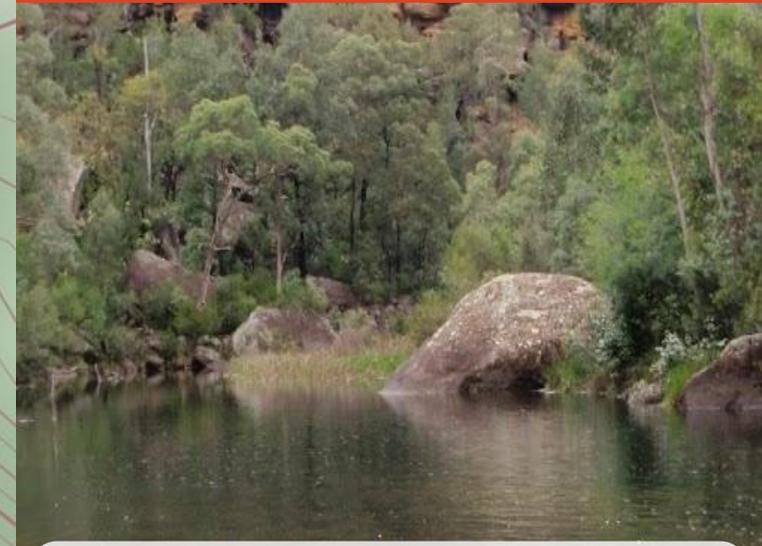


Jack Evans track to Erskine Creek



2 hrs

2.6 km Return

Experienced only

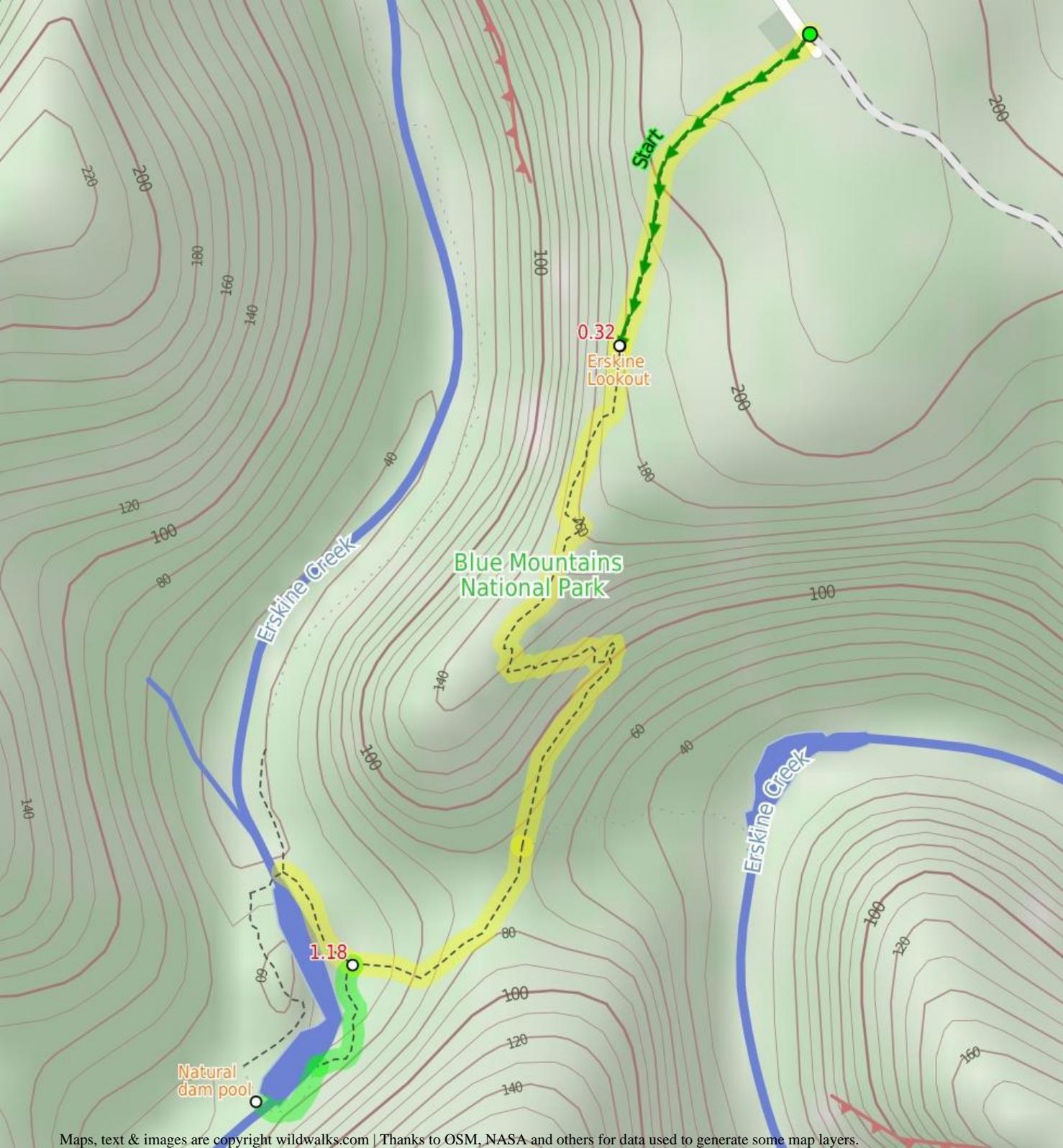
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This walk explores the Jack Evans Track, from the end of Nepean Lookout fire trail to Erskine Creek. The walk boasts fantastic rock formations, great views, grass trees and mosses, and gets up close to Erskine Creek. Erskine Creek is a great place to rest, and wet the toes, before the climb back up to the car park.

