

## **SITE ASSESSMENT: The Steps (Inscription Point), Kurnell**

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**Location/ Site:** The Steps, Kurnell (Sometimes referred to Inscription Point.  
Alternate site 'The Monuments' is also sometimes referred to as Inscription Point).

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**GPS:** 34°00'11.6"S 151°13'31.6"E

**Depth:** 20m

**Swell:** Protected from S to SE swells up to 2-3 meters. Cannot dive here with N to ESE swell direction over 1 meter.

**General Currents:** Swell dependant and current can be moderate. Best to dive at slack or incoming. Can be done as a drift dive on incoming (see note regarding one-way dive below).

**Entry / Egress:** Shore. Good entry point is the small inlet just to the left at the bottom of the steps. If the swell and/or the tide is up; the "v" shaped groove next to this can also be used.

**Special Note:** This dive can be done as a one-way dive from The Leap to The Steps or from The Steps to The Monuments/Sutherland point. This should be done on an incoming tide.

**Dominant Marine Species Identified:** Kelp and urchin barrens with sponge gardens at depth. Weedy sea dragons!

### **Hazards Identified:**

**Visibility:** Best to dive on incoming tide.

**Boating:** Carry a flag.

**DMA:** Sharks, blue ringed octopus, numb rays, urchins

**Sharps:** Rocky platform entry with sharp/abrasive rocks: Booties and gloves and full wetsuit.

**Not a sheltered water site:** Must have shore support at all times.

### **Closest Medical Institution: 8-10km**

Sutherland Hospital Ph: (02) 9540 7111

The Kingsway and Kareena Rd

Caringbah 2229

### **Closest Defibrillator. 5km**

Cronulla RSL Memorial Club, Adjacent to carpark, Gerrale St, Cronulla.

