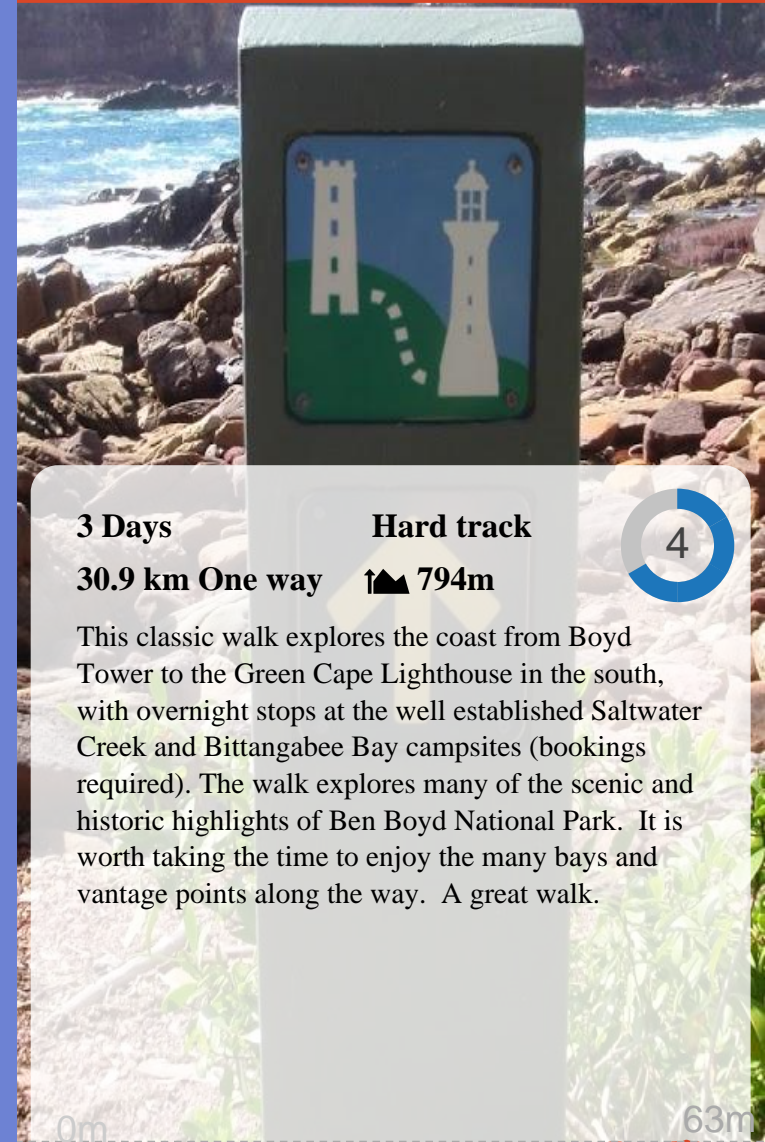


Light to Light Walk 3 days



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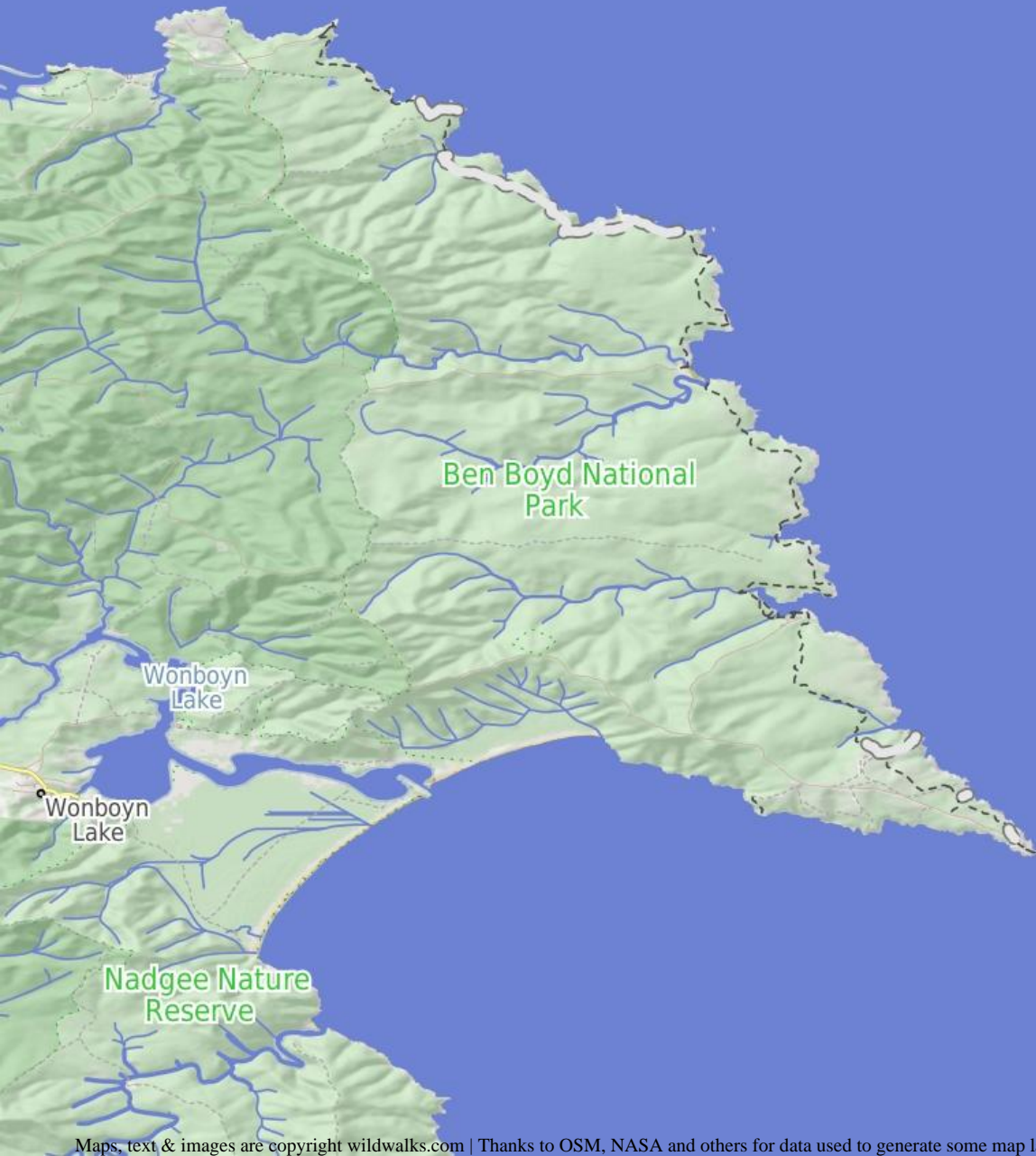
Hard track

30.9 km One way

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This classic walk explores the coast from Boyd Tower to the Green Cape Lighthouse in the south, with overnight stops at the well established Saltwater Creek and Bittangabee Bay campsites (bookings required). The walk explores many of the scenic and historic highlights of Ben Boyd National Park. It is worth taking the time to enjoy the many bays and vantage points along the way. A great walk.