41m

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. **Experianced walkers only: This walk passes through very remote areas and sections have no visible track. At least one person in your group should have training and experience in off track walking and navigation. Even with these notes and a GPS these extra skills and equipment are required.**

Getting there Traveling by car is the only practical way to get to End of Nepean Lookout Fire Trail (gps: -33.8403, 150.5815). Car: A park entry fee is required for driving into the park.

This is a return, 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/jettec>

0 | End of Nepean Lookout Fire Trail

(320 m 8 mins) From the car park, at the end of the publicly accessible section of the Nepean Lookout Fire Trail, this walk heads through the gap in the wire fence next to the large 'Blue Mountains National Park' information sign. The walk soon passes a silver information sign about 'Jack Evans Track', where the sandy track starts to head down hill, with the occasional wooden step. Passing a burnt 'take care when walking near cliffs' sign the track passes several informal tracks off to the right. The main track continues down the hill until a larger sandy area gives way to a rock platform and view on the right, this is Erskine Lookout, an unfenced informal lookout.

0.32 | Erskine Lookout

This informal and unfenced lookout on Jack Evans Track is in the lower Blue Mountains south west from the end of Nepean Lookout Fire Trail. The lookout is perched high above Erskine Creek and provides wonderful view upstream, and good views downstream. The view down in to the gorge gives a unique perspective of the lower section of Erskine Creek.

0.32 | Erskine Lookout

(850 m 31 mins) Continue straight: From Erskine Lookout, this walk heads down the gentle hill, keeping the view to the right. Soon the track passes a long sandstone wall on the right of the track, then comes to another vantage point at the top of a steps set of steps. From here the track becomes steeper following the timber and dirt steps, the track uses several switchbacks and passes through clefts in the rock to wind down through the sandstone outcrop, passing some interesting overhangs on the way. The track continues down the steps, until becoming a narrower track, with a

steep drop to the left. The track then bend around the side of the hill and after passing several boulders the track then comes to an intersection with the faint shortcut track on the left, just before the saddle.

Continue straight: From the intersection this walk follows the wider bush track down the hill to the saddle. On the other side of the saddle this walk heads down a series of timber steps. At the bottom of the steps the track winds through the grass trees. Before seeing the creek the track passes a large gum to come to an intersection with a faint bush track on the right (and a wider track to the left).

1.18 | Optional sidetrip to Eastern side of natural dam w

(180 m 7 mins) Veer left: From the intersection, this walk follows the wider bush track down hill keeping the sound of Erskine Creek to the right, soon the creek is in view. The track soon fades to a become a less distinct bush track leading up the bank away from the creek. The track climbs to a large boulder providing great views of the pool in Erskine Creek. The track then leads down to the natural charcoal deposits and continues along the creek edge to the water depth indicators. (A remote monitoring box is visible up the hill).

Veer left: From the water depth indicators this walk follows the creek down stream keeping Erskine Creek on the right. The faint bush track soon leads to the visible series of large boulders forming a natural dam wall. At the end of this side trip, retrace your steps back to the main walk then Turn left.

1.18 | Natural dam pool

A series of very large boulders have formed a natural dam on Erskine Creek, about 170m north of Big Crater Creek. The dam forms a large lovely pool upstream. The pool is used by Sydney Water for measurements, and a water depth indicator is bolted to the rock. The pools is not safe to dive or jump into, there are many submerged objects.

1.18 | Int of Jack Evans and the lower Erskine tracks

(100 m 2 mins) Veer right: From the intersection this walk follows the narrower bush track down the hill, into the thick vegetation towards the creek. The track passes through a tunnel of vegetation to then turn right as the creek comes into view. From here the track continues upstream till coming to a small sandy beach on Erskine Creek .

