

## Coastal Walking Track (Awabakal Country)





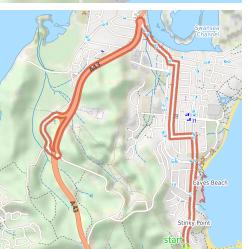




Starting from the end of Spoon Rocks Road this circuit walk takes you from Caves Beach to Pinny Beach where you can have a swim and then continue to the headland with great views over the coast and ocean. Let us begin by acknowledging the Awabakal people, Traditional Custodians of the land on which we 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 Formed track, with some branches and other obstacles (3/6) Gradient Short steep hills (3/6) Minimal directional signs (4/6) Signage Infrastructure Limited facilities (such as cliffs not fenced, significant creeks not bridged) (4/6) **Experience Required** Some bushwalking experience recommended (3/6) Weather Foretasted & unexpected storms and severe weather may impact on navigation and safety (4/6)

Getting to the start: From Pacific Highway, A43

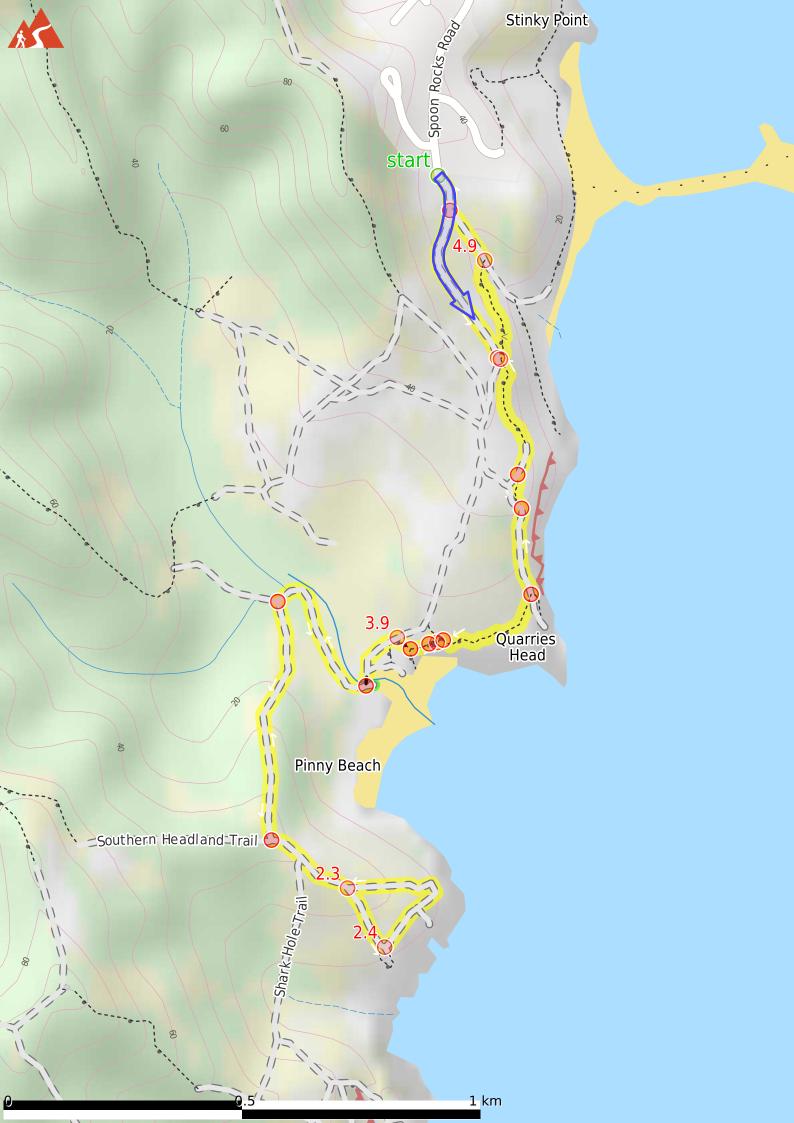
- Turn on to Old Pacific Highway Exit then drive for 330 m
- At roundabout, take exit 2 onto Old Pacific Highway and drive for another 215 m
- At roundabout, take exit 2 onto Old Pacific Highway and drive for another 550 m
- Keep right onto Pacific Highway Onramp and drive for another 1.8 km
- At roundabout, take exit 3 onto Bowman Street and drive for another 760 m
- Turn left onto Caldwell Street and drive for another 95 m
- Turn right onto Macquarie Grove and drive for another 980 m
- Turn left onto Middle Street and drive for another 300 m
- Turn right onto Caves Beach Road and drive for another 1.1 km
- Continue onto Spoon Rocks Road and drive for another 420 m

