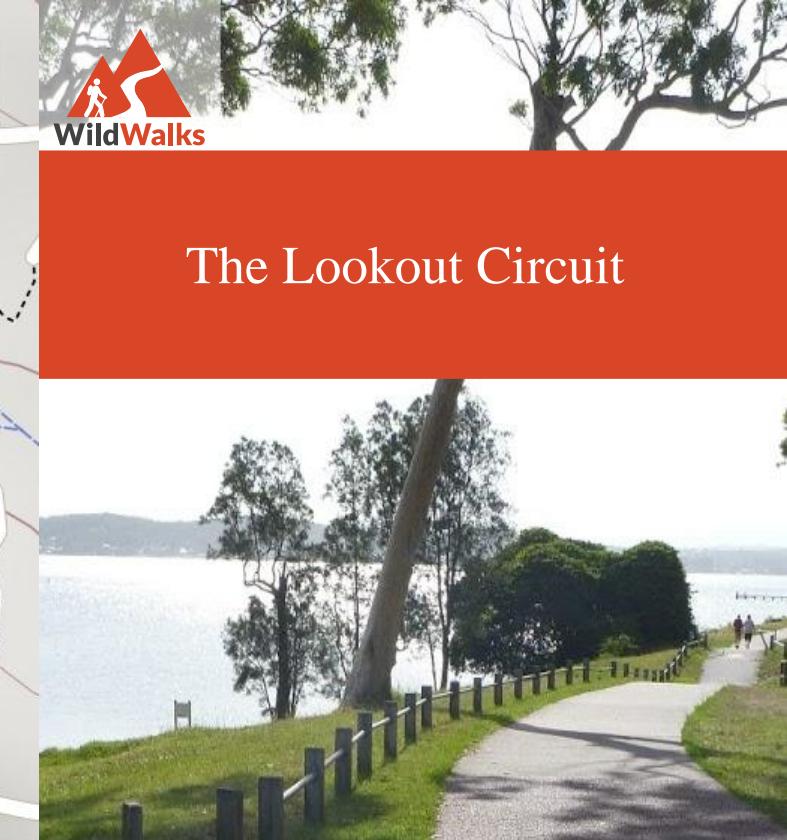
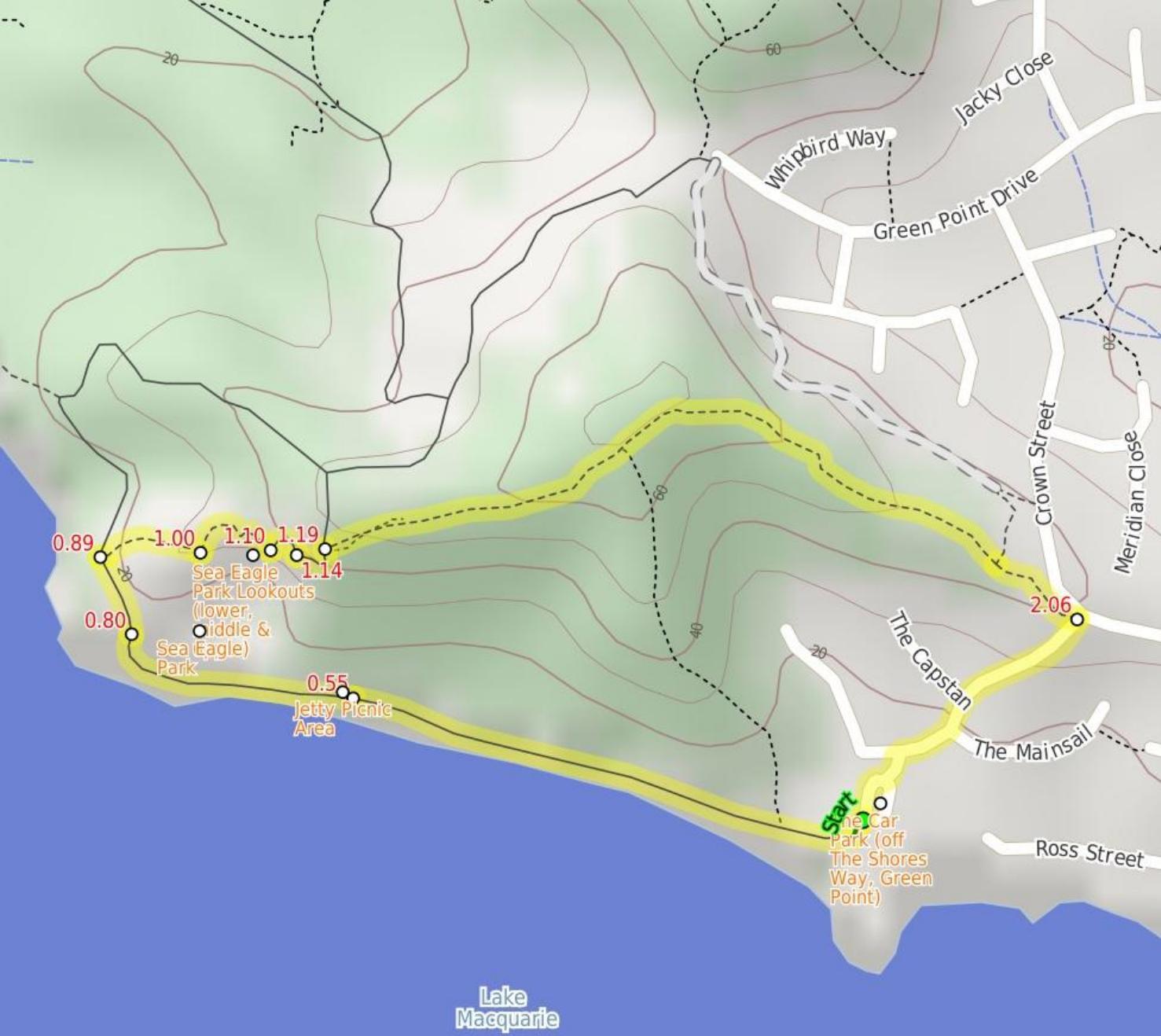


