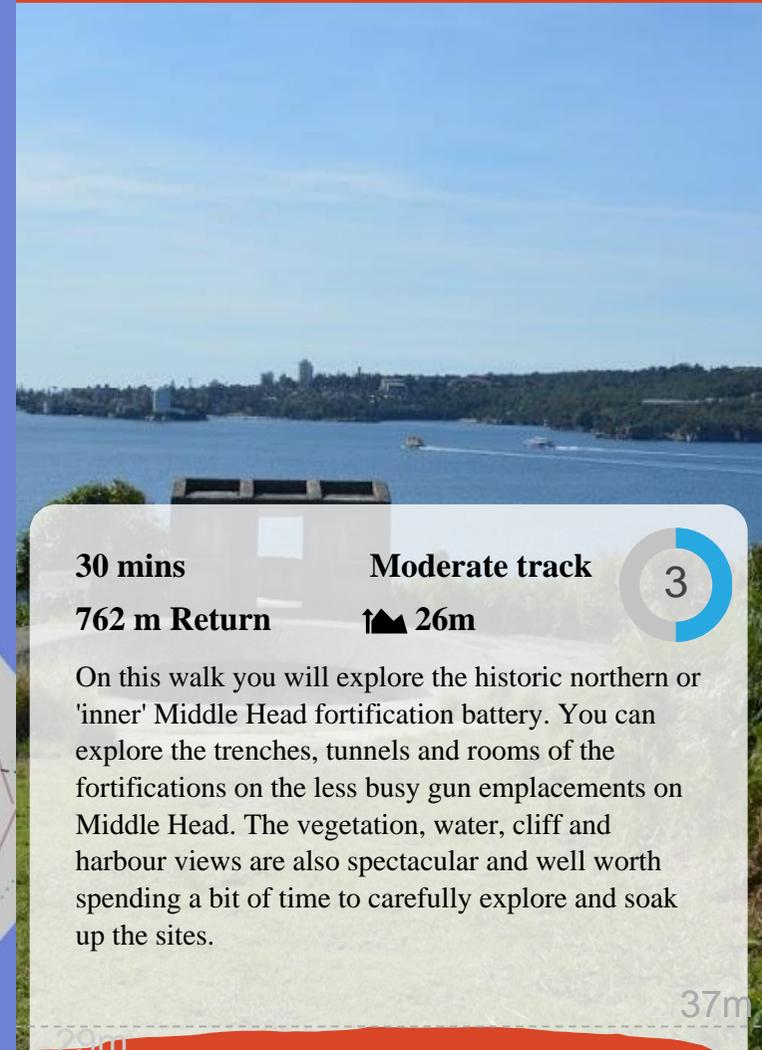


Inner Middle Head Battery walk



30 mins

Moderate track

3

762 m Return

↑ 26m

On this walk you will explore the historic northern or 'inner' Middle Head fortification battery. You can explore the trenches, tunnels and rooms of the fortifications on the less busy gun emplacements on Middle Head. The vegetation, water, cliff and harbour views are also spectacular and well worth spending a bit of time to carefully explore and soak up the sites.

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 Cobblers Beach Trail trackhead (gps: -33.827, 151.2643) by car or bus. Car: Parking fees apply in the area.

This is a return walk, 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/imhbw>

0 | Cobblers Beach Trail trackhead

(70 m 1 mins) From the Cobblers Beach Trail track head (beside the car park near the end of Middle Head Rd, Mosman), this walk heads to the very end of Middle Head Rd towards the sandstone wall. After 50m the walk heads over the bridged 'Middle Head Moat', then around the boom gate to come to a signposted intersection with 'Old Fort Rd' and 'Govenors Rd'. (There is a public toilet in the sandstone building the right)

0.07 | Int. Old Fort and Govenors Rds

(140 m 2 mins) Veer left: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Govenors Rd' and 'Soldiers Institute' signs gently uphill along the sealed Governors Rd. The road leads uphill for 130m past a few historic barrack buildings to where the road bends (sharply right). Here the walk continues straight (gently downhill), across the gravel area (marked with an arrow post at the end of the white metal pole fence).

0.2 | Int. Govenors Rd and Inner Forts Trk

(110 m 2 mins) Turn left: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Inner Middle Head Forts' sign along the mostly flat dirt track (away from the road) for about 90m to come to an unsignposted intersection with another track and a sandstone fort (on the right).

0.31 | Inner Forts intersection

(70 m 2 mins) Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk heads along the clear dirt track towards the distant water view between two long sandstone trenches. After 60m this walk heads across the grassy section to come to the top edge

of the northern Disappearing Gun Pit beside the ocean cliffs.

Take extra care as the ground slopes towards the gun pit and cliff edges - stay 2 body lengths back from any significant drop.

