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The Pipeline Track

2 hrs 4.7 km Return

Moderate track t 206m

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This walk explores the bush from St Ives, and follows the pipeline down the the banks of Middle Harbour. There are a few steep sections in the second half of the walk. This walk is an interesting way to get into the heart of Garigal National Park 132m following the Founders track.

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Garigal 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 walks 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 Hunter Ave (opposite Yarrabung Rd) (gps: -33.7418, 151.1669) by car or bus. 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 inlcuding; travel directions, weather, park closures and walker feedback at http://wild.tl/tpt

0 | Hunter Ave (opposite Yarrabung Rd)

(910 m 19 mins) From the intersection, this walk heads through the metal gate and follows the service trail down the hill, keeping the pipeline on the right, as it heads through the bush and behind the houses to the intersection of the wide service trail on the left.

0.91 | Int of Pipeline Track and Founders Way

(180 m 3 mins) Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the management trail keeping the pipeline on the right as it heads up the gentle hill and past a Garigal National Park sign. It then continues through the bush for a while before coming to the signposted intersection with the Bungaroo Track.

1.09 | Int of Pipeline and Bungaroo Tracks

(150 m 3 mins) Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the service trail in the opposite direction to the Pipeline Track arrow. The track keeps the pipe line on the right while heading through the bush, until the track comes to the intersection of the upper link track almost directly below the high-tension power lines. (Look for an arrow marked into the concrete pipeline support opposite the bush track.)

1.24 | Int of Pipeline and upper Link track

(340 m 8 mins) Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the service trail, keeping the pipeline on the right as the track heads through the bush. The trail comes down a gentle hill to the intersection with the middle link track as it flattens out. (Look for an 'X' marked into the concrete pipeline support opposite the bush track)

1.58 | Int of Pipeline and middle Link track

(760 m 20 mins) Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the service trail, keeping the pipeline on the right as it steadily heads down the long hill into the valley, coming to the intersection with the Middle Harbour Creek bush track at the pipe bridge.

2.34 | Pipeline

This pipeline is unearthed at Hunter Street, St Ives, and travels through Garigal National Park, across Middle Harbour Creek to John Oxley Drive, Sorlie. The pipe carries water under pressure From Ryde to Pymble to the reservoir at Beacon Hill. The old smaller-capacity pipe can still be seen running parallel to the larger pipe.

