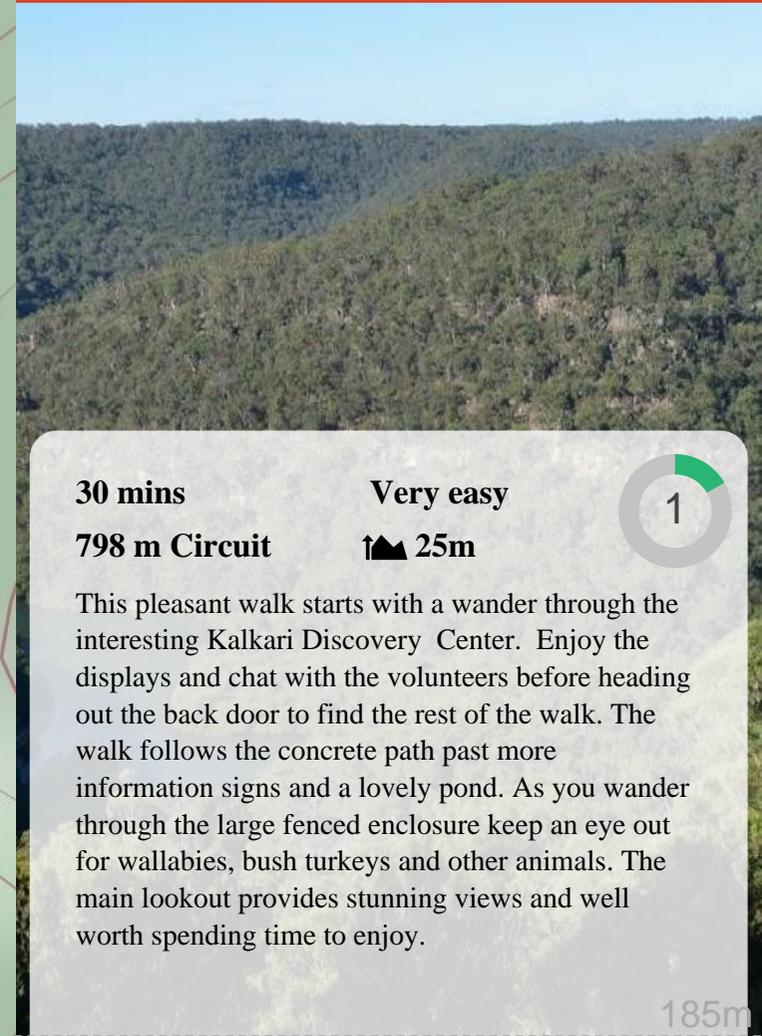


Kalkari Discovery trail



30 mins

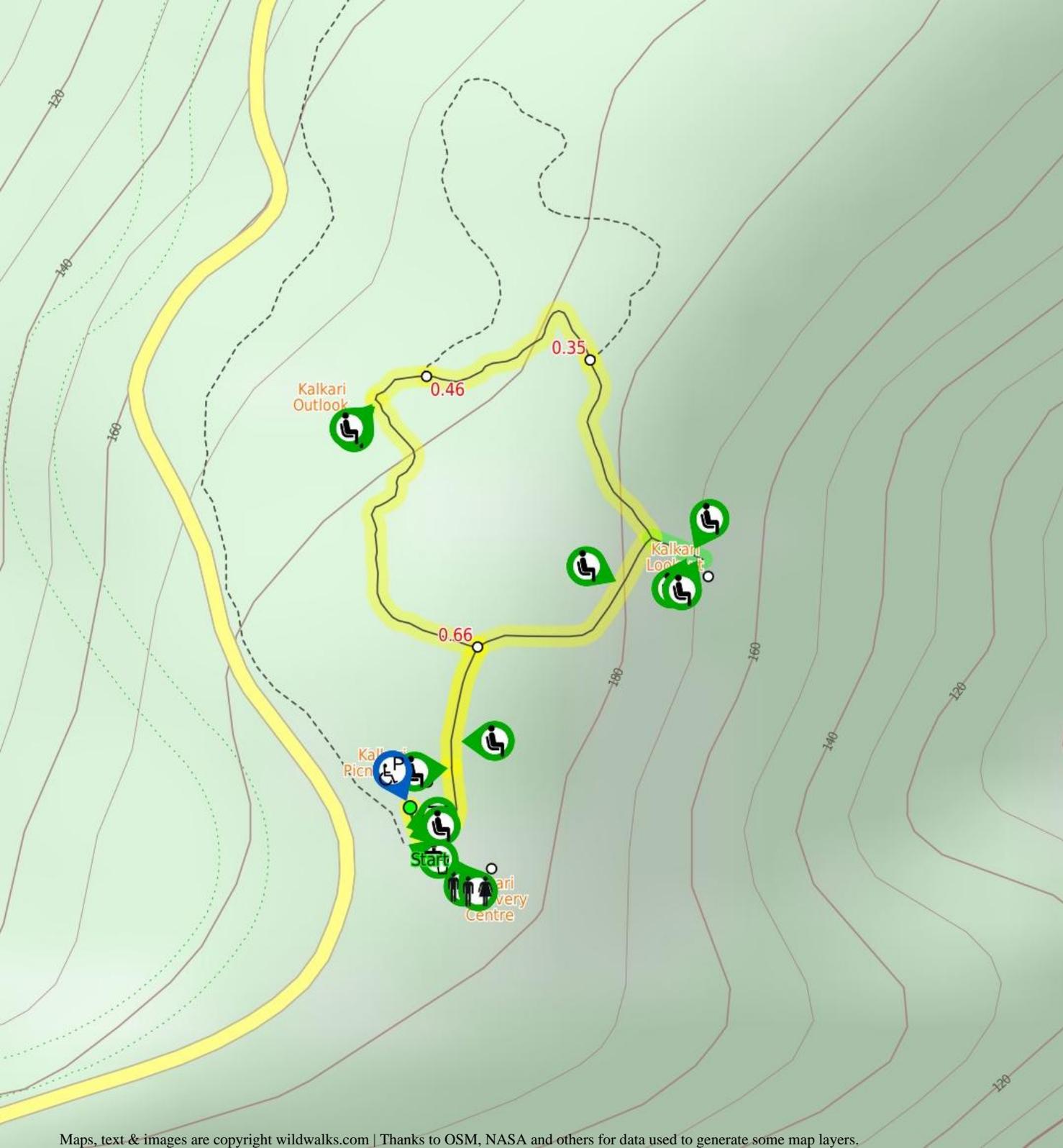
Very easy

798 m Circuit

25m

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This pleasant walk starts with a wander through the interesting Kalkari Discovery Center. Enjoy the displays and chat with the volunteers before heading out the back door to find the rest of the walk. The walk follows the concrete path past more information signs and a lovely pond. As you wander through the large fenced enclosure keep an eye out for wallabies, bush turkeys and other animals. The main lookout provides stunning views and well worth spending time to enjoy.



177m

185m

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 Traveling by car is the only practical way to get to Kalkari car park (gps: -33.6653, 151.149). Car: Parking fees apply in the area.

This is a circuit walk, 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://wjld.tl/kdt>

0 | Kalkari car park

(30 m 1 mins) From the Kalkari Discovery Centre car park (on Ku-ring-gai Chase Rd), this walk heads up the short ramp towards the Visitor Centre. At the top of the ramp this walks goes between 2 bollards (1.3m apart, 93cm high), past the picnic table, seats and toilets to the front door of the Discovery Centre. From here the walk heads through the front door (80cm wide, expandable to 1.7m with a 3cm step) into the Visitor Centre with the information desk (on your right).

