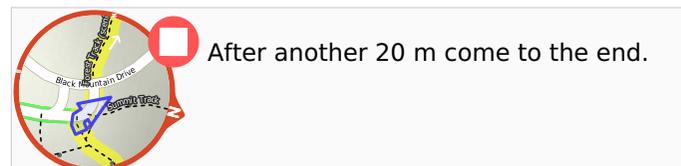
After another 30 m **turn right.**



After another 15 m pass the "scenic view area (dated)" (75 m on your left).



**Veer left.**



After another 20 m come to the end.