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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 South Coast District](#))
- 2) Fire Dangers ([Far South Coast, unknown](#))
- 3) Park Alerts ([Ben Boyd 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: 88232N NARRABARBA, 88231S KIAH, 88231N EDEN

1:100 000 Map Series: 8923 GREEN CAPE, 8823 EDEN

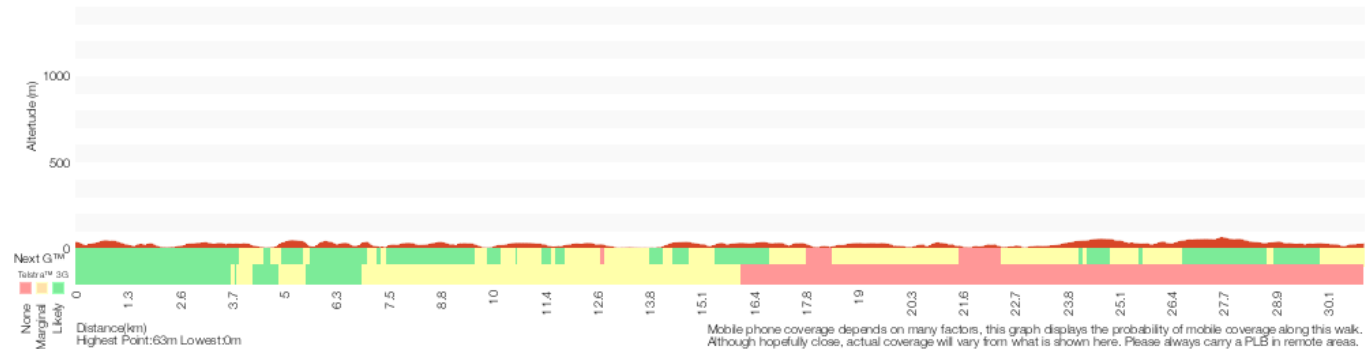
Grade

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	30.9 km One way
Time	3 Days
Quality of track	Rough track, where fallen trees and other obstacles are likely (4/6)
Signs	Minimal directional signs (4/6)
Experience Required	No experience required (1/6)
Weather	Storms may impact on navigation and safety (3/6)
Infrastructure	Limited facilities (such as cliffs not fenced, significant creeks not bridged) (4/6)



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 Traveling by car is the only practical way to get to Ben Boyd Car park information sign (gps: -37.1047, 149.9513). Car: A park entry fee is required for driving into the park.

Traveling by car is the only practical way to get back from Green Cape Lighthouse Car Park (gps: -37.2596, 150.048). Car: A park entry fee is required for driving into the park.

Find up to date and more information including; travel directions, weather, park closures and walker feedback at <http://wild.tl/tlw2dxx>

0 | Optional sidetrip to Int. Boyds Tower and Lookout

(280 m 5 mins) From the car park, this walk heads past the information billboard on the left and follows the sign to 'Ben Boyd Tower', down the hill. The walk winds down the hill to a seat on the left and signs on the right. This walk continues, to pass another seat on the right with fantastic views along the rocky coast. The track meanders down the hill to an intersection with a boardwalk below Boyds Tower.

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0 | Ben Boyd Car park information sign

(2.4 km 48 mins) Continue straight: From the information sign, the walk heads down the hill, following the low posts away from the information sign, to a signposted intersection on the left. From the intersection, the track follows the sign for 'Coastal Walk' down the hill away from the car park. The track soon passes an information sign on the right before tending right, down the hill to be above the coastline. The walk then continues with the coast on your left, down stairs into a gully and back out. The track winds and undulates for some time, leading away from the coast. The track then continues back towards the coast, to a view of the tower on your left and a rock island below in the sea.

Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk heads along the track, keeping the the coast to the left. The track soon leads out of the heath and winds along the hillside, tending away from the coast (which disappears below the trees on the left). The walk then winds down into a gully with access to the rocks (below on your left). Rising up and out of the gully, the track winds across the hillside and then down into a rocky bay with an arrow marker. The walk continues across the red flat rock at the back of the bay, coming to the arrow marker pointing inland, in the middle of the bay.

2.44 | Red sands bay

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2.44 | Red sands bay

(410 m 8 mins) Turn right: From the red rock bay, this walk follows the track marker away from the ocean and up the stairs. The track climbs over the hill to head down into a creek bed, where it heads up the hill keeping the ocean on the left of the track. The stairs lead this walk around the hill to the right and then to a signposted intersection with a service trail.

2.85 | Int. Light to Light and Leather Jacket Pt Trks

(740 m 13 mins) Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the arrow of the tower sign through the small clearing and along the clearer service trail. The track winds quickly through the heath for some time to meet a signposted intersection.

Turn left: From the intersection, this walk follows track marker down the hill, towards the ocean. The track leads downhill to a signposted intersection.

Veer right: From the intersection, this walk follows the track marker past a white post, keeping the ocean and the other service trail to the left of the track. The walk continues along the service trail for a short time to a signposted intersection.

Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the track marker, leaving the fork in the trails behind and heading down the slight hill towards the ocean. The track continues down the hill to a signposted intersection.

3.59 | Int. Light to Light and Leather Jacket View Trks

(1.1 km 19 mins) Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the track marker into the tall heath, towards the views of the ocean. The track then winds through the heath, passing through some large areas of tall heath and melaleuca trees. The walk follows white posts through the heath to then enter an area of tall eucalypt bush. The track soon passes an old farm fence post on the left of the track while winding down the hill into Leather Jacket Bay. The track follows the creek across the back of the rocky bay to a well signposted clearing - the campsite.

4.66 | Leather Jacket Bay

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4.66 | Leatherjacket Bay

(2.7 km 57 mins) Turn right: From the clearing, this walk follows the sign up the hill along the service trail, away from the clearing and the bay. The track soon comes to a signposted intersection.

Turn left: From the intersection, this walk follows the sign to 'Mowarry Point' up the hill. The track winds up the hill to continue across the ridge, with the track soon heading down the hill over large speed bumps. The walk comes to a small bridge over a creek bed, after which it leads up a hill, tending left to head across the flat to an unsignposted intersection on the left.

Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk heads down the hill, leaving a track behind on the left. This walk leads down into a saddle, to rise up again along a section of yellow dirt service trail. The track continues to

undulate and wind for some time, with views of the ocean appearing on the left of the track under the trees. The track then leads down the hill, tending right for some time to the signposted cul-de-sac at Mowarry car park.

7.33 | Mowarry Bay car park

(80 m 1 mins) Turn left: From the intersection, this walk follows the sign to 'Mowarry Point 500m', down the hill. The track leaves the car park through the gap in the logs and tends right, heading down the hillside to an intersection (with a track marker present), above a creek.

Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the track marker down the stairs and upstream of the creek, to turn left across the rocky creek bed. The walk heads up the stairs, leading to a service trail.

7.41 | Mowarry Creek Sth bank

(1.8 km 34 mins) Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the sign up the hill, tending left. The track soon meets a flatter area where this walk comes into sight of a beach, below on the left. The walk passes two access tracks on the left which lead down to the beach. The track continues to a small clearing at an intersection, marked by an arrow.

Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk heads up the hill, keeping the ocean below on the left. The track winds up the hillside to a large signpost 'Mowarry Point'. This walk follows the arrow to 'Saltwater Creek 5.4km' into an open grassland, following numerous track markers through the open grass area and patches of heath. The walk soon turns right, up the hill, keeping the ocean well below to the left of the track. The track then enters and winds through an area of heath. Many trees cover the tracks and trodden paths in this part of the walk. The track passes through these trees to a clearing with views towards Boyd Tower and waves crashing below.

9.16 | Mowarry Point lookout

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9.16 | Mowarry Lookout

(2.6 km 48 mins) Veer right: From the intersection, the walk winds through the heath, keeping the ocean to your left. The track heads through sections of low and tall heath and eucalypt bush. The walk begins to wind down the hill, and passes a clearing with a fire place, leading onto the rocky beach where there is an arrow marker standing in the pebbles of the beach.

