



Northern Green Point Circuit

1 hr 30 mins

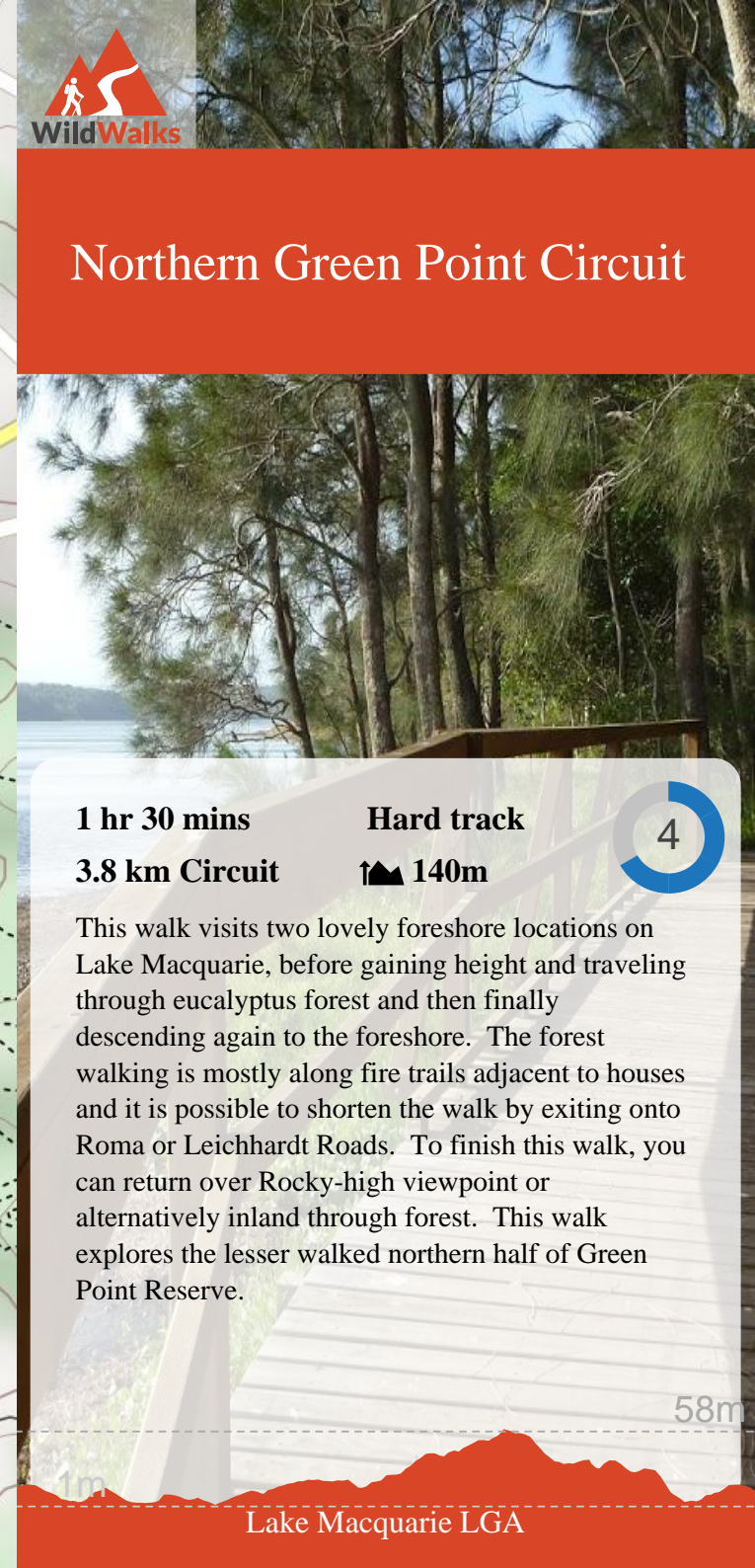
