



# Swamy Ridge Track



Walking



Mountain Biking

Length

**3 km**

Journey Time

**3 hrs return**

Region

[Otago](#)

Sub-Region

[Dunedin City](#)

Part of the Collection

[Herenga ā Nuku Aotearoa Walkways](#)

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Swamy Ridge Track ascends to the 739m high Swamy summit for picturesque views of the surrounding area. Part of the track follows a 4WD track which showcases a vibrant red soil from which the region's name is derived. The red ochre is known as takou in Māori and the name Otago comes from Otakou, meaning the place of the red ochre.

The track passes by peat swamps where Moa gizzard stones can be found. However, other animal remains disappear in the acidic soil and water.

Swamy Ridge Track links with other walking tracks in the area.

## Conditions

Dogs with a DOC permit only.

## How to get here

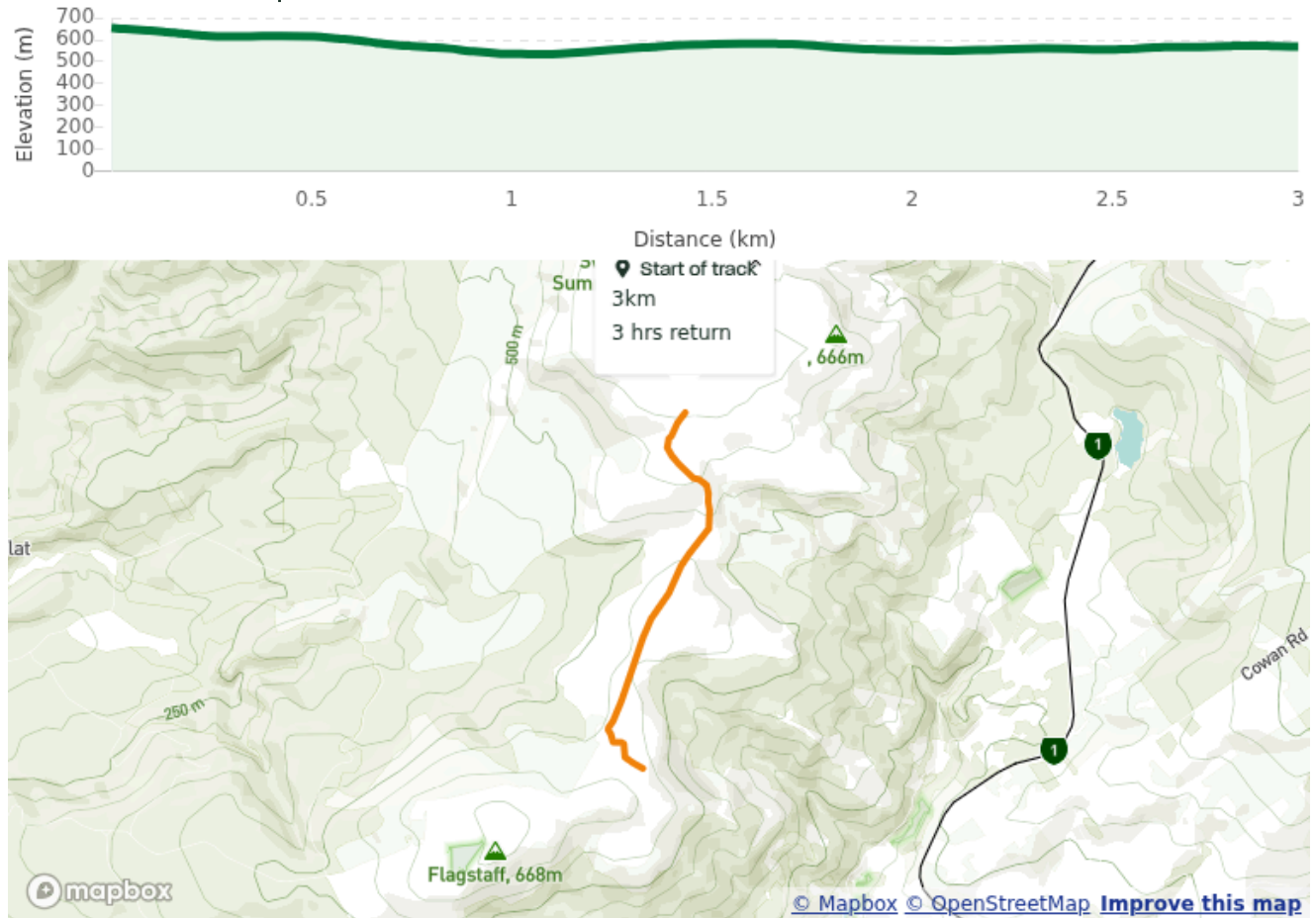
Swamy Ridge Track can be accessed from the carpark on Semple Road in the Waitati settlement or from [Flagstaff-Pineapple Walkway](#) [↗](#).

## Transport

## Accommodation

# Food And Supply

## Track Elevation and Map



## More information

[Department of Conservation](#)

This track is part of the Herenga ā Nuku Aotearoa track database. Herenga ā Nuku has [maps and advice about public access to the outdoors](#).

We encourage you to continue gaining the skills and knowledge required for a safe trip. The NZ Mountain Safety Council has lots of free resources and information you can use. These can be accessed via [www.mountainsafety.org.nz](http://www.mountainsafety.org.nz).

We recommend trying these online learning tools:

- [Trip Planning](#)
- [Tramping/field Skills](#)
- [Basic Navigation](#)
- [River Safety](#)

Additionally, check out the range of helpful videos available from the NZ Mountain Safety Council [YouTube channel](#).



