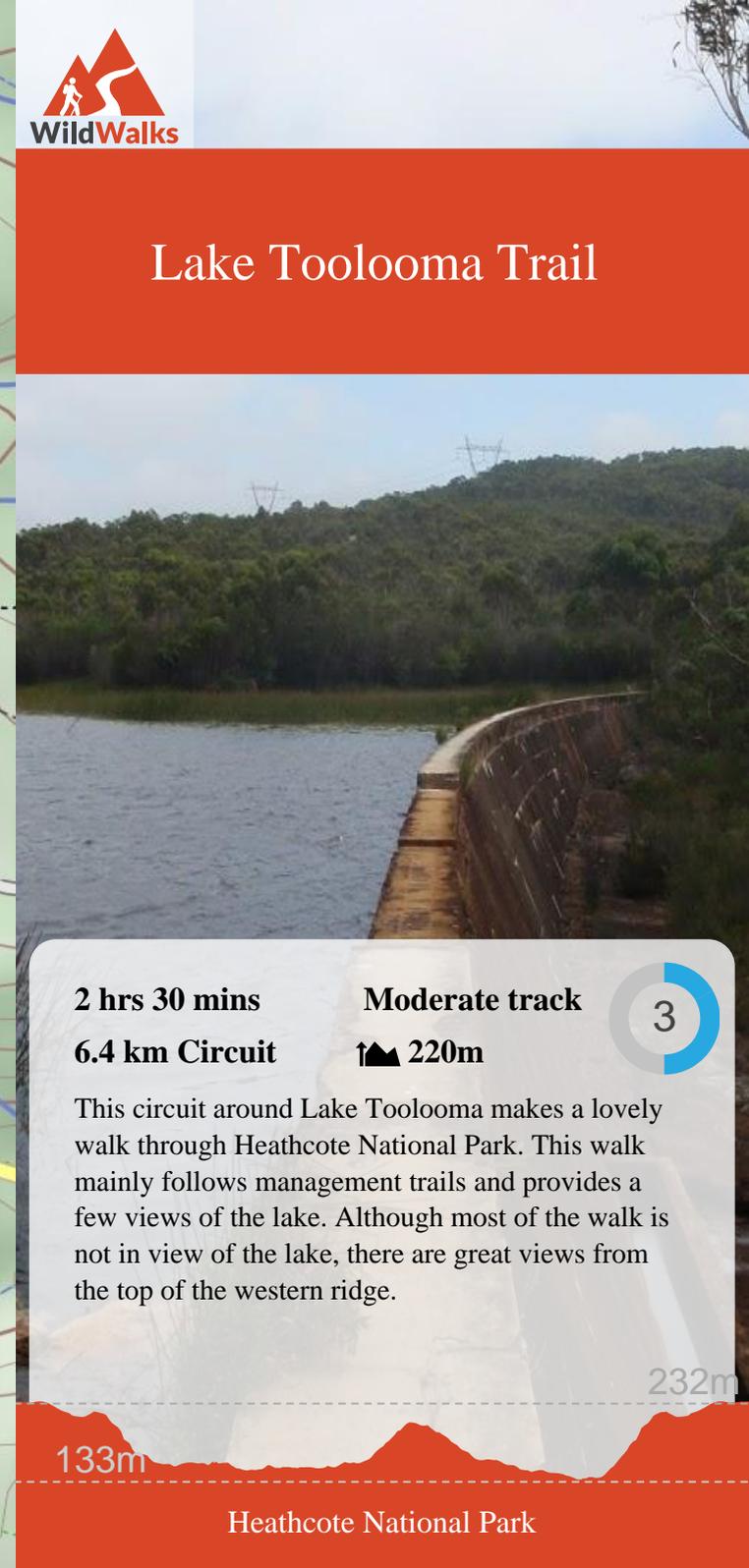