The Lookout Circuit



1 Hr

2.4 km Circuit

Moderate track

▲ **91m**

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The Lookout Circuit is a classic Green Point reserve walk. This walk offers walkers plenty of picnic opportunities, elevated views over Lake Macquarie and travel through eucalyptus forest. There is also good historical and environmental interpretative signage along much of this walk. This recommended walk makes a lovely half day walk if a picnic is included and remember to keep a lookout for Sea Eagles.

70m

3m

Lake Macquarie LGA

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 The Shores Way Car Park (gps: -33.0299, 151.6421) 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 including; travel directions, weather, park closures and walker feedback at <http://wild.tl/tlc>

0 | Green Point Foreshore Reserve on Lake Macquarie

The Green Point Foreshore Reserve on Lake Macquarie is a great place for a bush walk, bicycle or picnic. The Green Point Foreshore reserve offers many historical and environmentally interpretative signs along its multi use pathways. There is an unformed foreshore pathway beside Lake Macquarie, or more physically demanding walks away from the lake foreshore and into rainforest. Historically, the Green Point area was involved in a coal rush from the 1860's. This coal rush was spearheaded by the Cardiff Coal Company. Coal was proposed to be transported by barge to Threlkeld's old wharf at Reid's Mistake (Swansea Heads) for shipping to Sydney. However, the coal was poor quality 'boiler coal' and used mostly for steamer boilers. This coal rush finished in 1870. Timber was also milled on site after the coal rush. The Lake Macquarie Council is undergoing extensive rehabilitation works to improve the area for recreation. For more information contact the Lake Macquarie Visitor Information Centre on (02) 4921 0740 [More info.](#)

0 | The Car Park (off The Shores Way, Green Point)

The Shores Way park entrance and car park is a great place to start a walk within the Green Point Foreshore Reserve on Lake Macquarie. The park entrance offers a toilet, a water tap, seating and plenty of car parking. There are attractive grass slopes here dropping into the water, that make a fine spot to have a picnic.

0 | The Shores Way Car Park

(550 m 10 mins) From the car park(on The Shores Way, Green Point), this walk heads towards the lake past the toilet block and along the footpath for 25m, to a four-way intersection with a 'Welcome to Green Point Foreshore Reserve' sign (on the right).

Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the shared concrete cycle/footpath gently downhill, while keeping the Shores Way car park on your right and the water on your left. This walk continues, undulating for about 500m, until coming to the Jetty picnic area on the right and jetty on your left.

