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### 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 (<u>Greater Sydney Region</u>)
- 3) Park Alerts (Garigal National Park)
- 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:

- ${f T}$  Take adequate supplies of food, water, navigation and first aid equipment.
- 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).
- 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.

3	Grade 3/6 Moderate track		
Length	6.7 km Circuit		
Time	2 hrs 45 mins		
Quality of track	Formed track, with some branches and other obstacles (3/6)		
Signs	Directional signs along the way (3/6)		
Experience Required	Some bushwalking experience recommended (3/6)		
Weather	Weather generally has little impact on safety (1/6)		
Infrastructure	Limited facilities, not all cliffs are fenced (3/6)		



#### 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 Lindfield Soldiers Memorial Park (gps: -33.7699, 151.1816) 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 <a href="http://wild.tl/lpaldtl">http://wild.tl/lpaldtl</a>

#### 0 | Lindfield Soldiers Memorial Park - children's area

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#### 0 | Lindfield Soldiers Memorial Park

(470 m 9 mins) From Tryon Rd (about 40m SW of Sydney Rd), this walk heads down the timber and dirt stairs towards the children's play equipment. The walk then continues to the far end of the cricket nets. From here, the walk heads through the open grassland then crosses the small creek and the timber bridge, passing a number of signposts. The track then heads into the bush and heads down a few steps and gently turns left. Soon, the track comes to 'Y' intersection at the top of stone steps (on the right).

#### 0.47 | Int of Lindfield Park and Lindfield Rocks track

(110 m 4 mins) Turn right: From the intersection, this walk heads down the steps. The walk soon turns left then the track winds down the hill until a heading down some stone steps onto a wide trail and a sign pointing back up to 'Lindfield Oval', in view of Eastern Arterial Rd.

#### 0.58 | Int of Gordon Creek service trail and Lindfield Pa

(1.3 km 27 mins) Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the management trail away from the road and through the bush, with the ground sloping up to the right. The trail soon comes to an intersection with the tunnel bush track (which heads down the rock steps on the left).

Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the service trail as it heads through the bush with the ground sloping up to the right, passing a 'Garigal National Park' sign a little while later. The walk continues on, crossing over a short wooden bridge as it follows the side of the hill to the signposted intersection of the Barrie Street Track, where there is a short flight of stairs on the left.

#### 1.85 | Int of Gordon Creek Crossing track and servicetrai

(280 m 7 mins) Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the service trail (with the ground sloping up to the right), heading through the bush to the large water pipeline that crosses Gordon Creek a short while later. Continue straight: From the pipe bridge, this walk follows the service trail (with the ground sloping up to the right) as it heads through the bush for a short while before it comes to a clearing at the end of the trail, at some rock steps.

#### 2.13 | End of Gordon Creek service trail

(100 m 2 mins) Veer left: From the end of the service trail, this walk follows the bush track, climbing up the rock steps to the top where it flattens out a little. The track continues up the long gentle hill for a little while, with the valley down to the left, until coming to the intersection with the defined bush

track on the right.

#### 2.23 | Western end of Two Creeks detour

(220 m 6 mins) Turn sharp right: From the intersection, this walk follows the bush track, climbing up the steep rock steps until the track flattens out and turns left. The walk continues along the side of the hill for a short while, before dropping down some steps cut into a rock outcrop. The track then continues through the bush for a while before coming down to the intersection of the Two Creeks bush track.

#### 2.45 | Eastern end of Two Creeks detour

(2 km 43 mins) Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the bush track (with the ground sloping up to the right) as it heads through the trees and along the side of the hill. The track passes a 'Garigal National Park' sign while bending around to follow the Middle Harbour Creek. The walk continues through the bush for a while until it crosses a long wooden walkway to the intersection of the 'to Wellington Road' bush track, at the wooden steps on the right.

Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the bush track (keeping Middle Harbour Creek on the left) as it heads through the ferns and around some mangroves (down to the left). After a little while, the track bends to the right and following Moores Creek, heading along the side of the hill and under a shallow rock overhang and passing an old stone chair. The walk crosses a short wooden bridge and follows the wide bush track as it continues along the side of the hill, until it comes to the signposted intersection with the 'Carlyle Road' bush track at the next wooden bridge, near another stone chair.

#### 4.47 | Int of Two Creeks and Carlyle Road tracks

(130 m 2 mins) Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk heads south along the management trail for approximately 100m before coming to an intersection with another management trail. This intersection is marked by several signs including one stating 'Little Digger Track'.

#### 4.6 | Little Diggers Park

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#### 4.6 | Carlyle Road track and Little Digger Track Int

(90 m 1 mins) Turn left: From the intersection, the walk follows the Little Digger Track sign along the track heading down the hill and immediately turning right. The walk continues along the bush track, that steadily narrows as it passes a Little Digger Track information sign, and arrives at the Moores Creek bridge. (the track does not cross this bridge but it does provide nice views of the creek)

#### 4.69 | Moores Creek bridge

(320 m 8 mins) Continue straight: From the bridge, the walk heads up the wooden steps between the two rock outcrops and undulates through the gully. The walk follows the bushtrack for a little while before it crosses a small creek and continues along to a large rock overhang. From here the walk crosses under the overhang and continues along the bush track, passing under another overhang shortly after, and climbing up some rock steps. The walk continues along the bush track for a little while longer before coming to the signposted intersection with the Babbage Falls Track.