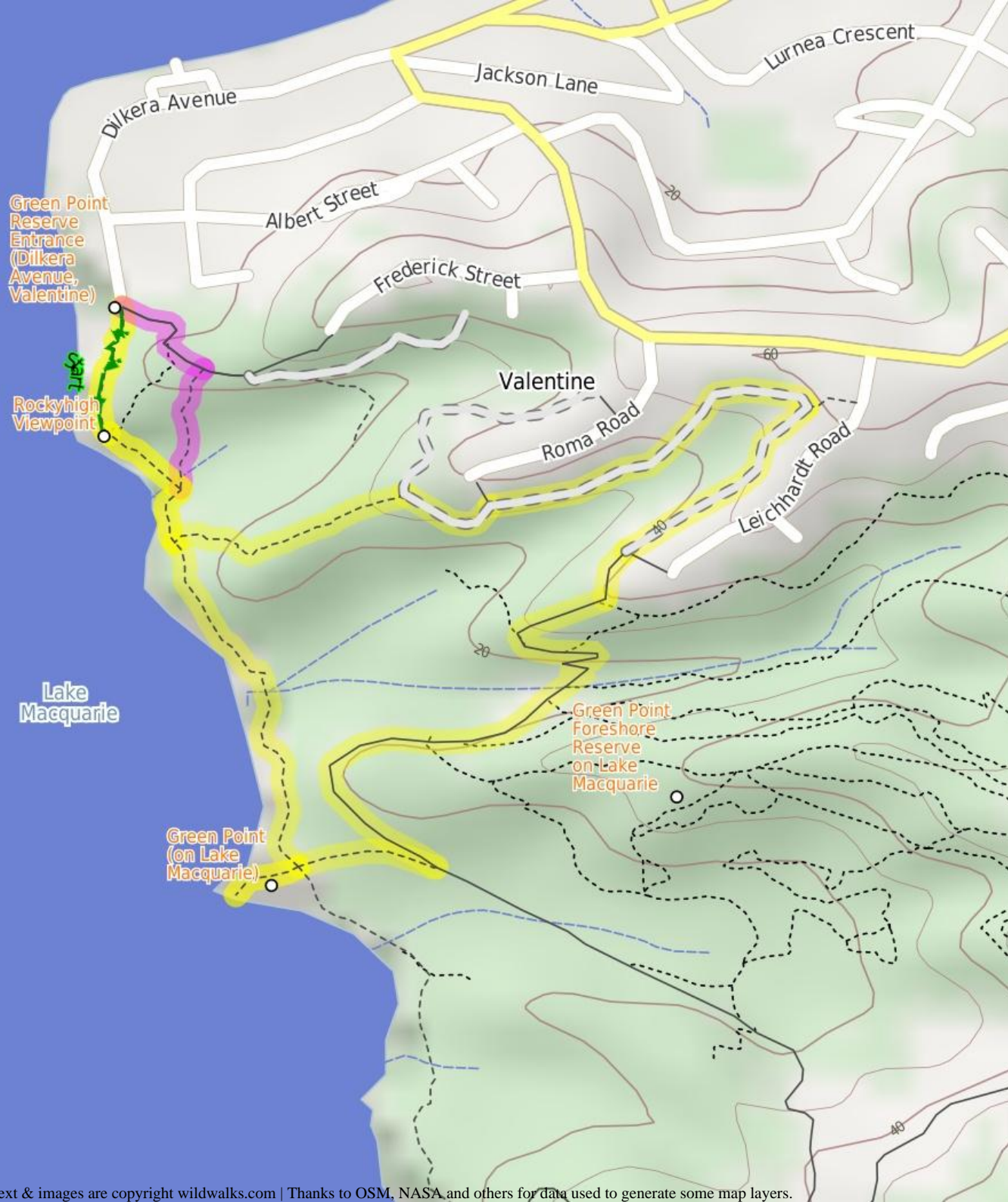
Hard track

