





Mount Brown via the Heysen Trail

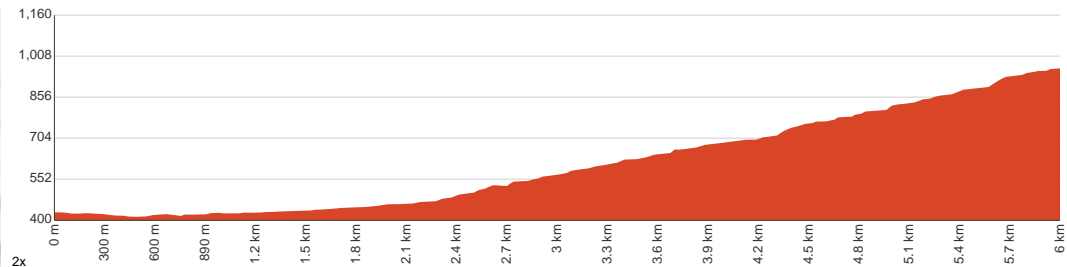
 3 h to 5 h
 1 h 30 min to 2 h 30 min


11.9 km
Return


↑ 596 m
↓ 596 m


Hard track

Starting from the Gate 3 car park at the end of Richman Valley Road, Quorn, this walk takes you to the summit of Mount Brown and back via the Heysen Trail. Mount Brown is one of the tallest peaks in the South Flinders Ranges, standing at a height of 964 metres, named by Matthew Flinders after Scottish botanist Robert Brown, who climbed the mountain in 1802. This hike initially follows a fire track for a short distance past Waukarie Falls, then heads south along the Heysen Trail. The first few kilometres through the valley are fairly easy-going, followed by a relentless climb up a long ridge towards the summit of Mount Brown. At the summit, there's interpretive signage and a lookout tower commemorating Robert Brown, which offers panoramic views over the surrounding area, including Richman Valley, the Dutchman's Stern and Mount Remarkable. This hike consists of narrow walking trails, with very steep hills and some uneven rocky surfaces, suitable for moderate fitness levels. All junctions are clearly marked, with yellow distance markers and checkpoints with maps along the way, and there are usually printed brochures in the metal box at the trailhead. 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 4 of 6

Rough track, where fallen trees and other obstacles are likely

Quality of track	Rough track, where fallen trees and other obstacles are likely (4/6)
Gradient	Very steep (4/6)
Signage	Clearly signposted (2/6)
Infrastructure	Limited facilities (such as cliffs not fenced, significant creeks not bridged) (4/6)
Experience Required	Moderate level of bushwalking experience recommended (4/6)
Weather	Forecasted & unexpected storms and severe weather may impact on navigation and safety (4/6)

Getting to the start: From Augusta Highway, Stirling North.

- Turn on to Range View Road then drive for 31 km
- Turn right onto McConville Road and drive for another 2.7 km
- Turn right onto Richman Valley Road and drive for another 11.2 km

