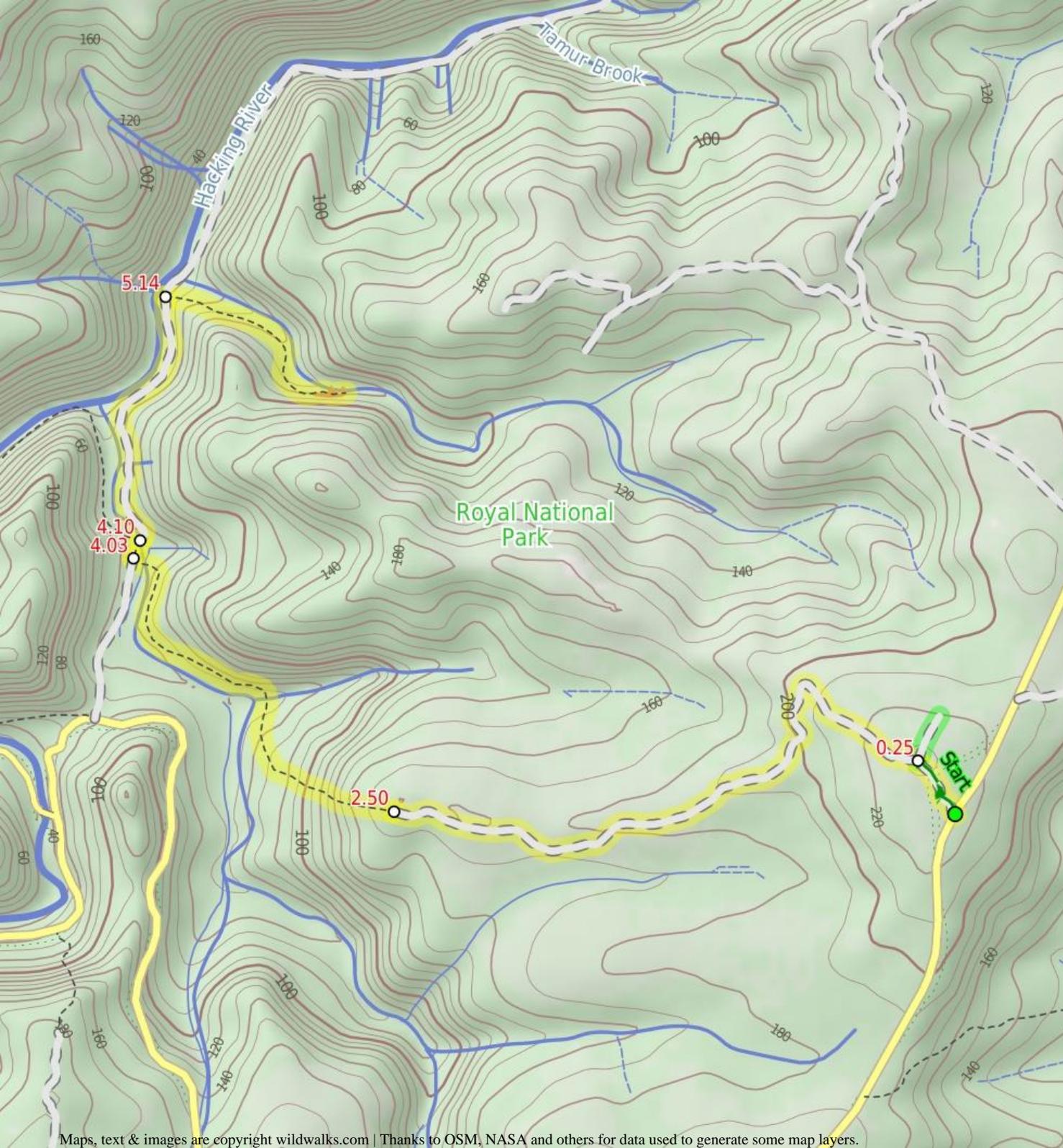


Wallumarra to Palona Cave



4 hrs 30 mins

Hard track

11.8 km Return

↑ 446m



Winding next to Bola Creek, the Wallumarra bush track is very pretty, as is the track to Palona. Great rest areas at Bola Picnic Area, and next to the waterfall at Palona Cave, cap off a great walk. While the Wallumarra service trail and the side trip to the Beehives are not the most interesting tracks in Royal National Park, the Wallumarra bush track and the trail to Palona Cave make up for this.

16m

Royal 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. Walumarra Trk and Sir Bertram Stevens Drive (gps: -34.1522, 151.0595). 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/wtpe>

0 | Int. Walumarra Trk and Sir Bertram Stevens Drive

(250 m 4 mins) From the intersection, this walk heads along the dark gravel service trail in the opposite direction to the arrow on the signpost. The track soon turns left and after approximately 50m, the track turns from the dark gravel to yellow sand. The track soon passes an old trig point on the left to continue for approximately 30m to the intersection.

0.25 | Optional sidetrip to Bee Hives

(190 m 3 mins) Veer right: From the intersection, this walk heads away from the back of the signpost, as it heads down the overgrown track. The walk passes through the vegetation to a grassed opening with bee hives. At the end of this side trip, retrace your steps back to the main walk then Turn right.

0.25 | Garie Hill

(2.2 km 39 mins) Veer left: From the intersection, this walk heads over the speed bump on the track following the sign posts arrow. The track swings right through moderately dense vegetation for approximately 40m to an open short bush area. The walk continues down the hill for approximately 300m to turn left. The track continues for approximately 200m to turn right, heading down the hill to where it flattens out. After approximately 1km of flat, the track enters a clearing on the left, the end of the service trail.

2.5 | End of Walumarra Servicetrail

(1.5 km 41 mins) Continue straight: From the end of the Walumarra service trail, this walk heads along the bush track away from the service trail. The track opens out and it is possible to see the valley below. From here, the track begins to steeply descend the hill using rock stairs. The track nears the bottom and flattens out slightly, continuing down the hill until reaching Bola Creek. At this point, the track turns sharply to the right and continues along the creek bank. After a short period, the track crosses a small tributary of Bola Creek. Continuing along the track, there are

several sections that have been boardwalked. After the boardwalk is finished, the track continues beside the creek until coming to a well-marked crossing. On the other side, the track goes slightly up along the well-managed bush track for approximately 100m until coming to an intersection with a service trail. This is signposted as the 'Walumarra Track'.

4.03 | Int of Lady Carrington Drive and Walumarra Bushtra

(70 m 1 mins) Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the dirt road to the north, through the forest for a short distance before bending to the right and coming down to the signposted intersection with 'The Forest Path' at the Bola Creek picnic area.

4.1 | Bola Picnic Area

(1 km 22 mins) Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Audley 9km' arrow down the short gentle slope and across Bola Creek, following the dirt road as it bends around to the left and continues up and along beside the creek. The road heads through the forest for a long while before coming to the hidden, signposted intersection with the faint 'Limestone Cave' bush track (the timber sign is not obvious, it is behind a large tree on the left, just before the signposted 'Palona Brook').

5.14 | Int Palona Cave Trk and Lady Carrington Drive

(780 m 19 mins) Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Limestone Cave 1.6km' arrow along the track, heading up the hill and away from the road. The walk continues up a long hill, winding through dense forest for a short while before flattening out and continuing along the side of the hill. The walk winds through the bush and passes several rock overhangs and outcrops either side of the track, as the walk make its way along to the Palona Caves at the end of the track.