3.8 km Circuit

140m

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This walk visits two lovely foreshore locations on Lake Macquarie, before gaining height and traveling through eucalyptus forest and then finally descending again to the foreshore. The forest walking is mostly along fire trails adjacent to houses and it is possible to shorten the walk by exiting onto Roma or Leichhardt Roads. To finish this walk, you can return over Rocky-high viewpoint or alternatively inland through forest. This walk explores the lesser walked northern half of Green Point Reserve.



Lake Macquarie LGA

Green Point Foreshore Reserve on Lake Macquarie

The Green Point Foreshore Reserve on Lake Macquarie is a great place for a bush walk, bicycle or picnic. The Green Point Foreshore reserve offers many historical and environmentally interpretative signs along its multi use pathways. There is an unformed foreshore pathway beside Lake Macquarie, or more physically demanding walks away from the lake foreshore and into rainforest. Historically, the Green Point area was involved in a coal rush from the 1860's. This coal rush was spearheaded by the Cardiff Coal Company. Coal was proposed to be transported by barge to Threlkeld's old wharf at Reid's Mistake (Swansea Heads) for shipping to Sydney. However, the coal was poor quality 'boiler coal' and used mostly for steamer boilers. This coal rush finished in 1870. Timber was also milled on site after the coal rush. The Lake Macquarie Council is undergoing extensive rehabilitation works to improve the area for recreation. For more information contact the Lake Macquarie Visitor Information Centre on (02) 4921 0740 [More info.](#)

Green Point Reserve Entrance (Dilkera Avenue, Valentine)

The Dilkera Avenue entrance (in Valentine) to Green Point Foreshore Reserve offers access to both walking and bicycling paths. There is car parking and a large grassed park overlooking Lake Macquarie, a great spot to sit or have a picnic. A short walk away in the Green Point Reserve is Rockyhigh Viewpoint over Lake Macquarie, which is fabulous at sunset.

Rockyhigh Viewpoint

The Rockyhigh Viewpoint (near Dilkera Avenue, Valentine) has elevated views across Lake Macquarie. There is a bench seat perfectly located to enjoy the views. This viewpoint is magnificent at sunset; a local secret.

Green Point (on Lake Macquarie)

Green Point in the Green Point Foreshore Reserve on Lake Macquarie is a large grassed area which looks out over Lake Macquarie. From the vantage point of Green Point, a walker can see up and down Lake Macquarie. There are often boats passing by this low headland. This is a fabulous place to have a picnic and there is even a clump of She Oak trees by the water for shade. There are no facilities here, other than the open grassed area.

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 Hunter District](#))
- 2) Fire Dangers ([Greater Hunter](#))
- 3) Park Alerts ()
- 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:92314N SWANSEA