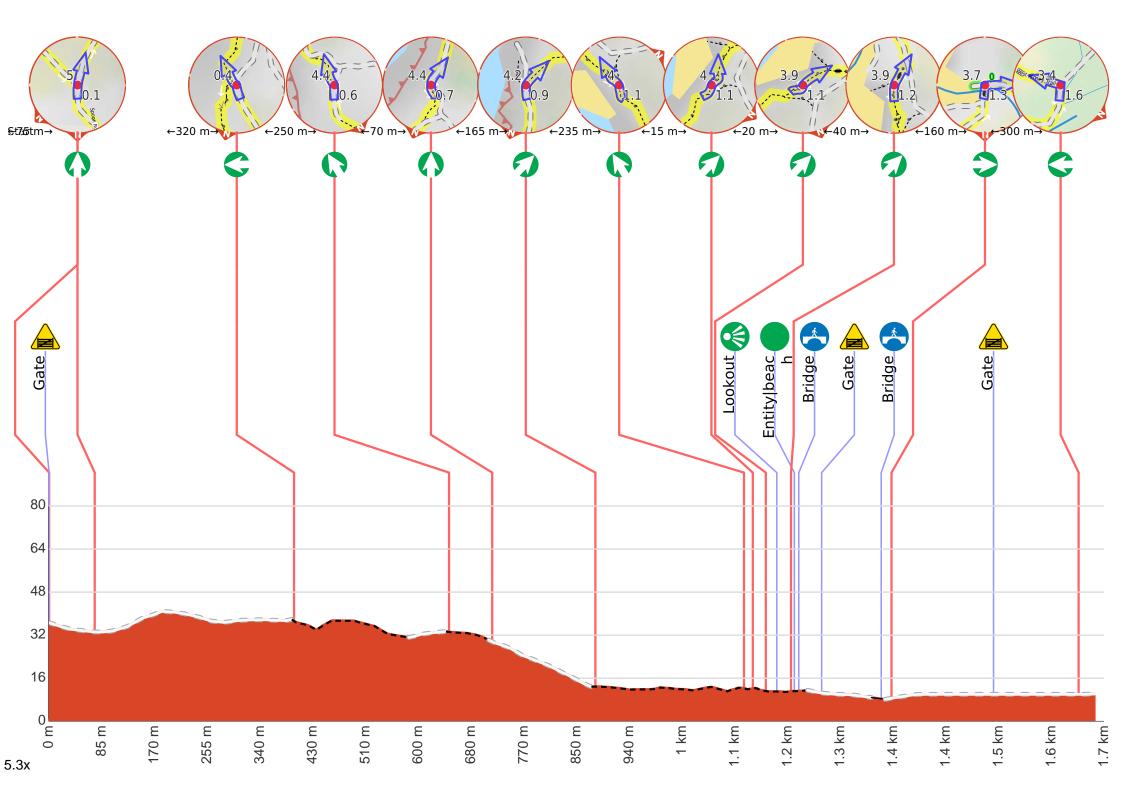
## Before you start any journey ensure you;

