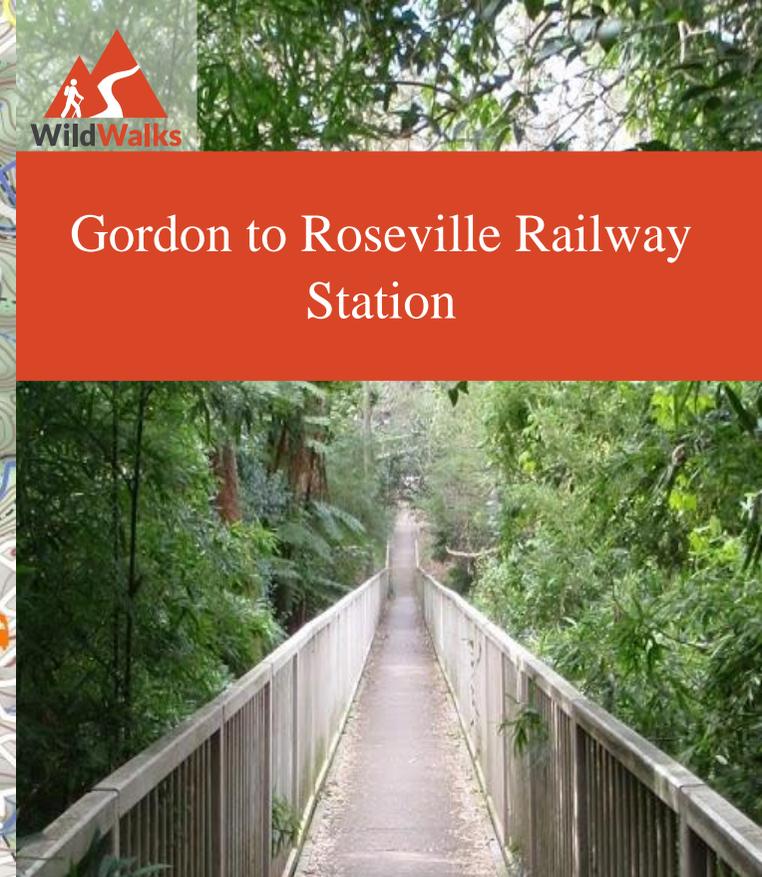
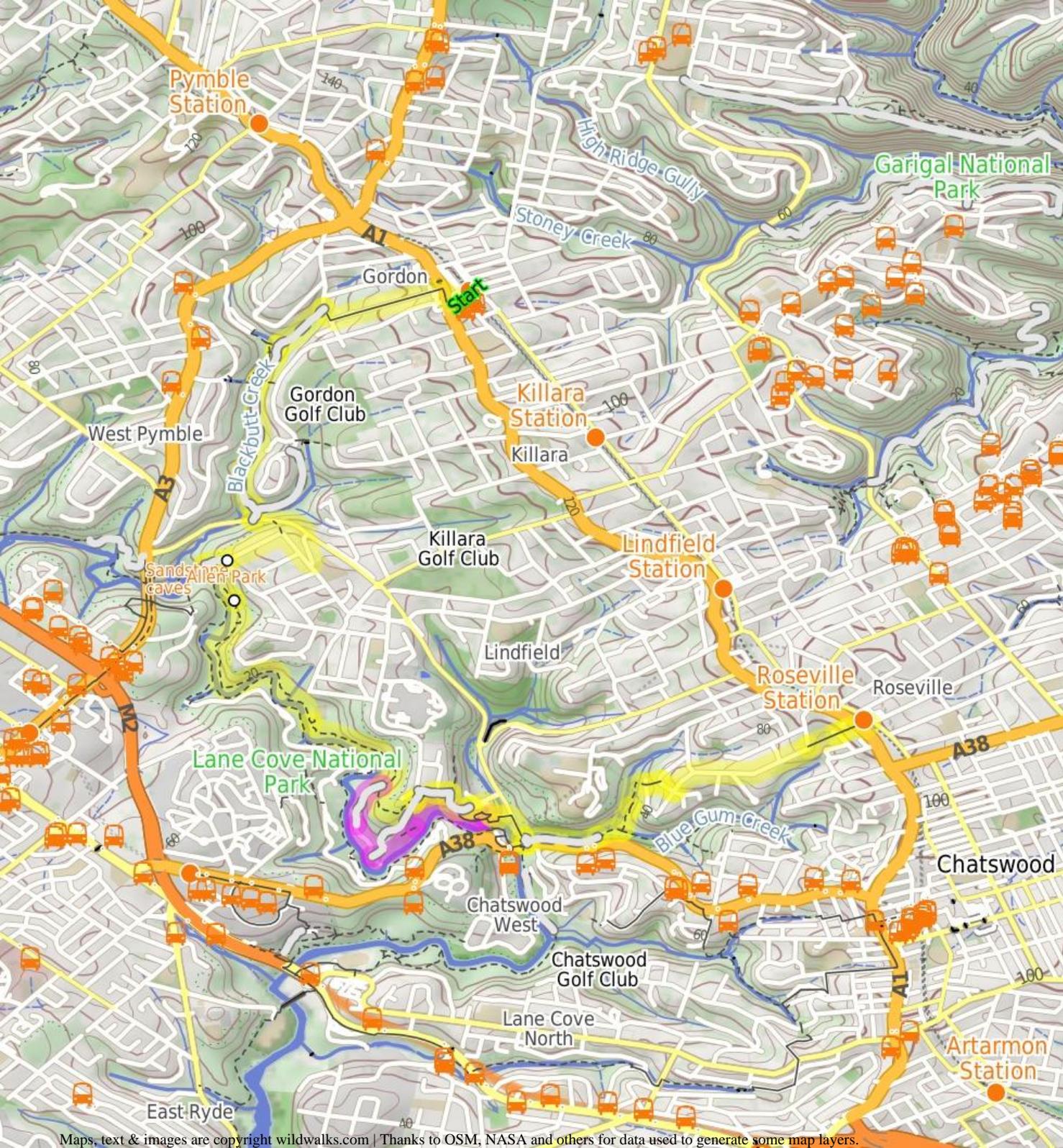


