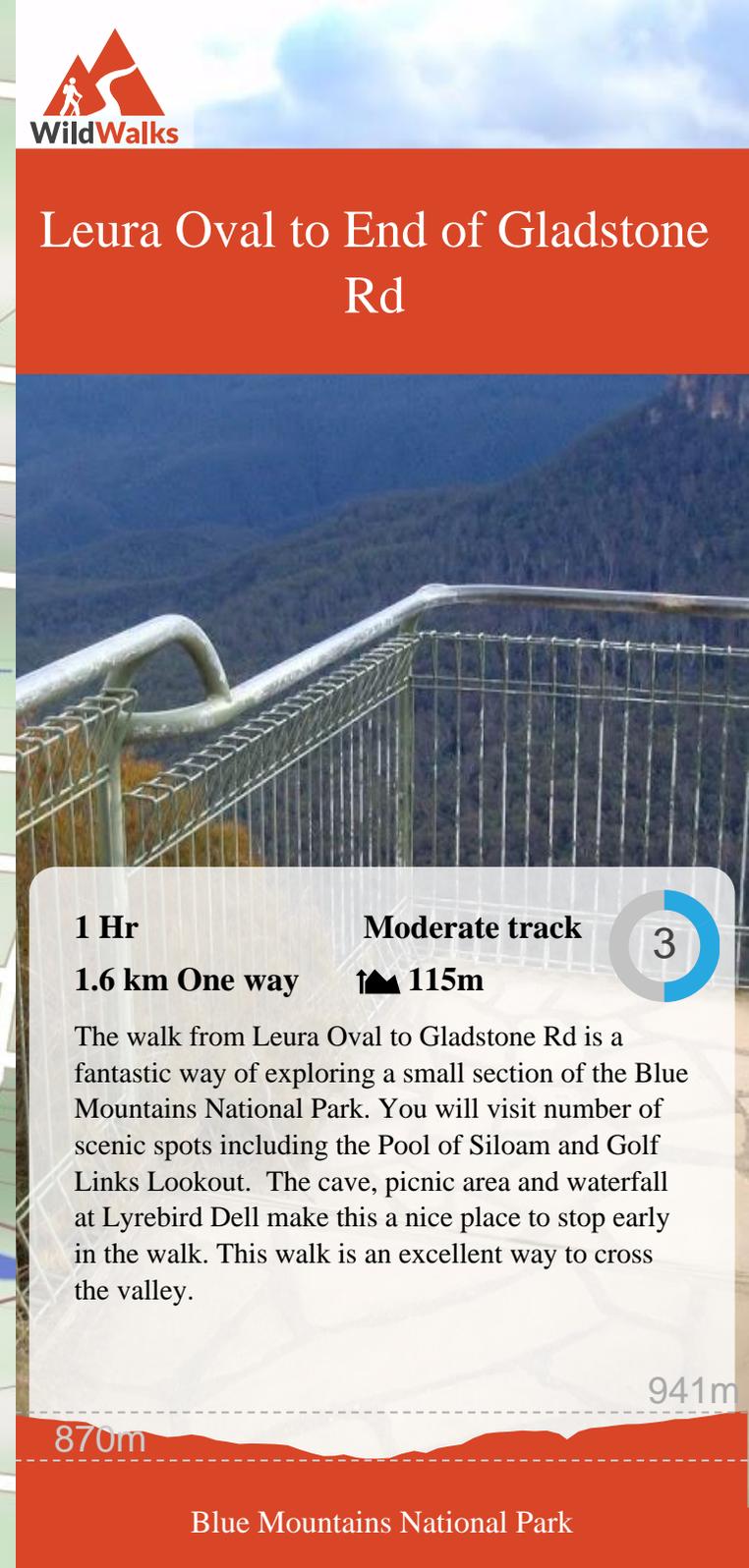