1:100 000 Map Series:9231 LAKE MACQUARIE

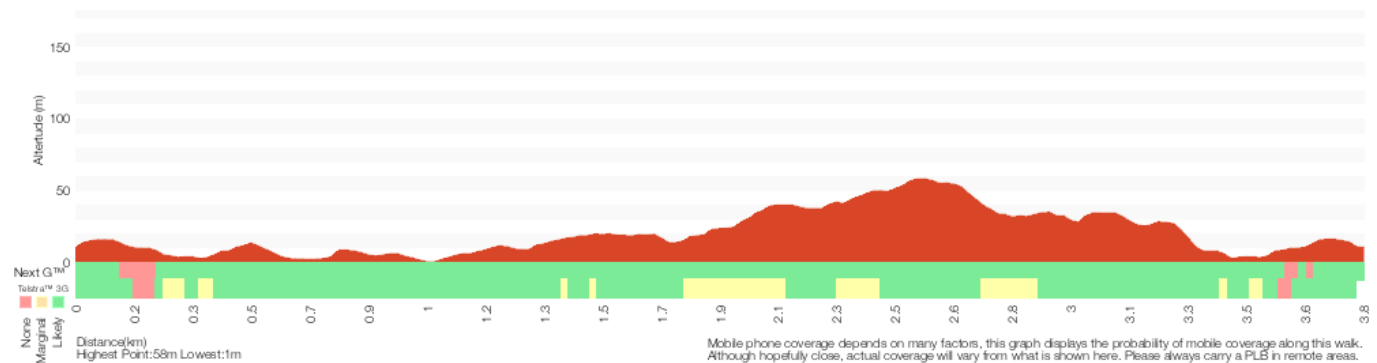
Grade

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	3.8 km Circuit
Time	1 hr 30 mins
Quality of track	Formed track, with some branches and other obstacles (3/6)
Signs	Minimal directional signs (4/6)
Experience Required	Some bushwalking experience recommended (3/6)
Weather	Weather generally has little impact on safety (1/6)
Infrastructure	Limited facilities (such as cliffs not fenced, significant creeks not bridged) (4/6)



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 Int of Foreshore Track & Dilker Ave Reserve Entrance (gps: -33.0139, 151.6288) by car 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.it/nggc>

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0 | Int of Foreshore Track & Dilker Ave Reserve Entrance

(210 m 4 mins) From the intersection, this walk follows the track, while initially keeping the 'Welcome to Green Point Fore Shore Reserve' sign on your left. This walk continues, passing a 'Mangrove Seed Symbol' timber signed post (on the left) after about 5m. Then this walk continues through forest for about 190m, undulating gently to climb moderately steeply up timber steps (beside a metal ring fence) to find Rockyhigh Viewpoint, with a bench seat (on the left) and views over the lake (on the right).

0.21 | Rockyhigh Viewpoint

The Rockyhigh Viewpoint (near Dilker Avenue, Valentine) has elevated views across Lake Macquarie. There is a bench seat perfectly located to enjoy the views. This viewpoint is magnificent at sunset; a local secret.

0.21 | Rockyhigh Viewpoint

(120 m 2 mins) Continue straight: From Rockyhigh Viewpoint, this walk follows the track moderately steeply downhill, while keeping the views on the right. This walk continues for 20m, then undulates gently for about 90m, until coming to a three-way intersection with a track and 'Mangrove Seed Symbol' timber posted sign (on the left).

0.32 | Int of Fore Shore & Short Cut Tracks

(90 m 2 mins) Veer right: From the intersection, this walk follows the track through forest, while keeping the lake on your right. This walk continues through forest for about 50m, to descend timber steps and then continues for a further 20m, to find a timber boardwalk and bridge (with views of the lake). Then this walk continues for about 35m, until climbing gently up timber steps and coming to a track (on the left) midway up the steps.

0.41 | Int of Fore Shore & Coast Tracks

(630 m 13 mins) Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the timber steps gently uphill, while keeping the lake on your right. This walk continues for about 60m, then descends down timber steps. Then this walk continues for about 160m through forest, climbing gently up and down timber steps to find a timber boardwalk and bridge (with good views over the lake). The walk continues for about 210m, until coming to a four-way intersection, with a large grassy area (Green Point) (on the right).

Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the track towards Green Point (and the water), while leaving the forest directly behind you. This walk continues for about 60m, passing across grasslands and towards a small clump of She Oak trees, until coming to the lake edge and Green Point.

1.04 | Green Point (on Lake Macquarie)

Green Point in the Green Point Foreshore Reserve on Lake Macquarie is a large grassed area which looks out over Lake Macquarie. From the vantage point of Green Point, a walker can see up and down Lake Macquarie. There are often boats passing by this low headland. This is a fabulous place to have a picnic and there is even a clump of She Oak trees by the water for shade. There are no facilities here, other than the open grassed area.

1.04 | Green Point

(250 m 5 mins) Turn around: From Green Point (by the lake and small clump of She Oak trees), this walk follows the track across grasslands and towards the forest. This walk continues for about 60m, until coming to a four-way intersection with a track and forest ahead.

Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the track gently uphill into forest and leaving Green Point directly behind you. This walk continues through forest for about 160m, until coming to a three-way intersection with a concrete footpath and 'Walk Safe/Cycle Safe' sign (on the right).