### **Closest Hyperbaric Chamber: 30km**

Prince of Whales Hospital Ph (02) 9382 2222

Barker and Easy St

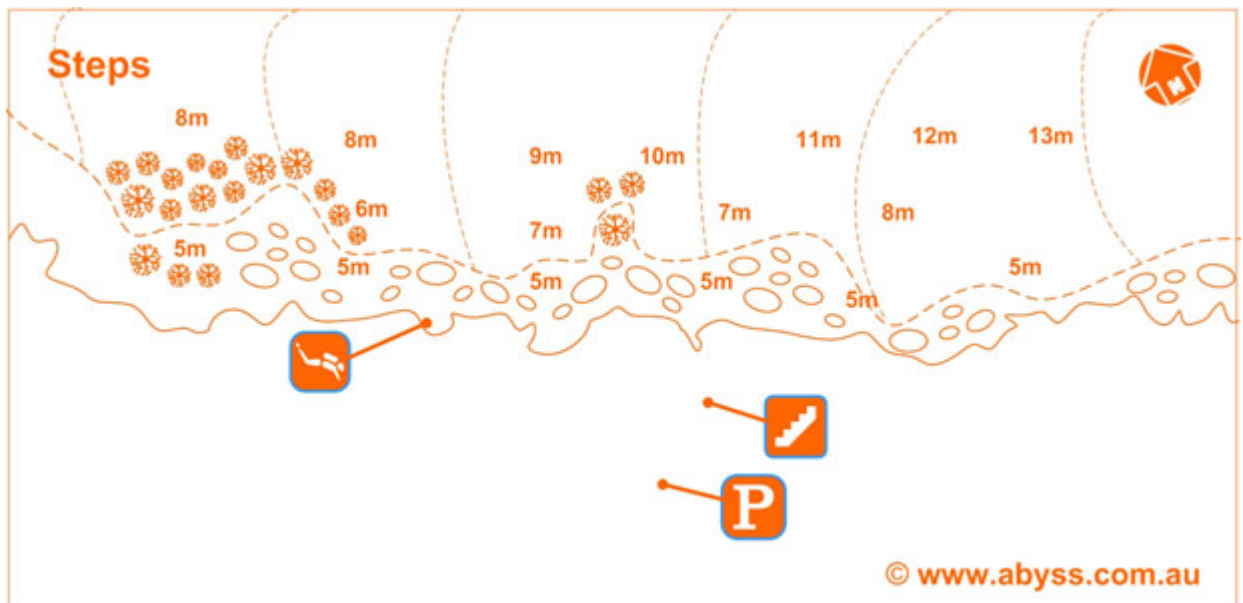
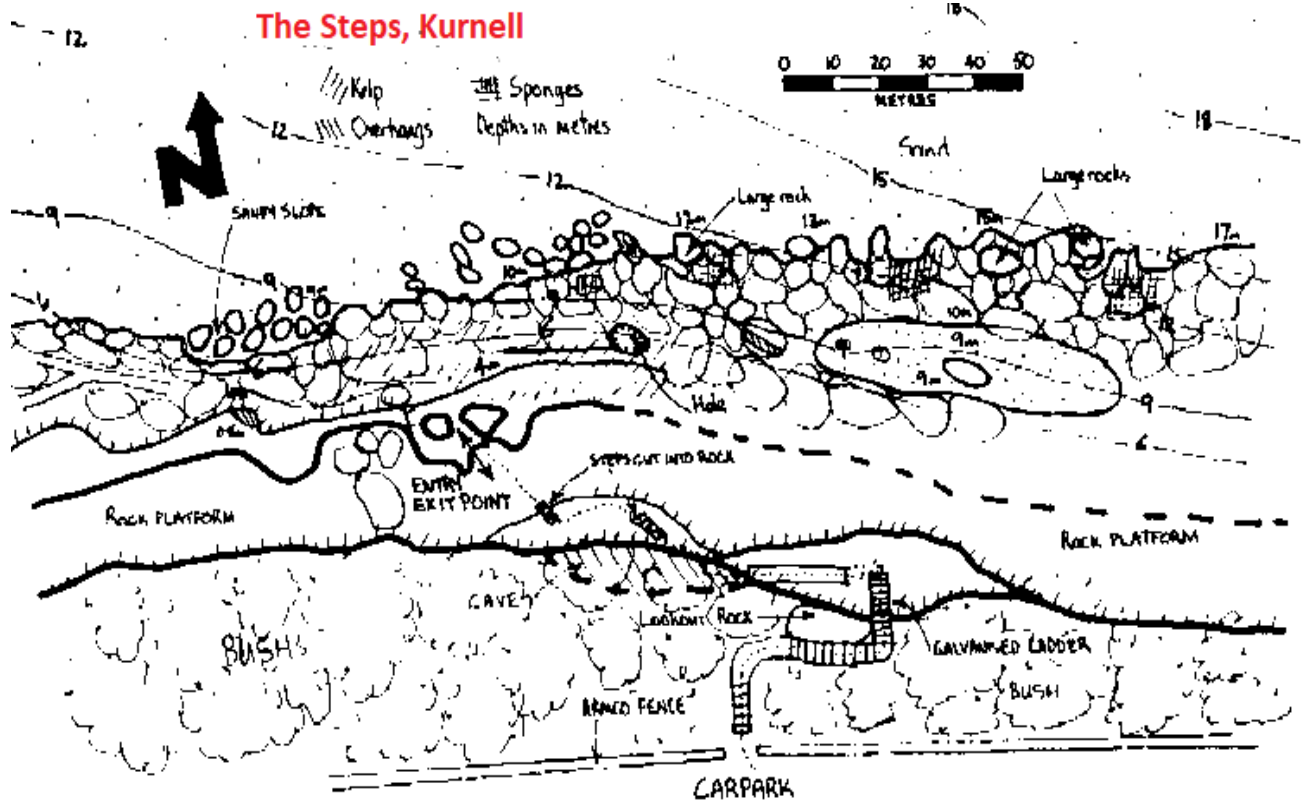
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**Directions For EMS:**

**Land Access:** Follow Cape Solander Drive in Kamay National Park, past the Visitor's Centre to the Steps Car Park. Walk down 'The Steps' to the rock platform.

**Boat access:** Closest boat ramp is Bonna Point Boat ramp, 312 Prince Charles Parade, Kurnell.



Entry/Exit points