Gordon to Roseville Railway Station



4 hrs 30 mins

Hard track

10.7 km One way

↑ 345m

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The track connecting Gordon to Roseville Railway Station is a surprising scenic walk through remnant bushland. The walk escapes the urban centres to wind through the valleys and along the Lane Cove River with its abundance of water dragons, ducks and other birds. The walk is a great way to do a station to station walk, even if you have a car.

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Lane Cove National Park

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Before You walk

Bushwalking is fun and a wonderful way to enjoy our natural places. Sometimes things go bad, with a bit of planning you can increase your chance of having an enjoyable and safer walk. Before setting off on your walk check

- 1) Weather Forecast ([BOM Metropolitan District](#))
- 2) Fire Dangers ([Greater Sydney Region, unknown](#))
- 3) Park Alerts ([Lane Cove National Park](#))
- 4) Research the walk to check your party has the skills, fitness and equipment required
- 5) Agree to stay as a group and not leave anyone to walk solo

Think before you TREK

The 'Think before you TREK' program developed by NSW Police & NPWS promotes the benefits of planning ahead for your bushwalking trip by using an easy to remember acronym:

- T** Take adequate supplies of food, water, navigation and first aid equipment.
- R** Register your planned route and tell friends and family when you expect to return.
- E** Emergency beacon (PLB's) should be carried on walks with significant gaps in mobile coverage (check terrain profile).
- K** Keep to your planned route and follow the map and walking trails.

Topo Maps

The maps provided on wildwalks are helpful, but there are times where you may need maps covering a broader area. Maps that cover this walk include;

1:25 000 Map Series:91303N PARRAMATTA RIVER

1:100 000 Map Series:9130 SYDNEY

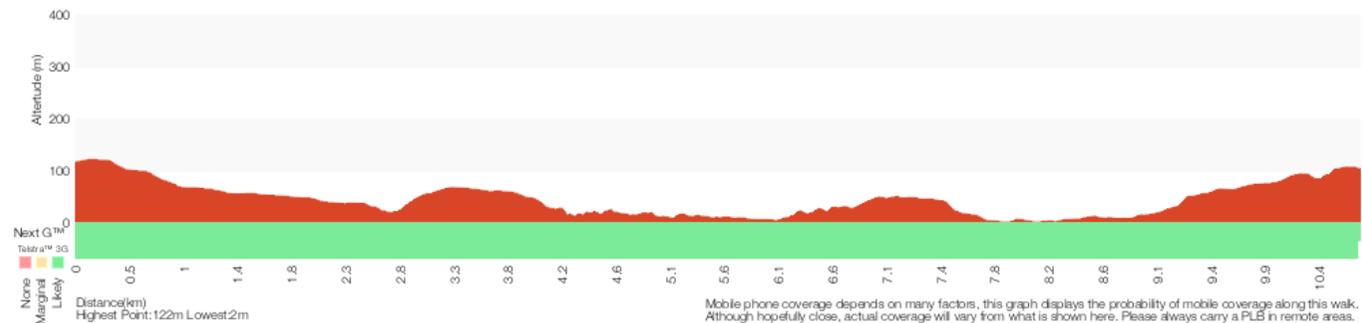
Grade

This walk has been graded using the AS 2156.1-2001. The overall grade of the walk is determined by the highest classification along the whole track.



Grade 4/6
Hard track

Length	10.7 km One way
Time	4 hrs 30 mins
Quality of track	Rough track, where fallen trees and other obstacles are likely (4/6)
Signs	Directional signs along the way (3/6)
Experience Required	Some bushwalking experience recommended (3/6)
Weather	Weather generally has little impact on safety (1/6)
Infrastructure	Limited facilities, not all cliffs are fenced (3/6)



Mobile phone coverage depends on many factors, this graph displays the probability of mobile coverage along this walk. Although hopefully close, actual coverage will vary from what is shown here. Please always carry a PLB in remote areas.

Are you ready to have fun?

