

**Welcome to the National Rock Garden, where every rock has a story to tell...**

The Rock Garden celebrates Australia's rich geological heritage and features a permanent display showcasing the diversity of rocks and minerals that contribute so significantly to the nation's landscapes.

A walk through the National Rock Garden is a walk through time, charting the evolution of the continent during the last four billion years.

There is a map on the back of this page. When you get to the Rock Garden, follow the clues to find interesting rocks, minerals & fossils.

**?** **Did you know?** What you will experience in the National Rock Garden today is stage one of three

○ Stage 1    ○ Stages 2 & 3

To find out more about the rocks use the QR codes on the plaques that have them, or go to our website: [nationalrockgarden.com.au](http://nationalrockgarden.com.au)

# National Rock Garden Treasure Map

1. **Start** at the big red rock

2. Find the other big red rock, just like this one

**Hint:** It is over 2000 million years old!

Can you see the layers in this rock?

3. Find the green and pink rock

**Hint:** It is from South Australia

See how many patches of shiny gold-coloured minerals you can find?

4. Find the limestone rock full of fossilised clams



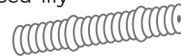
**Hint:** It looks like this:

Can you find a clam fossil that is bigger than your hand?

Can you see any fossils?

5. Find the other limestone rock

**Hint:** Look out for small sea-lily stems that look like this:



Look for a patch of rock inside this one that is different

7. Find the rock used to build the Sydney Harbour Bridge



**Hint:** It looks like this:

Feel how smooth they are!

6. Find the rock with the big black shiny 'eyes'

**Hint:** It has been polished by a sculptor

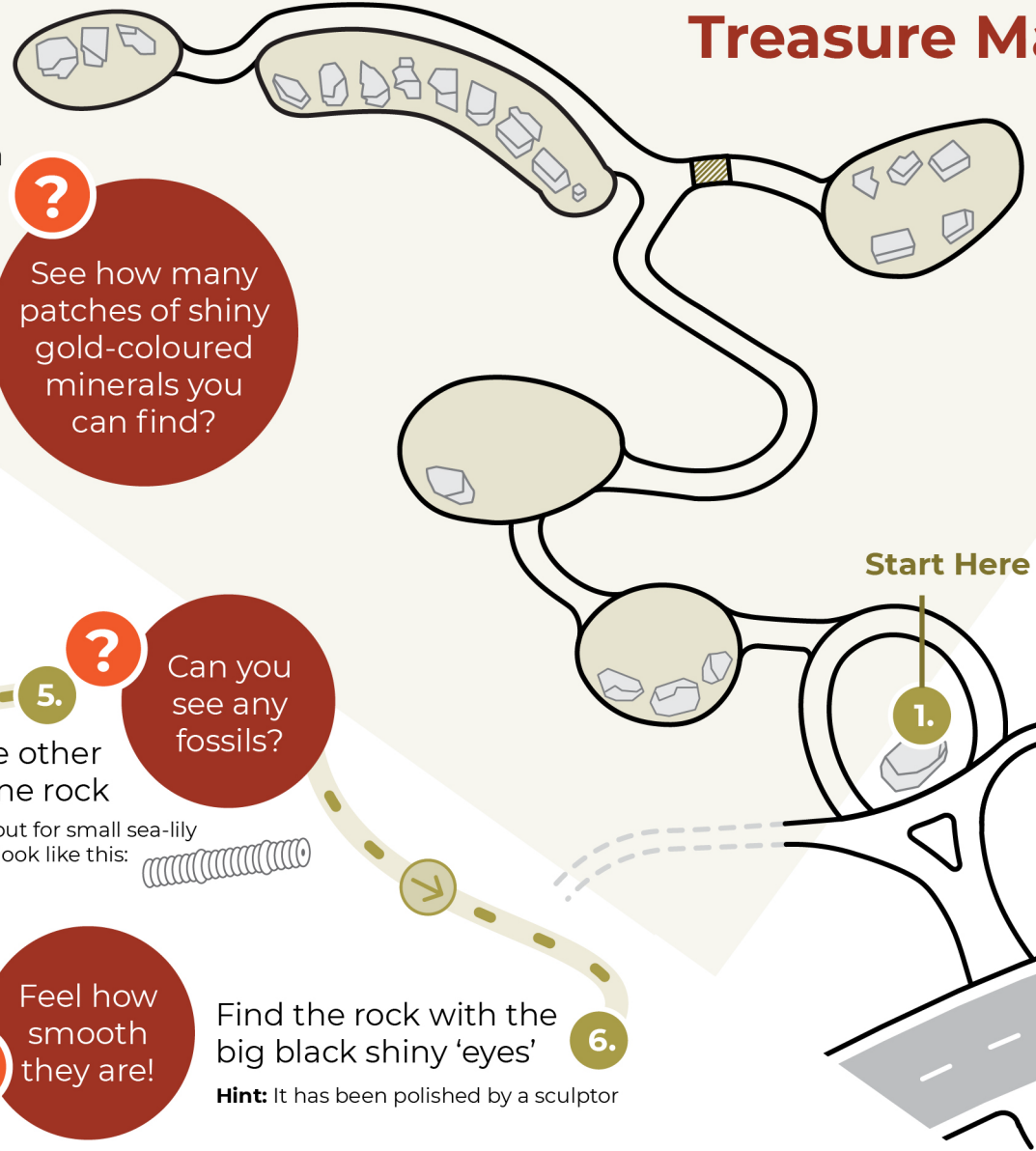
Can you find the big crystals in this rock?


8. Find the rock from Antarctica

(it is back the way you have come, across a little bridge)

9. On your map:

- draw a **circle** around the rocks with fossils
- ✕ draw a **cross** on the oldest rock
- ☆ draw a **star** on your favourite rock



 Return your pencil back to the Information Desk for a small reward!