

## Bouddi Coastal Walk





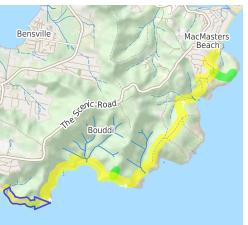






This is one of the longer walks in the Bouddi National Park and it is rich in scenery. The walk follows the coastline with many side trips to lookouts, beaches and even a shipwreck. This walk makes a wonderful one way trip from Graham Drive down to Putty Beach, with views around every corner. Let us begin by acknowledging the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we travel today, and pay our respects to their Elders past and present.

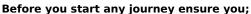




Class 4 of 6 Rough track, where fallen trees and other obstacles are likely	
Quality of track	Rough track, where fallen trees and other obstacles are likely (4/6)
Gradient	Very steep (4/6)
Signage	Minimal directional signs (4/6)
Infrastructure	Limited facilities (such as cliffs not fenced, significant creeks not bridged) (4/6)
Experience Required	No experience required (1/6)
Weather	Weather generally has little impact on safety (1/6)

Getting to the start: From The Entrance Road, A49, Erina.

- Turn on to then drive for 560 m
- At roundabout, take exit 2 onto Terrigal Drive and drive for another 1.4 km
- Continue onto Terrigal Drive and drive for another 1.3 km
- Keep left onto Terrigal Drive and drive for another 450 m
- $\bullet\,$  Turn right onto Charles Kay Road and drive for another 1.1 km
- At roundabout, take exit 2 onto Scenic Highway and drive for another 2.8 km
- At roundabout, take exit 2 onto Avoca Drive and drive for another 2 km
- At roundabout, take exit 1 onto Empire Bay Drive and drive for another 360 m
- At roundabout, take exit 2 onto Empire Bay Drive and drive for another 5.8 km
- Turn left onto Wards Hill Road and drive for another 2.3 km
- Turn right onto The Scenic Road and drive for another 820 m
- Turn left onto Putty Beach Drive and drive for another 1.2 km
- Turn slight left and drive for another 35 m

