

The Perimeter Trail to Smiths Creek



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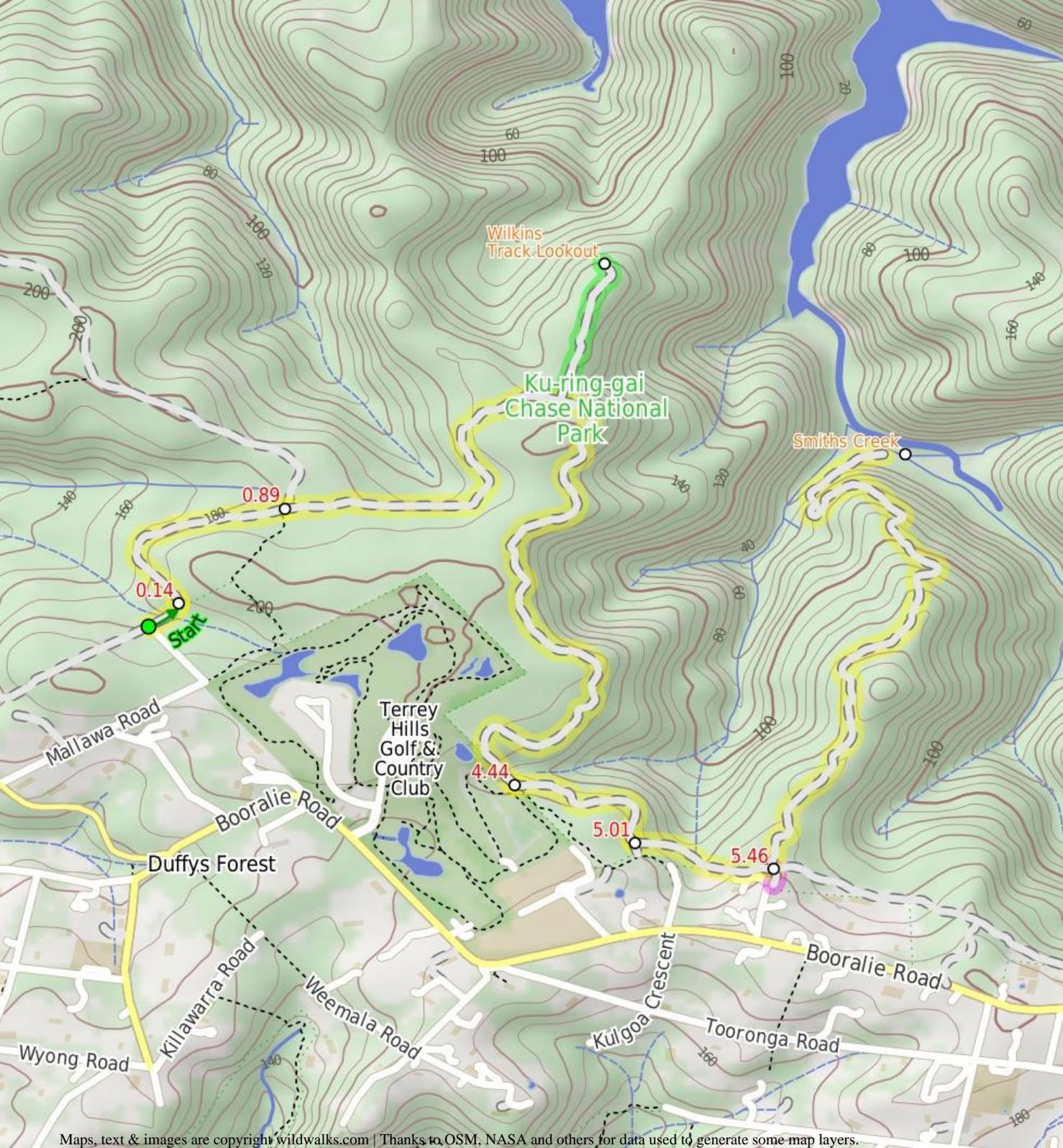
Moderate track

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16.1 km Return

↑ 576m

This walk to Smiths Creek follows a wide trail for most of the way, however it is well worth the walk, for Smiths Creek is a lovely spot with open grasslands and a creek to explore. The optional side trip to Wilkins Viewpoint is also worthwhile, with a fabulous view into Cowan Creek - consider including it on the return journey, to break up the walk home.



