




Bullock's track - via Bullock's Hut

 1 h 15 min to 2 h

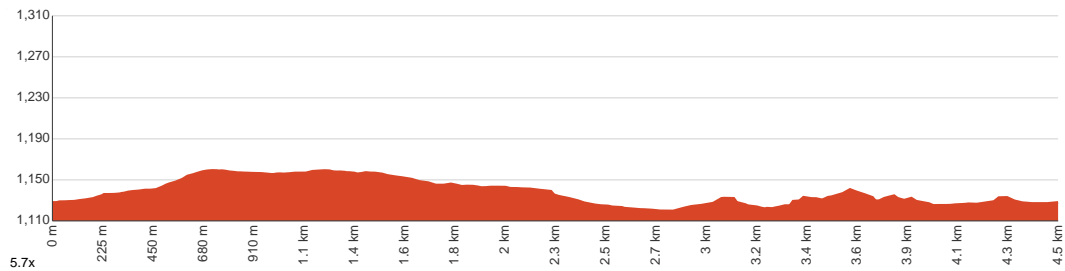
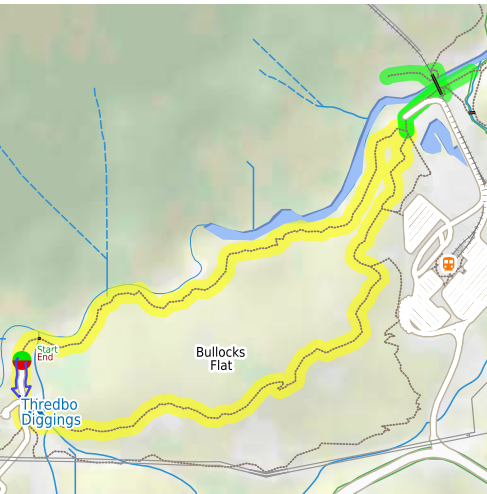

4.5 km
Circuit


↑ 89 m
↓ 89 m


Moderate track



This walk explores some of the history and beauty along the Thredbo River around Bullocks Flat. Starting from the Thredbo Diggings campsite, you will follow the clearly signposted Bullocks Track through the scattering of snow gums and granite boulders to Bullocks Hut, before returning to the campsite via a track that follows the Thredbo River. The walk ducks under the Ski Tube railway bridge, and uses the bridge to cross the river on an optional side trip. 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	Formed track, with some branches and other obstacles (3/6)
Gradient	Short steep hills (3/6)
Signage	Clearly signposted (1/6)
Infrastructure	Generally useful facilities (such as fenced cliffs and seats) (1/6)
Experience Required	No experience required (1/6)
Weather	Storms may impact on navigation and safety (3/6)

Getting to the start: From

Before you start any journey ensure you;