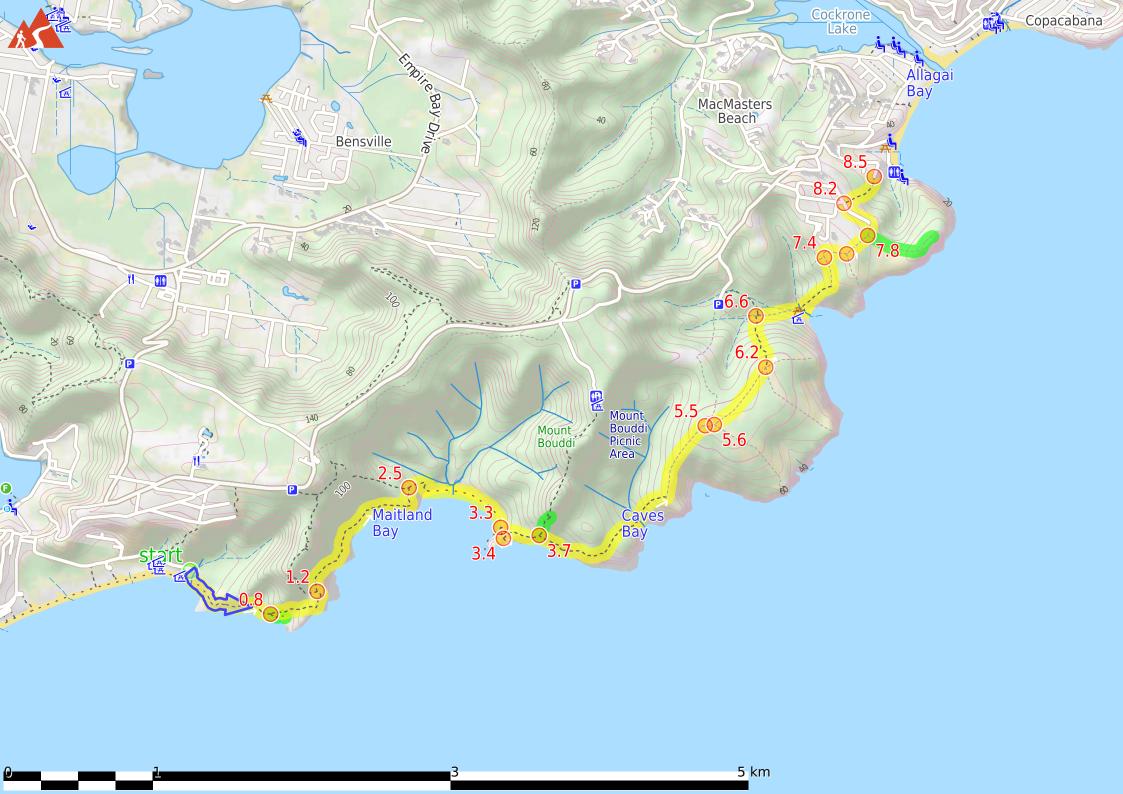


- Tell someone you trust where you are going and what to do if you are late returning
- Have adequate equipment, supplies, skills & knowledge to undertake this journey safely
- Consider weather forecasts, park/track closures & fire dangers
- Can respond to emergencies & call for help at any point
- Are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

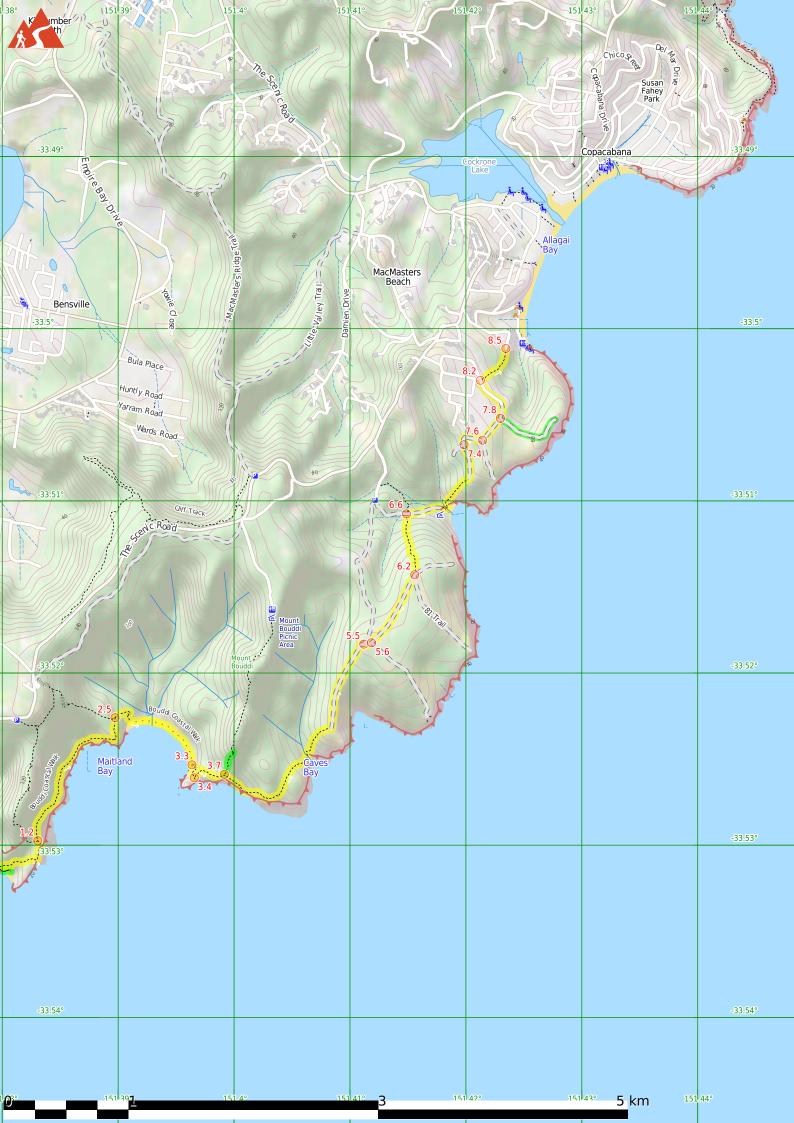
If not, change plans and stay safe. It is okay to delay and ask people for help.

