



# Crystal Cascades

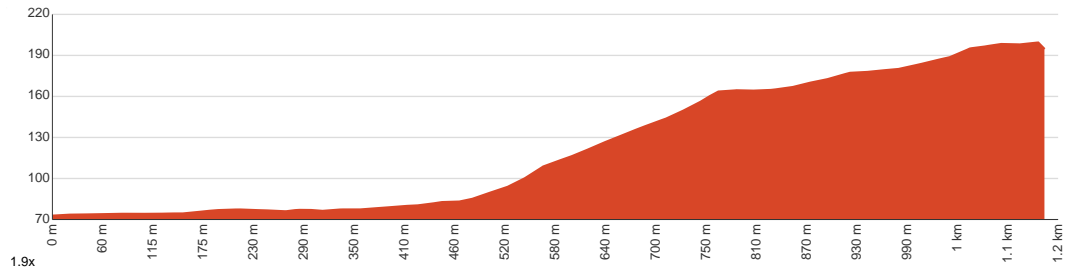
45 min to 1 h 15 min

2.3 km  
Return

↑ 136 m  
↓ 136 m

2  
Easy track

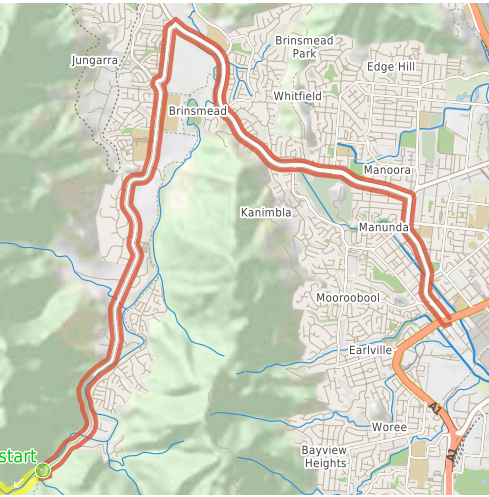
Starting from the Crystal Cascades car park at the end of Redlynch Intake Road, this walk takes you to the Crystal Cascades and back via a wide concrete track, exploring the dense rainforest along the way. You'll pass by multiple little rock pools and cascades until you come to the taller waterfall at the end. With its close proximity to Cairns and ease of access, this is the regular swim destination for many. The area tends to be very busy on the weekends, so come early or on a weekday to avoid the crowd. 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 2 of 6 Clear and well formed track or trail	
<b>Quality of track</b>	Smooth and hardened path (1/6)
<b>Gradient</b>	Gentle hills with occasional steps (2/6)
<b>Signage</b>	Clearly signposted (2/6)
<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 Mulgrave Road, A1

- Turn on to McCoombe Street, 91 then drive for 2.4 km
- Keep left onto Pease Street, 91 and drive for another 5.8 km
- Turn left onto Redlynch Connection Road and drive for another 1.2 km
- At roundabout, take exit 1 onto Redlynch Intake Road and drive for another 7.9 km
- Turn left and drive for another 170 m