0.03 | Kalkari Discovery Centre

Kalkari Discovery Centre is in the Ku-ring-gai Chase National Park, on Ku-Ring-Gai Chase Road, Mt Colah. The discovery center is staffed by volunteers from Chase Alive. The center boasts some interesting flora and fauna displays inside, and out the back is a large enclosure with emu, kangaroos and other native animals roaming around. Take time to explore the wheelchair-accessible circuit within the fence. There are toilets at the centre. For information, phone 02 9472 9300. There are picnic tables, seats and drinking fountain at the front. There is a large car parking area at the front of the centre with two designated mobility parking bays.

0.03 | Kalkari Discovery Centre

(40 m 1 mins) Continue straight: From the front desk (inside the Kalkari Discovery Centre), this walk leads through the back glass door into the fence enclosure area. The wide concrete path leads for about 35m past the information sign and sheltered 3D map to find short picnic tables and seats at the Kalkari picnic area.

0.07 | Kalkari Picnic Area

Out the back of the Kalkari Visitor Center is a fenced animal enclosure and a small seating area. There are some information signs and some seats. There is also a covered 3D terrain map of the area.

0.07 | Kalkari picnic area

(70 m 1 mins) Continue straight: From the picnic tables and seats at the Kalkari picnic area, this walk leads along the concrete path, past the sheltered information sign (on your left). This walk then winds along the path gently uphill for 20m, past the 'Tallowwood' and 'White Bottlebrush' signs to a timber bridge (2.2m wide) with timber handrails

(1m high). Continue across the bridge over the pond to reach a 3-way intersection, marked with a 'Kalkari Bush Discovery Track' sign.

0.14 | Pond intersection

(110 m 2 mins) Veer right: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'one way' arrow (marked on the 'Kalkari Bush Discovery Track' sign) along the concrete path, directly away from the pond, over a small rise then gently downhill. Over the next 60m this walk passes the 'Sweet Pittosporum' sign and comes to a seat (on your left). From the seat this walk continues for another 30m to a 3-way intersection, marked with a 'Sydney Red Gum' sign.

0.25 | Optional sidetrip to The Kalkari Lookout

(20 m 1 mins) Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the concrete path gently downhill for about 25m to the visible Kalkari Lookout. At the end of this side trip, retrace your steps back to the main walk then Veer right.

0.25 | Kalkari Lookout

The Kalkari Lookout is a timber fenced platform with fantastic views over Cockle Creek and Bobbin Head area. There are a series of seats providing different ways of enjoying this space. The timber fence is 1m tall and provides a view through the slats. A lovely place to sit and enjoy this amazing national park.

0.25 | Lookout intersection

(110 m 2 mins) Turn left: From the intersection, this walk meanders gently uphill, following the concrete path directly away from the lookout, leaving the main valley and fence to your right. This walk then heads downhill, past the 'Old Man Banksia' and 'Black She-Oak' signs for 100m, over a rise, to come to a 3-way intersection marked with a 'No hiding place' sign (on the left).

0.35 | Eastern loop int.

(110 m 2 mins) Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk leads gently uphill along the concrete path, following the NPWS arrow sign and under the power lines. This path bends sharply left and goes up and over a rise for the next 80m, past the 'Grasstrees' sign (on the left) to the 3-way intersection with a dirt path with timber steps (on the right), just before the scribbly gum tree with the 'Die' sign next to it.

0.46 | Western loop int.

(30 m 1 mins) Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk heads along the concrete path past the scribbly gum tree (with the 'Die' sign) and towards the clearing and the fence. The path soon bends left and then leads gently downhill for the next 10m to the seat on the fenced concrete platform (on the right).

0.49 | Kalkari Outlook

The Kalkari Outlook is a fenced lookout with views over one of the Kalkari fenced enclosures. At times you will be able to see kangaroos grazing in the clearing. There are two seats with views over the outlook. The lower end of the platform is natural rock and the fence is about 90cm high.

0.49 | The Kalkari Outlook

(180 m 4 mins) Veer left: From the Kalkari Outlook, this walk follows

the concrete path uphill and directly away from the view. This walk winds through the open forest (near a house) passing signs for a 'Grey Gum', a 'Dwarf Apple' and a 'Scribbly Gum', to pass straight through the 4-way intersection under the power lines. From here this walk leads gently downhill for 25m to a 3-way intersection, marked with a 'Kalkari Bush Discovery Track' sign.