Veer right: From the signpost, the walk heads towards the next arrow sign within sight, keeping the ocean on the left. The walk crosses the pebbly beach to the arrow marker, where another can be seen further along the coast on the red rock shelf. The walk meanders across the rock shelf to the track marker, which points into the bush. The walk follows this arrow away from the coast and up the stairs into the heath, where the track winds for quite some time through the heath and then bush. The track then heads back through the bush, down onto a red rock platform above the sea. The walk continues down the rock platform following the arrow signs, with the sea on the left of the track, coming to be opposite a set of stairs (on the right of the track).

11.74 | Red Cliffs

Red Cliffs - These fantastic red coastal cliffs are found about 1km north of saltwater creek in Ben Boyd National Park. The cliffs are made of a red siltstone. As the name suggests, this rock is made from deposited silt, making it much finer grain than sandstone. The red silt came from nearby volcanic eruptions long ago, and is clearly different from the other brown siltstone and

sandstone in the region. The cliff is unfenced and provides views out to sea and into a few surrounding bays. [More info.](#)

11.74 | Red Rocks

(1.5 km 27 mins) Turn right: From the rock platform, the walk heads up the stairs away from the rock shelf and ocean. The walk winds through the heath along the track, leading away from the coastline. After a while, the heath gives way to Melaleuca trees. There are numerous fallen trees and hanging branches over the track, so walkers should take due care. The track leads down the hill, with views of the ocean under the trees. The track passes through an old farm fence and soon comes down onto Saltwater Creek Beach. The track here is signposted on the ocean side of the headland.

13.22 | Saltwater Creek Beach

Saltwater Creek meets the South Pacific Ocean at a beautiful white sand beach in Ben Boyd National park. The beach looks north-east and has a rock shelf at either end. The wide Saltwater Creek forms a lagoon at the northern end, popular for swimming. Woodburn Creek also forms a lagoon on the southern end of the beach. Both creeks have a brown colouration from the tea tree, that forms a beautiful contrast with the white sand and blue ocean. The back of the beach is heavily wooded, providing some shade, and is home to the Saltwater Creek campsite. The beach can be accessed from the Saltwater Creek campsite at the end of the access road from Duck Hole Road.

13.22 | Saltwater Creek Beach Nth

(180 m 3 mins) Turn right: From the intersection, the walk follows the sign to the camping ground across the sandbar, which separates the creek (on the right) from the ocean (on the left). The track heads up the stairs on the opposite side, to follow the fence line through to the day-use parking area. The track continues through to the information signs just behind the day-use area.

13.41 | Saltwater Creek campground

Saltwater Creek campground is a nice place from which to access the coastal walking track -there is plenty of swimming, fishing and snorkeling to be done as well. There are some rainwater tanks on site, but be prepared for them to be empty.

13.41 | End of day 1

This is the planned overnight stay for the end of day 1, happy camping.

13.41 | Saltwater Creek Campsite Information Sign

(180 m 3 mins) Turn around: From the information signs at Saltwater Creek camping area, the walk heads through the 'Day use' parking area to the far left corner. The track then follows the track-marker through the fenced area and onto the beach between the creek and ocean. The track continues towards the bush on the other side, where there is a signposted intersection.

13.59 | Saltwater Creek Beach Nth

(490 m 8 mins) Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the sign to 'Bittangabee Bay' heading to the far end of the beach, keeping the ocean on the left. This walk tends right, towards the dunes, to meet a signposted intersection just in the bush, on the hill above the creek.

14.08 | Saltwater Creek Beach Sth

(4.2 km 1 hr 18 mins) Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the sign to 'Green Cape Lighthouse' across the hill, keeping the creek below on the right. The track soon turns left up the hill, away from the beach and creek, and then heads up the hill to an open grassland. The track meanders for a considerable time through different vegetation types - grasslands then heath, then melaleuca, and eucalypts/scrub, before reversing the order up the hill to continue around the flat of the grassy headland. The track continues in this way, passing views of Green Cape Lighthouse to the south and the cliffs, to wind down the hill onto Hegartys Bay beach. Continue straight: From the beach, this walk heads along the rock platform following the arrow markers. The walk winds around the rock features, then turns away from the ocean and lead up stairs into the bush behind the bay. The track winds above the bay (below on the left) for a short time, to then pass a fireplace and seats, before coming to a signposted clearing 'Hegartys Bay Camping Area' with bench seats and a fireplace.

18.29 | Hegartys Bay

Hegartys Bay is a north-east facing bay, about 2km north of Bittangabee in Ben Boyd National Park. The bay has many small boulders at the apex that then fade to rock shelves at each end. The bay is walled by red cliffs at the entrance and the northern wall has some spectacular examples of rock folding. The bay can be accessed along the Light to Light track and is home to a bush campsite.

18.29 | Hegartys Bay camping area

Hegartys Bay camping area is a basic bush campsite on the Light to Light walk, about 2km north of Bittangabee. The campsite is signposted and is just north of a small creek that leads to Hegartys Bay. There is another, smaller campsite that is not signposted, about 50m north. The creek is very unreliable and other than some impromptu chairs made from driftwood, there are no facilities provided. The campsite is nestled in a clearing among the tall, dense bush, providing some shade and shelter from winds.

18.29 | Hegartys Bay Camp

(1.9 km 35 mins) Continue straight: From the camp area, this walk keeps the camp on the right and ocean far on the left. The track heads down hill and over a creek, then winds up and out of the creek to meander across the headland. The track continues to wind through heath and melaleucas on the headland for some time, to go down the stairs onto the rock platform. Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the cairns and track markers along the rock, with the ocean to the left. The walk follows the rockshelf down to an area where it starts to slope down into the sea - this is marked by numerous cairns and an arrow on a boulder.

20.23 | Black cliffs

The black cliffs of Ben Boyd National Park provide a great vantage point.

The headland on the north side of Bittangabee has a fairly large clearing on a rock platform, high above the ocean. There are great views out to sea and into the mouth of Bittangabee Bay. There are no fences or facilities at this informal lookout. Being dark in colour, this rock platform can get very uncomfortable on hot days - trees on the south side provide some respite with shade. The rock slopes into the sea on the south side, but would be too dangerous for swimming.

20.23 | Black cliffs south

(1.4 km 29 mins) Veer right: From the intersection, this walk heads away from the ocean, behind, and bay, on the left of the rock shelf, leading up into the bush where a cairn is placed. The track winds along the hillside, following the track markers bolted to the trees. The track tends right, up the hill, then veers left down into a gully, with a rocky creek bed at the bottom. The track continues down to cross the creek.

21.66 | Bittangabee Creek

Bittangabee Creek is a small creek feeding Bittangabee Bay in Ben Boyd National Park. The creek enters the bay and is crossed by the Light to Light track about 800m north-west of Bittangabee Campsite. The creek provides a quiet place for people to paddle and relax.

21.66 | Bittangabee Creek

(580 m 12 mins) Continue straight: From above the creek, the walk winds above the gully (below on your left). The track veers right, and soon meets a signposted intersection.

Veer right: From the intersection, the walk follows the sign 'Via Ruins' up the hill. The track tends right as it climbs, soon winding up to a large black wooden platform. This platform overlooks the ruins.

