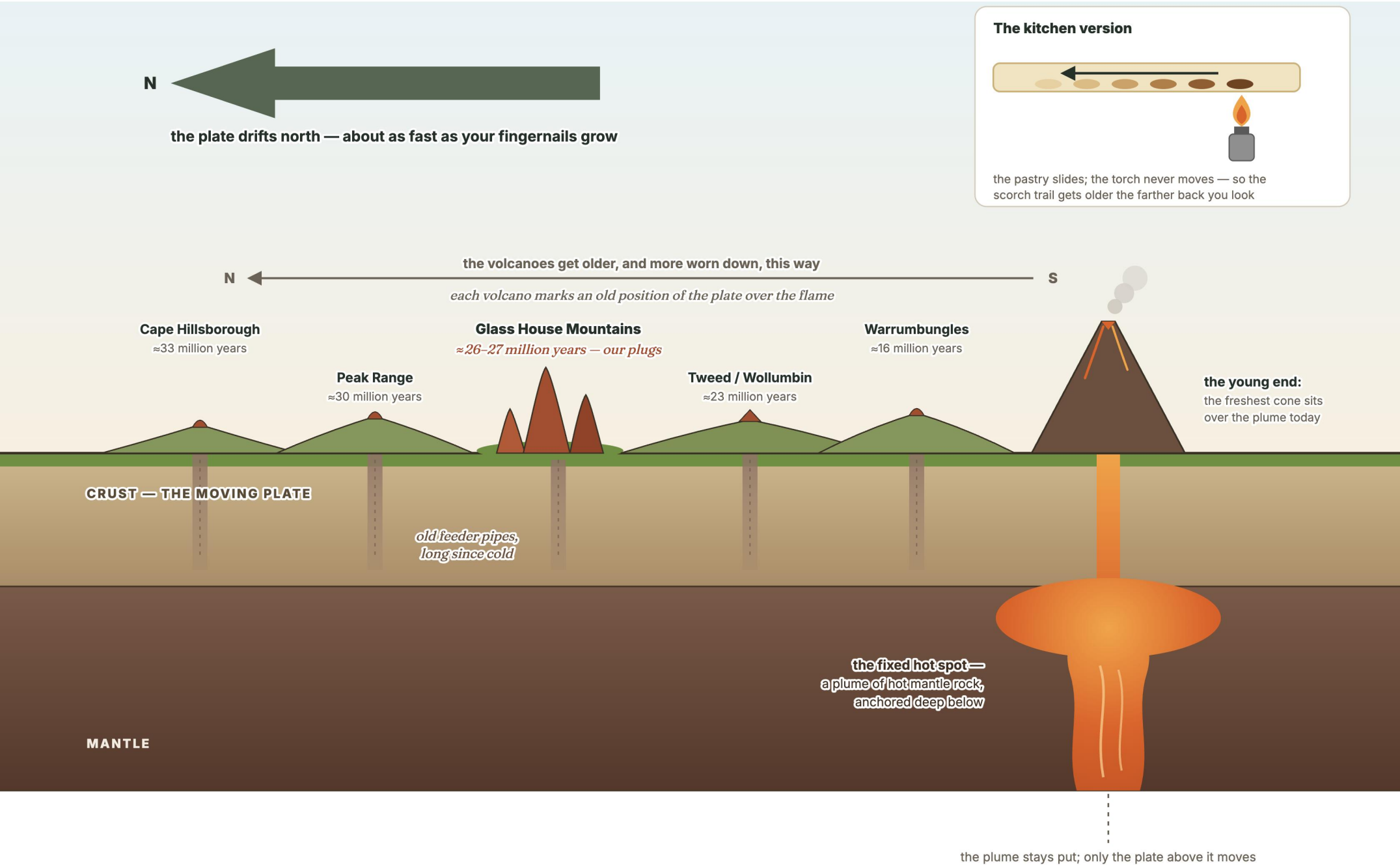


The hotspot track

One fixed flame, one slowly drifting continent — and a trail of volcanoes that doubles as a clock.



Schematic — not to scale; distances compressed. Ages after Wellman & McDougall (1974), Cohen et al. (2007) and Davies et al. (2015); the plume now lies off Australia's south.