0.66 | Pond intersection

(140 m 3 mins) Turn right: From the intersection, this walk heads towards the timber fenced bridge (2.2m wide) with timber handrails (1m high), away from the face of the 'Kalkari Bush Discovery Track' sign. This walk then winds for 20m gently downhill, leaving the pond on your right, passing the 'White Bottlebrush', 'Tallowwood' signs and a sheltered information sign (on your right) to reach the picnic tables and seats at the Kalkari picnic area.

Continue straight: From picnic tables and seats at the Kalkari picnic area, this walk leads along the wide concrete path toward the Kalkari Discovery Centre. After 35m this walk leads through the glass back door, straight to the front desk (inside of the Kalkari Discovery Centre).

Continue straight: From the information desk at the Kalkari Discovery Centre this walk leads down the hallway (on the car park side) to the front door (80cm wide, expandable to 1.7m with a 3cm step). Walk heads through the door, veers right (away from the toilets) then past seats and picnic table, down the short ramp, between 2 bollards (1.3m apart, 93cm high), to the car park (on Ku-ring-gai Chase Rd).



This page is designed to give you a sense of the facilities that help improve access for people with disabilities or mobility restrictions. See tracknotes and map for navigation, point of interest and other information. See the Accessibility Details page for specific information about each facility.

Parking: There are 1 designated accessible parking areas on this walk.

Toilets: There are 0 toilets on this walk.

Seats: There are 7 seats on this walk. They are on average 80m apart, with a maximum gap of 270m.

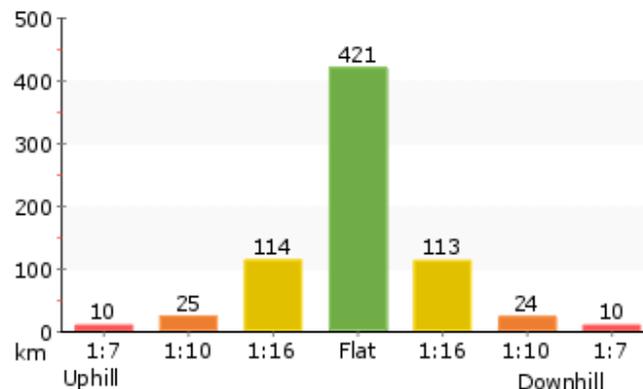
Surface

Smooth & hard concrete surface the whole way.