#### 5.01 | Optional sidetrip to Babbage Falls

 $(10\ m)$  Turn sharp left: From the intersection, the walk follows the 'Babbage Falls' sign down the short hill, to the rock platform looking down on the Babbage Falls. At the end of this side trip, retrace your steps back to the main walk then Veer left.

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#### 5.01 | Int of Little Digger and Babbage Falls Tracks

(130 m 3 mins) Continue straight: From the intersection, leaving the signposted 'Babbage Falls Track' on the left, the walk follows the bush track, keeping the creek to the left. The walk then climbs up a short set of wooden steps and continues through the gully for a while until it comes to the signposted intersection with the 'Little Falls Track'.

#### 5.15 | Optional sidetrip to Little Falls

(30 m 1 mins) Turn left: From the intersection, the walk follows the "Little Falls 2min return" arrow along the bush track, heading down the hill and through the ferns to a small flat clearing next to a creek, just down stream from a small waterfall. At the end of this side trip, retrace your steps back to the main walk then Veer left.

#### 5.15 | Little Falls

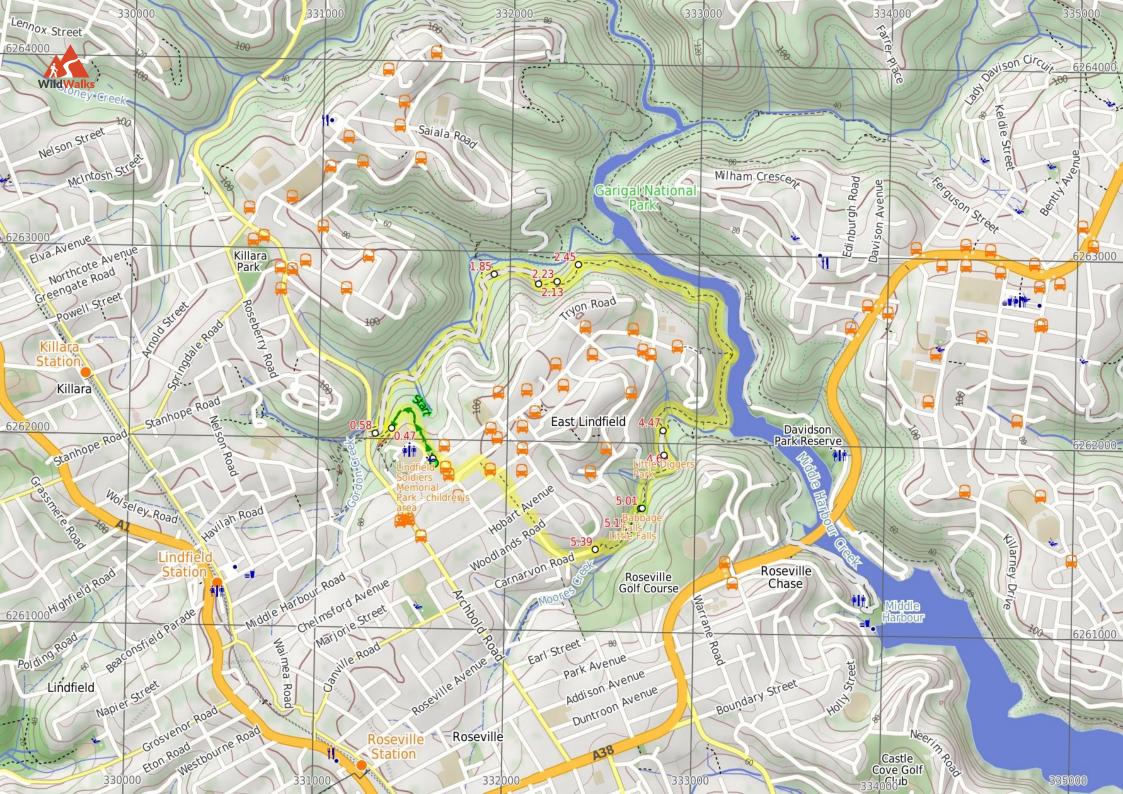
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#### 5.15 | Int of Little Digger and Little Falls Tracks

(250 m 6 mins) Continue straight: From the intersection (with the signposted Little Falls Track on the left), the walk follows the bush track heading up the short hill. The walk steadily winds up through the gully for a little while before passing around the back of a house and arriving at the end of Carnaryon Road.