Please ensure you and your group are well prepared and equipped for all possible hazards and delays. Check park closures, weather information and Fire Danger Rating before setting out. Optional side trips and alternate routes noted are not included in this walk's overall grade, length or time estimate. Please allow extra time for resting and exploring areas of interest. The authors, staff and owners of wildwalks take care in preparing this information but will not accept responsibility for any inconvenience, loss or injury you may experience. Please take care, have fun - Happy Walking.

Getting there You can get to Gordon Station (gps: -33.756, 151.1543) by car, train or bus. Car: There is free parking available.

You can get back from Roseville Train Station (gps: -33.7845, 151.1778) by car or train. Car: There is free parking available.

Find up to date and more information including; travel directions, weather, park closures and walker feedback at <http://wild.tl/gtrrs>

0 | Gordon Station

(980 m 20 mins) From the top of the station, this walk heads towards the shops, down the stairs and to the road next to Gordon Station bus depot.

Continue straight: From Gordon Station bus depot, this walk heads up the hill of St Johns Ave to the Pacific Highway. The walk crosses to the other side at the pedestrian crossing. From here, this walk follows the shop fronts up the Pacific Highway, then turns left onto Moree St. This street is followed until the walk turns right onto Vale St. This walk continues along Vale St for a short time to the intersection with the bush track on the left of the street.

0.98 | Int. Blackbutt Creek Trk and Vale St

(1.8 km 33 mins) Turn left : From the intersection next to house No. 31, this walk heads past a gate to follow a line of houses on the right. The track continues down a slight gradient for approximately 300m, turning left to come to the intersection, approximately 10m above a concrete sewerage inspection hole.

Veer left: From the intersection, this walk heads down the hill, passing a concrete sewerage inspection hole on the right. The trail continues along the creek line for another 20m, to the intersection which leads down to the creek on the right.

Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the creek downstream for approximately 200m to the signposted intersection.

Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the left-hand arrow on the 'Blackbutt Creek Track' sign, down the hill. The track contours with the creek on the right, and the houses high on the left, for approximately 1km to then steeply descend to the intersection above the concreted water-crossing.

Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk heads down the hill, across the concrete ford (creek), to then turn right and follow along side the creek. The trail tends left away from the creek, up to a white gate.

2.74 | Int. Lady Game Drive and Falls Creek Trk

(1.2 km 23 mins) Turn left : From the white metal gate, this walk heads up the hill along Lady Game Dr, crossing to the right side where safe. This walk then turns right on De Burgh Rd, then right again onto Beaumont Rd. At the end of Beaumont Rd, this walk turns left onto Blaxland Rd, then comes to an intersection at 'Allen Park' at the end of Blaxland Rd.

3.95 | Allen Park

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3.95 | Allen Park

(130 m 4 mins) Veer right: From the corner of Terrace and Blaxland Roads, this walk heads around the locked gate and then straight across the grassy clearing of 'Allen Park'. The walk soon tends left at the 'Lane Cove National Park' sign and follows a wide trail down through the bush for about 60m, coming to an intersection where a 'Terrace Rd' sign points back up the hill.

4.08 | Int. GNW and Blaxland Rd Service Trail

(340 m 10 mins) Turn left : From the intersection, this walk follows the GNW arrow post down the steps and along the narrower track, directly away from the face of the 'Great North Walk' sign. This track soon passes under some power lines then continues through the open forest for about 50m to head down some rocky steps. From here, the walk follows the base of the rock wall to head through a long tunnel-like sandstone overhang. Here the track leads down to cross a mossy and rocky gully, then heads up around the left side of a large cube boulder (know as 'The Block'). The walk then follows along the base of long sandstone wall (on your left) for about 130m and then enters a sandstone overhang.

4.42 | Sandstone caves

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4.42 | Sandstone caves

(1.6 km 32 mins) Continue straight: From the cave, this walk follows the track through the second cave, keeping the valley to your right. Soon after the second cave, the track bends right and leads down to an unfenced rock platform. Here the walk turns left and follows the rocky track down for 100m, then crosses a small flat timber bridge. Just past the bridge, this walk turns right at the top of a smaller unfenced cliff and heads down the small gully, where the track then turns sharply left to follow along the base of this cliff. The track continues for just shy of 400m, passing a few more rock walls (on your left), to then pass along the top of an unfenced cliff (to your right). The track continues through the eucalypt and grass tree forest and soon starts leading down the side of the hill, then follows the track along the bank of the Lane Cove River for about 250m. The track leaves the river and climbs a small rise to a signposted intersection. The walk continues straight, following the 'Visitors Centre' sign downhill, then soon goes down some steps to cross the creek on a timber foot bridge. The track turns right on the other side of the bridge and leads out of the lush gully to follow the bank of the Lane Cover River again for about 120m, coming to rock platform and small beach on the bank of the river. Here the walk heads over the rock and follows the short section of timber boardwalk, where the track then leads past a small sandstone overhang. About 60m later, the track crosses over a flat timber boardwalk bridge and comes to a signposted three-way intersection and a 'Blue Hole' sign pointing back along the track.

