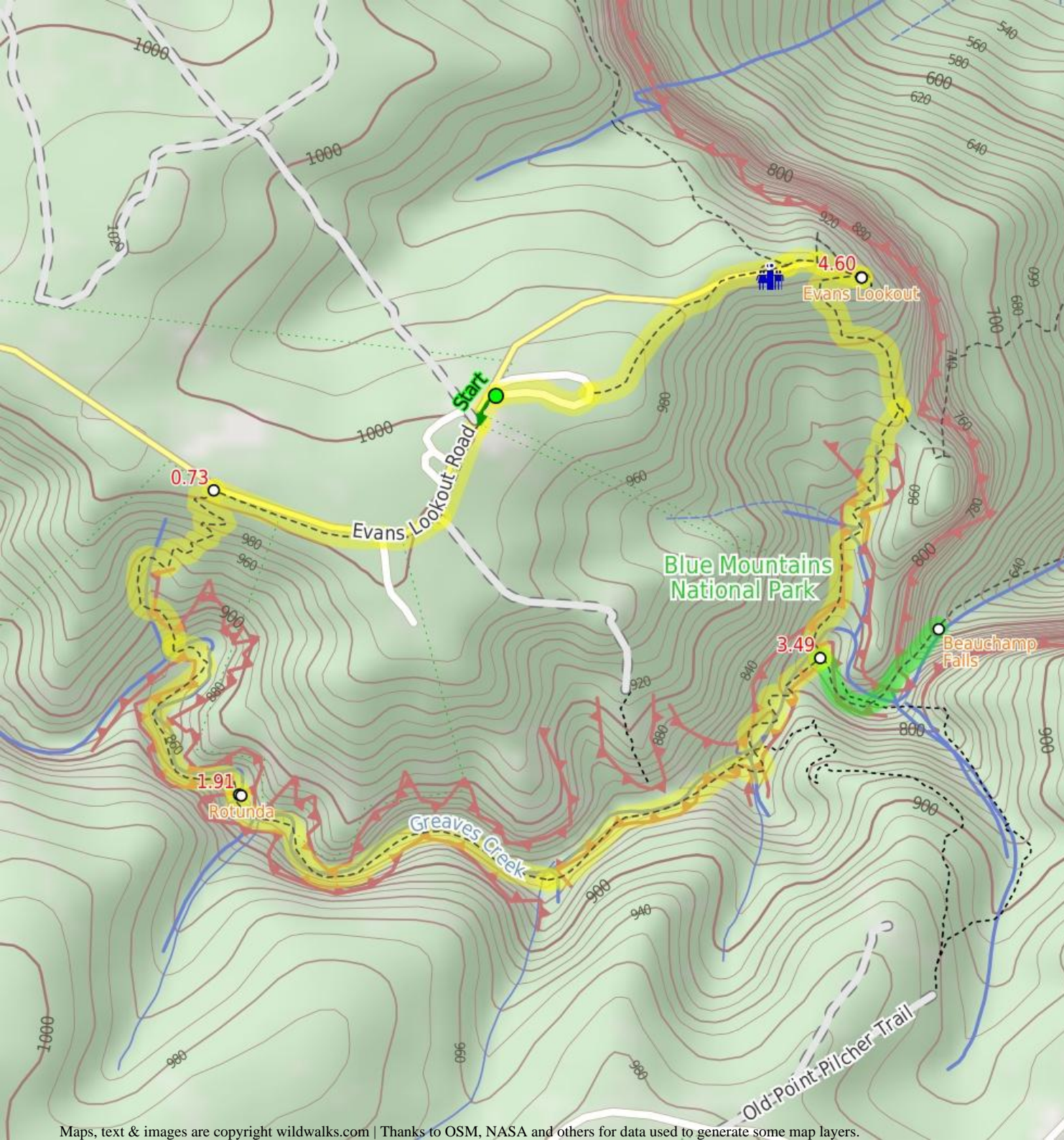


Grand Canyon Track



3 hrs 30 mins

Hard track

5.4 km Circuit

↑ 425m

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This classic walk was first established in 1907, taking walkers along the path of a canyon. In places, the track follows a path cut halfway up the cliff, keeping you out of the most dangerous section of the canyon. The creek does flood after heavy rain, so check with the National Parks office before heading into this walk. The cool temperatures in the canyon make this walk particularly special on warmer days.

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Blue Mountains 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 Traveling by car is the only practical way to get to Int. Grand Canyon Loop car park and Neates Glen Trk (gps: -33.6494, 150.3197). 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/gcw>

0 | Int. Grand Canyon Loop car park and Neates Glen Tr

(730 m 12 mins) From the intersection, the walk follows the "Neates Glen" sign along the bush track, keeping Evans Lookout Rd on the right. After about one hundred meters, the track comes to a large clearing with high tension power lines above.