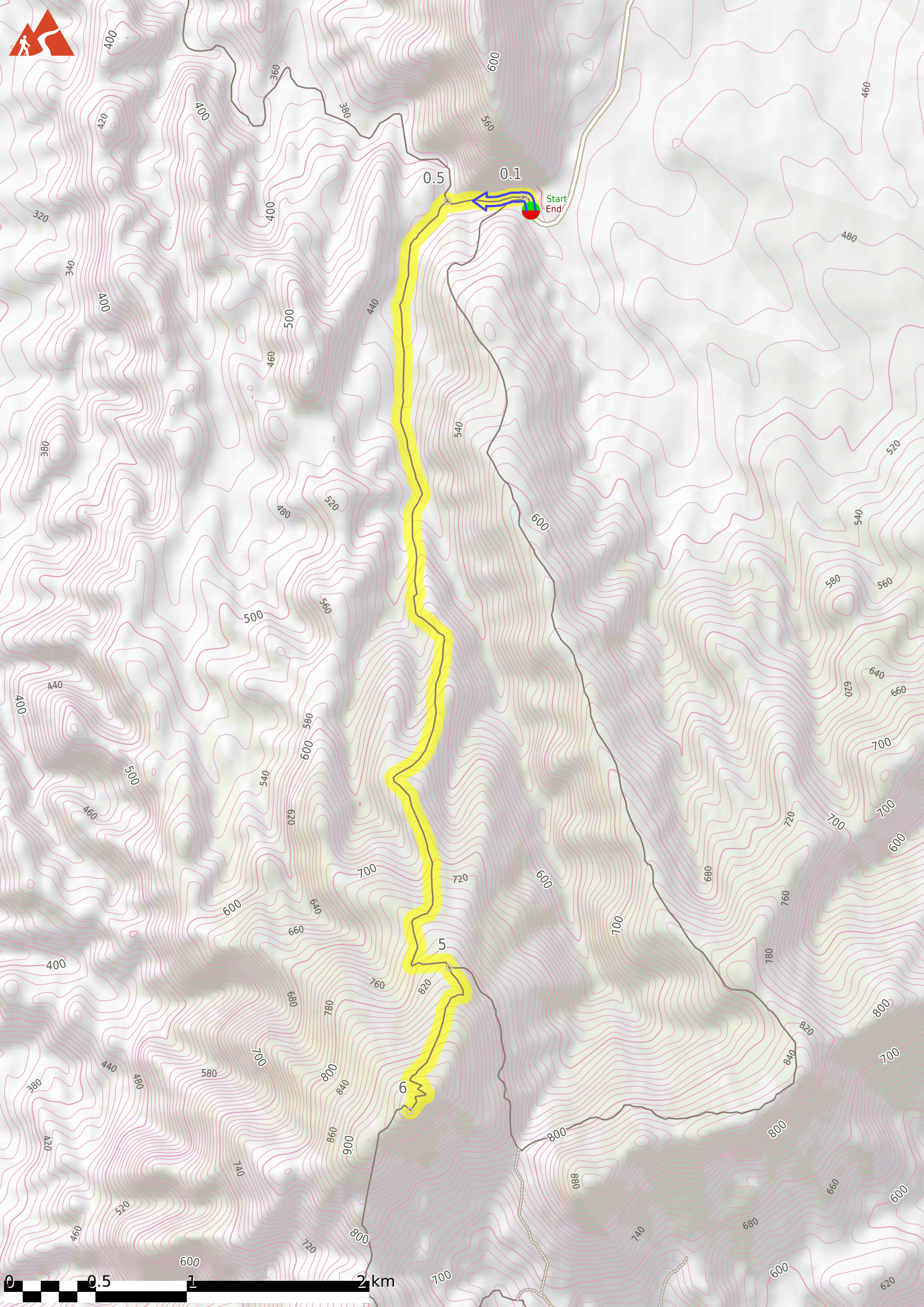
Before you start any journey ensure you;