1.29 | Int of Green Point & Zig Zag Tracks

(840 m 18 mins) Turn left : From the intersection, this walk follows the gently uphill concrete footpath, while initially keeping the track and 'Walk Safe/Cycle Safe' sign (on your left). This walk then continues through forest (ignoring side tracks) for about 400m to come to a small heath clearing (on the left). Then this walk continues moderately steeply on the zigzagging footpath for about 130m (passing a metal seat), until coming to a three-way intersection with a trail (on the right), and houses (directly ahead).

2.13 | Int of Green Point Track & Leichhardt Trail

(380 m 8 mins) Turn left: From the intersection, this walk follows the footpath gently uphill, while keeping the houses on the right and the valley on the left. This walk continues through forest for 70m, until coming to a three-way intersection with a footpath between houses (on the right) and a 'Green Point Fire Trail' sign (on the left).

Continue straight: From this intersection, this walk follows the trail, while keeping houses on your right and the valley on your left. This walk continues, undulating for 300m, until coming to a three-way intersection (as the trail turns left), with a gently uphill track into houses (on the right).

2.52 | Int of Leichhardt Trail & Upper Leichhardt Track

(440 m 9 mins) Turn left: From the intersection, this walk follows the trail

while keeping the houses on the right and the valley on the left. This walk continues, undulating moderately steeply along the fire trail for about 400m, until coming to a three-way intersection with a locked gate and concrete foot path between houses (on the right) and a 'Green Point Fire Trail' sign (on the left).

2.95 | Int of Leichhardt Trail & Roma Track

(130 m 3 mins) Veer left: From the intersection, this walk follows the trail moderately steeply downhill, while initially keeping the locked gate and houses on your right. This walk continues through forest, becoming gently undulating for about 140m, until coming to a faint three-way intersection with a moderately steeply downhill track (on the left), just as the trail bends (to the right).

3.08 | Int of Leichhardt Trail & Coast Track

(300 m 6 mins) Turn left: From the intersection, this walk follows the track moderately steeply downhill into forest, while leaving behind the level trail and houses. This walk continues for about 300m (ignoring side tracks), becoming gently downhill, until coming to a T-intersection with timber steps (and Lake Macquarie directly ahead).

3.38 | Int of Fore Shore & Coast Tracks

(90 m 2 mins) Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the timber steps gently downhill, while keeping the lake on your left. This walk continues through forest for about 35m, to find a timber boardwalk and bridge (with views of the lake). Then this walk continues for about 20m, climbing up timber steps and following a track for a further about 50m, until coming to a three-way intersection, with a track and 'mangrove seed symbol' signed timber post (on the right).

3.47 | Alternate Route Int of Fore Shore & Short Cut Tracks

(340 m 9 mins) Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the track away from the lake, initially keeping the 'Mangrove Seed Symbol' timber posted sign on your left. This walk continues through forest and gently uphill for about 180m, until coming to a T-intersection with a concrete foot path, and 'steep bike riding' sign (on the right).