22.24 | Imlay House

Imlay House ruins still show the foundations of a house built by the Imlay brothers in 1844. The ruins are found in Bittangabee Bay in Ben Boyd National Park, along the Light to Light track. The house was to be a station for the Imlay family to further their grazing and whaling in the area. It appears the stone house was never completed, with the brothers dying in 1846 (George) and 1847 (Alexander). Soon after the Imlay brothers died, Benjamin Boyd began using the bay for his own whaling company in 1848. [More info.](#)

22.24 | Imlay House Ruins

(300 m 6 mins) Continue straight: From the black platform, this walk keeps the platform and ruins on the left of the track, heading down the hill. The track winds quickly down to a signposted intersection with views of a beach below.

Veer right: From the intersection, the walk heads down the hill towards the water. The track goes across a rocky creek bed to rise up the other side of the gully. The walk continues up the hill to soon find formed log road barriers on the right and then a signposted intersection and picnic area.

22.54 | Optional sidetrip to Bittangabee Beach

(90 m 2 mins) Turn left: From the road just near the picnic area, this walk heads down the hill, passing through the picnic area and down the stairs. The water and beach are visible through the trees, the track soon leading down onto the beach. At the end of this side trip, retrace your steps back to the main walk then Turn left .

22.54 | Bittangabee Bay Beach

Bittangabee Bay Beach, Ben Boyd National Park, is a small beach at the south-western corner of the bay. The beach can be accessed by a short walk from Bittangabee picnic area in Ben Boyd National Park. The yellow sand

beach has a small creek and lagoon behind. The beach also has rock platforms at each end and is fairly well-protected from swells, being tucked away in the bay. The historic storehouse is visible on the shore to the right.

22.54 | Bittangabee Bay Picnic Area

(210 m 5 mins) Continue straight: From the picnic area, the walk follows the sign to 'Camping Area 500m', keeping the car park on your right. The track leads below the road (above on the right) for some time, following the arrow markers to a signposted intersection next to the log road barriers.

22.75 | Bittangabee campground

A popular beach-side campsite, Bittangabee campground is a bush campsite with a short walk to the nearby Bittangabee Bay. The bay has a beach and a couple of creeks. This is a great place to access the coastal walking track - there is also plenty of swimming, fishing and snorkeling. The area has some interesting history, with the ruins of the storehouse and Imlay Brothers' house worth exploring. There are some rainwater tanks, but these are not suitable for drinking so bring your own water.

22.75 | End of day 2

This is the planned overnight stay for the end of day 2, happy camping.

22.75 | Bittangabee Campsite

(30 m 1 mins) Turn left: From the intersection, the walk follows the sign for 'Walking Track' (not the same direction as the 'Beach' arrow) down the hill. The track leads down the hill a short way to an arrow track marker.

22.78 | Optional sidetrip to Int. Light to Light Trk and B

(150 m 3 mins) Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk does not follow the arrow marker but heads straight down the hill towards the water. The walk steps down to the water's edge where there is a roofless building on the right. The walk follows around the building on the water side, to an information sign.

Turn right: From the intersection, the walk leads up the hill, keeping the bay on your left and the storehouse ruins behind on the right. The track veers right, up the hill to a signposted intersection. At the end of this side trip, retrace your steps back to the main walk then Turn left .

22.78 | Bittangabee Storehouse ruins

Bittangabee Storehouse ruins is located on the shore of Bittangabee Bay, near the campground, in Ben Boyd National Park. The concrete structure was built by Albert Aspinall (1839 - 1903) in 1881. The building was used to store material unloaded from ships onto a wooden jetty built at the same time. Aspinall then built a wooden tramway to move material and supplies to Green Cape to help in the construction of the lighthouse. The building is now a basic shell, missing roof, windows and a door. The concrete foundations of the timber wharf are still visible. Unfortunately, the building has been marred by graffiti, but is still worth the visit. [More info.](#)

22.78 | Int. Light to Light Trk and Bittangabee Storehouse

(90 m 2 mins) Veer right: From the intersection, this walk follows the arrow into the bush, keeping the bay below on the left. The track winds through the bush to a signposted intersection.

22.87 | Int. Light to Light Trk and Bittangabee Storehouse

(150 m 3 mins) Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Walking Track' sign and arrow posts up the hill. The track winds through the heath and melaleuca for a short time, passing near the campsite (on the right) while following the arrow markers. The track leads closer to the sea on the left, to a clearing overlooking a rock shelf below at the sea and the mouth of Bittangabee Bay.

23.02 | Southern Bittangabee Point lookout

Southern Bittangabee Point lookout is an unofficial lookout on the southern headland forming the entrance to Bittangabee Bay in Ben Boyd National Park. The lookout is not fenced or signposted and does not have any facilities. The lookout provides a view across the mouth of Bittangabee Bay and a short way down the coast to the south. There is also a view of the red rock platform below, forming a picturesque contrast with the ocean on sunny days.

23.02 | Bittangabee Sth Headland Lookout

(3.8 km 1 hr 10 mins) Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the arrow markers around the headland, keeping the ocean to the left and the camping area to the right. The track soon comes to a set of wooden stairs. The walk heads down these stairs into the creek bed, and then up the stairs on the other side.

Continue straight: From the top of the stairs, this walk leads upstream of the creek, which is below on the right. The track follows this creek for some time, tending left away from it into the bush at times. The track winds slightly uphill for a while, then winds downhill to cross the rocky surface of another creek. The track heads up the hill and over the ridge before heading

down to another creek bed. The track then leads up the hill to the cul-de-sac of a service trail.

26.84 | Int. Light to Light Walk and Pulpit Rock Rd Access

(260 m 4 mins) Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the track markers up the hill to a signposted intersection.

Veer right: From the intersection, this walk follows the track marker along the hillside, keeping the ocean on the left of the track. The track passes a few overgrown service trails on either side, as it continues on to the signposted intersection with the main service trail.

27.09 | Optional sidetrip to Pulpit Rock

(700 m 14 mins) Turn left: From the intersection, this walk follows none of the signs but instead heads down the hill towards the sea. The track winds down through the heath to the one-way car park and toilet. The walk continues through to the far side of the car park, where there is a fenced lookout over the rocks.

Continue straight: From the intersection, the walk heads down the stairs just near the lookout. The stairs lead onto the rock shelf, with stunning views to the north (left) and of waves crashing onto the rocks below. At the end of this side trip, retrace your steps back to the main walk then Turn left.

27.09 | Pulpit Rock

Pulpit Rock is a large rock platform on the south-east coast of NSW, between Green Cape and Bittangabee in Ben Boyd National Park. The rock platform is a popular spot for rock fishing. Pulpit Rock is accessed via a staircase near the end of a service trail off Green Cape Rd. Near the car park is a pit toilet and garbage facilities. From the rock platform, there are great views north up the coast, with the red rock cliffs providing a spectacular highlight.

27.09 | Int. Light to Light Trk and Pulpit Rock Rd

(2.8 km 49 mins) Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the sign to 'Green Cape Lighthouse 2.5km' keeping the ocean on the left of the track. The track meanders through the heath, then turns left and slowly head down through the heath. The track leads to an arrow-marked intersection with a badly overgrown service trail, on both sides of the track.

Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk heads through the heath following the arrow marker, and keeping the ocean on the left of the track. The track leads through the heath and Banksias for a short time, coming to a slightly overgrown service trail.

Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk keeps the ocean on the left of the track as it winds through the heath and the Banksias. The track soon becomes surrounded by melaleuca trees, which have many fallen branches. The track continues to a signposted intersection for 'Ly-ee-moon Cemetery'.