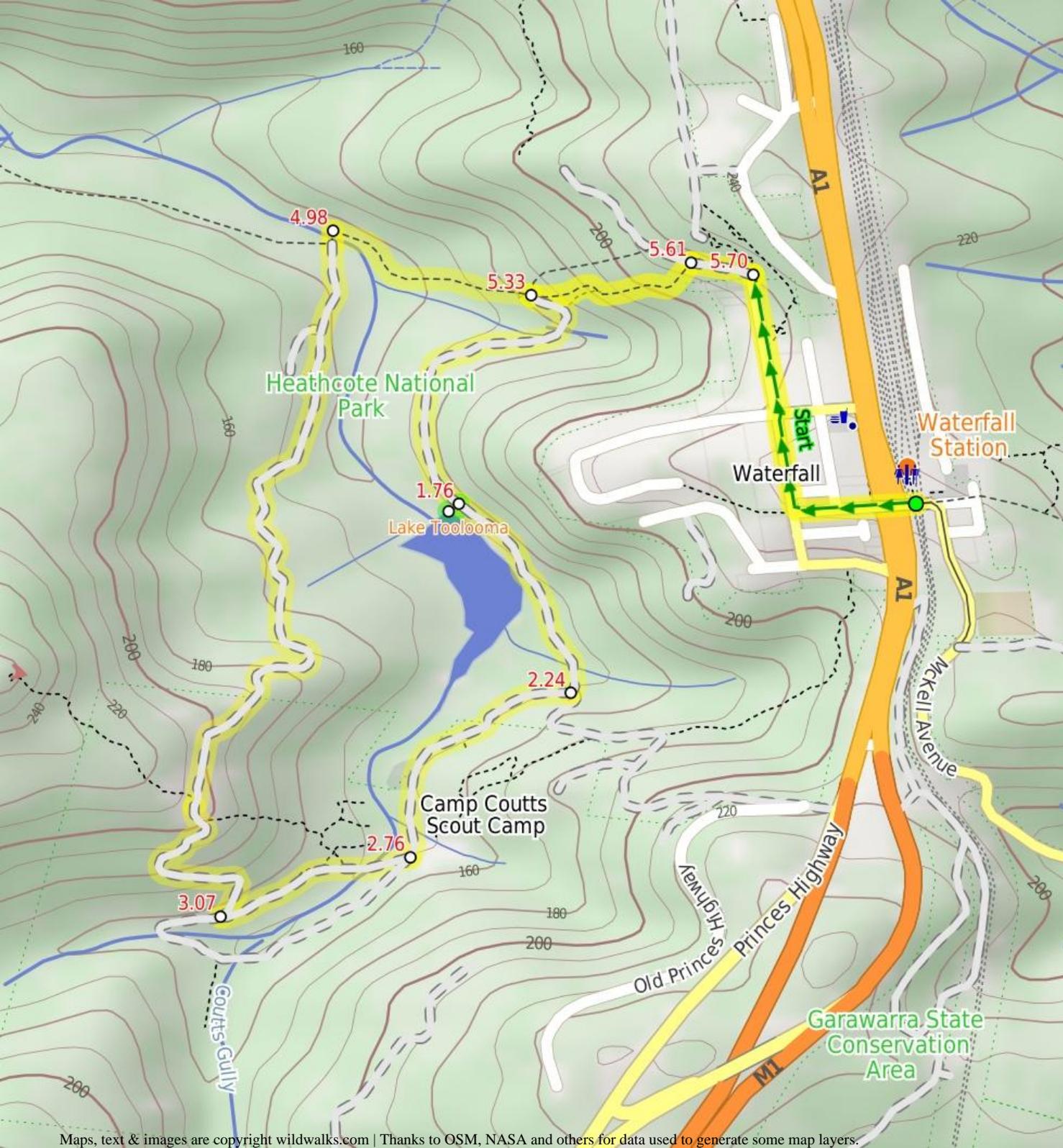


