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# Chowder Head



20 mins 548 m Circuit

# Moderate track

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This loop walk is the shortest way to access the views from Chowder Head. The optional side trip leads to an informal lookout on an unfenced rock platform. A great spot to enjoy the sailing boats on Sydney Harbour. In spring, this walk is particularly spectacular with a wide range of wildflowers on display.

Sydney Harbour 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 Int of Iluka and Morella Rds (gps: -33.8431, 151.251) 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 inlcuding; travel directions, weather, park closures and walker feedback at <u>http://wild.tl/ch</u>

#### 0 | Int of Iluka and Morella Rds

(80 m 3 mins) From the intersection of Iluka and Morella Roads, this walk finds the track next to number 2 Iluka Rd marked with a NPWS post behind the telegraph pole, and heads down the steps and path. The path soon heads to the back of the house and finds a 'T' intersection with another track.

## 0.08 | Bottom of the Iluka and Morella access track

(150 m 4 mins) Turn left: From the intersection, this walk heads away from the house and clearing along the fairly flat track keeping the water glimpses to your right. The path soon leads to a clear three-way intersection with a 'Ashton Park' sign pointing back along the track.

#### 0.23 | Optional sidetrip to Chowder Head

 $(90 \ m \ 2 \ mins)$  Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Chowder Head' sign south-west along the clear track. The track heads gently downhill and bends left past some dead gums to find an unfenced rock platform with great harbour views. (Note the informal track continues down becoming steeper, leading to a small bay.) At the end of this side trip, retrace your steps back to the main walk then Veer right.

# 0.23 | Chowder Head

Chowder Head provides a small unfenced rocky outcrop to enjoy the wide harbour views. From this vantage point, there are views across the water to South Head, Vaucluse, Rose Bay, Shark Island and Bradleys Head. A great spot to watch the sailing boats on a clear day.

#### 0.23 | Chowder Head track intersection

(110 m 2 mins) Turn left: From the intersection, this walk follows 'Clifton Gardens' sign gently up the hill. The track leads through the bush for a short time to soon come to another three-way intersection, this one marked with a 'Morella Rd' sign (on your left).

# 0.34 | Bottom of Morella Rd track

(120 m 2 mins) Turn left : From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Morella Rd' sign west along the clear track. The track leads gently up the wide ridge and after about 45m, this walk veers right at a 'Y' intersection to continue up the hill, soon heading past a 'Sydney Harbour National Park - Chowder Head' sign and coming to the intersection of Kardinia and Morella Roads.

# 0.47 | Int of Kardinia and Morella Rds

(80 m 2 mins) Turn left: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'To Iluka Rd' sign downhill along Morella Rd, keeping the bush to your left. The road soon leads to an intersection with Iluka Rd.

