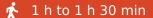


Walpa Gorge









Starting from the car park at the end of Kata Tjuta Road, Petermann, this walk takes you into the Walpa Gorge and back via the same-titled singular track. Prepare to be humbled by the sheer size of the Kata Tjuta as you view the rock formations from below. The gorge acts as a refuge from the relentless dry environment and features a seasonal stream that allows the spearwoods and other plants to survive here. You can expect some refreshing breezes while in the gorge, as the word "Walpa" means windy. Time your journey well and experience a fascinating sunset here. This place is sacred to Anangu Aboriginal people, so please be respectful by being quiet and staying on track. 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	
Quality of track	Clear and well formed track or trail (2/6)
Gradient	Gentle hills with occasional steps (2/6)
Signage	Clearly signposted (2/6)
Infrastructure	Generally useful facilities (such as fenced cliffs and seats) (2/6)
Experience Required	No experience required (1/6)
Weather	Weather generally has little impact on safety (1/6)

Getting to the start: From Stuart Highway, 87

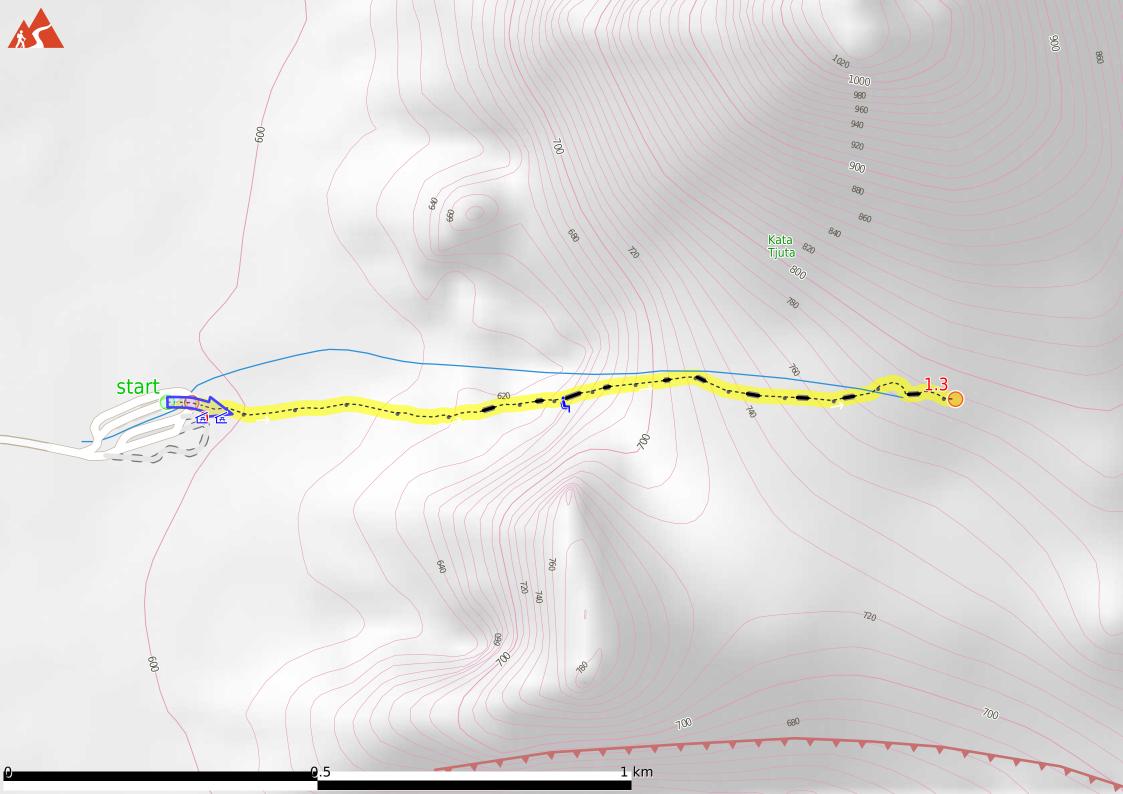
- Turn on to Lasseter Highway, A4 then drive for 252.6 km
- Turn right and drive for another 40.2 km
- Continue onto Kata Tjuta Road and drive for another 2.4 km
- Keep right and drive for another 130 m

