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Cremorne Reserve

Cremorne Point Ferry Wharf

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Sophies Lookout

This unofficial lookout takes in sweeping views across Sydney Harbour, over top of Cremorne Point Wharf and 'Sophie's Place' cafe. The lookout is dedicated to Sophie Vaillant, long-term proprietor of the cafe below.

Robertsons Point Lookout

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Elephants Ear

The Lex and Ruby Graham Garden at Cremorne Point is quite remarkable, worthy of a little extra time on your walk. A chance planting of a tropical 'Elephant's Ear' bulb in 1959, which happened to thrive, led to a lifetime work for Lex Graham and his future wife, Ruby. They worked steadily for decades, clearing weeds and rubbish, improving the soil and building up the gardens with donated plants and cuttings.

Bogota Ave Lookout

Near the Bogota Ave entrance to Cremorne Reserve, this informal, fenced lookout takes in a partial view over Sydney Harbour. There is a bench seat, and a sign nearby with information about the park. For a more interesting view, visitors can go a short way into the reserve and take the steps down onto the beach/mud flat. Cremorne Reserve is a very popular park, offering a scenic walking track around the edges of Cremorne Point. It houses a ferry wharf, gardens and a pool, as well as a playground, cafe, picnic area and a number of public bathrooms.

Before You walk

Bushwalking is fun and a wonderful way to enjoy our natural places. Sometimes things go bad, with a bit of planning you can increase your chance of having an ejoyable and safer walk. Before setting off on your walk check

- 1) Weather Forecast (BOM Metropolitan District)
- 2) Fire Dangers (Greater Sydney Region, unknown)
- 3) Park Alerts ()

4) Research the walk to check your party has the skills, fitness and equipment required

5) Agree to stay as a group and not leave anyone to walk solo

Think before you TREK

The 'Think before you TREK' program developed by NSW Police & NPWS promotes the benefits of planning ahead for your bushwalking trip by using an easy to remember acronym:

- **T** Take adequate supplies of food, water, navigation and first aid equipment aid equipment.
- \mathbf{R} Register your planned route and tell friends and family when you expect to return.
- Emergency beacon (PLB's) should be carried on walks with
- significant gaps in mobile coverage (check terrain profile).
- **K** Keep to your planned route and follow the map and walking trails.

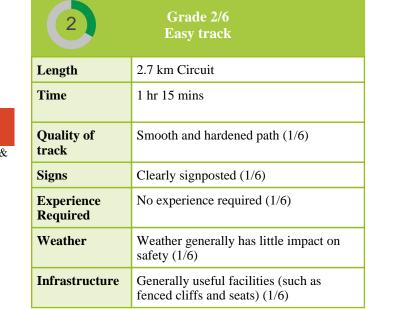
Topo Maps

The maps provided on wildwalks are helpful, but there are times where you may need maps covering a broader area. Maps that cover this walk include;

1:25 000 Map Series:91303N PARRAMATTA RIVER 1:100 000 Map Series:9130 SYDNEY

Grade

This walk has been graded using the AS 2156.1-2001. The overall grade of the walk is dertermined by the highest classification along the whole track.





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 Cremorne Point Ferry Wharf (gps: -33.8476, 151.231) by car, ferry 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 http://wild.tl/cpc

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0 | Cremorne Point Ferry Wharf

(40 m 1 mins) From the entrance to Cremorne Point Ferry Wharf, this walk crosses Milson Road to the base of the staircase on the other side of the road. Here the walk turns right to head up the steps past the lookout and monument to 'Sophie Vaillant' to an intersection with a few other footpaths.

0.04 | Sophies Lookout

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0.04 | Optional sidetrip to Robertsons Point Lookout

(200 m 3 mins) Turn right: From the intersection, this walk heads along the footpath directly away from the house, heading towards the toilet block and playground. The path leads past this park area and heads into the bush, then passes a couple of information signs to find a concrete rock cairn, built for the 'Clan of Donnachaidh' in 1988 (each rock has its town of origin carved in it). The walk then continues along the path past a picnic table (with views and some shade) to find the lookout at Robertsons Point. (There is a track with steps and ladder that continues further down to the very tip of the point for the adventurous). At the end of this side trip, retrace your steps back to the main walk then Veer right.

