



This short walk explores a memorable section of the Hermitage Foreshore Walk. Starting from Queens Ave, this walk heads down the fairly steep stone steps and enjoys a short side trip to Queens Beach. From the beach, this walk heads back up the steps a short way, then follows the main walk around to Hermit Point. Hermit Point is a great place for a picnic and to enjoy the water views. There is access to the water, natural shade, and picnic tables. A short walk with great harbour views.

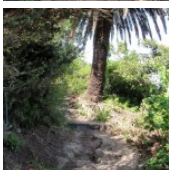
**Length:** 0.6 km  
**Time:** 20 mins  
**Climb:** 39 m  
**Style:** Return  
**Rating:** Track: Moderate  
**Where:** 1.4 km WNW of Vaucluse  
**Transport:** bus car



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Happy Reading. Matt :)

## Int of Queens Ave and Little Queens Lane to Bottom of Queens Rd Track 0km 2 mins

(From S) From the 'Hermitage Foreshore Walk - Queens Beach' sign on Queens Ave (just near Little Queens Lane), this walk heads down the sandstone steps towards the water. Partway down the steps (before the beach), this track comes to three-way intersection with the main Hermitage Foreshore walking track.

## Bottom of Queens Rd Track to Queens Beach 0km Optional Side Trip:

(From 0.04 km) Veer left: From the intersection, this walk heads down the steps towards the beach. The track then comes to a boardwalk, a 'Hermitage Foreshore Walk - Queens Beach' sign and a short set of steps leading down to the beach.

(Retrace your steps back to the main track, then veer left to continue along this walk.)

## Queens Beach

Queens Beach is a small, 50m wide sandy beach that faces west, near Queens Ave Vaucluse. The beach has the Hermitage Foreshore walk running behind it. The beach is protected from the ocean surf and is not patrolled. There are great views across the harbour to the city and Harbour Bridge. A quiet spot, providing an excuse to enjoy the view and splash the feet.

## Bottom of Queens Rd Track to Hermit Point 0.2km 5 mins

(From 0.04 km) Turn right: From the intersection, this walk heads along the short flat path (keeping the water down to your left) and soon heads up some steps. The track crosses a small creek and then leads behind some houses. Next, the walk heads down some steps and turns left, following a wide concrete path down the hill to the signposted 'Hermit Point'.

## Hermit Point

Hermit Point hosts a grassy open area and is surrounded by a sandstone sea wall. The sea wall has been shaped to host some boat pens, a launch and a timber wharf. The area is now protected as part of the Sydney Harbour National Park. Here, you will find a number of picnic tables, a small sandstone cave, natural shade and some great water views. The headland, bay and ultimately the Hermitage Foreshore Walk, derive their names from the large home behind this point. The Hermitage was originally built in 1840 by Alexander Dick, then in the 1870's, Edward Mason Hunt undertook some significant renovations, turning it into a Victorian Rustic Gothic house.

This is a 'Return' style walk - retrace your steps back to the beginning when you are ready.