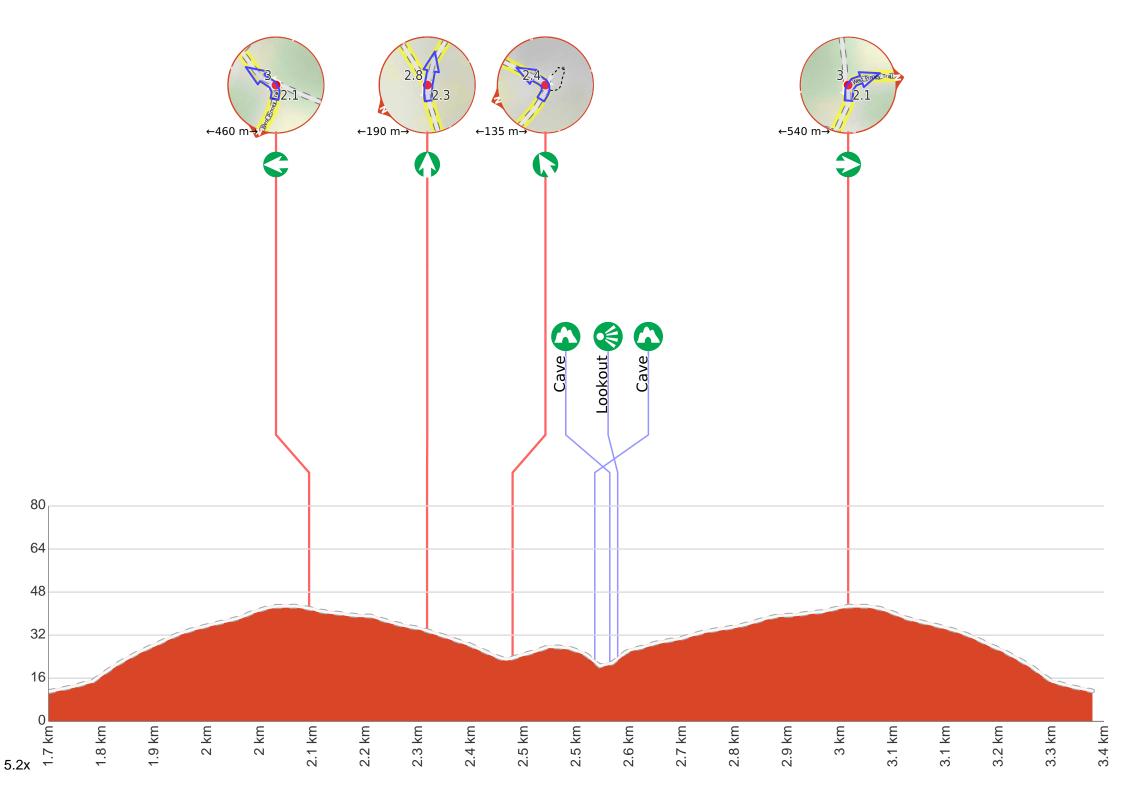
- Tell someone you trust where you are going and what to do if you are late returning
- · Have adequate equipment, supplies, skills & knowledge to undertake this journey safely
- Consider weather forecasts, park/track closures & fire dangers
- Can respond to emergencies & call for help at any point
-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

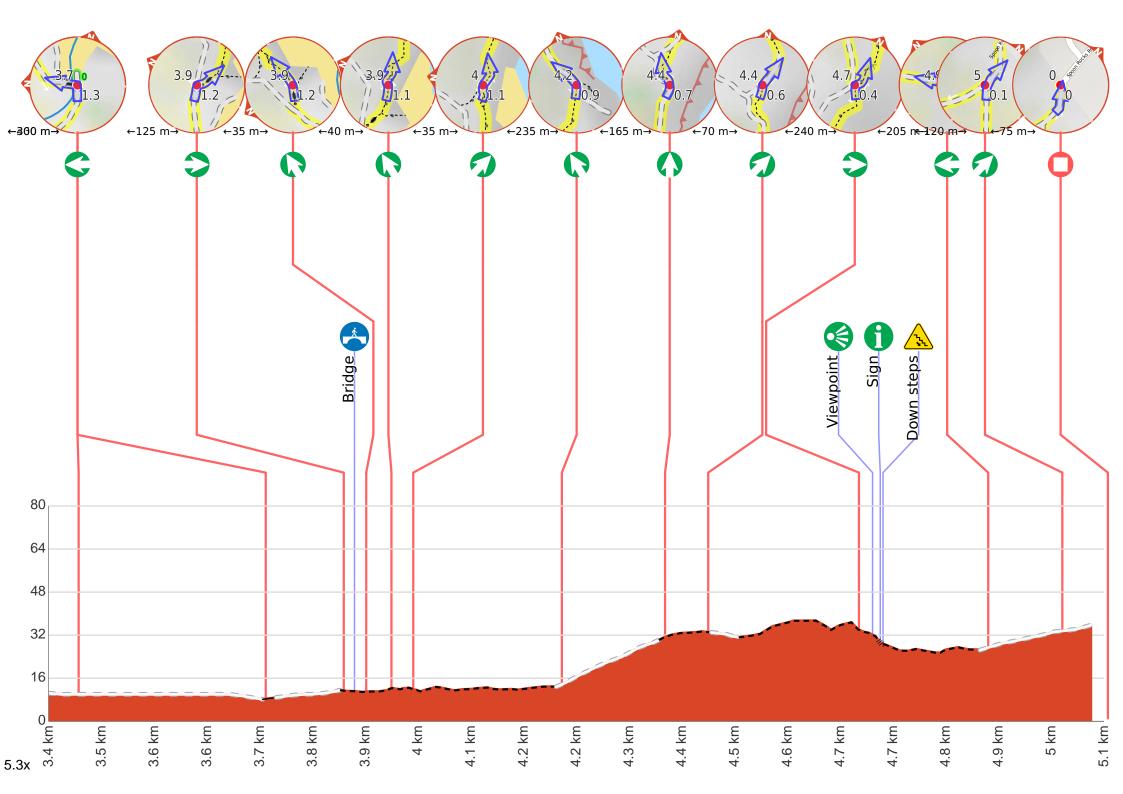
If not, change plans and stay safe. It is okay to delay and ask people for help.