5.98 | Bottom of Fiddens Wharf Oval Trk

(800 m 16 mins) Continue straight: From the intersection, the track follows the 'Visitors Centre Loop' arrow along the track, keeping the river to your right. After about 50m, this walk heads over a short timber boardwalk and crosses the 'weedy' creek. The walk then heads up some steps and a staircase to the top of a rock platform, where there is a 'Blackbutts' information sign. The track leads gently up along the side of hill for about 70m, passing an unfenced cliff to your right, where the track bends left to lead across a rock gully. The track then leads past the 'Sydney Peppermint' and 'Sandstone Gully Community' information signs and across a ferny gully to find a 'Sydney Red Gum' information sign. From here, the walk heads up a series of

timber steps to where the track suddenly widens into a mostly flat trail. This trail soon bends right and leads through the casuarina forest, past the 'Scribbly Gum' information sign to an intersection (with a narrower track on your left), just before the 'Sandstone Hillslope Community' information sign.

6.78 | Alternate Route Int. GNW and Thistlethwaytes Picni

(1.5 km 31 mins) Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk heads around the hillside, with the river below on the right. The walk tends left as it contours around the hill. It then descends over speed bumps for approximately 50m to the car park of Thistlethwaytes picnic area.

Continue straight: From the picnic area, this walk heads down the road, with the water to the right. The walk continues down the road for a short time, to the intersection with the entrance of the National Parks and Wildlife Service's Depot on the left, and the Schwartz Homestead a short distance up the hill.

Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk heads along the road, with the water on the right. The walk tends left, continuing up the road to pass a brick building on the right, before coming to the signposted intersection, opposite Baker's Flat.

Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk heads down the road towards the car park at '29 Bakers Flat'. The walk continues along the road to pass the clearing and tend right, up the hill, to an intersection with a bush track on the right.

Turn right: From the intersection, this walk heads down the path for approximately 50m to pass a toilet block on the left of the track. The track continues to an intersection with a railed footpath.

Veer right: From the intersection, this walk heads down the slight gradient, away from the toilet block to the large concreted area above the weir.

Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk heads along the footpath to the road. Now Turn right to rejoin the main walk .

6.78 | Int. GNW and Thistlethwaytes Picnic Area Trk

(430 m 9 mins) Turn left: From the intersection, this walk follows the GNW arrow post along the narrower track, across a small ditch then up the timber steps. The track meanders through the bush, passing a few rocky outcrops before heading up a longer series of timber stairs. Just beyond the top of this climb, the track leads down a short section of steps and comes to a T-intersection with a sealed road, marked with a NPWS arrow post.

7.2 | Southern Int. Bradfield Rd and GNW

(30 m) Turn left: From the intersection, this walk follows the NPWS arrow up along the road for a short distance and comes to another signposted intersection with another track (on your right), a short distance before the locked gate.

7.23 | Northern Int. Bradfield Rd and GNW

(110 m 2 mins) Veer right: From the intersection, this walk follows the GNW arrow posts down a couple of timber steps then along the narrow track. The track gently meanders through the open forest for a short time until heading up some timber steps and coming to a T-intersection with a wide management trail.

7.34 | Int. GNW and Bradfield Rd Access Trk

(300 m 8 mins) Veer right: From the intersection, this walk follows the GNW arrow post downhill along the wide management trail (keeping the house up to your left). The trail soon follows the power line down to an intersection where a 'Blue Hole - Fiddens Wharf' sign points back up the hill.

Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Park Visitors Centre' sign downhill, away from the houses. Just over 100m later, the wide trail bends left and follows a cliff line to an intersection with a narrower track (marked with a GNW arrow post) about 10m before a locked gate.

7.64 | Int. GNW and Naamaroo Service Trail

(20 m) Veer right: From the intersection, this walk follows the GNW arrow post downhill along the narrow track and soon comes to an intersection with Max Allen Dr, beside a large 'Great North Walk' sign.

7.66 | Int. GNW near Naamaroo

(220 m 5 mins) Veer left: From the intersection, this walk heads down the road, past the staff parking, the road bends right and passes just below the National Parks office to come to an intersection (with some steps on your right).

Veer left: From the intersection, this walk heads gently down along the road to an intersection just before the bridge, marked with the 'Great North Walk' track head signs.

7.88 | Max Allen Drive Bridge

(300 m 6 mins) Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk heads across the bridge and passes the toll booth (on the left). The walk turns right along Lady Game Drive, then continues down the road to the intersection opposite Fullers Park and next to a footpath (on the right).

Continue straight: From the intersection, the walk follows Lady Game Drive towards the set of traffic lights, and soon reaches the intersection with Delhi Rd.

8.17 | Fullers Bridge Pedestrian Crossing

(10 m) Turn left: From the corner, this walk crosses Lady Game Drive at the traffic lights, heading away from Fullers Bridge .

8.18 | Int. Lady Game Dr and Delhi Rd

(470 m 9 mins) Turn left: From the intersection of Lady Game Dr and Delhi Rd, this walk follows the grassy verge beside Lady Game Drive, keeping the road (and river) on the left. After about 40m, this walk comes to a driveway and locked gate marked with a 'Lane Cove National Park' sign. Here the walk turns right, heading around the gate to follow the management trail (driveway) down the hill and into 'Fullers Park'. The walk continues along the grassy trail on the right-hand side of the park, passing the picnic shelter. The trail continues for another 300m to pass under a concrete sewerage bridge then comes to a grassy clearing at the end of this trail (and start of a track ahead).