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0.04 | Sophies Lookout

(370 m 7 mins) Veer left: From the intersection, this walk heads along the footpath, keeping the houses to your left (that is, use the footpath on the far side of the houses from the wharf and road). The footpath leads behind the houses, enjoying the water views (on your right) and after about $\hat{a}\%^2$ 250m, the path leads past a 'The Illustrated Sydney News' information sign. Here the walk continues for a short time further to a clear three-way intersection and a drinking fountain.

0.41 | Elephants Ear

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0.41 | Elephants Ear

(260 $m \ 6 \ mins$) Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk heads along the main foreshore track, keeping the house to your left. The path almost immediately passes the northern end of the signposted 'Elephant's Ear' garden and continues past some other exotic gardens behind the houses, whilst keeping the water views to your right. After ?200m, the path leads to an information signabout the constructed environment and then to a clearing with a sandstone rotunda. There is a four-way intersection just above the 'Sydney Amateur Sailing Club' (on your right).

0.67 | SASC intersection

(150 m 3 mins) Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Old Cremorne Wharf' sign sign gently uphill along the path, keeping the water to your right. The path soon comes to another intersection where this walk tends right, following the path for about 120m (passing a few informal side tracks) to find some large sandstone boulders and the entrance to the 'Old Cremorne' Ferry Wharf.

0.82 | Old Cremorne Ferry Wharf

(320 m 7 mins) Turn left: From the Old Cremorne Ferry Wharf entrance, this walk follows the footpath away from the power lines keeping the water to your right. The path leads up the hill and after ?180m, the path heads up a set of steps. The path continues to enjoy water views (to your right), passing behind a row of houses. Soon the path bends left to pass a 'Cremorne Point' sign and find a clear three-way intersection and a bench seat.

1.14 | Bottom of Hodgson Ave steps

(50 m 2 mins) Veer left: From the intersection, this walk heads up the steps. The series of steps passes several private houses and turns right to head up more steps and then come to the intersection of Kareela Rd and Hodgson Ave.

1.19 | Int of Kareela Rd and Hodgson Ave

(330 m 8 mins) Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk heads uphill along the footpath beside 'Hodgson Ave'. The road leads over the hill, and then partway down the other side, this walk keeps on the footpath on the left side as it separates from the road. This footpath soon leads down some stairs and crosses Milson Rd. This walk then follows another set of stairs leading down to Bogota Ave. The walk then follows Bogota Ave downhill for about 80m to find Bogota Ave Lookout, as small park on your left, marked with an archway entrance to Cremorne Reserve.

1.52 | Bogota Ave Lookout

Near the Bogota Ave entrance to Cremorne Reserve, this informal, fenced lookout takes in a partial view over Sydney Harbour. There is a bench seat, and a sign nearby with information about the park. For a more interesting view, visitors can go a short way into the reserve and take the steps down onto the beach/mud flat. Cremorne Reserve is a very popular park, offering a scenic walking track around the edges of Cremorne Point. It houses a ferry wharf, gardens and a pool, as well as a playground, cafe, picnic area and a number of public bathrooms.

1.52 | Bogota Ave Lookout

(750 m 15 mins) Turn left : From the bend in Bogota Ave opposite number 9, this walk heads under the 'Cremorne Reservation' archway and follows the path past the information signs. The path soon leads down some steps then past a less defined side track to Shell Cove Beach (on your right). The walk continues along the concrete path and after ?140m comes to a small clearing with some more information signs and water views. The path continues behind the houses and soon passes the 'Cammeraygal Water View' information sign opposite a sandstone cave (on your left), ignoring the side paths to the houses along the way. After a further ?180m, the path leads to a three-way intersection in an open area marked with 'Path to Milson Rd' sign (pointing left).

Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Maccallum Pool' sign along the path, keeping the water views to your right. Soon the path leads to a 'Y' intersection in front of an apartment building (the path on the right leads to Maccallum Pool).

2.27 | Optional sidetrip to Maccallum Pool

(30 m I mins) Veer right: From the intersection, this walk heads downhill towards the water along the concrete path. The path soon passes a 'The Rock Pool that Grew' information sign then goes down the steps. The walk continues down this path and steps and soon comes to the northern entrance of 'Maccallum Pool'. At the end of this side trip, retrace your steps back to the main walk then Turn sharp right.

2.27 | Maccallum Pool

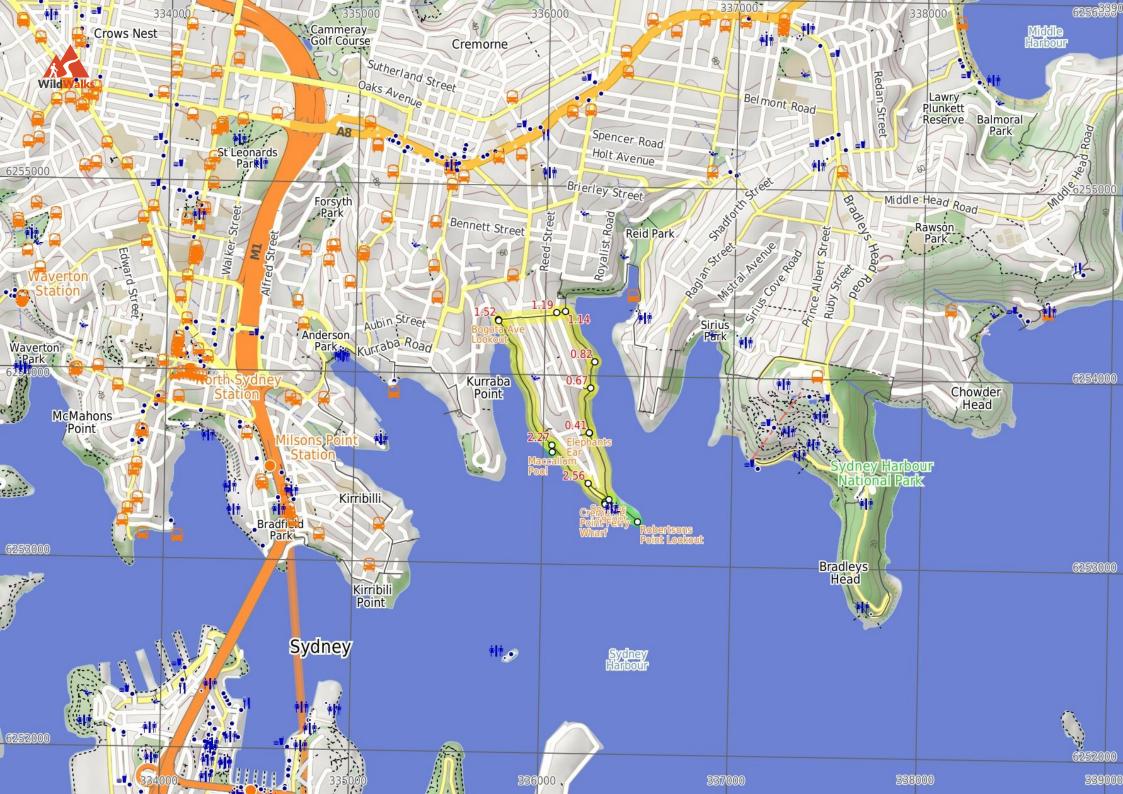
Maccallum Pool is a harbour-side swimming pool, thought to have been originally constructed by Olympic swimmer Frederick Lane. It was restored in the 1920s by local residents, notably Hugh Maccallum. In 1930, the council took control of the pool, and bestowed the current name. More info.