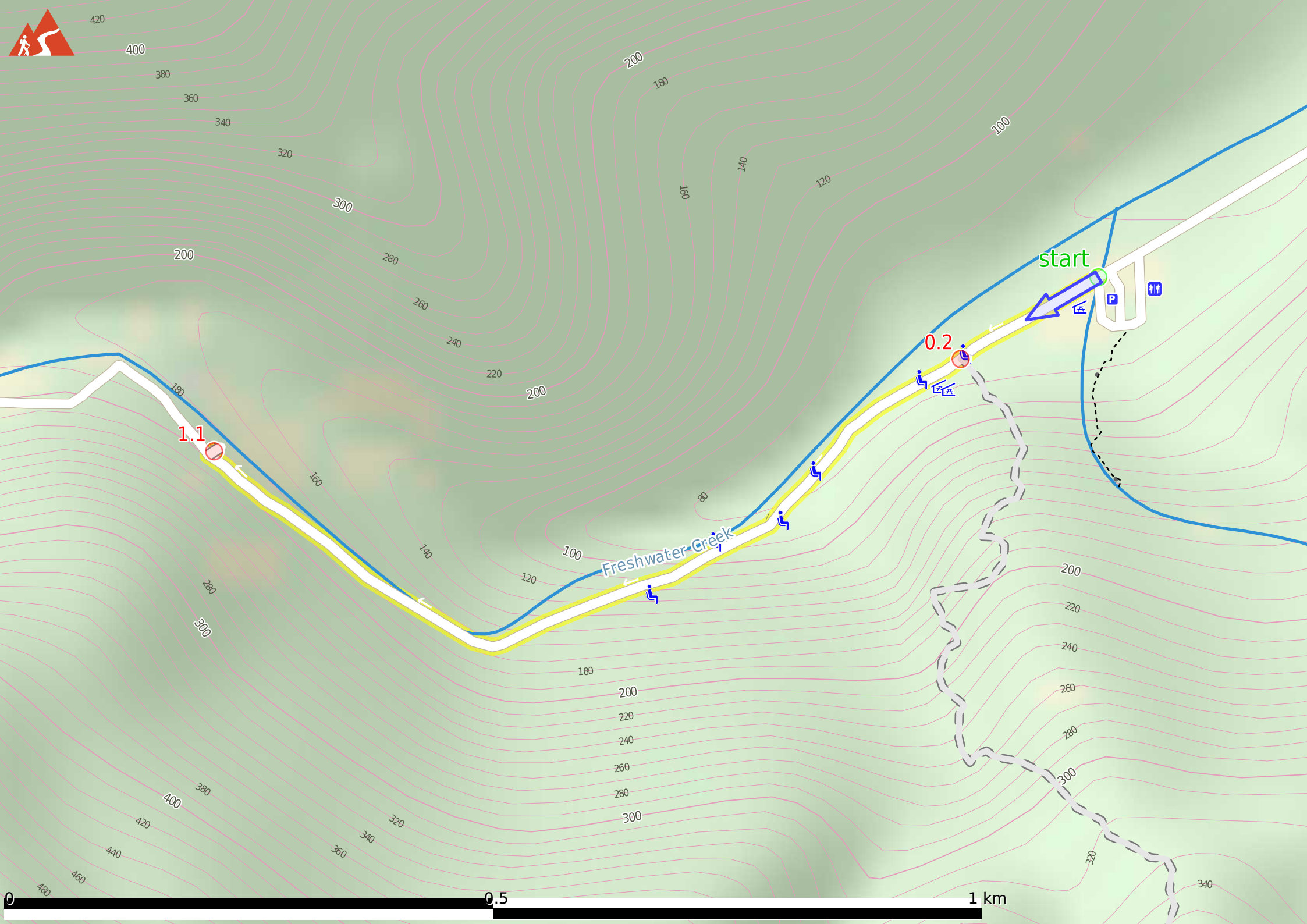
**Before you start any journey ensure you;**

- 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.