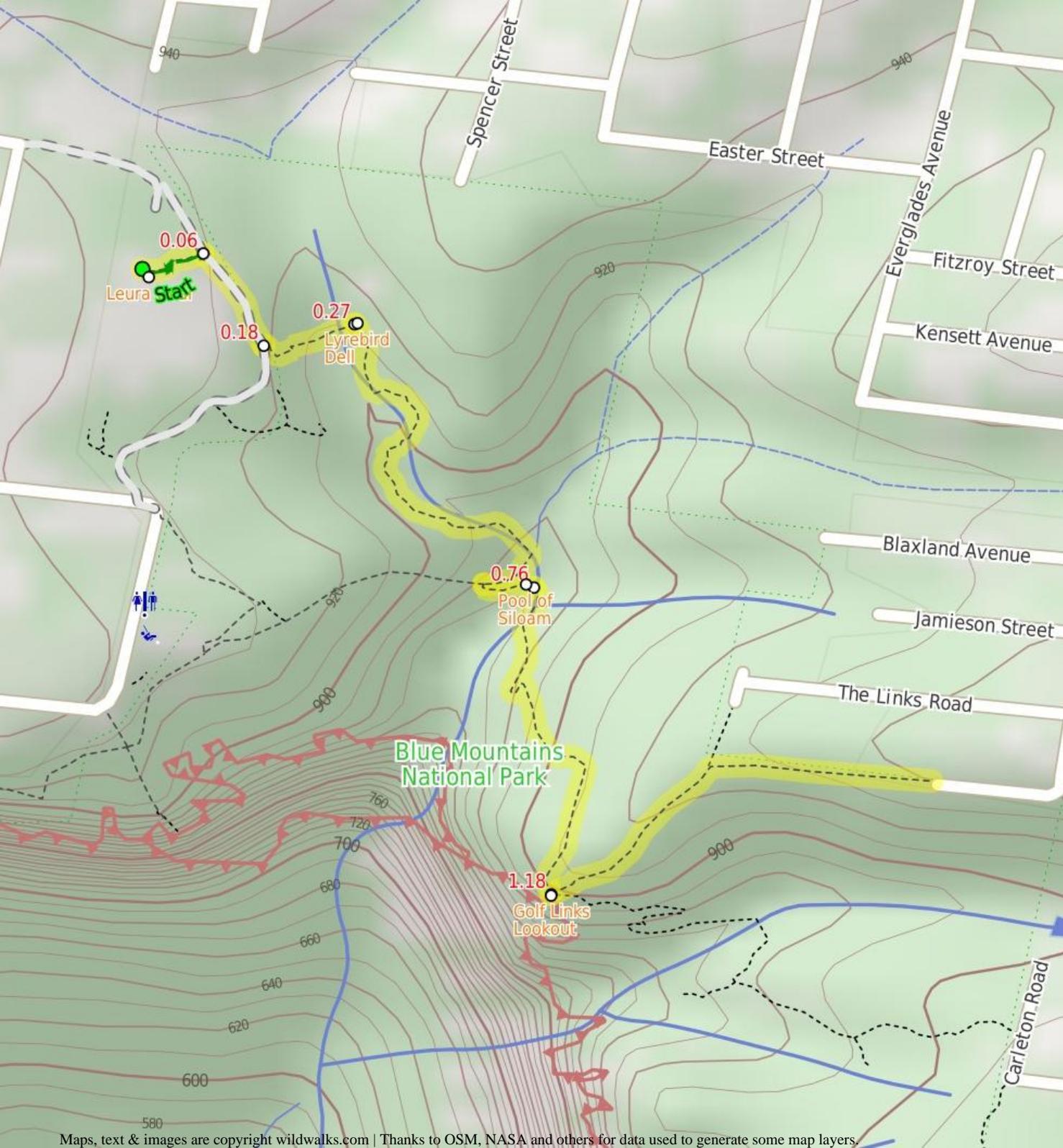