0.38 | Inner Middle Head Battery

The inner Middle Head battery, is about 300m north of the main fortification area on Middle Head, Sydney Harbour National Park. The area has a number of fortifications, tunnels and hiding gun placement. There are trenches leading down to some tunnels. Some of the tunnels are locked with horizontal bar gates to protect the nesting sites of microbats that have taken up residence in the fortifications. The view of the harbour are stunning and the history interesting and worth exploring. Take great care around the cliffs and gun emplacements staying two full body lengths back from significant drops to avoid injury.





This page is designed to give you a sense of the facilities that help improve access for people with disabilities or mobility restrictions. See tracknotes and map for navigation, point of interest and other information. See the Accessibility Details page for specific information about each facility.

Parking: There are 0 designated accessible parking areas on this walk.

Toilets: There are 0 toilets on this walk.

Seats: There are 0 seats on this walk.

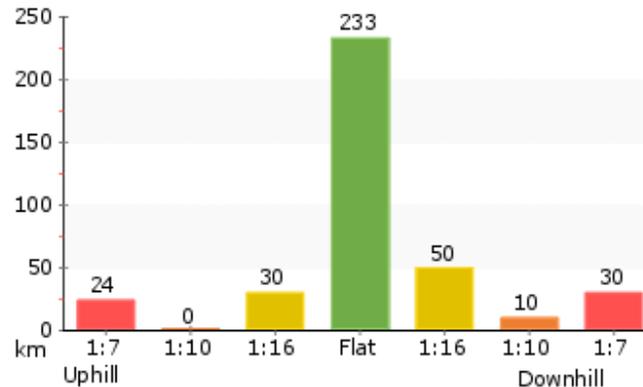
Surface

The first half of this walk follows an asphalt road, mostly closed to public cars. The second half is along well-maintained dirt tracks, with grassy section generally 2m wide.

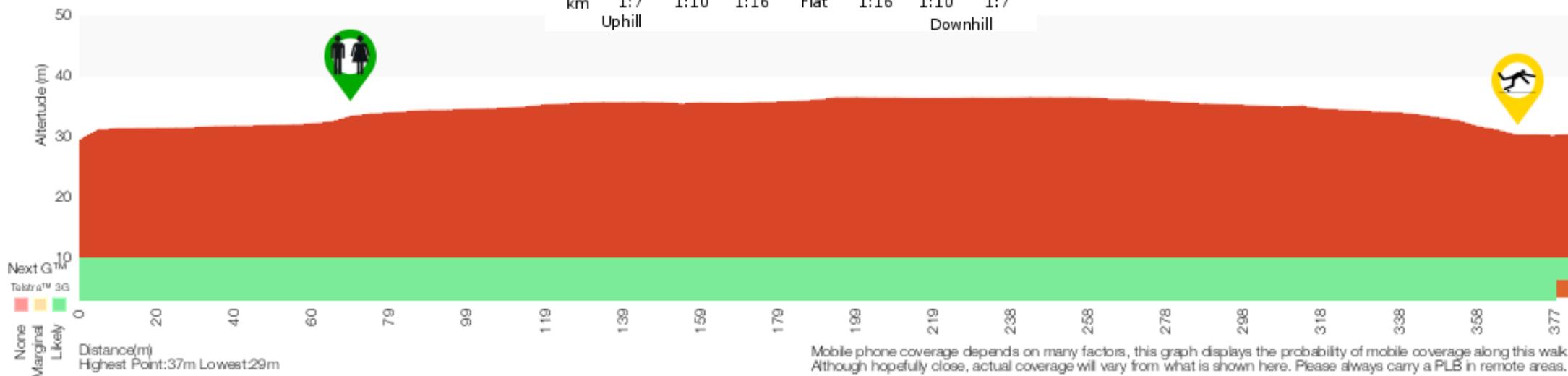
Steepness

The majority of the walk is less than 1:12 steep. Near the fortifications are some moderately steep sections that slope towards cliffs and fortifications.

This graph shows how steep the track is.



3 Grade 3/6 Moderate track	
Length	762 m Return
Time	30 mins
Quality of track	Formed track, with some branches and other obstacles (3/6)
Signs	Directional signs along the way (3/6)
Experience Required	No experience required (1/6)
Weather	Weather generally has little impact on safety (1/6)
Infrastructure	Limited facilities, not all cliffs are fenced (3/6)



Mobile phone coverage depends on many factors, this graph displays the probability of mobile coverage along this walk. Although hopefully close, actual coverage will vary from what is shown here. Please always carry a PLB in remote areas.



1 Toilet (70m)
Unisex flushing toilet. Entrance is 69cm wide, toilet seat 43cm high, handbasin outside is 76cm high. Room is 1.4x1m. There is a 10cm step to access the building.



2 Trip Hazard (370m)
Ground is rough and slopes moderately steeply down to unfenced drop into gun emplacement. Significant unfenced fall risk.