29.86 | Ly-ee-moon Graveyard

The Ly-ee-moon Graveyard is a stark reminder of the horrific accident on the night of May 31st, 1886, when 71 men, women and children lost their lives. The white stone and single cross marks the positions of the unnamed graves. The nearby plaque names the people who lost their lives - sadly some names where not known and these people are remembered only by comments such as 'one who had a German accent'. During the dark night, the lighthouse keeper and assistant heroically rescued 16 people from the sea, and were left to listen to cries for help though the night of other people who could not be saved. The mother of Blessed Mary MacKillop, the first Australian to be beatified by the Catholic church, was one of those lost during the night. The fast and normally reliable ship, operated by the Australian Steam Navigation Company, was a single screw ship converted from a paddle steamer when it was brought to Australia in 1876. The graveyard is about 300m north-west of the Green Cape lighthouse, which was operational at the time the SS Ly-ee-moon struck the reef and sunk. [More info.](#)

29.86 | Ly-ee-moon Graveyard

(250 m 4 mins) Veer right: From the intersection, this walk follows the arrow marker through the melaleuca trees, away from the 'Ly-ee-moon Cemetery' sign (behind on the left). The track winds through the trees for a short time, to open out onto the clearing of the Green Cape Lighthouse car park. The walk continues to the far end of the car park where there are signs.

30.11 | Green Cape

Green Cape is a headland at the southern end of Ben Boyd National Park, forming the northern head of Disaster Bay. The cape's traditional owners are the people of the Yuin nation, from whom there remains evidence of a number of camps in the area. The cape was named 'Green Point' by Matthew Flinders in 1798. The area began its notorious fame in 1802 when eight of Flinders' crew disappeared when fetching water, in what he then appropriately named 'Disaster Bay'. The Imlay brothers and Boyd both established whaling business in the area in the early to mid 1800's, leaving several buildings in the park. There were many shipwrecks in the surrounding waters, the most famous being the SS Ly-ee-moon, whose victims are buried on the cape. The most visible feature on the cape is the 29-metre high lighthouse that is still operational today. NPWS run tours on the site in the middle of the day from Thursdays to Monday - the tour takes about 1 hour and costs \$20 per family. There is a pit toilet at the car park at the end of Green Cape Road. Accommodation is also available in the renovated lighthouse keeper cottages. [More info.](#)

30.11 | Green Cape Lighthouse Car Park

(100 m 2 mins) Continue straight: From the car park, the walk follows the 'Walkway to Lighthouse' signs along the grass and through the heath. The walk comes to a fence which it follows to the corner (keeping the fence on the left). The track then continues, coming to be opposite a small white cottage signposted as 'Telegraph Station'.

30.21 | Green Cape Telegraph Station

Green Cape Telegraph Station was established in 1882. The station acted as a relay station, re-sending ship-to-shore messages from boats passing by. Ships, and communication staff on Green Cape, would use semaphore flags to communicate a message. When required, the messages could also be relayed using Morse code. The telegraph station is a white concrete building with a tin roof. The building has a blue painted base and is less than 100m north of Green Cape Lighthouse in Ben Boyd National Park. [More info.](#)

30.21 | Cape Lighthouse Keepers' cottages

The Cape Lighthouse Keepers' cottages is a large concrete building near Green Cape Lighthouse in Ben Boyd National Park. There are two cottages that have been refurbished, each sleeping up to 6 guests and boasting 3.5 stars. Each cottage has a fully equipped kitchen, dining room, bathroom, lounge room (with sofa bed), Master bedroom (Queen) and second bedroom (2 singles). The price starts from \$200 a night per cottage. Bookings are essential, for more info call NPWS on 02 6495 5000 [More info.](#)

30.21 | Green Cape Lighthouse Telegraph Station

(170 m 3 mins) Continue straight: From the Telegraph Station, the walk continues down the hill towards the lighthouse. This walk keeps the houses and fence on the left of the track, as it passes large solar panels to your right. The track continues to a gate with a 'No Entry' sign, outside the lighthouse.

30.38 | Green Cape Lighthouse

Green Cape Lighthouse is a majestic, 29 metre tall, white octagon-shaped, concrete and blue stone monolith, at the southern tip of Ben Boyd National Park. The lighthouse construction was tendered in 1880 and Albert Aspinall started construction in 1881. He built a timber tram line from Bittangabee

Bay to transport materials. After having to dig footing much deeper than expected, in addition to dealing with workers' disputes, Aspinall went broke and his creditors completed the project. The original lantern was oil-fired and was visible 19NM out to sea. Today, the lighthouse still operates with a solar-powered electric light. The lighthouse is open to the public via daily tours, and the surrounding grounds are well worth the time to explore. [More info.](#)

30.38 | Green Cape Lighthouse entry gate

(140 m 3 mins) Continue straight: From Green Cape Lighthouse, the walk heads down the hill towards the white metal tower. The track passes the metal tower (on the left of the track) to then pass a helicopter landing pad on the right. The walk continues down through the grass and heath to a rough track to the right. This is before the weather station.

Continue straight: From the intersection, the walk heads down the ridge, away from the lighthouse, passing a weather station to the right of the track. The walk then continues down the hill, passing an information sign before coming to the partially-fenced lookout over Green Cape.

30.52 | Green Cape Lookout

The lookout at the point of Green Cape, at the southern end of Ben Boyd National Park, provides great views out to sea and along the coast. On the right, the view extends across Disaster Bay to Nadgee Nature Reserve and down into Victoria. To the left, there are views north along rugged sea cliffs and views of Green Cape Lighthouse and accommodation. An information sign at the lookout tells some of the story of the Ly-ee-moon tragedy. The lookout is slightly elevated on a steel platform, and is unfenced. There is a leaning post to rest against whilst taking in the view.

30.52 | Green Cape Lookout

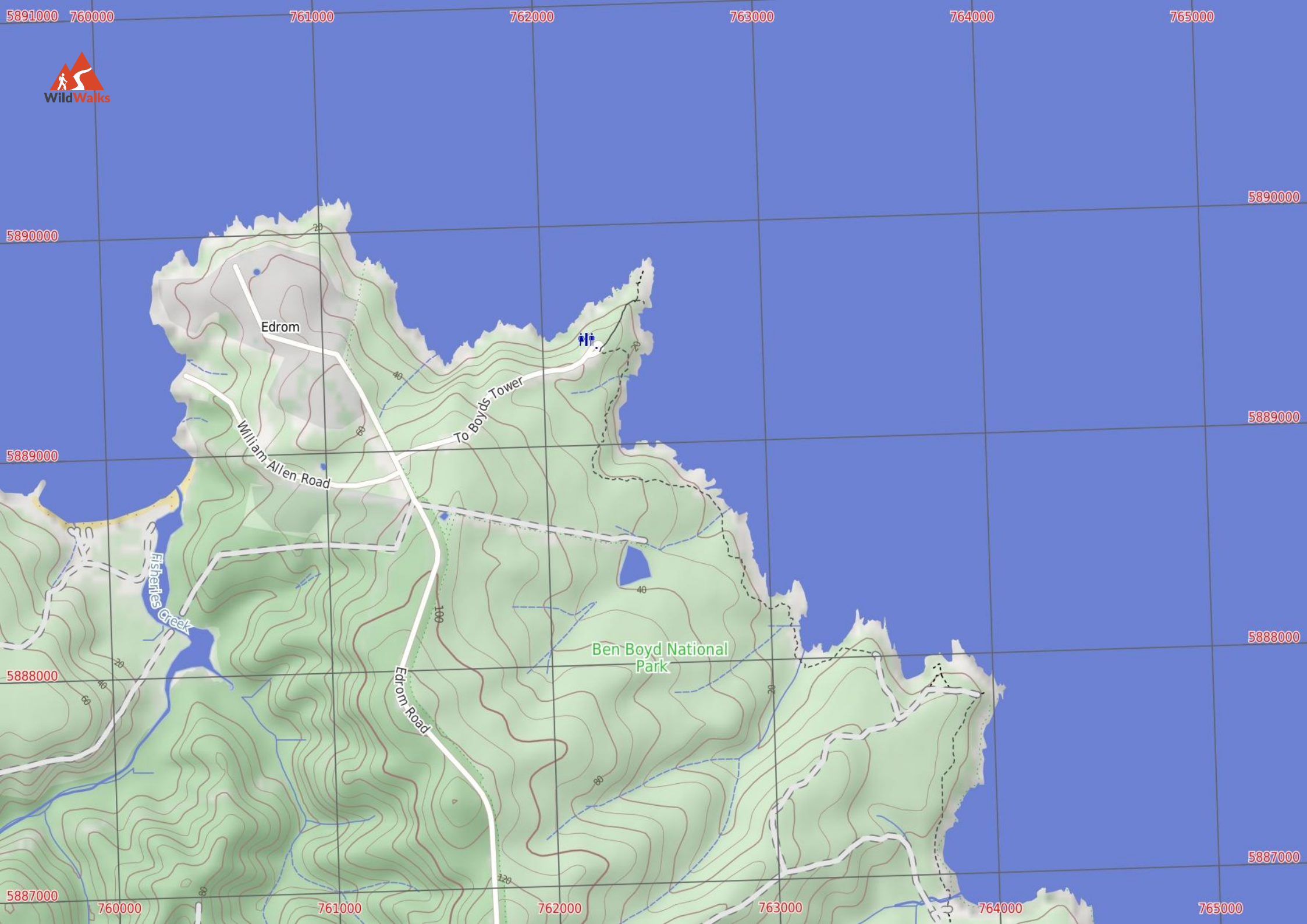
(410 m 8 mins) Turn around: From the lookout, this walk heads up the ridge towards the lighthouse. The track heads up the hill, passing an information sign, and then a weather station on the left. This walk soon comes to a rough track on the left, which leads down to the rock platforms below.