8.66 | End of Fullers Park

(590 m 11 mins) Continue straight: From the clearing, this walk heads east, away from the concrete sewerage bridge along the track. The track meanders through the trees, winding past some rocky ruins for approximately 120m to come to a three-way intersection marked with a 'Blue Gum Creek Track' sign.

Turn left: From the intersection, this walk follows the sign to 'Valley View Close', down into the dense, moist forest to soon cross the bouldery and sandy Blue Gum Creek. After crossing the creek, this walk continues up for about 80m through the dense vegetation to then head up a set of stone steps. About 50m from the top of these steps, this walk comes to an intersection (with a faint track on your right) marked with a National Park arrow post.

Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the track directly away from face of the National Park arrow post, keeping the valley to your left. After about 130m, this track leads past a large 'Lane Cove National Park' sign and continues behind the houses for another 50m. Here, this walk turns right and heads up the footpath (between the houses) to come to Valley View Close (between No.12 and 14).

9.25 | Valley View Close

(80 m 3 mins) Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk head up the pedestrian alley between houses No.11 and 15. After about 50m, this walk heads up a couple of sets of steps to come to Longford St.

9.33 | Longford St Steps

(970 m 19 mins) Turn right: From the the top of the stairs, this walk heads up Longford St, keeping the valley (and odd-numbered houses) on your right for about 100m to come to four-way intersection with 'Shirley Rd'.

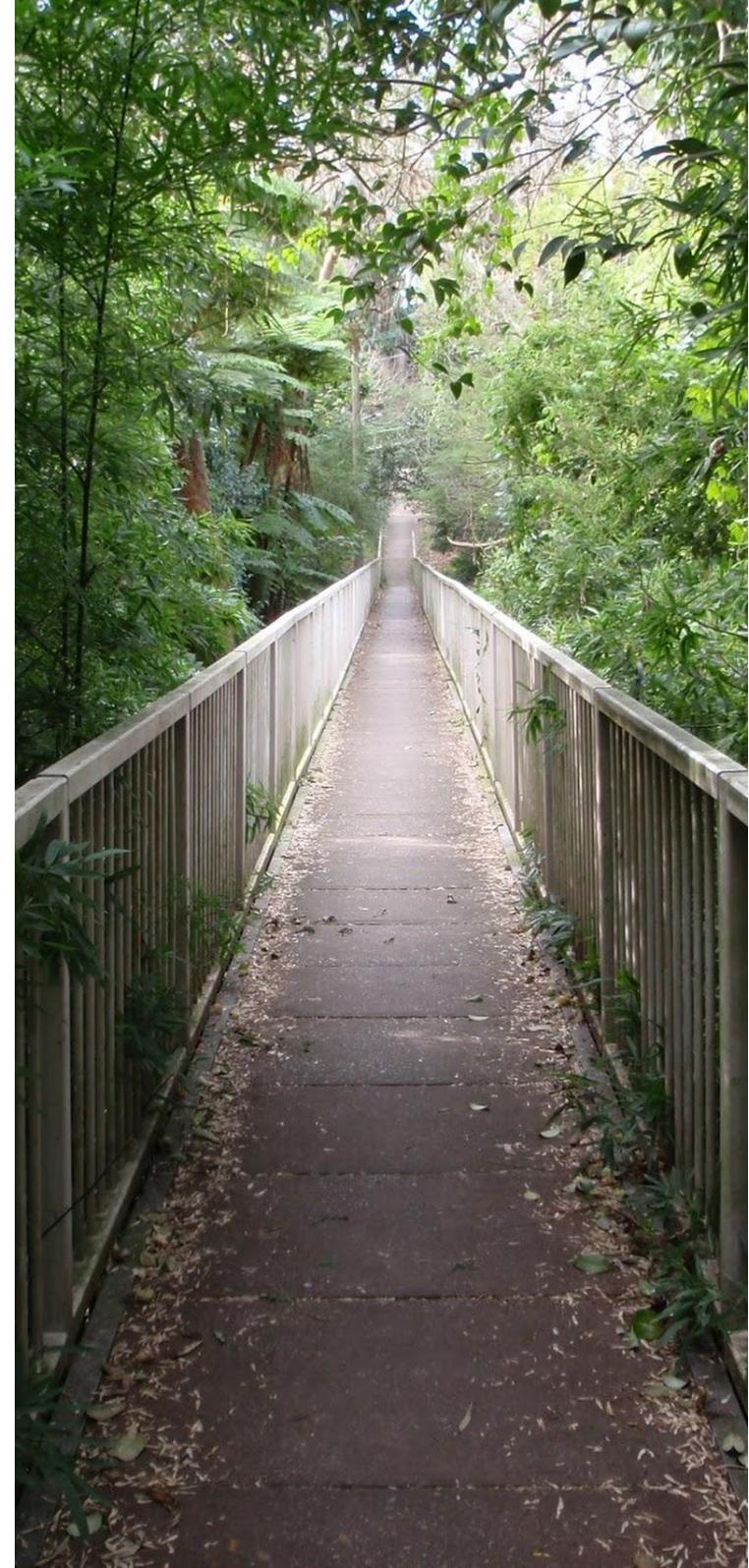
Turn left: From the intersection, this walk follows the footpath uphill beside 'Shirley Rd'. After about 700m (veering left at 'Abingdon Rd'), this walk crosses 'Alston Way' (the second street on your left). Then about 150m after crossing Alston Way, this walk crosses Shirley St (just after it bends left) to come to an intersection with a pedestrian laneway beside house No.20 (just in front of the power pole).