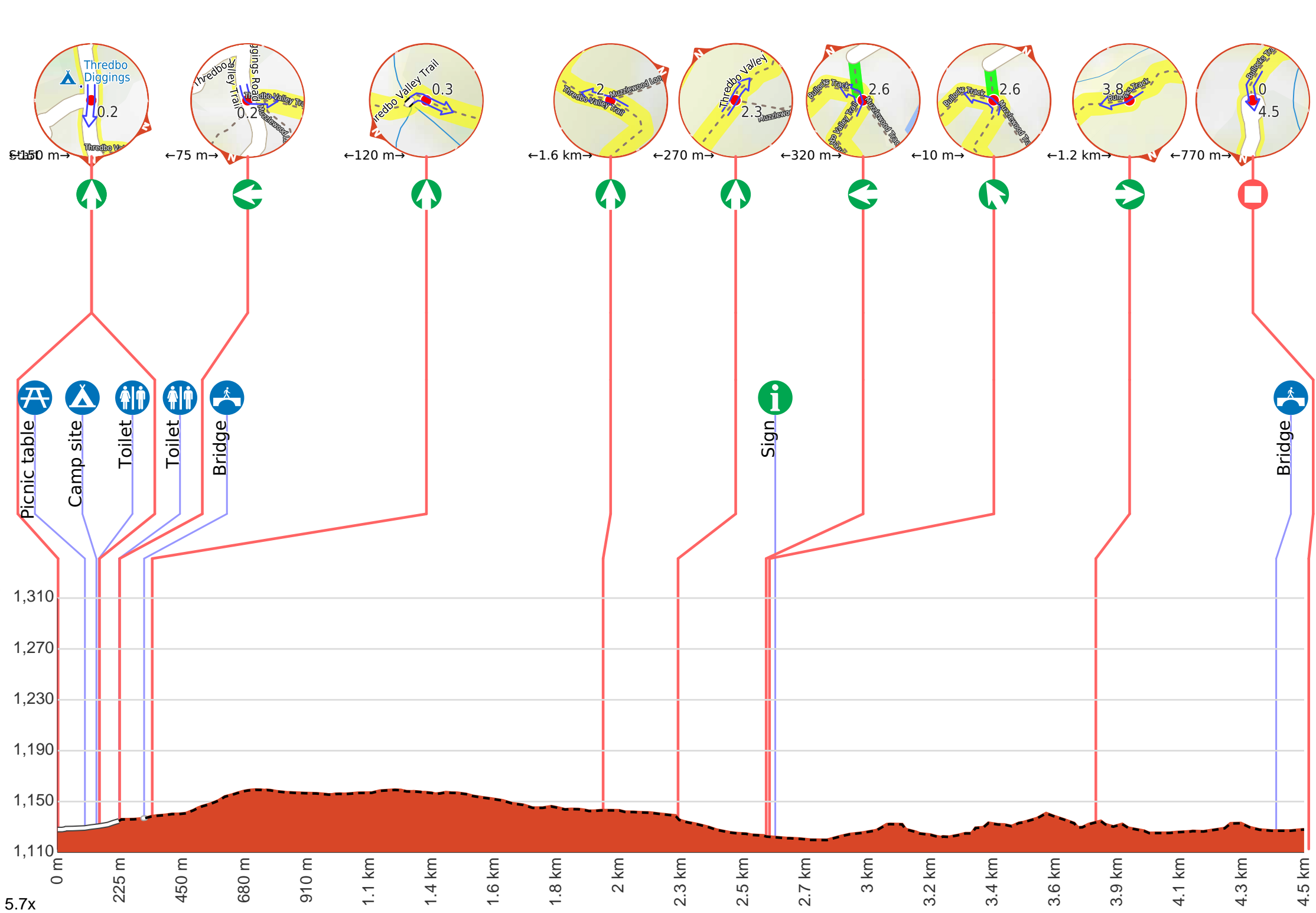
- Tell someone you trust where you are going and what to do if you are late returning
- Have adequate equipment, supplies, skills & knowledge to undertake this journey safely
- Consider weather forecasts, park/track closures & fire dangers
- Can respond to emergencies & call for help at any point
- Are 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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Getting started: From the Bullocks Trackhead (just south of Thredbo Diggings, about 430m from the Alpine Way), this walk follows the metal 'Bullocks Track' sign down the steps (or ramp) and along the gravel path to cross an open grassy flat. These open grassy areas are frost hollows and part of Muzzlewood Flats. The gravel soon gives way to a rock, then metal, path that leads over a metal arched bridge. The path then leads uphill and after about 300m, the walk follows the grassy track along the edge of a clearing, then follows another section of winding path. The path is then broken again with a section of grassy track before coming to gravel path again. This path leads downhill and soon bends sharply to the right, before passing through an even sharper left-hand bend. The path gives way to a grassy track a few more times and the walk winds gently down through the open bushland, passing a few granite boulders. The path then leads over a small rise, winding through some larger granite boulders, where the track leads down the hill to a three-way intersection and a 'Thredbo Diggings 2km' sign pointing back up the track. This section of the walk follows a track shared with walkers and mountain bike riders.

At the intersection of Thredbo Diggings Road & Bullocks Track **Start** heading along *Thredbo Diggings Road* (a service road).

After another 30 m (from the Thredbo Diggings Road) **continue straight**, to head along Thredbo Diggings Road.

After another 70 m pass the picnic table (20 m on your right).

After another 40 m come to the "Thredbo Diggings" (10 m on your right). Campsite managed by NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service. There is a fee to use this campsite.

After another 9 m pass the toilet (20 m on your left).

After another 3 m (from the Thredbo Diggings Road) **continue straight**, to head along Thredbo Diggings Road.

After another 70 m pass the toilet (65 m on your right).

After another 2 m (at the intersection of Thredbo Valley Trail & Thredbo Diggings Road) **turn left**, to head along Thredbo Valley Trail (a walking track).

After another 20 m (at the intersection of Thredbo Valley Trail & Muzzlewood Loop) **continue straight**, to head along Thredbo Valley Trail.

After another 70 m cross the bridge (about 7 m long)

After another 20 m (from the Thredbo Valley Trail) **continue straight**, to head along Thredbo Valley Trail.

After another 1.6 km (at the intersection of Thredbo Valley Trail & Muzzlewood Loop) **continue straight**, to head along Thredbo Valley Trail.

After another 270 m (from the Thredbo Valley Trail) **continue straight**, to head along Thredbo Valley Trail.

After another 350 m pass the sign (on your left).