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Find the gate at the start.





After another 320 m turn left.







After another 165 m veer right.





After another 15 m veer right.



After another 20 m veer right.



After another 20 m find the "Pinneys Lookout" (6 m on your left).



Pinney's Lookout overlooks the northern side of Pinney's Beach on the Wallarah Peninsula. From this timber platform, the whole of Pinney's Beach can be seen, including Pinney's Headland to the south. Some of the timber on this lookout was missing when visited, so take care.



After another 30 m find the "Pinneys Beach" (145 m on your left).



Pinney's Beach is a good beach for fishing, surfing and swimming. This beach is accessible on foot, via the coastal walk. This beach is not patrolled and rock platforms can be dangerous, even when the seas appear calm. Personal fishing is permitted off all the coast in Wallarah National Park, although a licence is needed. A midden (dated to about 1200 years old), with about 20 stone artefacts, was discovered here in the 1960s, but unfortunately 4WD vehicles have caused erosion to this site.



Veer right.



After another 10 m cross the bridge (about 6 m long)



After another 15 m turn left.



After another 15 m head through/around the



After another 85 m continue straight.

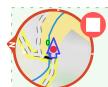


After another 10 m cross the bridge (about 15 m long)

**Start of an optional side trip**: Side trip to Pinney Beach.



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



After another 15 m come to the end.



Turn around and retrace your steps back the 15 m to the main route.



Back at the main route continue straight and follow on from the 1.3 km waypoint.



Back at the main route turn right and follow on from the 3.7 km waypoint.



After another 3 m turn right.



After another 165 m head through/around the gate.



After another 135 m **turn left**, to head along West Pinney Trail.



After another 460 m (at the intersection of Southern Headland Trail & West Pinney Trail) **turn left**, to head along Southern Headland Trail.



After another 70 m (at the intersection of Southern Headland Trail & Shark Hole Trail) **continue straight**, to head along Southern Headland Trail.



After another 120 m continue straight, to head along Southern Headland Trail.



After another 135 m veer left.



After another 155 m pass the "Nudie Cave" (65 m on your right).



Continue straight.



After another 65 m find the "Pinney's Headland Lookout" (30 m on your right).



There are magnificent vistas from Pinney's Headland Lookout, particularly to the north. The headland is accessed on foot via the Wallarah Peninsula coastal walk, and the headland itself has a loop walking trail on it. At the southernmost point of this walking loop, there are unfenced rock platforms forming the ocean shoreline - take care.



Then pass the "Pinny Cave" (85 m on your right).



After another 215 m **continue straight**, to head along Southern Headland Trail.



After another 120 m (at the intersection of Southern Headland Trail & Shark Hole Trail) continue straight, to head along Southern Headland Trail.



After another 70 m (at the intersection of West Pinney Trail & Southern Headland Trail) **turn right**, to head along West Pinney Trail.



After another 460 m turn right.

**Start of an optional side trip**: Side trip to Pinney Beach.



To start this optional side trip continue straight here. **Start**.



After another 15 m come to the end.



Turn around and retrace your steps back the 15 m to the main route.



Back at the main route continue straight and follow on from the 1.3 km waypoint.



Back at the main route turn right and follow on from the 3.7 km waypoint.



After another 300 m turn left.



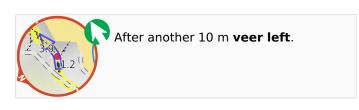
After another 30 m **continue straight**.



After another 95 m turn right.



After another 15 m cross the bridge (about 6 m long)





After another 40 m veer left.



After another 35 m veer right.



After another 235 m veer left.



After another 165 m continue straight.



After another 70 m **veer right**.



After another 240 m **turn right**.



After another 20 m come to the viewpoint.



After another  $10\ m$  pass the sign (on your right).



Then head down the surface|wood steps (about 15 m long)



After another 155 m **turn left**.



After another 120 m veer right.



After another 75 m come to the end.