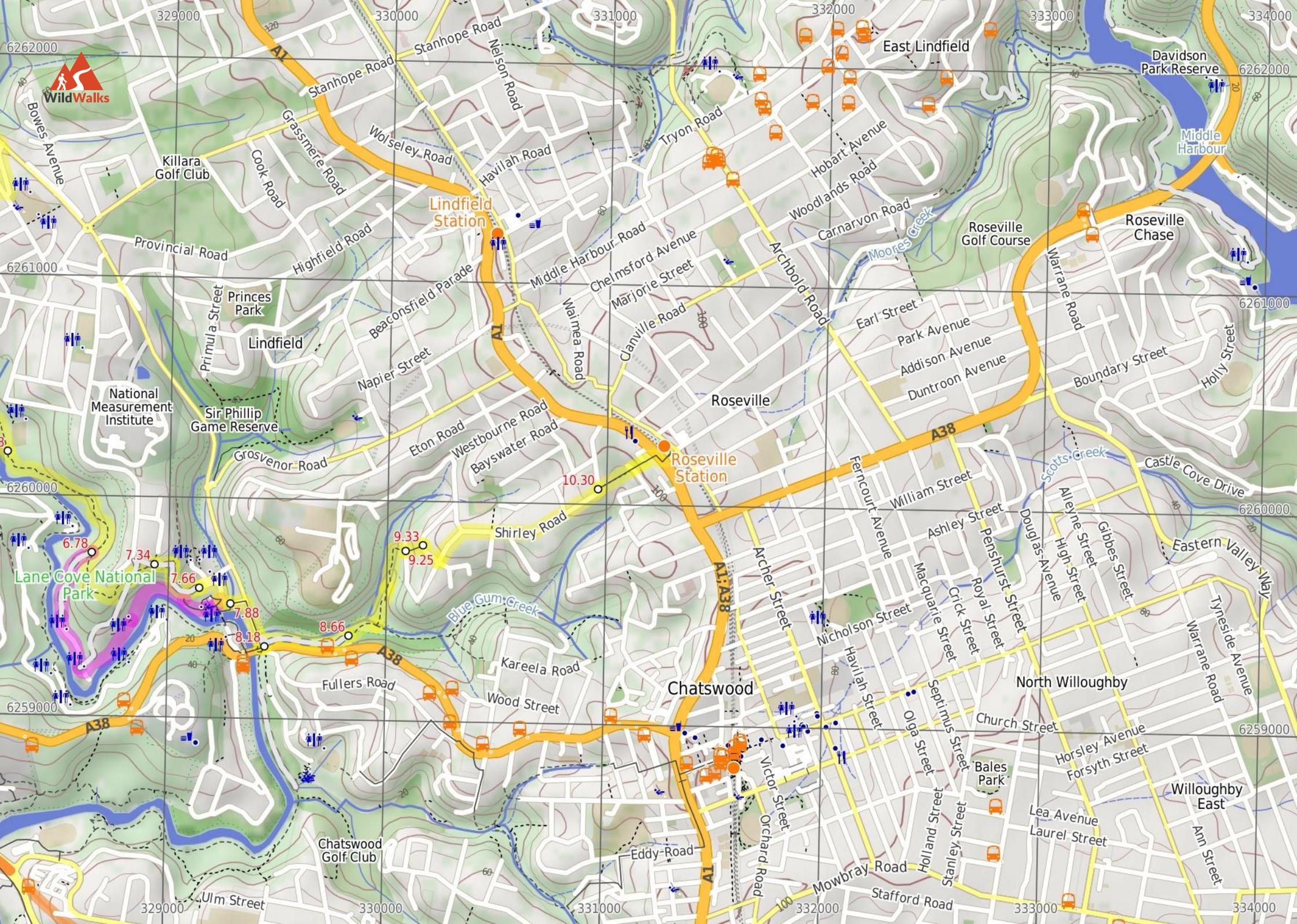
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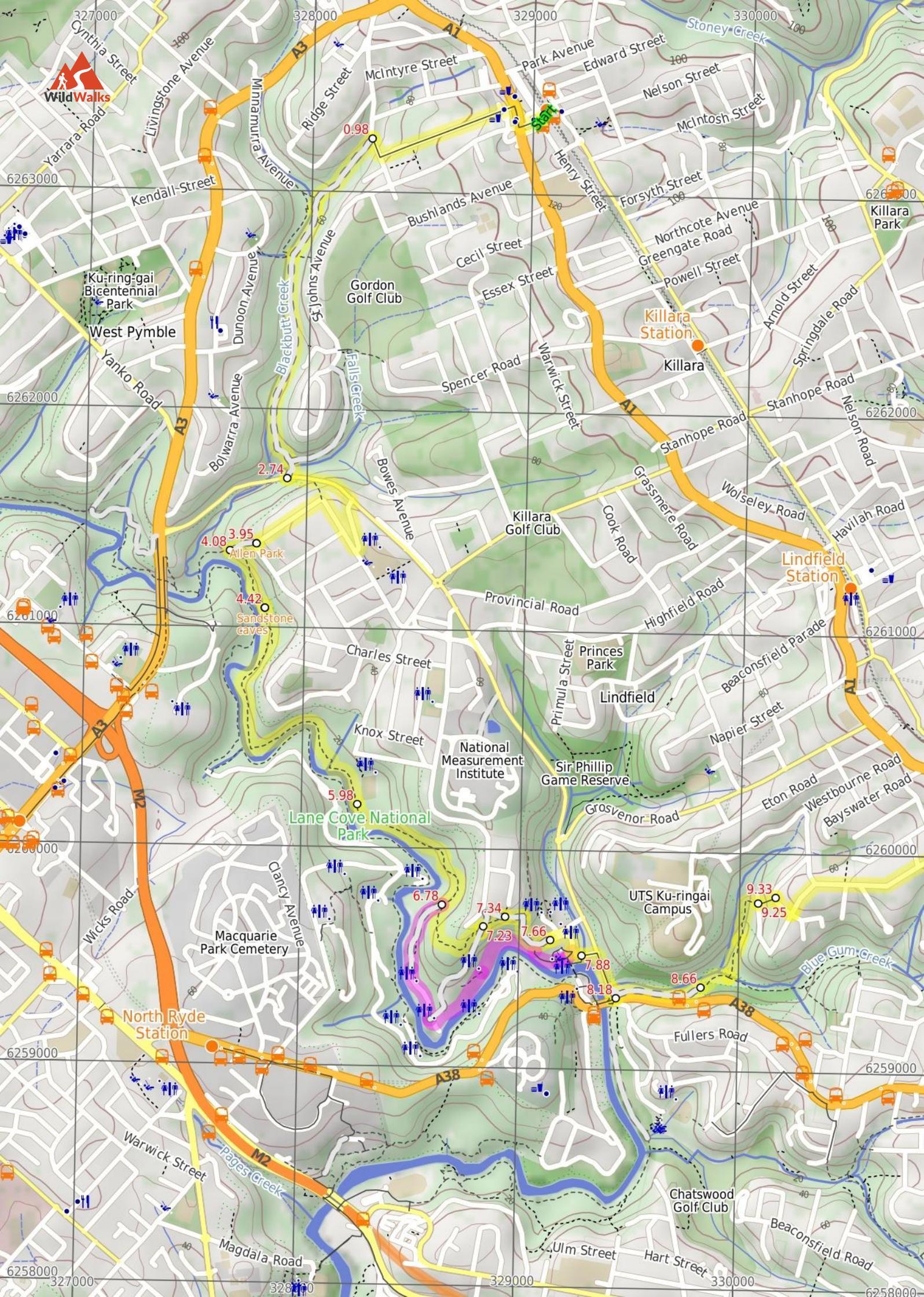
(410 m 9 mins) Veer right: From next to 20 Shirley St, this walk heads along the pedestrian alley that leads downhill away from the road, between the houses. After about 80m, this footpath then leads over a 60m long bridge. From here, the walk continues up the alley, then some steps, to find Larkin St.

Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk crosses the road and heads up the steps (between houses 21 & 23) to follow the pedestrian lane for about 60m, where the path zigzags up some steps to come to Larkin Lane.

Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk heads across the road and follows the power lines straight up the alley between the shops. The path continues for about 60m to come to the Pacific Highway, where this walk turns right and follows the footpath for about 40m and crosses the highway at traffic lights. Here the walk continues straight up the footpath to small a shop on the bridge over Roseville Railway Station.







WildWalks

Ku-ring-gai Bicentennial Park

West Pymble

Allen Park

Sandstone caves

Lane Cove National Park

Macquarie Park Cemetery

North Ryde Station

Magdala Road

Gordon Golf Club

Killara Golf Club

Charles Street

Knox Street

National Measurement Institute

Sir Phillip Game Reserve

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Killara Station

Princes Park

UTS Ku-ring-gai Campus

Fullers Road

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Lindfield Station

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km	From	Up/Dwn	Length	Initial directions (Use full tracknotes and maps for more detail)
Start	Gordon Station -33.756,151.1543 (GR Parramatta River, 291634)	6 -54	980 m 20 mins	From the top of the station, this walk heads towards the shops, down the stairs and to the road next to Gordon Station bus depot.
0.98	Int. Blackbutt Creek Trk and Vale St -33.757,151.1458 (GR Parramatta River, 283632)	7 -54	1.8 km 33 mins	Turn left : From the intersection next to house No.
2.74	Int. Lady Game Drive and Falls Creek Trk -33.771,151.1416 (GR Parramatta River, 279617)	49 -23	1.2 km 23 mins	Turn left : From the white metal gate, this walk heads up the hill along Lady Game Dr, crossing to the right side where safe.
3.95	Allen Park -33.7737,151.1401 (GR Parramatta River, 278614)	0 -20	130 m 4 mins	Veer right: From the corner of Terrace and Blaxland Roads, this walk heads around the locked gate and then straight across the grassy clearing of 'Allen Park'.
4.08	Int. Great North Walk and Blaxland Rd Service Trail -33.774,151.1388 (GR Parramatta River, 277613)	24 -34	340 m 10 mins	Turn left : From the intersection, this walk follows the GNW arrow post down the steps and along the narrower track, directly away from the face of the 'Great North Walk' sign.
4.42	Sandstone caves -33.7763,151.1405 (GR Parramatta River, 278611)	49 -62	1.6 km 32 mins	Continue straight: From the cave, this walk follows the track through the second cave, keeping the valley to your right.
5.98	Bottom of Fiddens Wharf Oval Trk -33.7845,151.145 (GR Parramatta River, 283602)	44 -23	800 m 16 mins	Continue straight: From the intersection, the track follows the 'Visitors Centre Loop' arrow along the track, keeping the river to your right.
6.78	Int. Great North Walk and Thistlethwaytes Picnic Area Trk -33.7886,151.1492 (GR Parramatta River, 286597)	34 -58	1.5 km 31 mins	Alternate Route Int. Great North Walk and Thistlethwaytes Picnic Area Trk. Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk heads around the hillside, with the river below on the right.
6.78	Int. Great North Walk and Thistlethwaytes Picnic Area Trk -33.7886,151.1492 (GR Parramatta River, 286597)	28 -8	430 m 9 mins	Turn left: From the intersection, this walk follows the GNW arrow post along the narrower track, across a small ditch then up the timber steps.
7.20	Southern Int. Bradfield Rd and Great North Walk -33.7898,151.1511 (GR Parramatta River, 288596)	1 0	30 m	Turn left: From the intersection, this walk follows the NPWS arrow up along the road for a short distance and comes to another signposted intersection with another track (on your right), a short distance before the ...
7.23	Northern Int. Bradfield Rd and Great North Walk -33.7895,151.1512 (GR Parramatta River, 288596)	1 -4	110 m 2 mins	Veer right: From the intersection, this walk follows the GNW arrow posts down a couple of timber steps then along the narrow track.
7.34	Int. Great North Walk and Bradfield Rd Access Trk -33.7891,151.1523 (GR Parramatta River, 289597)	1 -31	300 m 8 mins	Veer right: From the intersection, this walk follows the GNW arrow post downhill along the wide management trail (keeping the house up to your left).
7.64	Int. Great North Walk and Naamaroo Service Trail -33.7901,151.1543 (GR Parramatta River, 291596)	0 -1	20 m	Veer right: From the intersection, this walk follows the GNW arrow post downhill along the narrow track and soon comes to an intersection with Max Allen Dr, beside a large 'Great North Walk' sign.
7.66	Int. Great North Walk near Naamaroo -33.7901,151.1545 (GR Parramatta River, 291596)	0 -14	220 m 5 mins	Veer left: From the intersection, this walk heads down the road, past the staff parking, the road bends right and passes just below the National Parks office to come to an intersection (with some steps on your right).
7.88	Max Allen Drive Bridge -33.7907,151.156 (GR Parramatta River, 293595)	6 -5	300 m 6 mins	Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk heads across the bridge and passes the toll booth (on the left).
8.17	Fullers Bridge Pedestrian Crossing -33.7925,151.1576 (GR Parramatta River, 294593)	1 0	10 m	Turn left: From the corner, this walk crosses Lady Game Drive at the traffic lights, heading away from Fullers Bridge .
8.18	Int. Lady Game Dr and Delhi Rd -33.7925,151.1577 (GR Parramatta River, 294593)	11 -6	470 m 9 mins	Turn left: From the intersection of Lady Game Dr and Delhi Rd, this walk follows the grassy verge beside Lady Game Drive, keeping the road (and river) on the left.

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8.66	End of Fullers Park -33.792,151.1619 (GR Parramatta River, 298594)	27 -3	590 m 11 mins	Continue straight: From the clearing, this walk heads east, away from the concrete sewerage bridge along the track.
9.25	Valley View Close -33.7886,151.1647 (GR Parramatta River, 301598)	20 0	80 m 3 mins	Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk head up the pedestrian alley between houses No.11 and 15.
9.33	Longford St Steps -33.7883,151.1656 (GR Parramatta River, 302598)	46 -3	970 m 19 mins	Turn right: From the the top of the stairs, this walk heads up Longford St, keeping the valley (and odd-numbered houses) on your right for about 100m to come to four-way intersection with 'Shirley Rd'.
10.30	Int. Shirley Rd and The Rifleway -33.786,151.1742 (GR Parramatta River, 310601)	24 -15	410 m 9 mins	Veer right: From next to 20 Shirley St, this walk heads along the pedestrian alley that leads downhill away from the road, between the houses.