



Bradleys Head Walk



1 Hr

Moderate track



1.7 km Circuit

↑ 83m

The walk around Bradleys Head is packed with great views and cultural heritage. The views over Sydney Harbour can be enjoyed from many vantage points. There are a number of places of historic significance, including HMAS Sydney's Mast and Athol Hall. Athol Hall has a wonderful, grassed lawn with excellent views over the city, a great place for a coffee or picnic.



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 HMAS Sydney Mast, Bradleys Head (gps: -33.8531, 151.2463) by car or bus. Car: Parking fees apply in the area.

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/1c>

0 | HMAS Sydney Memorial Mast

The HMAS Sydney Memorial Mast was erected in 1934, following the HMAS Sydney's decommissioning in 1928. The mast stands as a sign of respect for 'Australian officers, sailors and ships lost at sea and in combat'. HMAS Sydney itself was a Chatham Class light cruiser which saw action in WW1. [More info.](#)

0 | HMAS Sydney Mast, Bradleys Head

(740 m 18 mins) From the intersection, this walk heads to the end of the car park, with Sydney Harbour to the left. The walk continues to the intersection with Bradleys Head amphitheatre.

Veer right: From the intersection, this walk heads along the hillside, with the amphitheatre and harbour on the left, for approximately 10m to the intersection signposted as the way to 'Cannons Picnic Area'.

Continue straight: From the intersection, this walk heads around the hillside, keeping the water below on the left. After a few hundred meters, there is a seat overlooking Sydney Harbour. This walk continues around for another 400m, undulating with the boardwalk, to meet the signposted stairs to 'Athol Hall'.

Veer right: From the intersection, this walk follows the sign to 'Athol Hall' up the stairs, crossing a large grassy area. The walk then continues up to Athol Hall entrance.

0.74 | Athol Hall

Athol Hall, built in 1908, was once a hotel. Sections of the original building date back to the 1800's. The hall has an

excellent vantage point over the harbour with the Sydney Opera House, Harbour Bridge and city all well within its scope. Athol Hall today is a cafe and function centre with the cafe open Tues-Fri and Sun, 11am -3pm. [More info.](#)

0.74 | Athol Hall

(100 m 2 mins) Turn left: From the entrance to Athol Hall, this walk heads up the hill, with the views of Sydney Harbour on the left. The walk continues up the road, where it crosses to the parking toll booth.

0.84 | Athol Hall car park

(110 m 2 mins) Continue straight: From the corner of Bradley Head Rd and the car park, this walk heads down the hill just behind the parking pay booth. The track meanders down the hill to a signposted intersection.

0.95 | Optional sidetrip to Taylors Bay Lookout

(50 m 1 mins) Continue straight: From the intersection, the walk heads away from the main tracks winding into the bush. The track winds past two white benches, to a small rock shelf overlooking the water. At the end of this side trip, retrace your steps back to the main walk then Turn left.

0.95 | Int. Borogegal Walking Trail and Taylors Bay Looko

(790 m 17 mins) Turn right: From the intersection, this walk follows the 'Bradleys Head' sign along the hillside, keeping the water glimpses to your left. After about 600m this track leads to a boardwalk which then leads to a road. Here the walk turns left to follow the footpath down the hill for about 150m, to the clearing with the HMAS Sydney's mast, a car park and toilets.