Continue straight: From the intersection, the walk heads up the hill towards the lighthouse. The track heads past a helicopter landing pad (on the left of the track) and past a metal tower on the right. The walk continues to follow the wire fence on the right, until the 'No Entry' sign on the gate of the lighthouse.

Continue straight: From the gate, the walk heads up the hill towards the large solar panels. This walk keeps the houses and fence on the right of the track as it leads near the corner in the fence, where a signpost opposite states that a small white cottage structure is the 'Telegraph Station'.

Continue straight: From the intersection, the walk heads in the opposite direction to the lighthouse, following the fence around the corner and then down the track through the heath. The walk continues down the grassy hill to the car park.





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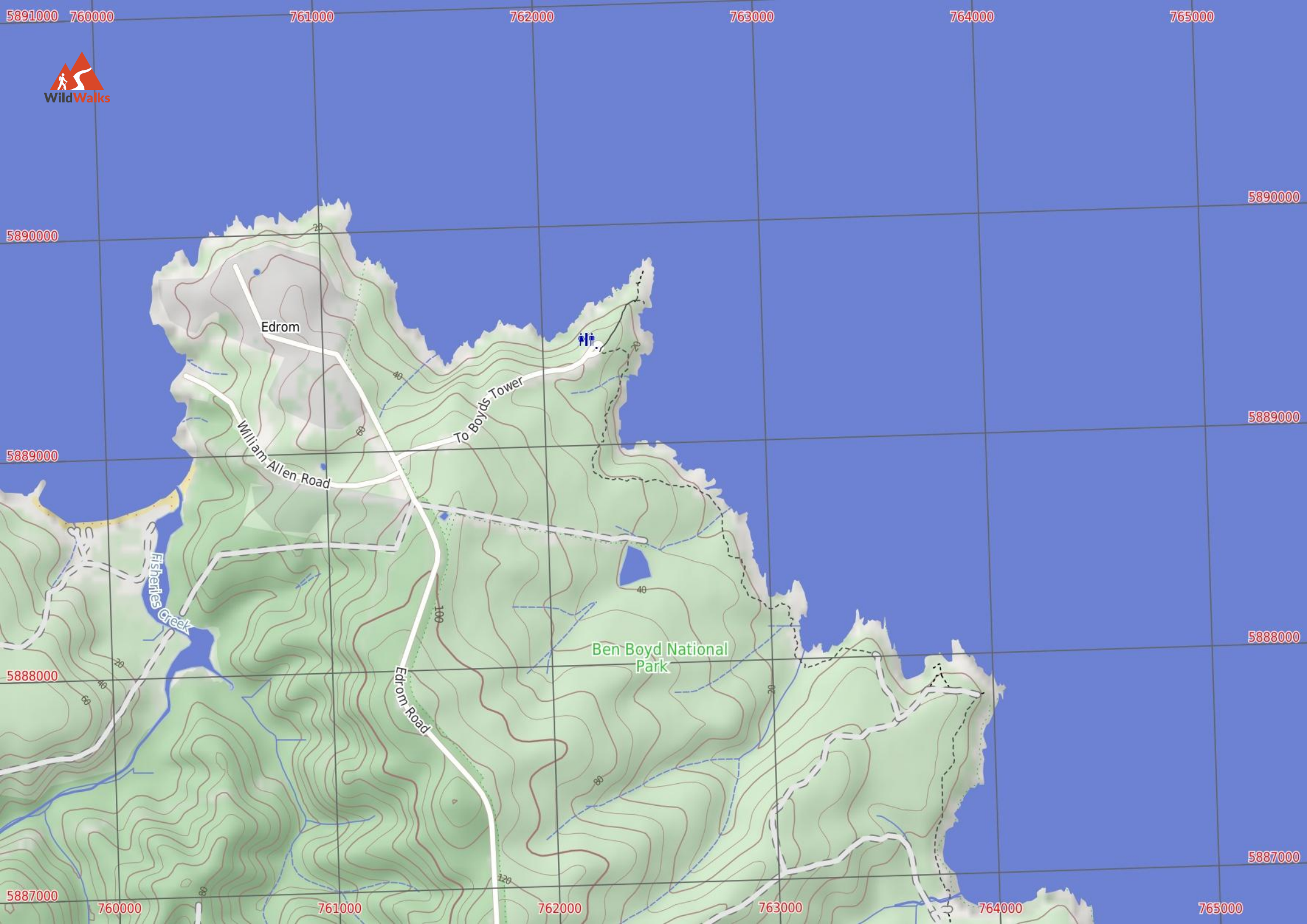
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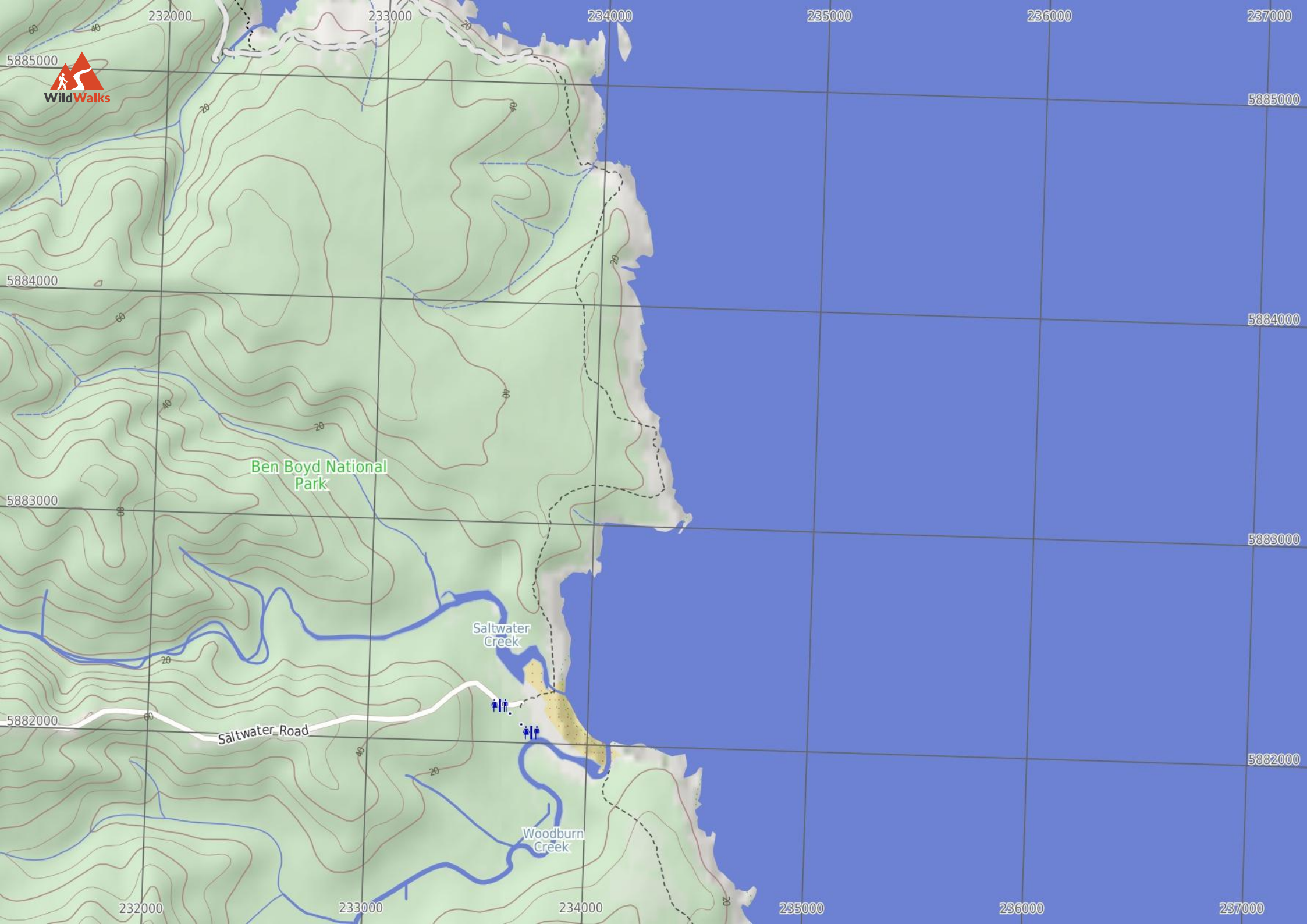
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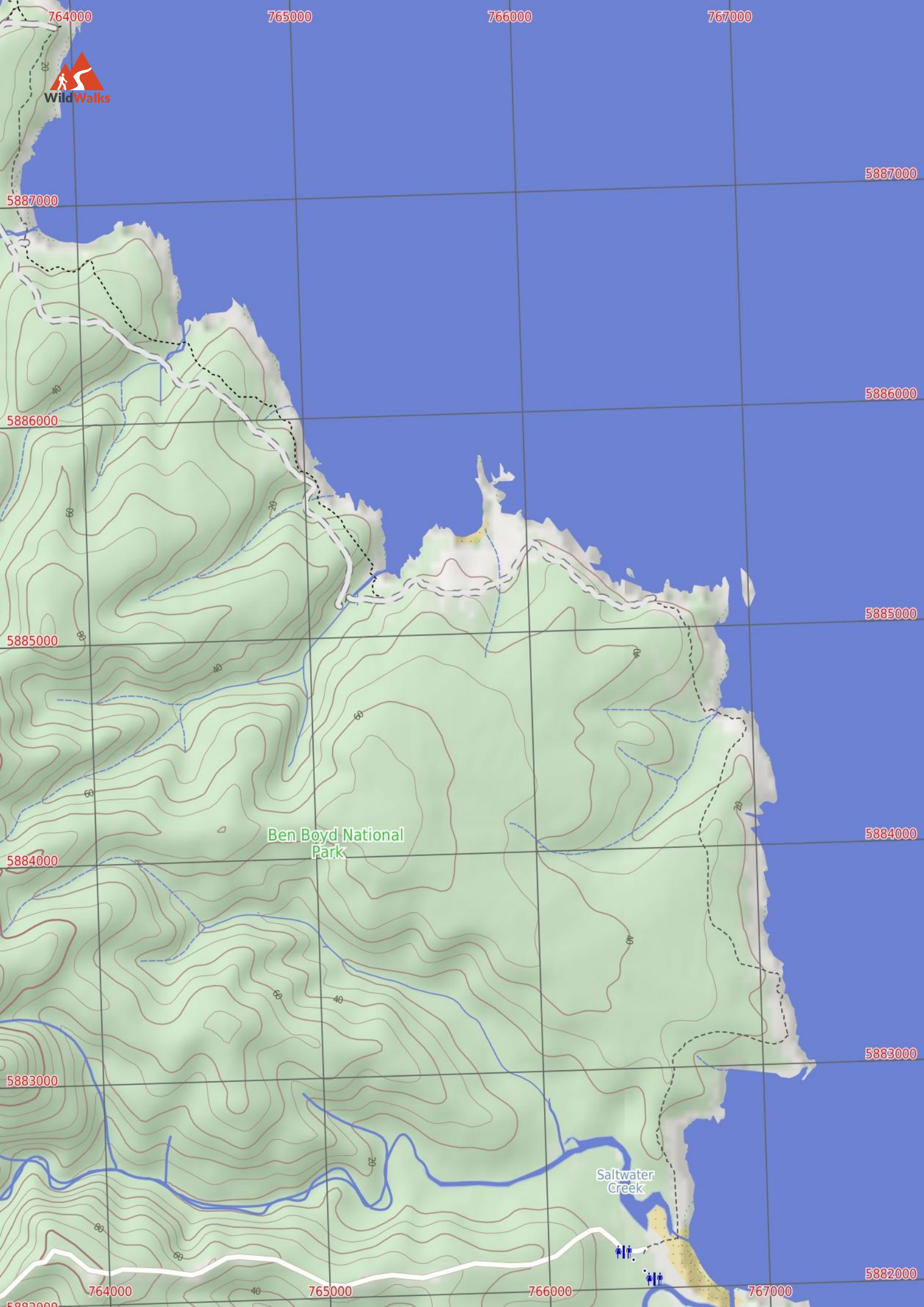
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km	From	Up/Dwn	Length	Initial directions (Use full tracknotes and maps for more detail)
0.00	Ben Boyd car park information sign -37.1047,149.9513 (GR Eden, 623894)	0 -15	280 m 5 mins	Optional sidetrip to Int. Boyds Tower and Lookout Trks. From the car park, this walk heads past the information billboard on the left and follows the sign to 'Ben Boyd Tower', down the hill.
0.00	Ben Boyd Car park information sign -37.1047,149.9513 (GR Eden, 623894)	71 -100	2.4 km 48 mins	Continue straight: From the information sign, the walk heads down the hill, following the low posts away from the information sign, to a signposted intersection on the left.
2.44	Red sands bay -37.1174,149.9615 (GR Eden, 631880)	21 -3	410 m 8 mins	Turn right: From the red rock bay, this walk follows the track marker away from the ocean and up the stairs.
2.85	Int. Light to Light and Leather Jacket Pt Trks -37.1172,149.9653 (GR Eden, 635880)	16 -19	740 m 13 mins	Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the arrow of the tower sign through the small clearing and along the clearer service trail.
3.59	Int. Light to Light and Leather Jacket View Trks -37.1189,149.9705 (GR Eden, 639878)	13 -32	1.1 km 19 mins	Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the track marker into the tall heath, towards the views of the ocean.
4.66	Leatherjacket Bay -37.1276,149.9691 (GR Kiah, 638868)	113 -108	2.7 km 57 mins	Turn right: From the clearing, this walk follows the sign up the hill along the service trail, away from the clearing and the bay.