At the intersection of Muzzlewood Track & Thredbo Valley Trail **turn left**, to head along Muzzlewood Track.

Start of an optional side trip: This side trip takes you to Bullock's Hut.

To start this optional side trip continue straight here. at the intersection of Muzzlewood Track & Bullocks Track **Start** (a walking track).

After another 50 m **turn right**.



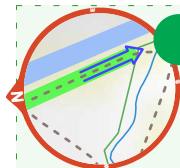
After another 180 m find the "Skitube - Alpine Railway" (4 m on your right).



The Skitube is an electric rack railway which provides access between Bullocks Flat, Perisher and Blue Cow ski fields. The journey starts across the bridge over Thredbo River, then covers a distance of 8.5km, of which 6.3km is underground in the Bilston and Blue Cow tunnels. Construction of the railway began in 1984, and the complete line was officially opened in 1988. There are 11 passenger cars in total, of which 4 are motor cars - each with four 301 kW traction motors, making them the most powerful rack railway vehicles in the world. The braking system is mixed regenerative and rheostatic. Prices are around \$48 for an adult return fare. Schedules vary throughout the year.



From the Thredbo Valley Trail **continue straight.**



After another 115 m come to "Bullocks Hut".



Bullocks Hut is a cement block house, built in 1934 as a fishing lodge for Dr Bullock. Extra buildings were added to the substantial house over the following decades. The hut has been managed by NPWS since 1969, and was fully renovated when the nearby Skitube was built in the early 90s. Bullocks Hut has bunk beds, tiled floors, a stainless steel food preparation area with sink, as well as a nearby toilet and stables building. A popular spot for day visits. The hut and grounds are available for hire for events such as wedding, please respect the space of other people using this site.

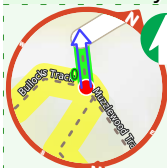


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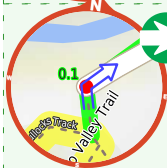


Turn around and retrace your steps back the 335 m to the main route.

Start of an optional side trip: This side trip takes you to the steam engine.



To start this optional side trip continue straight here. at the intersection of Muzzlewood Track & Bullocks Track **Start** (a walking track).



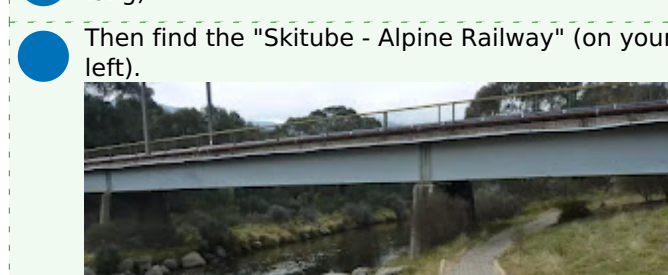
After another 50 m **turn right.**



After another 170 m (from the Thredbo Valley Trail) **veer right**, to head along Thredbo Valley Trail.



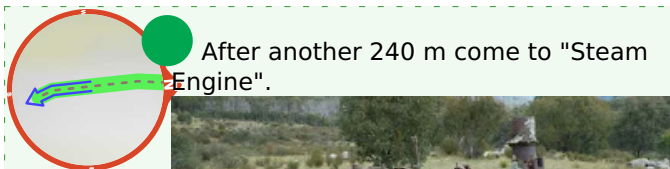
After another 45 m cross the bridge (about 75 m long)



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After another 55 m (from the Thredbo Valley Trail) **turn right.**



After another 240 m come to "Steam Engine".



On the northern side of the Thredbo River at Bullocks Flat is a large, open area, still home to some historic items. Here you will find a rusty portable steam engine, chains, wheels and a small dam. These items are left over from the late 1910s when Ned Irwin established and operated a sawmill here. He would process the Alpine Ash trees that had been cut from the surrounding hills. There was another mill operating at the nearby Sawpit Creek since the mid to late 1800s. During the 1850's some gold mining was also undertaken at this site, but it proved not a very popular site.

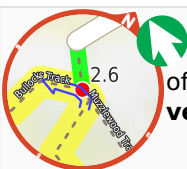


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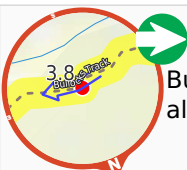


Turn around and retrace your steps back the 600 m to the main route.

Back at the main route ERROR >360 and follow on from the 2.6 km waypoint.



After another 10 m (at the intersection of Bullocks Track & Muzzlewood Track) **veer left**, to head along Bullocks Track.



After another 1.2 km (from the Bullocks Track) **turn right**, to head along Bullocks Track.



After another 650 m cross the bridge (about 8 m long)



Continue another 110 m to find at the intersection of Bullocks Track & Thredbo Diggings Road at the end.