7m

Ku-ring-gai Chase 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 Traveling by car is the only practical way to get to Int of Cullamine Rd & Bulara St (gps: -33.6641, 151.1888). Car: There is free parking available.

This is a return, 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/pttsc>

0 | Int of Cullamine Rd & Bulara St

(140 m 3 mins) From the intersection, this walk follows the unsealed public road gently downhill away from the 'Callamine Trail' sign for about 150m (crossing a culverted creek halfway). This walk turns left at a three-way intersection, coming to a locked gate with a 'Perimeter Trail 7.1km One-Way' sign.

0.14 | Int of Cullamine Rd & Perimeter Track

(760 m 14 mins) Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the management trail around the locked gate with 'Perimeter Track 7.1km One-Way' sign. This walk continues on the trail (passing an information sign after about 30m) for about 300m. This walk continues to follow the trail for about 400m, until coming to a signposted (The Long Trail) three-way intersection (on the left) This intersection is reached about 10m after a track on the right is passed.

0.89 | Int of Perimeter & Long Tracks

(1.3 km 23 mins) Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the management trail east, with the hill on the right for about 500m. Then this walk bends left and continues for about 700m, until coming to the three-way intersection, with a 'Wilkins Track' sign (on the left).

2.15 | Optional sidetrip to Wilkins Track Lookout

(610 m 11 mins) Turn left: From the intersection, this walk follows the management trail gently downhill past the 'Wilkins Track' sign (on the right). Then this walk continues along the sandy trail, passing around the 'Walkers Only Beyond This Point' sign after about 600m. This walk then follows the bush track for about 10m to Wilkins Viewpoint and views into Smith Creek and the surrounding bushland. At the end of this side trip, retrace your steps back to the main walk then Turn left.

2.15 | Wilkins Track Lookout

The Wilkins Track Lookout of Terrey Hills, offers good views over Cowan Creek after a short, mostly level walk. Wilkins Track Lookout consists of an unfenced level sandstone platform with the ground dropping away dramatically to the north, offering fabulous views through trees down over Cowan Creek.

2.15 | Int of Perimeter AND Wilkins Tracks

(2.3 km 44 mins) Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the management trail gently downhill, keeping the hill on the right. After about 800m, the walk finds 'Authorised Horse Tracks' signs and tracks (on the right). Then this walk continues left, following the trail for about 1.2km to find a narrow track (on the right). This walk then crosses a concrete ford and continues to follow the trail for about 280m, until coming to a three-way

intersection with another wide trail (on the left). At this intersection, you can see Terrey Hills Country Club Golf Course behind a ring wire fence (on the right).

4.44 | Int of Perimeter & Golf Course Tracks

(570 m 12 mins) Veer left: From the intersection, this walk follows the management trail slightly downhill and away from the golf course for about 600m, until coming to a three-way intersection, with a management trail on the right.

5.01 | Int of Perimeter & Durumbil Tracks

(450 m 10 mins) Veer left: From the intersection, this walk follows the management trail east, gently downhill. Then the walk continues along the trail for about 400m, with obscured views (on the left) and houses in the distance (on the right), until coming to a four-way intersection with a management trail.

5.46 | Alternate Route Int of Perimeter & Smiths Creek Tr

(70 m 1 mins) Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the management trail gently uphill and directly away from the face of the 'Smith Creek Track' sign. The walk continues over water bars for about 80m, until coming to a locked gate at then end of Gooligal Rd, Terry Hills.

5.46 | Int of Perimeter & Smiths Creek Track

(2.6 km 53 mins) Turn left : From the intersection, this walk follows a level management trail north, passing a locked gate with 'Ku-Ring-Chase National Park, Smith Creek West Trail, 2.5km One-Way' sign on it. The walk continues along this trail, with views to the left after about 800m. This walk follows the trail gently downhill, steepening after about 600m through switchbacks to Smith Creek.

8.03 | Smiths Creek

Smiths Creek of Terrey Hills, offers a refreshing rest by a creek and secluded grasslands to explore. Camping has occurred here previously, however be aware that the creek water is salty and not drinkable.

