

## Mt Sugarloaf Red Track

Sugarloaf State  
Conservation  
Area

Mount Sugarloaf  
Summit

Mount Sugarloaf  
Car Park

Start

0.08

0.03

0.70

1 Hr

800 m Circuit

Moderate track

▲ 43m

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A must do if you're in the area, this walk travels through particularly attractive forest as it circumnavigates the summit of Mt Sugarloaf. The side trip to the summit of Mt Sugarloaf would best be done first, followed by a leisurely walk along the track. There are many picnic options, either during or at the end of walk. Enjoy the views and attractive forest on this walk.

347m

383m

Heaton State Forest

### 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 Mt Sugarloaf Carpark (gps: -32.8906, 151.5394). 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.tl/msrt>

### 0 | Mount Sugarloaf Car Park

Mount Sugarloaf car park is located in West Wallsend (25km west of Newcastle) and offers fabulous views of the surrounding countryside. This car park is the starting point for many walks around Mount Sugarloaf. There is a pond, information sign and great views to the east. [More info.](#)

### 0 | Mt Sugarloaf Carpark

*(30 m 1 mins)* From the car park, this walk follows the road gently downhill out of the car park, while keeping the pond on your left. The road is followed for about 35m, until coming to a four-way intersection, with a yellow stone monument (on your right).

### 0.03 | Yellow Stone Monument

*(50 m 2 mins)* Turn left: From the intersection and yellow stone monument, this walk follows the road towards a locked gate (with a metal ring fence to its right). The walk follows the road for about 20m then passes around the locked gate. Then the walk follows the road gently uphill (with metal ring fence on the right) for about 35m, until coming to a three-way intersection with a track and timber track marker (on the right).

### 0.08 | Optional sidetrip to Mt Sugarloaf Summit

*(190 m 6 mins)* Turn left: From the intersection, this walk follows the road moderately steeply uphill with the hill on your right. The walk continues for about 90m, until bending right and leveling out at a fenced tower and park bench.

Continue straight: From the fenced tower, this walk follows the footpath moderately steeply uphill, while keeping the fenced tower on your right. The footpath (with a metal fence either side) is followed up metal and stone steps for about 40m, until

coming to Mt Sugarloaf summit. At the end of this side trip, retrace your steps back to the main walk then Turn left.

### 0.08 | Mount Sugarloaf Summit

Mount Sugarloaf Summit is located in West Wallsend (25km west of Newcastle) and offers fabulous views of the surrounding countryside from a fenced lookout. The summit gives 360-degree views amongst three television transmitters of the coast and mountains. There is a black stone direction table to help you locate landmarks in the surrounding country. Mount Sugarloaf, also known as Great Sugar Loaf, is an extinct volcano. Unusually, on the 18th and 19th of July 1965, the mountain received 10 centimetres (4 in) of snow. It also snowed on the summit in the winter of 1975 . [More info.](#)

### 0.08 | Int of Summit & Red Track

*(620 m 14 mins)* Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the track gently uphill, keeping the red timber track marker on your left. The track is followed through forest for about 190m, to find a track and timber red track marker (on the right). The walk continues gently uphill and straight ahead for about 120m, to find large rocks. The track leads gently downhill through these rocks, and after about 300m, comes to a three-way intersection with a track and red timber track marker (on the right).

### 0.7 | Int of Red & Green Track

*(100 m 2 mins)* Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the track gently uphill, keeping the valley on your right. This trail continues through forest for about 50m, to find a large open grassed picnic area. The walk continues up this grassed area (crossing over a concrete pad) and after about 60m, comes to the Mt Sugarloaf car park.