7.33	Mowarry Bay car park -37.1425,149.9851 (GR Kiah, 651851)	1 -2	80 m 1 mins	Turn left: From the intersection, this walk follows the sign to 'Mowarry Point 500m', down the hill.
7.41	Mowarry Creek Sth bank -37.1422,149.9856 (GR Kiah, 652852)	56 -47	1.8 km 34 mins	Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the sign up the hill, tending left.
9.16	Mowarry Lookout -37.1422,150.0012 (GR Kiah, 336851)	60 -66	2.6 km 48 mins	Veer right: From the intersection, the walk winds through the heath, keeping the ocean to your left.
11.74	Red Rocks -37.1601,150.0081 (GR Kiah, 343832)	29 -36	1.5 km 27 mins	Turn right: From the rock platform, the walk heads up the stairs away from the rock shelf and ocean.
13.22	Saltwater Creek Beach Nth -37.1684,150.0024 (GR Kiah, 338822)	2 0	180 m 3 mins	Turn right: From the intersection, the walk follows the sign to the camping ground across the sandbar, which separates the creek (on the right) from the ocean (on the left).
13.41	End of day 1 -37.169,150.0007 (GR Kiah, 337822)	0 0	0 m	This is the planned overnight stay for the end of day 1, happy camping.
13.41	Saltwater Creek Campsite Information Sign -37.169,150.0007 (GR Kiah, 337822)	0 -2	180 m 3 mins	Turn around: From the information signs at Saltwater Creek camping area, the walk heads through the 'Day use' parking area to the far left corner.
13.59	Saltwater Creek Beach Nth -37.1684,150.0024 (GR Kiah, 338822)	5 -2	490 m 8 mins	Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the sign to 'Bittangabee Bay' heading to the far end of the beach, keeping the ocean on the left.
14.08	Saltwater Creek Beach Sth -37.1716,150.0053 (GR Kiah, 341819)	104 -100	4.2 km 1 hr 18 mins	Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the sign to 'Green Cape Lighthouse' across the hill, keeping the creek below on the right.
18.29	Hegartys Bay Camp -37.2011,150.0146 (GR Kiah, 350786)	38 -40	1.9 km 35 mins	Continue straight: From the camp area, this walk keeps the camp on the right and ocean far on the left.
20.23	Black cliffs south -37.2126,150.0223 (GR Kiah, 358774)	50 -51	1.4 km 29 mins	Veer right: From the intersection, this walk heads away from the ocean, behind, and bay, on the left of the rock shelf, leading up into the bush where a cairn is placed.
21.66	Bittangabee Creek -37.2121,150.0096 (GR Kiah, 346774)	23 -10	580 m 12 mins	Continue straight: From above the creek, the walk winds above the gully (below on your left).
22.24	Imlay House Ruins -37.2155,150.0129 (GR Kiah, 349770)	3 -15	300 m 6 mins	Continue straight: From the black platform, this walk keeps the platform and ruins on the left of the track, heading down the hill.