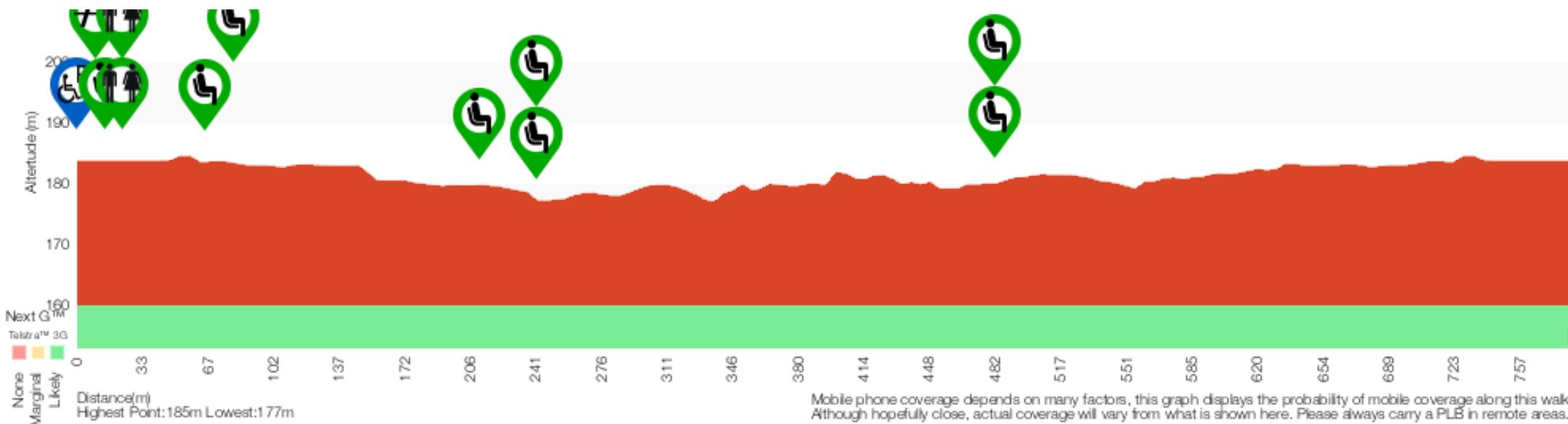
Steepness

Mostly flat or gentle slopes. A moderately steep path leads to the lookout, steeper than 1:12.

This graph shows how steep the track is.



Grade 1/6 Very easy	
Length	798 m Circuit
Time	30 mins
Quality of track	Smooth and hardened path (1/6)
Signs	Clearly signposted (1/6)
Experience Required	No experience required (1/6)
Weather	Weather generally has little impact on safety (1/6)
Infrastructure	Generally useful facilities (such as fenced cliffs and seats) (1/6)



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.



1 Parking Accessible (0m)
 There are many car parking bays at the front of the Kalkari Visitor Center. There are two marked mobility parking bays, they are 3m wide and 5m deep with a rough asphalt surface.



2 Picnic Table (10m)
 A timber slat picnic table and bench seat. The table is 80cm high, 75cm deep and 2.7m wide. The seats are 47cm high, 30cm deep and 2.3m wide (no backrest).



3 Seat (20m)
 A series of 4 timber slat bench seats, 44cm high, 30cm deep and 2m wide with a 52cm high backrest. Seats are at the edge of a concrete path.



4 Potable Water (20m)
 A drinking fountain, 1m high, not working in June 2016.



5 Toilet (20m)
 Shared male/female wheelchair accessible toilet. Entrance is 87cm wide (with 2cm step up), hand basin 85cm high, toilet seat 42cm high with a handrail, in a 1.57x1.64m room. The toilet is located behind a locked gate.



6 Toilet (20m)
 Separate male and female toilet blocks. Each block has entrance 101cm wide, hall is 91cm wide, 2 hand basins 87cm high, 2 toilet seats 42cm high. Male toilet has a urinal. No handrails.



7 Seat (70m)
 A timber slat picnic table and bench seats. The table is 47cm high, 1m deep and 2.26m wide. The seats are 47cm high, 30cm deep and similar width as the table (no backrest). There's a similar table near by with four seats and a wider table.



8 Seat (80m)
 A series of 3 timber slat bench seats, 47cm high, 30cm deep and 2.3m wide. Seats are on a concrete slab beside the path.



9 Seat (210m)
 A timber slat bench seat, 54cm high, 35cm deep and 1.6m wide with a 51cm high backrest. Seat is located right next to the path.



10 Seat (240m)
 A timber slat bench seat, 53cm high, 43cm deep and 4.3m wide with a 43cm high backrest. Seat is located at the lookout on a timber platform.



11 Seat (240m)
 2 timber slat bench seats, 45cm high, 34cm deep and 2m wide. Seats are located at the lookout on a concrete platform.



12 Seat (240m)
 A timber slat bench seat, 47cm high, 30cm deep and 2m wide with 51cm backrest. Seat is located at the lookout on a concrete platform.



13 Seat (480m)
 A timber slat bench seat, 56cm high, 30cm deep and 2m wide with 52cm backrest. Seat is located right beside the concrete path.



14 Seat (480m)
 A timber slat bench seat, 43cm high, 40cm deep and 1.8m wide with 38cm backrest. Seat is located on the concrete path.