Continue straight: From the clearing, the walk follows the wide gravel path (that is about halfway between the tower and road), keeping the road on the right. After about 200m, the bush on the right thins out, and the track comes to an intersection with a service trail.

Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the gravel path, keeping the road to the right. After approximately 100m, the path comes to the signposted Kinie-Ger Bush Cabins driveway.

Continue straight: From the Kinie-Ger Bush Cabins driveway, this walk follows the gravel path, keeping the road and power lines to the left. Soon the path opens up at the Neates Glen car park.

0.73 | Neates Glen car park

(1.2 km 32 mins) Turn left: From Neates Glen car park, this walk heads down the stairs following the 'Grand Canyon Track' signs. The track zigzags many times down the hillside, with the surrounding vegetation becoming more like a rainforest, before the track comes to a railing. From this railing, the track winds down more stairs to a second railing that crosses over a creek. The track continues to wind down the right side (with creek on the left) of the canyon. The track follows the creek down past a few mossy overhangs of rock to cross a boardwalk bridge before the canyon opens up. The canyon opens onto a densely vegetated area which leads the track to a creek crossing and a sign pointing back up to 'Neates Glen carpark'.

Continue straight: From the sign, this walk heads away from the creek and car park, following a short section of a rock shelf to round the corner of the hill. The track contours around the hill for a little while passing under a few rock overhangs, before winding steeply down the hill into the canyon. The track heads down the cliffs by stairs to a signposted intersection in front of a sandy rock overhang, the Rotunda.

1.91 | Rotunda

The Rotunda, Blue Mountains NP, is an area on Greaves Creek where the cliff has been carved out to form an overhang, over a sand beach within the Grand Canyon. The Rotunda is a great area for a rest and a snack, especially on a hot day.

1.91 | Rotunda

(1.6 km 45 mins) Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the sign to 'Evans Lookout', winding around the side of the canyon under the rock overhangs. The track soon passes through a small rockfall tunnel, and then passes behind a waterfall to continue around the railed canyon track for approximately 500m, coming to a railing bridge in front of another waterfall.

Continue straight: From the waterfall, this walk continues to contour around the canyon wall, keeping it on the right of the track. The track does so for quite some time before winding down deeper into the canyon after rounding a hill. The track winds down to a signposted intersection. From here, the track crosses the creek a few times before turning left at a rock overhang then crossing the creek again. The track quickly winds through the creek before passing over a bridge and continuing down the canyon. After approximately 200m, the track winds past a pool in the creek to then come to a signposted rock in a creek.

3.49 | Optional sidetrip to Beauchamp Falls

(380 m 16 mins) Turn right: From the intersection, the walk follows the signs to 'Rodriguez Pass' around the canyon side, with the creek on the left. After about 200m, the track crosses the creek. The walk follows the white arrows painted on the rocks winding down between, around and under large boulders for approximately 100m. The track then heads out of the pass, keeping close to the cliff line before winding down the hill to Beauchamp Falls. At the end of this side trip, retrace your steps back to the main walk then Veer right.

3.49 | Beauchamp Falls

Beauchamp Falls, Blue Mountains NP, is a beautiful set of falls, split by the rock in the centre of the creek. The falls are created by Greaves Creek, which comes out of the Grand Canyon, above. The falls are approximately 10m tall, with rocks at the base.

3.49 | Int. Grand Canyon and Rodriguez Pass Tracks

(1.1 km 38 mins) Veer left: From the intersection, the walk crosses the creek to another sign, pointing up the stairs to Evans Lookout. The walk climbs these stairs, up through the gap in the cliffs. The walk heads up the gully on stone cut steps which are soon met by a railing for a short while, and then up a set of wooden steps to the intersection with several signs.

Veer left: From the intersection, the walk follows the 'Evans Lookout' arrow up the hill, weaving around boulders. The track then tends left before climbing up the stairs, through a pass in the rock, to Evans Lookout.

4.6 | Evans Lookout

Evans Lookout, Blue Mountains National Park, looks over the spectacular Grose Valley, with its deep gorges, green forest and prominent cliff lines. The fenced lookout is at the end of Evans Lookout Road. There is a rock shelter hut and toilets.

4.6 | Evans Lookout

(800 m 17 mins) Turn sharp left: From the lookout, this walk heads up the hill towards a stone shelter. The track continues past the stone shelter and away from the cliff line, to soon arrive at the car park.

Continue straight: From the information sign, the walk heads around Evans Lookout car park to the toilets at the opposite end (away from the cliffs).

Continue straight: From the toilets near the end of Evans Lookout Rd, this walk follows the road away from the lookout for about 100m and then follows a bush track heading off to the left. This clear track continues though the open bushland until coming to the eastern corner of the Grand Canyon car park and a sign pointing back to 'Evans Lookout'.

Veer left: From the intersection, this walk follows the road left around the car park for approximately 100m, to a 'Neates Glen car park' direction sign.