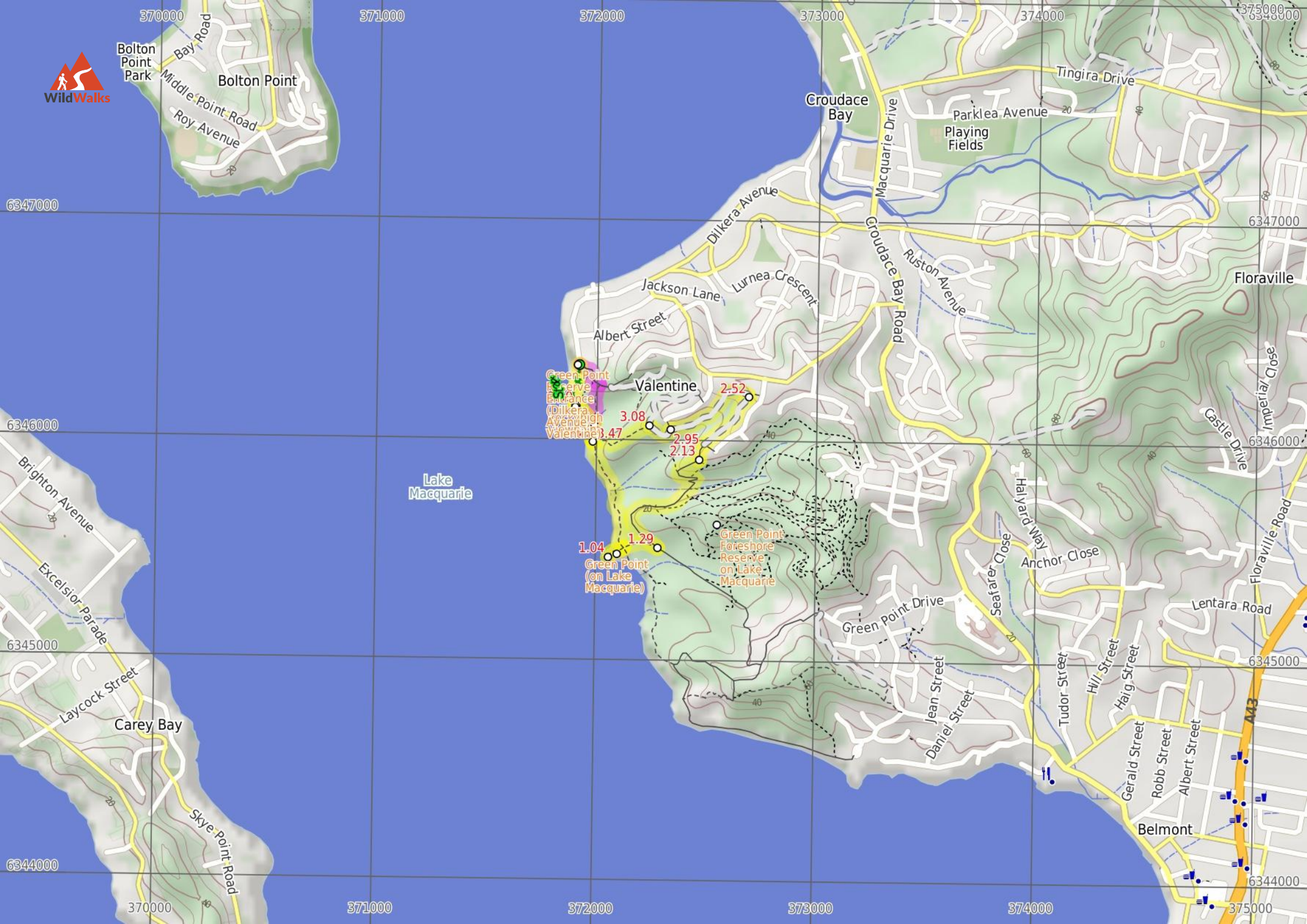
Turn left: From the intersection, this walk follows the footpath gently downhill, while keeping the 'steep bike riding' sign and track initially on the left. This walk continues through forest for about 140m (with houses on the right), until coming to a three-way intersection with a track and 'Welcome to Green Point Fore Shore Reserve' sign (on the left).

3.47 | Int of Fore Shore AND Short Cut Tracks

(120 m 2 mins) Veer left: From the intersection, this walk follows the track while initially keeping the 'mangrove seed symbol' signed timber post on the right and lake on the left. This walk continues for about 90m, undulating gently, to climb moderately steeply up timber steps (with a metal ring fence). This walk continues for 20m until coming to Rockyhigh Viewpoint, with a bench seat (on the right) and views over the lake (on the left).

3.59 | Rockyhigh Viewpoint

(210 m 4 mins) Continue straight: From Rockyhigh Viewpoint, this walk follows the track moderately steeply downhill (beside a metal ring fence), while keeping the water on your left. This walk continues for about 190m, undulating gently through forest, until coming to a T-intersection with a concrete footpath and 'Welcome to Green Point Fore Shore Reserve' sign (on the right)(Dilker Ave is visible directly ahead).