0.55 | Jetty Picnic Area

The Jetty Picnic area in the Green Point Foreshore Reserve on Lake Macquarie offers a public jetty, a sheltered picnic table, seating, a

drinking fountain and historical interpretative signs. The historical signs detail the 'timber getting' period of Green Point from 1860, with the timber used to build jetty's, pit prop for coal mining, ships and boats. There is also an historical sign detailing 'The Cardiff Coal Company', which mined coal out of Green Point during a minor coal rush.

0.55 | Jetty Picnic Area (Green Point Foreshore Reserve)

(260 m 5 mins) Continue straight: From the Jetty Picnic Area, this walk follows the footpath gently uphill, while keeping the lake on your left. This walk continues for about 260m, until coming to a three-way intersection with a track and the Sea Eagle Park on your right.

0.8 | Sea Eagle Park

Sea Eagle Park in Green Point Foreshore Reserve on Lake Macquarie is a large grassed picnic area, with a toilet, sheltered picnic tables, water from a tap and gas/electric barbeque's. This picnic area is particularly good for larger family group, for there is room to play ball games or just sit and look at the views. The short walk up to the Sea Eagle Lookouts is recommended for the commanding views south towards Swansea.

0.8 | Int of Foreshore Track & Sea Eagle Park

(80 m 2 mins) Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the footpath gently uphill, while keeping Sea Eagle Park on your right. This walk continues for about 70m, until coming to a three-way intersection with a track and 'Lookout' sign on your right and a 'Getting about at Green Point' sign on your left.

0.89 | Int of Foreshore & Lookout Tracks

(110 m 2 mins) Turn right: From the intersection, this walk heads up timber steps, directly away from the face of the 'Getting about at Green Point' sign. This walk continues gently uphill, with occasional timber steps (and passing a seat) for about 110m, until coming to the Lower Lookout above Sea Eagle Park (on the right).

1 | Sea Eagle Park Lookouts (lower, middle & upper)

These three lookouts (lower, middle and upper lookouts) are above Sea Eagle Park in Green Point Foreshore Reserve on Lake Macquarie and give great views across Lake Macquarie towards Swansea. The upper lookout has a picnic table in the shade behind the lookout, which gives relief on a hot day. The upper lookout also a picnic table at the lookout, offering fabulous views to the south. Each of these lookouts has a bench seat and interpretative signs. White Bellied Sea Eagles have been known to nest nearby and are often seen flying in the area.

1 | Lower Lookout (Sea Eagle Park)

(100 m 3 mins) Turn left: From Lower Lookout, this walk heads gently uphill, while keeping the views on your right. This walk continues along the track for about 100m, using timber steps, until coming to Middle Lookout.

1.1 | Middle Lookout (Sea Eagle Park)

(40 m 1 mins) Turn left : From the Middle Lookout, this walk heads up timber steps for 30m, until coming to the Upper Lookout (with Sea Eagle Park below).

1.14 | Upper Lookout (Sea Eagle Park)

(50 m 1 mins) Turn left: From the Upper Lookout, this walk follows the concrete footpath gently uphill and away from the viewpoint. This walk continues for 45m, until coming to a three-way intersection with a gravel track (on the right) and a picnic table (on the left just beyond).

1.19 | Int of Lookout & Linkage Tracks

(870 m 17 mins) Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the gravel track gently uphill, while leaving the concrete foot path and keeping the viewpoint directly behind you. This walk continues through forest for about 60m, to veer right at a open gravel clearing (with vandalized timber post). Then this walk continues, undulating along a forest covered ridge (ignoring side tracks) and passing vandalized timber posts for about 700m, until coming to a three-way intersection, with a faint track (into grassland on the left).

Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the track gently downhill, while initially keeping the faint track (into grassland) on your left. This walk continues through forest (passing a leaf symbol post) for about 100m, until coming down timber steps and coming to a four-way intersection, with Crown St and The Shores Way.

2.06 | Int of The Shores Way AND Crown St

(320 m 8 mins) Turn right: From the corner of The Shores Way and Crown Street, , this walk follows The Shores Way moderately steeply downhill, while initially keeping the timber steps and 'Lake Macquarie' sign on the right. This walk continues (passing The Capstan and The Mainsail streets) for 250m, to turn left into the Green Point Foreshore Reserve car park. Then this walk continues gently downhill for 90m, until coming to the toilet block.