2.27 | Top of Maccallum Pool path

(280 $m \bar{5}$ mins) Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk heads along the main concrete path, keeping the houses to your left and the water views to your right. After \hat{a} %⁷0m, the path passes a drinking fountain and passes another side path (on your right). The walk continues along the main concrete path for \hat{a} %²00m through the parkland, past a 'Cremorne Reserve' sign and comes to a 'T' intersection with the footpath on Milson Rd.

2.56 | Int of Milson Rd and foreshore walk

(150 m 3 mins) Veer right: From the intersection, this walk heads downhill along the footpath, keeping the water views to your right. The path leads past some park bench seats and an information sign then down past a bus stop to soon find the entrance to Cremorne Point Ferry Wharf.



Summary navigation sheet for the Cremorne Point Circuit



km	From	Up/Dwn	Length	Initial directions (Use full tracknotes and maps for more detail) WildWalks
Start	Cremorne Point Ferry Wharf -33.8476,151.231 (GR Parramatta River, 363533)	2 -1	40 m 1 mins	From the entrance to Cremorne Point Ferry Wharf, this walk crosses Milson Road to the base of the staircase on the other side of the road.
0.04	Sophies Lookout -33.8475,151.2312 (GR Parramatta River, 364534)	0 -8	200 m 3 mins	Optional sidetrip to Robertsons Point Lookout. Turn right: From the intersection, this walk heads along the footpath directly away from the house, heading towards the toilet block and playground.
0.04	Sophies Lookout -33.8475,151.2312 (GR Parramatta River, 364534)	13 -9	370 m 7 mins	Veer left: From the intersection, this walk heads along the footpath, keeping the houses to your left (that is, use the footpath on the far side of the houses from the wharf and road).
0.41	Elephants Ear -33.8443,151.2301 (GR Parramatta River, 362537)	11 -12	260 m 6 mins	Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk heads along the main foreshore track, keeping the house to your left.
0.67	SASC intersection -33.8422,151.2301 (GR Parramatta River, 362539)	2 -10	150 m 3 mins	Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Old Cremorne Wharf' sign sign gently uphill along the path, keeping the water to your right.
0.82	Old Cremorne Ferry Wharf -33.8409,151.2304 (GR Parramatta River, 363541)	23 -13	320 m 7 mins	Turn left: From the Old Cremorne Ferry Wharf entrance, this walk follows the footpath away from the power lines keeping the water to your right.
1.14	Bottom of Hodgson Ave steps -33.8385,151.2287 (GR Parramatta River, 361543)	15 0	50 m 2 mins	Veer left: From the intersection, this walk heads up the steps.
1.19	Int of Kareela Rd and Hodgson Ave -33.8386,151.2282 (GR Parramatta River, 361543)	13 -26	330 m 8 mins	Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk heads uphill along the footpath beside 'Hodgson Ave'.
1.52	Bogota Ave Lookout -33.8389,151.2249 (GR Parramatta River, 358543)	27 -31	750 m 15 mins	Turn left : From the bend in Bogota Ave opposite number 9, this walk heads under the 'Cremorne Reservation' archway and follows the path past the information signs.
2.27	Top of Maccallum Pool path -33.8449,151.2279 (GR Parramatta River, 360536)	0 -7	30 m 1 mins	Optional sidetrip to Maccallum Pool. Veer right: From the intersection, this walk heads downhill towards the water along the concrete path.
2.27	Top of Maccallum Pool path -33.8449,151.2279 (GR Parramatta River, 360536)	7 -7	280 m 5 mins	Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk heads along the main concrete path, keeping the houses to your left and the water views to your right.
2.56	Int of Milson Rd and foreshore walk -33.8467,151.23 (GR Parramatta River, 362534)	2 -5	150 m 3 mins	Veer right: From the intersection, this walk heads downhill along the footpath, keeping the water views to your right.