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start

1.1

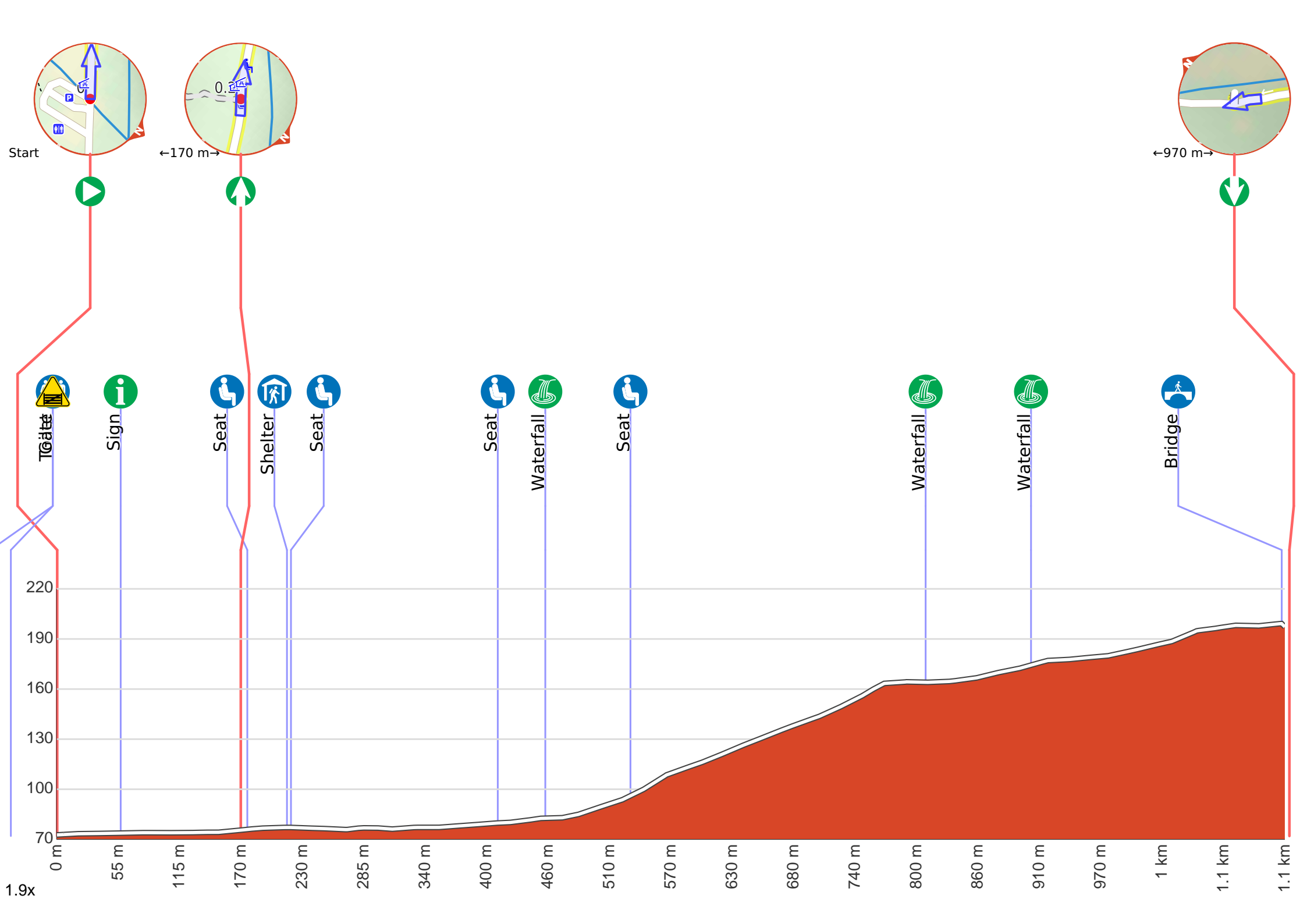
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Freshwater Creek

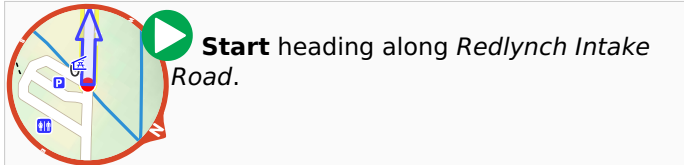
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0.5


1 km





**Getting started:** From the Crystal Cascades car park at the end of Redlynch Intake Road, head towards the picnic area along the dirt track as you pass by informative signposts to your left, moving directly away from the road. At the T intersection 165 metres in, keep moving in the same direction to continue along Crystal Cascades Track.




**Start** heading along *Redlynch Intake Road*.

 There is a toilet (about 60 m back from the start).


 Find the gate at the start.


 Find the Crystal Cascades at the start.


 After another 115 m pass a seat (on your right).





**Continue straight.**








 After another 45 m pass the shelter (on your left).

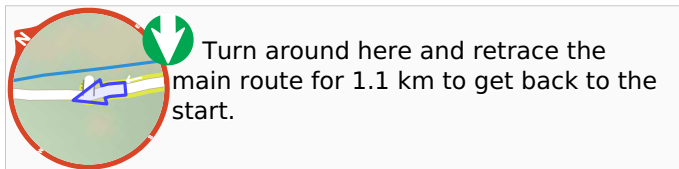
 Then pass a seat (on your right).

 After another 190 m pass a seat (on your right).

 After another 30 m **continue straight**.

 After another 15 m pass the waterfall (30 m on your left).

-  After another 80 m pass a seat (10 m on your right).
-  After another 275 m pass the waterfall (15 m on your left).
-  After another 100 m pass the waterfall (15 m on your right).
-  After another 235 m **turn right**.
-  Then cross the bridge
-  A viewpoint.
-  About 145 m past the end is "Crystal Cascades".



Turn around here and retrace the main route for 1.1 km to get back to the start.