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22.54	Bittangabee Bay Picnic area -37.2168,150.0149 (GR Kiah, 351769)	0 -6	90 m 2 mins	Optional sidetrip to Bittangabee Beach. Turn left: From the road just near the picnic area, this walk heads down the hill, passing through the picnic area and down the stairs.
22.54	Bittangabee Bay Picnic Area -37.2168,150.0149 (GR Kiah, 351769)	13 -5	210 m 5 mins	Continue straight: From the picnic area, the walk follows the sign to 'Camping Area 500m', keeping the car park on your right.
22.75	End of day 2 -37.2168,150.0171 (GR Kiah, 353769)	0 0	0 m	This is the planned overnight stay for the end of day 2, happy camping.
22.75	Bittangabee Campsite -37.2168,150.0171 (GR Kiah, 353769)	0 -4	30 m 1 mins	Turn left: From the intersection, the walk follows the sign for 'Walking Track' (not the same direction as the 'Beach' arrow) down the hill.
22.78	Int. Light to Light Trk and Bittangabee Storehouse Trk -37.2165,150.0172 (GR Kiah, 353769)	2 -10	150 m 3 mins	Optional sidetrip to Int. Light to Light Trk and Bittangabee Storehouse Trail. Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk does not follow the arrow marker but heads straight down the hill towards the water.
22.78	Int. Light to Light Trk and Bittangabee Storehouse Trk -37.2165,150.0172 (GR Kiah, 353769)	0 -8	90 m 2 mins	Veer right: From the intersection, this walk follows the arrow into the bush, keeping the bay below on the left.
22.87	Int. Light to Light Trk and Bittangabee Storehouse Trail -37.2158,150.0174 (GR Kiah, 353770)	6 0	150 m 3 mins	Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Walking Track' sign and arrow posts up the hill.
23.02	Bittangabee Sth Headland Lookout -37.2159,150.019 (GR Kiah, 355770)	99 -62	3.8 km 1 hr 10 mins	Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the arrow markers around the headland, keeping the ocean to the left and the camping area to the right.
26.84	Int. Light to Light Walk and Pulpit Rock Rd Access -37.2412,150.0273 (GR Kiah, 363742)	6 -2	260 m 4 mins	Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the track markers up the hill to a signposted intersection.
27.09	Int. Light to Light Trk and Pulpit Rock Rd -37.2429,150.0289 (GR Kiah, 365740)	3 -49	700 m 14 mins	Optional sidetrip to Pulpit Rock. Turn left: From the intersection, this walk follows none of the signs but instead heads down the hill towards the sea.
27.09	Int. Light to Light Trk and Pulpit Rock Rd -37.2429,150.0289 (GR Kiah, 365740)	44 -70	2.8 km 49 mins	Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the sign to 'Green Cape Lighthouse 2.5km' keeping the ocean on the left of the track.
29.86	Ly-ee-moon Graveyard -37.2577,150.047 (GR Narrabarba, 381725)	5 -3	250 m 4 mins	Veer right: From the intersection, this walk follows the arrow marker through the melaleuca trees, away from the 'Ly-ee-moon Cemetery' sign (behind on the left).
30.11	Green Cape Lighthouse Car Park -37.2596,150.048 (GR Narrabarba, 382722)	0 -2	100 m 2 mins	Continue straight: From the car park, the walk follows the 'Walkway to Lighthouse' signs along the grass and through the heath.
30.21	Green Cape Lighthouse Telegraph Station -37.2604,150.0483 (GR Narrabarba, 382722)	0 -3	170 m 3 mins	Continue straight: From the Telegraph Station, the walk continues down the hill towards the lighthouse.
30.38	Green Cape Lighthouse entry gate -37.2616,150.0494 (GR Narrabarba, 383720)	0 -11	140 m 3 mins	Continue straight: From Green Cape Lighthouse, the walk heads down the hill towards the white metal tower.
30.52	Green Cape Lookout -37.2621,150.0507 (GR Narrabarba, 385720)	16 0	410 m 8 mins	Turn around: From the lookout, this walk heads up the ridge towards the lighthouse.