## Leura Oval to End of Gladstone Rd



**1 Hr**

**1.6 km One way**

**Moderate track**

**115m**

**3**

The walk from Leura Oval to Gladstone Rd is a fantastic way of exploring a small section of the Blue Mountains National Park. You will visit number of scenic spots including the Pool of Siloam and Golf Links Lookout. The cave, picnic area and waterfall at Lyrebird Dell make this a nice place to stop early in the walk. This walk is an excellent way to cross the valley.

870m

941m

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### 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** You can get to Leura Oval (gps: -33.7207, 150.3322) by car or bus. Car: There is free parking available.

You can get back from End of Gladstone Rd (gps: -33.7261, 150.3389) by car or bus. Car: There is free parking available.

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

### 0 | Leura Oval

Leura Oval is a large playing field found at the end of Lone Pine Ave, Leura. There is a large dirt car park, garbage bins, tap water and a toilet block (which maybe locked). The oval is used for a variety of sporting events and is also an off-leash dog area.

### 0 | Leura Oval

(60 m 1 mins) From Leura Oval, this walk heads behind the toilet block (to the 'Men' side) and heads down the stairs, to the management trail visible below.

### 0.06 | Int of Leura Dirt and Leura Oval tracks

(120 m 3 mins) Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the management trail, away from the gate, keeping the oval up the hill to the right. Soon the trail bends to the right and comes to an intersection with the signposted 'Lyre Bird Dell Track' (on the left).

### 0.18 | Int of Lyrebird Dell track and Leura Dirt Track

(90 m 4 mins) Turn left: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Lyre Bird Dell Track' sign down the hill using the timber steps. Soon the track heads down some concrete steps (with a handrail) and passes a '1918 11-11-11' inscription on the path (presumably in commemoration of Armistice treaty with Germany). The walk continues down the stairs to the valley. After admiring the waterfall (on the left), this walk crosses the metal bridge and comes to a sign (pointing right, to the 'Pool of Siloam') and straight ahead is the Lyrebird Dell (cave).

### 0.27 | Lyrebird Dell

Lyrebird Dell is home to a sandstone cave beside the head waters of Gordon Creek near Lone Pine Ave, Leura. The cave provides shelter for a lovely picnic area (with a couple of tables). There is also a waterfall next to the cave. The cave at Lyrebird Dell, was used as an Aboriginal shelter from (at least) 12 000 years ago, this has been dated from artifacts found in the floor of the cave. Dell is an old English word that refers to small wooded valley. A great spot to rest and enjoy the area.

### 0.27 | Lyrebird Dell

(490 m 12 mins) Turn right: From Lyrebird Dell, this walk follows the 'Pool of Siloam' sign away from the bridge (with the cave on the left). The track soon heads up some steps and under another smaller sandstone overhang. Soon the track passes a small 'Blue Mountains Ash' sign and crosses Gordon Creek using a metal footbridge. The track turns left and winds along the side of the hill before heading down the steps and coming to an old fenced lookout (with filtered views over the Pool of Siloam). The track continues

with the handrail, past the sign pointing back to 'Lyrebird Dell 500mtrs' to come to a three-way intersection.

Turn left: From the intersection, this walk follow the 'Pool of Siloam' sign down the steps. The track passes under a small overhang then crosses Gordon Creek on a footbridge in front of the lovely falls and the Pool of Siloam.

### 0.76 | Pool of Siloam

The Pool of Siloam is a lovely waterhole and waterfall on Gordon Creek in the Blue Mountains National Park. This waterfall is surrounded by a moss and fern filled gully with sandstone cliffs around the edges. There is a sandstone overhang next to the waterfall. The shallow sandy pool is a lovely cool place, a great spot to stop for a snack. The track crosses the creek using a bridge in front of the waterfall. The pool derives its name from the 'Pool of Siloam' (Birkhat Hashiloah - Hebrew) in the City of David and in the Bible is where Jesus sends a man to heal him of his blindness.

### 0.76 | Pool of Siloam

(420 m 12 mins) Veer right: From the Pool of Siloam, this walk follows the 'Golf Links Lookout' sign away from the falls and up the steps (with the creek initially on the right). The track winds fairly steeply at first up the hill. There are a few nice views along the way and, as the track flattens out, it comes to an intersection and the fenced 'Golf Links Lookout'.

### 1.18 | Golf Links Lookout

Golf Links Lookout is a fenced and signposted lookout in the Blue Mountains National Park, near Gladstone Rd Leura. The lookout has great views across the Jamison Valley to the back of the Three Sisters. To the left there is a good view along Narrow Neck and to Mount Solitary. There is no view of the nearby Gordon Falls.

### 1.18 | Golf Links Lookout

(380 m 10 mins) Turn left : From Golf Links Lookout, this walk follows the 'Gladstone Rd - Leura' sign up the steps away from the lookout. The track then gradually climbs the hill, soon passing a seat (on the right) and, not much later, coming to a 'Y' intersection with a flatter track (on the left). From the intersection, this walk heads up the steps as they bend gently to the right. The walk passes a track (on the left) and continues up the steps, heading behind a couple of houses to come to the end of Gladstone Rd and a large 'Pool of Siloam Track' sign.