# Queens Beach to Hermit Point

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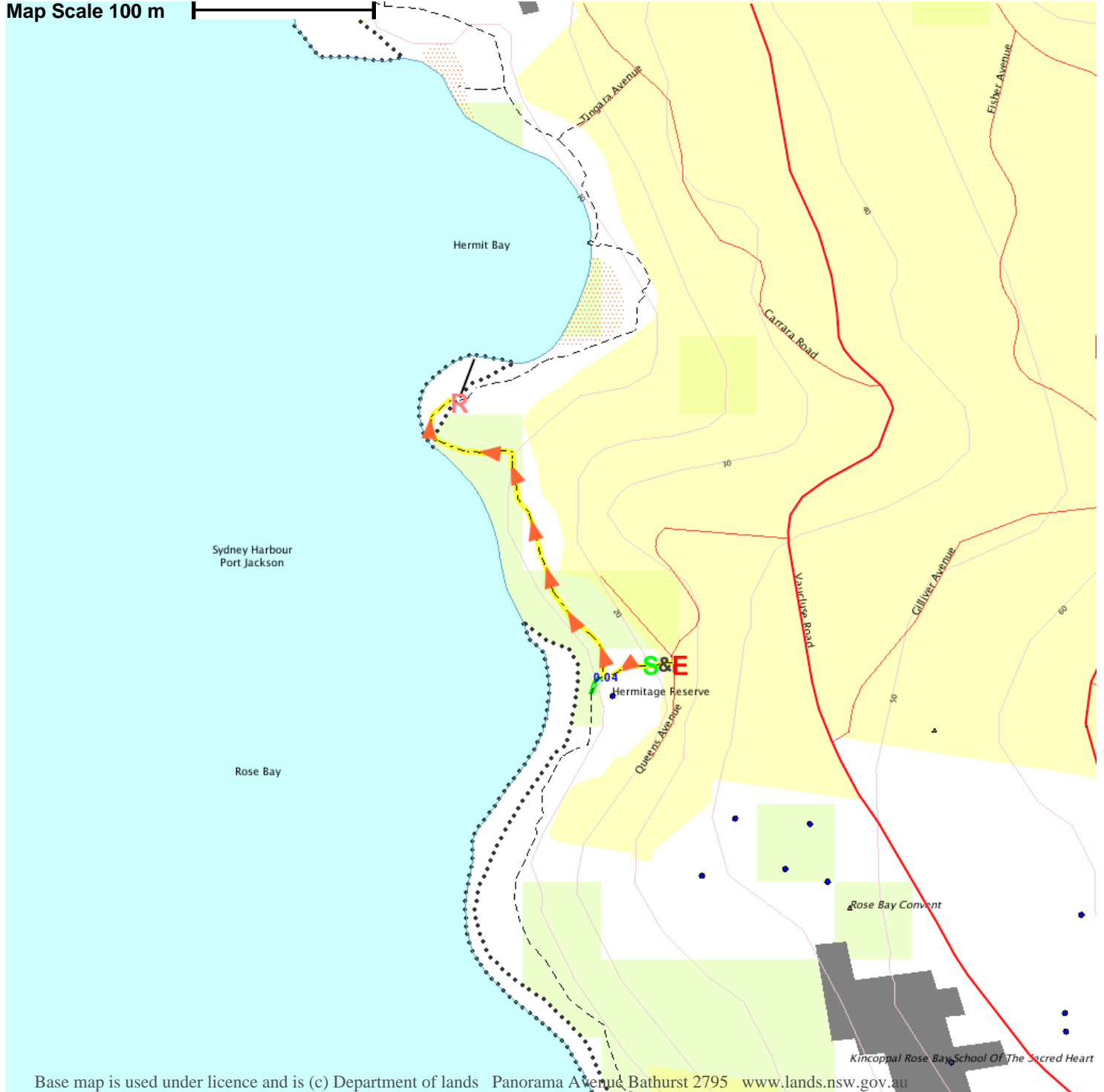
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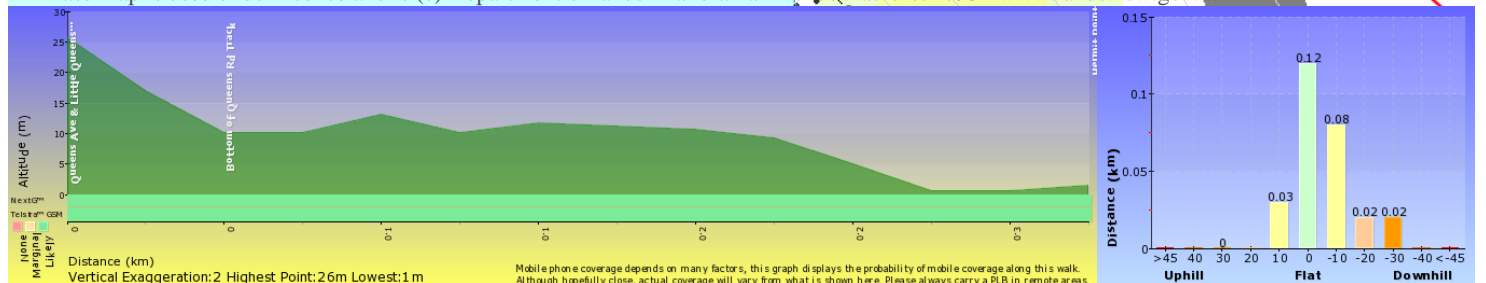
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