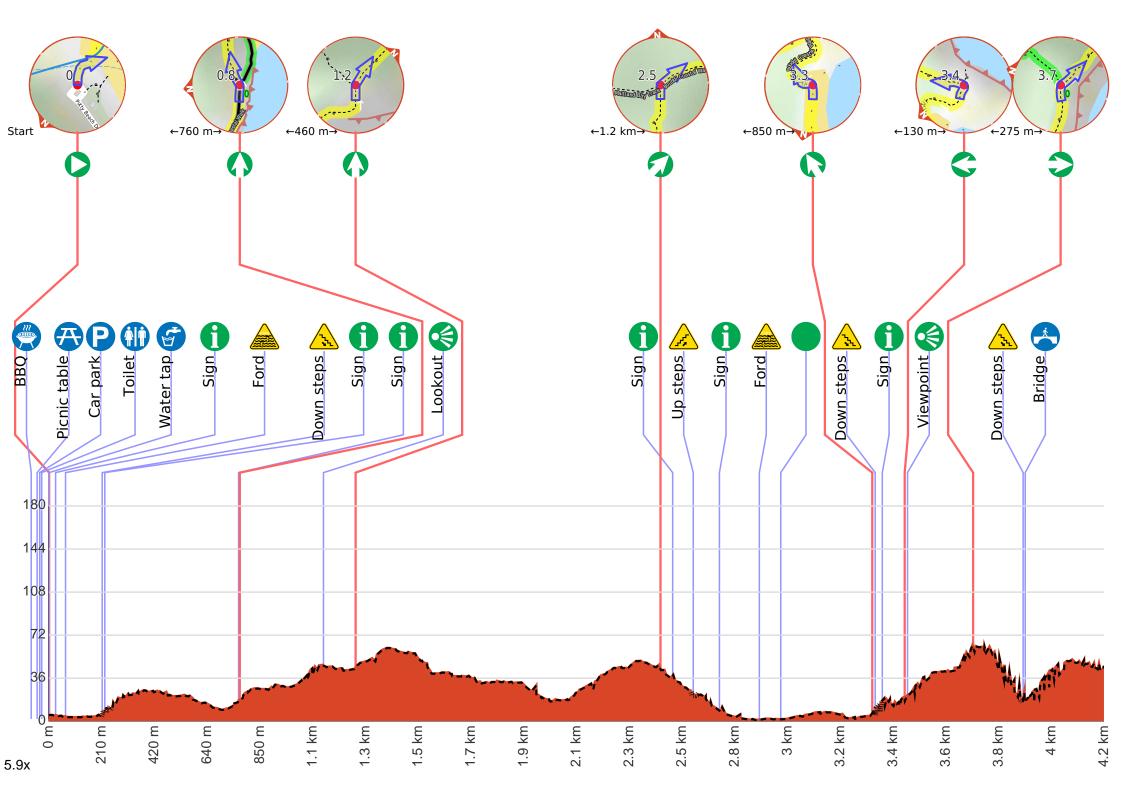


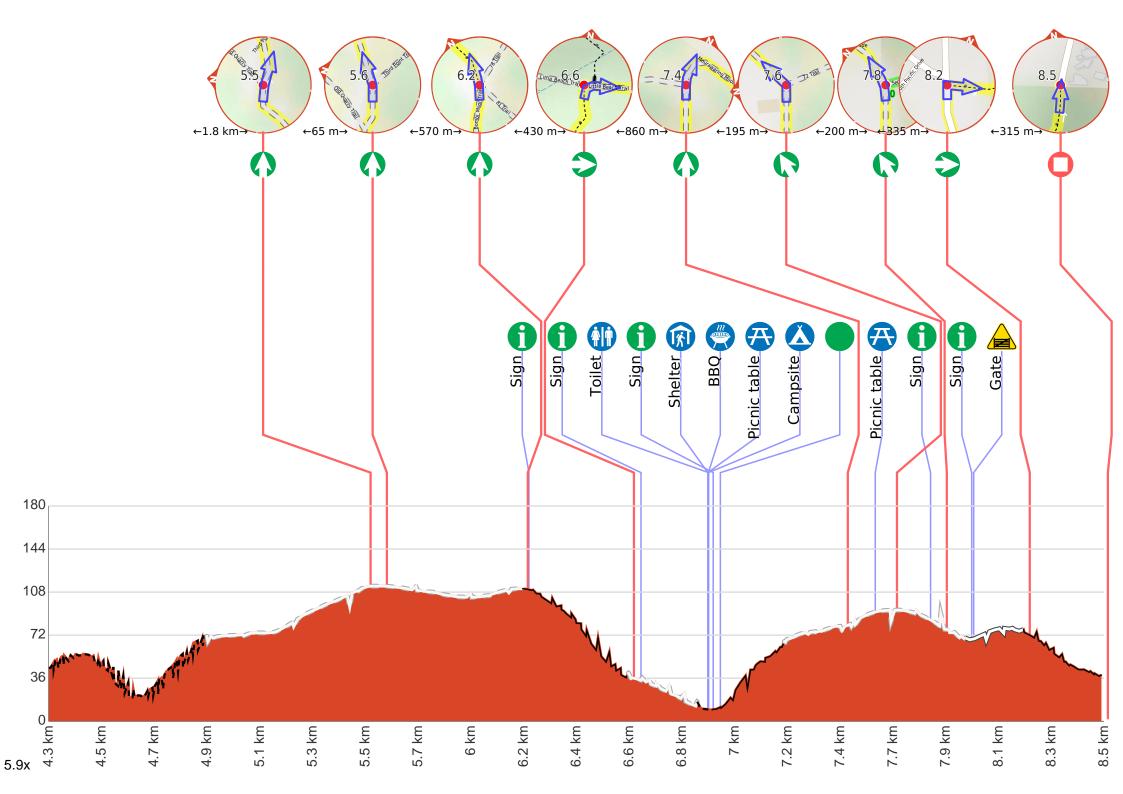












**Getting started:** From the car park at the end of Putty Beach Road, pass through the bollard and head towards the green "Bouddi Coastal Walk" signpost. Pass by the said signpost and head along the narrow dirt/sand track. Cross the stream and follow the same track (keeping the ocean to your right) to continue along Bouddi Coastal Walk.



## Start



There is a BBQ (about 70 m back from the start).



There is a picnic table (about 50 m back from the start).



There is a car park (about 40 m back from the start).



There is a toilet (about 30 m back from the start).



Find the water tap at the start.



Find the sign at the start.



After another 40 m cross the ford.



After another 50 m continue straight.



After another 100 m head down the steps (about 45 m long)



Then pass the "Bouddi Coastal Walk" (on your left)



After another 540 m pass the "Bouddi Coastal Walk" (on your left).

**Start of an optional side trip**: An optional side trip to Bullimah Beach.



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



After another 95 m head down the steps (about 20 m long)



Then find the "Bullimah Beach" (25 m on your right).



Bullimah Beach in Bouddi National Park is a small, yellow sand beach pressed into Gerrin Point headland and the surrounding cliffs. The beach is southwest facing, with views over the South Pacific Ocean to the Barrenjoey and Avalon headlands.



After another 4 m come to the end.



Turn around and retrace your steps back the 115 m to the main route.



Back at the main route turn right and follow on from the 760 m waypoint.



After another 5 m **continue straight**, to head along Bouddi Coastal Walk.



After another 335 m find the "Gerrin Point Lookout" (on your right).

Gerrin Point Lookout is a fenced lookout with stunning views of Maitland Bay and north up the coast. The lookout has a bench seat built into the fence. Gerrin Point is well worth a visit, or a stop on your walk, however it is exposed to the elements and can become guite windy.



After another 130 m continue straight, to head along Bouddi Coastal Walk.



After another 1.3 km pass the "Bouddi Coastal Walk" (6 m on your left).



At the intersection of Bouddi Coastal Walk & Maitland Bay Track **veer right**, to head along Bouddi Coastal Walk.



After another 130 m head up the surface|paving\_stones steps (about 20 m long)



After another 85 m pass the sign (on your left).



After another 160 m cross the ford.



After another 85 m find the "Maitland Beach" (40 m on your right).