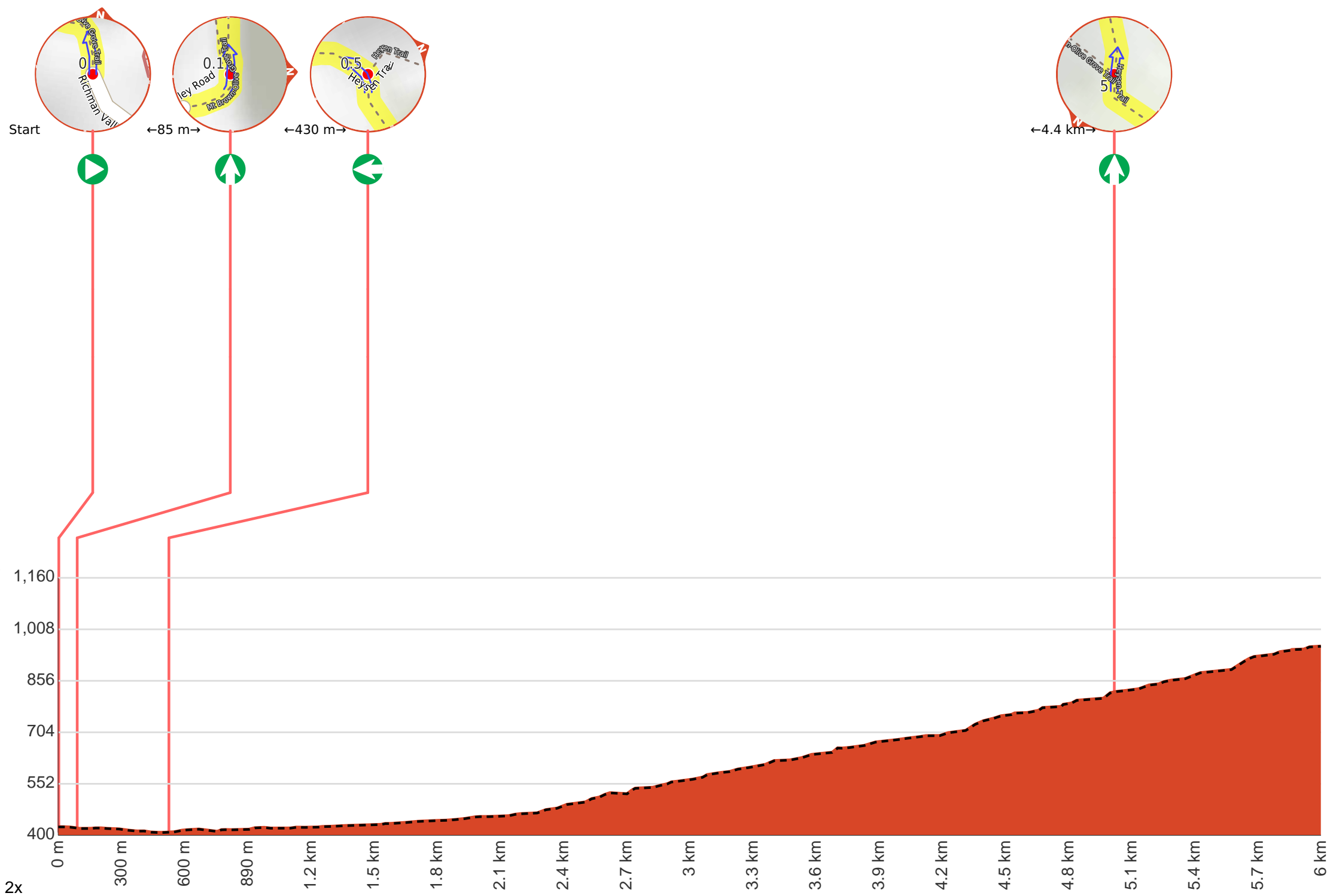
- Tell someone you trust where you are going and what to do if you are late returning
- Have adequate equipment, supplies, skills & knowledge to undertake this journey safely
- Consider weather forecasts, park/track closures & fire dangers
- Can respond to emergencies & call for help at any point
- Are healthy and fit enough for this journey

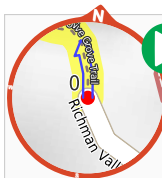
If not, change plans and stay safe. It is okay to delay and ask people for help.

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At the intersection of Mt Brown-Olive Grove Trail & Richman Valley Road **Start** heading along *Mt Brown-Olive Grove Trail* (a walking track).



After another 85 m **continue straight**.



After another 430 m **turn left**, to head along Heysen Trail.



After another 4.4 km (at the intersection of Heysen Trail & Mt Brown-Olive Grove Trail) **continue straight**, to head along Heysen Trail.



After another 990 m come to "Mount Brown".



Turn around here and retrace the main route for 6 km to get back to the start.