#### 5.39 | End of Carnaryon Road

(1.3 km 24 mins) Continue straight: From the cul-de-sac, this walk follows the narrow road, soon coming to an intersection with Mycumbene Avenue. Veer right: From the intersection, the walk follows Mycumbene Avenue to the end. The walk continues straight ahead to cross Woodlands Road, then heads to the right. Straight away, between houses number 60 & 62, the walk turns left up the steps and into the alleyway. At the end of the alley, the walk crosses Hobart Avenue and turns left, coming to a narrow alleyway on the right (between houses number 16 & 18). At the end of this alley, the walk crosses Perth Ave and turns right, turning straight away into another alleyway (on the left, between houses number 18 & 20). At the end of this alley, the walk crosses Adelaide Avenue and turns left, coming to yet another alleyway on the right, between houses number 14 & 16. At the end of this alley, the walk turns left onto Brisbane Avenue, following it to the end. Here, the walk turns right onto Sydney Road and follows this road to the end. The walk then turns left onto Tryon Road, following for a short distance before crossing the road to the Soldiers Memorial Park entrance



# Summary navigation sheet for the Lindfield Park and Little Digger Track Loop

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km	From	Up/Dwn	Length	Initial directions (Use full tracknotes and maps for more detail) WildWalks
Start	Lindfield Soldiers Memorial Park -33.7699,151.1816 (GR Parramatta River, 316619)	5 -25	470 m 9 mins	From Tryon Rd (about 40m SW of Sydney Rd), this walk heads down the timber and dirt stairs towards the children's play equipment.
0.47	Int of Lindfield Park and Lindfield Rocks track -33.7682,151.1792 (GR Parramatta River, 314621)	0 -22	110 m 4 mins	Turn right: From the intersection, this walk heads down the steps.
0.58	Int of Gordon Creek service trail and Lindfield Park track -33.7684,151.1783 (GR Parramatta River, 313620)	43 -73	1.3 km 27 mins	Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the management trail away from the road and through the bush, with the ground sloping up to the right.
1.85	Int of Gordon Creek Crossing track and servicetrail -33.7609,151.1851 (GR Parramatta River, 319629)	18 -14	280 m 7 mins	Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the service trail (with the ground sloping up to the right), heading through the bush to the large water pipeline that crosses Gordon Creek a short while later.
2.13	End of Gordon Creek service trail -33.7613,151.1876 (GR Parramatta River, 322628)	10 0	100 m 2 mins	Veer left: From the end of the service trail, this walk follows the bush track, climbing up the rock steps to the top where it flattens out a little.
2.23	Western end of Two Creeks detour -33.7612,151.1887 (GR Parramatta River, 322628)	20 -11	220 m 6 mins	Turn sharp right: From the intersection, this walk follows the bush track, climbing up the steep rock steps until the track flattens out and turns left.
2.45	Eastern end of Two Creeks detour -33.7604,151.1899 (GR Parramatta River, 324629)	72 -106	2 km 43 mins	Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the bush track (with the ground sloping up to the right) as it heads through the trees and along the side of the hill.
4.47	Int of Two Creeks and Carlyle Road tracks -33.7683,151.1947 (GR Parramatta River, 328621)	2 0	130 m 2 mins	Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk heads south along the management trail for approximately 100m before coming to an intersection with another management trail.
4.60	Carlyle Road track and Little Digger Track Int -33.7695,151.1947 (GR Parramatta River, 328619)	1 -1	90 m 1 mins	Turn left: From the intersection, the walk follows the Little Digger Track sign along the track heading down the hill and immediately turning right.
4.69	Moores Creek bridge -33.77,151.1952 (GR Parramatta River, 329619)	35 -12	320 m 8 mins	Continue straight: From the bridge, the walk heads up the wooden steps between the two rock outcrops and undulates through the gully.
5.01	Int of Little Digger and Babbage Falls Tracks -33.772,151.1934 (GR Parramatta River, 327617)	2 0	10 m	Optional sidetrip to Babbage Falls. Turn sharp left: From the intersection, the walk follows the 'Babbage Falls' sign down the short hill, to the rock platform looking down on the Babbage Falls.
5.01	Int of Little Digger and Babbage Falls Tracks -33.772,151.1934 (GR Parramatta River, 327617)	7 -2	130 m 3 mins	Continue straight: From the intersection, leaving the signposted 'Babbage Falls Track' on the left, the walk follows the bush track, keeping the creek to the left.
5.15	Int of Little Digger and Little Falls Tracks -33.7731,151.1928 (GR Parramatta River, 327615)	0 -5	30 m 1 mins	Optional sidetrip to Little Falls. Turn left: From the intersection, the walk follows the "Little Falls 2min return" arrow along the bush track, heading down the hill and through the ferns to a small flat clearing next to a creek, just down stream f
5.15	Int of Little Digger and Little Falls Tracks -33.7731,151.1928 (GR Parramatta River, 327615)	31 -4	250 m 6 mins	Continue straight: From the intersection (with the signposted Little Falls Track on the left), the walk follows the bush track heading up the short hill.
5.39	End of Carnarvon Road -33.774,151.1908 (GR Parramatta River, 325614)	43 -15	1.3 km 24 mins	Continue straight: From the cul-de-sac, this walk follows the narrow road, soon coming to an intersection with Mycumbene Avenue.