Maitland Beach, Bouddi National Park, is a 500m-long sandy beach sitting north west of Putty Beach. The beach's south-westerly aspect provides views over the South Pacific Ocean to Barrenjoey and Avalon headlands at the mouth of the Hawkesbury River. A creek breaks the centre of the beach, and the wreck of S.S. Maitland (after which the beach and bay are named) is found on the eastern rock point.



After another 370 m **veer left**, to head along Bouddi Coastal Walk.



After another 10 m head down the steps (about 35 m long)



Then pass the sign (on your left).



After another 90 m turn left, to head along Bouddi Coastal Walk.



After another 10 m come to the viewpoint (25 m on your right).

Start of an optional side trip: An optional side trip to Bouddi Lookout.

> To start this optional side trip continue straight here, at the intersection of Mount Bouddi Track & Bouddi Coastal Walk **Start** heading along *Mount Bouddi Track* (a walking track).

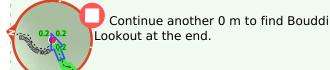
Find the sign at the start.



After another 175 m turn right.



After another 6 m come to "Bouddi Lookout".



Turn around and retrace your steps back the 180 m to the main route.

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



After another 265 m (at the intersection of Bouddi Coastal Walk & Mount Bouddi Track) turn right, to head along Bouddi Coastal Walk.



After another 200 m head down the stone steps (about 8 m long)



Then cross the bridge (about 8 m long)

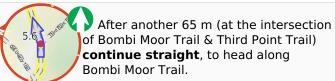


After another 680 m cross the ford.



After another 290 m pass the sign (on your riaht).

After another 640 m (at the intersection of Bombi Moor Trail & Old Quarry Trail) continue straight, to head along Bombi Moor Trail.



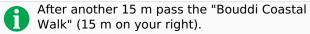
After another 570 m pass the "Bouddi Coastal" Walk" (on your right).



After another 430 m turn right, to head along Little Beach Trail.



After another 15 m continue straight, to head along Little Beach Trail.





After another 25 m continue straight, to head along Little Beach Trail.



After another 245 m pass the toilet (5 m on your left).



After another 20 m pass the sign (on your right).



Then pass the shelter (on your right).



Then pass the BBQ (on your right).



Then pass the picnic table (9 m on your right).



Then find the "Little Beach Campsite" (7 m on vour left).



Little Beach campsite is a small grassed area, wedged between the hills and set back from the beach. The campsite has six designated sites, a composting toilet, rubbish bins, Gas BBQ's and a shelter. There is no drinking water onsite and the beach is only 20m away.



After another 50 m find the "Little Beach" (50 m on your right).



Little Beach, Bouddi National Park, is a small 100m-long stretch of sand and rocks, facing out to the Tasman Sea and South Pacific Ocean. The beach is backed by a gully and sided by steep rocky headlands. The beach has a south easterly aspect and has its own campsite.



After another 110 m pass the picnic table (30 m on your left).

After another 220 m pass the "72 Trail" (on your right).

At the intersection of Mourawaring Moor Trail & 72 Trail veer left, to head along Mourawaring Moor Trail.

**Start of an optional side trip**: An optional side trip to Mourawaring Point (Second Point).

To start this optional side trip turn right here. at the intersection of Second Point Trail & Mourawaring Moor Trail **Start** heading along *Second Point Trail* (a vehicle track).

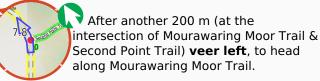
After another 520 m come to "Second Point". Second Point, Mourawaring Point, is an easily accessed, unfenced lookout with awesome views over the central coast. The headland traditional name is Mourawaring (Point), which is also known by Captain Cook's 1770 naming of Second Point. Cook named it such because it was the second of three defining headlands which he observed from sea. Today the low heath of Mourawaring Point provides excellent views out to sea and north over MacMasters Beach.

The end.

Turn around and retrace your steps back the 520 m to the main route.



Back at the main route turn right and follow on from the 7.8 km waypoint.



After another 100 m pass the "Bouddi Coastal Walk" (7 m on your right).



After another 8 m head through/around the gate.



After another 225 m turn right.



After another 315 m come to a sign.



The end.