Summary navigation sheet for the Northern Green Point Circuit



km	From	Up/Dwn	Length	Initial directions (Use full tracknotes and maps for more detail)
0.00	Int of Foreshore Track & Dilker Ave Reserve Entrance -33.0139,151.6288 (GR Swansea, 719463)	7 -8	210 m 4 mins	From the intersection, this walk follows the track, while initially keeping the 'Welcome to Green Point Fore Shore Reserve' sign on your left.
0.21	Rockyhigh Viewpoint -33.0156,151.6286 (GR Swansea, 719462)	1 -6	120 m 2 mins	Continue straight: From Rockyhigh Viewpoint, this walk follows the track moderately steeply downhill, while keeping the views on the right.
0.32	Int of Fore Shore & Short Cut Tracks -33.0163,151.6295 (GR Swansea, 720461)	5 -1	90 m 2 mins	Veer right: From the intersection, this walk follows the track through forest, while keeping the lake on your right.
0.41	Int of Fore Shore & Coast Tracks -33.017,151.6294 (GR Swansea, 720460)	15 -22	630 m 13 mins	Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the timber steps gently uphill, while keeping the lake on your right.
1.04	Green Point -33.0218,151.6301 (GR Swansea, 721455)	12 -3	250 m 5 mins	Turn around: From Green Point (by the lake and small clump of She Oak trees), this walk follows the track across grasslands and towards the forest.
1.29	Int of Green Point & Zig Zag Tracks -33.0214,151.6325 (GR Swansea, 723455)	44 -13	840 m 18 mins	Turn left : From the intersection, this walk follows the gently uphill concrete footpath, while initially keeping the track and 'Walk Safe/Cycle Safe' sign (on your left).
2.13	Int of Green Point Track & Leichhardt Trail -33.0178,151.6346 (GR Swansea, 725459)	24 -7	380 m 8 mins	Turn left: From the intersection, this walk follows the footpath gently uphill, while keeping the houses on the right and the valley on the left.
2.52	Int of Leichhardt Trail & Upper Leichhardt Track -33.0152,151.637 (GR Swansea, 727462)	6 -31	440 m 9 mins	Turn left: From the intersection, this walk follows the trail while keeping the houses on the right and the valley on the left.
2.95	Int of Leichhardt Trail & Roma Track -33.0166,151.6332 (GR Swansea, 723460)	8 -7	130 m 3 mins	Veer left: From the intersection, this walk follows the trail moderately steeply downhill, while initially keeping the locked gate and houses on your right.
3.08	Int of Leichhardt Trail & Coast Track -33.0164,151.6321 (GR Swansea, 722461)	3 -30	300 m 6 mins	Turn left: From the intersection, this walk follows the track moderately steeply downhill into forest, while leaving behind the level trail and houses.
3.38	Int of Fore Shore & Coast Tracks -33.017,151.6294 (GR Swansea, 720460)	1 -5	90 m 2 mins	Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the timber steps gently downhill, while keeping the lake on your left.
3.47	Int of Fore Shore & Short Cut Tracks -33.0163,151.6295 (GR Swansea, 720461)	19 -13	340 m 9 mins	Alternate Route Int of Fore Shore & Short Cut Tracks. Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the track away from the lake, initially keeping the 'Mangrove Seed Symbol' timber posted sign on your left.
3.47	Int of Fore Shore AND Short Cut Tracks -33.0163,151.6295 (GR Swansea, 720461)	6 -1	120 m 2 mins	Veer left: From the intersection, this walk follows the track while initially keeping the 'mangrove seed symbol' signed timber post on the right and lake on the left.
3.59	Rockyhigh Viewpoint -33.0156,151.6286 (GR Swansea, 719462)	8 -7	210 m 4 mins	Continue straight: From Rockyhigh Viewpoint, this walk follows the track moderately steeply downhill (beside a metal ring fence), while keeping the water on your left.