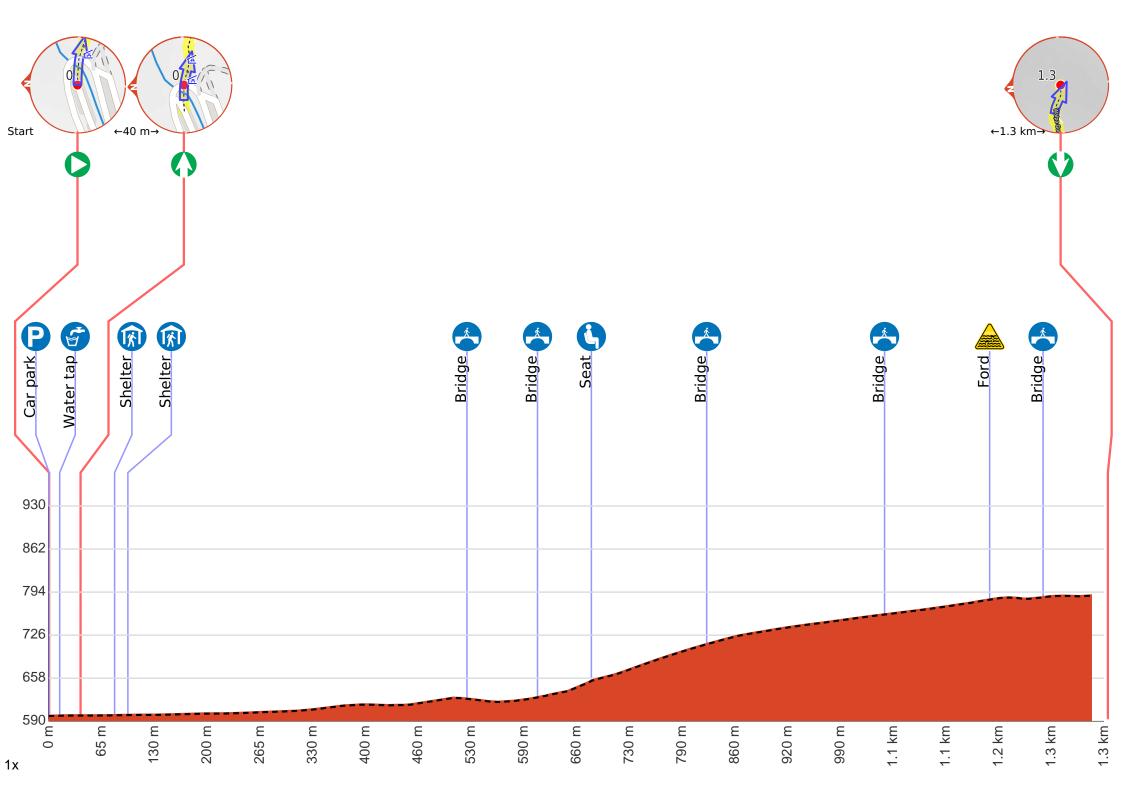
Before you start any journey ensure you;

- 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.







Getting started: From Walpa Gorge Car Park(northern one with smaller parking spaces), head towards the gorge along the designated track as you pass by a shelter to your right. Follow the well-worn track gently uphill and cross the little red metal bridge to continue along the Walpa Gorge Track.



Start heading along Walpa Gorge Walk.

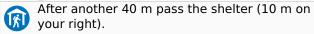


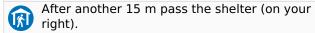
Find the car park at the start.

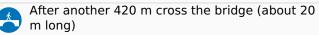


Find the water tap at the start.









After another 70 m cross the bridge (about 10 m long)

After another 55 m pass a seat (10 m on your right).

After another 140 m cross the bridge (about 8 m long)

After another 210 m cross the bridge (about 15 m long)



After another 115 m cross the ford.



After another 65 m cross the bridge (about 15 m long)



After another 65 m come to "Kata Tjuta viewing area".



Turn around here and retrace the main route for 1.3 km to get back to the start.