# Lake Toolooma Trail



**2 hrs 30 mins**

**Moderate track**



**6.4 km Circuit**

**▲ 220m**

This circuit around Lake Toolooma makes a lovely walk through Heathcote National Park. This walk mainly follows management trails and provides a few views of the lake. Although most of the walk is not in view of the lake, there are great views from the top of the western ridge.

133m

232m

Heathcote National Park

### **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 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 Waterfall Station (gps: -34.1352, 150.9946) by car, train or bus. Car: There is free parking available.

This is a circuit, so you will finish back at the start.

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

### **0 | Waterfall Station**

*(730 m 14 mins)* From Waterfall Railway Station, this walk takes the ramp out of the station onto Kooraban St. The walk follows Kooraban St over the Princess Highway, then turns right into Warabin St. This is followed to the end, where it comes to the intersection with the service trail signposted as the 'Bullawarring Track'.

### **0.73 | End of Warabin Rd**

*(90 m 2 mins)* Veer left: From the end of Warabin St, this walk passes the large National Park gate and the sign saying 'Bullawarring Track - Heathcote National Park', heading along the service trail for a short while before coming to the signposted intersection of the Bullawarring Track at the top of the long set of wooden stairs.

### **0.82 | Int of Bullawarring Track and Warabin Servicetrail**

*(280 m 9 mins)* Turn left: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Bullawarring Trac Kingfisher Pool and Lake Eckersley' sign down to the bottom of a long set of wooden steps. From here, the walk continues down the hill along the rocky bush track to the top of some short cliffs, where the walk follows the rock shelf for a short distance before continuing steeply down the rocky slope and down the hill to the intersection of the Lake Toolooma service trail.

### **1.1 | Int of Bullawarring Track and Lake Toolooma Servic**

*(660 m 13 mins)* Turn left : From the intersection, the walk follows the management trail south, keeping the bottom of the valley down to the right. The trail winds along for a while before coming to the intersection with a faint track (downhill on the right, towards the dam wall which is visible from the trail).

### **1.76 | Optional sidetrip to Lake Toolooma dam wall**

*(30 m 1 mins)* Veer right: From the intersection, the walk follows the track down the short, steep hill towards the lake and bends around to the right, winding through the bush to the end of the dam wall. At the end of this side trip, retrace your steps back to the main walk then Turn sharp right.

### **1.76 | Lake Toolooma**

Lake Toolooma is a picturesque and well-hidden dam in the Heathcote National Park, just a stone's throw from Waterfall and the Camp Couotts Scout Facility. This lake is best enjoyed from the end of the dam wall, near the lily pads.

### **1.76 | Int of Lake Toolooma service trail and Toolooma Da**

*(490 m 9 mins)* Continue straight: From here, this walk follows the management trail, keeping Lake Toolooma on the right as it heads through the bush. At the end of the lake, the trail bends to the left and continues along to the intersection with the asphalt management trail.

### **2.24 | Int of Camp Couotts Driveway and Lake Toolooma serv**

*(510 m 9 mins)* Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the asphalt management trail west, down the gentle slope and through the bush to the Camp Couotts car park. From the car park, the walk heads through the large scout camp gate ('Stan Bales Gateway') and along the driveway entrance, as the trail winds around the right-hand side of the scout camp buildings. The walk passes a toilet block and comes to an intersection with a management trail (which heads down and across the creek).

### **2.76 | Couotts Creek Scout Facility**

*(320 m 6 mins)* Veer right: From the Camp Couotts Scout camp, the walk follows the management trail down across the creek and back up the other side, passing a large, flat, grassy clearing on the left. The walk continues through the bush, passing some of the scout camp's picnic areas and comes to the intersection with another management trail.

### **3.07 | Int of Lake Toolooma service trail and Camp Couotts**

*(1.9 km 40 mins)* Turn sharp right: From the intersection, this walk follows the management trail up the hill. The trail soon steepens as it winds up the long hill to the rock platform at the top. Here, the trail bends to the right and continues along the ridge to the intersection with the Mt Westmacot track, just before the National Park gate.

Continue straight: From the intersection, the walk follows the management trail through the National Park gate and along the ridge, keeping the valley down to the right. The trail winds along beside the high tension power lines for a while before starting down the long and gradual hill. At the bottom of the valley, the walk comes to the signposted intersection with the 'Bullawarring Track' on the left (a short distance before the creek crossing).

Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk heads north, crossing the creek and heading along the service trail for a very short period, before coming to an intersection with a bush track going off to the right.

### **4.98 | Int of Waterfall Gully and Lake Toolooma Servicetr**

*(340 m 8 mins)* Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Bullawarring Track - Waterfall' sign south-east away from the power lines, following the narrow but clear track for several hundred metres (ignoring faint tracks to the left). The track then lends slightly to the left and heads up the hill to an intersection with a service trail.

### **5.33 | Int of Bullawarring Track and Lake Toolooma Servic**

*(280 m 9 mins)* Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the narrow track and painted arrow in the middle of the rock step, heading east up the rocky steps. The walk climbs up some rough rock steps with some carved foot-holes in the rock outcrop, to the top of some short cliffs. From here, the walk follows the rock platform at the top of the short cliffs, and the painted arrows, to the bush track which continues up the long rocky hill. The walk continues up a long set of wooden steps to the signposted intersection with a service trail.

### **5.61 | Int of Bullawarring Track and Warabin Servicetrail**

*(90 m 2 mins)* Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the service trail, heading up the gentle hill towards the houses for a short while before coming to the end of Warabin Street.

### **5.7 | End of Warabin Rd**

*(730 m 14 mins)* Veer right: From the end of Warabin St, this walk follows the road up the hill and past the intersection of Yanagang Street, continuing up to the next intersection. Here, the walk turns left into Koorabin St, then passes over the Princes Highway and comes to the Waterfall Station entry ramp.