

Bakewell Club Site walk

Camping and Caravanning

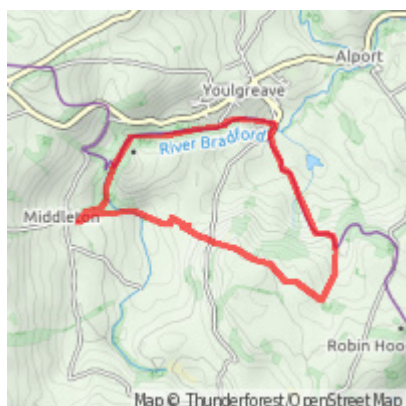


Route Summary



An energetic walk from Bakewell Camping and Caravanning Club Site that drops to a valley, takes in a lovely river walk and then climbs a steep fell side to return. Lots of ups and downs, some steep, and great views on the return route. Wear boots as there's some rough going in places.

Route Overview



Category: Walking

Rating: Unrated

Surface: Rough

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Difficulty: Hard

Length: 6.530 km / 4.08 mi

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Description




A CIRCULAR WALK FROM BAKEWELL C&CC SITE



THE WALK TAKES YOU INTO SOME REMOTE SITUATIONS

This route is a fairly energetic one with lots of ups and downs. Paths are generally good and straightforward to follow but you should take along Ordnance Survey Explorer Map OL25 - The Peak District White Peak Area. The walk takes you into some locations that feel quite remote but passes right by Youlgreave and it is well worth making a detour to have a look at it. The River Bradford is followed for some distance and the walk beside it is enchanting and very popular. As the going can be rough you should wear boots and carry a rucksack with a coat, hat, gloves, drink and food in it. This is quite a challenging walk and if using a GPS the mileage will read 4.32 miles. It should take you about 2.5 to 3 hours at a steady pace.

Waypoints

 (53.16502; -1.69382)

From Bakewell Camping and Caravanning Club Site leave the site past the reception and barrier keeping left as the access track bears right. Pass a gate on the right and go left down a lane. Walk to a farmyard and go right, passing through a squeeze stile. Go down a drive to the right of a house. Continue ahead to the track's end and pass through

a small gate. Take the footpath ahead across the field and pass through another gate. Take the path ahead towards a valley and forest. Go through a small gate and squeeze stile at the bottom and follow the path half left towards the trees. As you reach the trees continue ahead through a small valley. Just before the path ahead starts to rise up into trees, go left taking a path over a bridge (signposted 'Rollerdale and Gratton'). Climb steadily by a line of telegraph wires. As the angle eases continue through a small gate and take the path beyond by the wood's edge. At the wood's end keep ahead to reach more trees. Descend by a wall passing through a gate. Drop a short distance to pick up a track and reach a footpath junction and sign.



DESCENDING FROM BAKEWELL C&CC SITE



CROSSING THE BRIDGE

2 (53.16521; -1.70742)

Go right descending a wide track and passing the 'No Vehicles and Camping' sign. Descend past a wall gap with a concrete book ends sculpture. Now bear left into a wooded valley. At the next signpost (by a bridge) go straight passing through a gate. Follow the developing river on the left. A little further along the river narrows – continue on the track. Follow the river as it widens and narrows again. Continue and pass through a gate, then cross a bridge.



BOOK END SCULPTURE



WALKING BY THE RIVER BETWEEN POINTS 2 AND 3

3 (53.17264; -1.68906)

Go right through a gate (signposted for 'The Limestone Way'). Now continue along the opposite side of the river. Follow the path past a marked swimming area and continue towards houses. Follow the path to pass through one of two small gates. Reach a road near Youlgreave.



WALKING BY THE RIVER ON THE OPPOSITE SIDE



VIEW OF THE RIVERSIDE WALK DOWN THE VALLEY

4 (53.17287; -1.68251)

Go ahead to go right and cross a bridge past the entrance to Hollow Farm. Rise up the lane and just past a stone barn, as the road bends right, take a footpath to the left through a squeeze stile and gate. Follow The Limestone Way across a field passing through another gate in a wall.

Follow the path over the field passing through a squeeze stile. Follow the track beyond to curve right by a fence and then go left to reach a gate. Pass through a little gate and follow the yellow arrow continuing on The Limestone Way keeping on the left edge of the field. Pass through another gate and cross the next field. Cross a stream and go through a kissing gate. Rise steeply up the next field.

Pass three redundant stiles then head left on a wide track. As the angle eases bear right, passing under overhead cables. At a junction of paths, carry on ahead leaving The Limestone Way and following a track signposted for Elton. Follow the arrows on a line of telegraph poles to cross two stiles in quick succession. Continue ahead over a short field aiming for a marker post. At the marker post cross a stone stile and go half right up the next field. Aim for the right

corner of a plantation following the telegraph poles to reach a wall.



MARKER FOR THE LIMESTONE WAY



LEAVING POINT FOUR NEAR YOULGREAVE

5 (53.15915; -1.67610)

Go right (don't pass through the wall) and you'll shortly reach a marker post. Cut half right heading for the end of another plantation, some gates and a big post. When you reach the two gates cross a stile and go left continuing to the bottom corner of the field.

Pass through two gates and follow the path past a sheepfold to go through a squeeze stile in a wall. Continue following the path over the next field aiming to the right of a solitary tree to pass through a gate/opening. Descend the next field keeping parallel to the forest but aiming right of a large oak tree to pass through a squeeze stile to a path junction.

Go straight on and pass through a squeeze stile. Cross the centre of the next field and cross an awkward stile. Go half left in the next field. At the bottom corner go through a gate. Drop down to a lane and cross over. Go through a gate into the next field. At the bottom of the field (above the campsite) go left through a tight stile. Follow a short path right



to reach Bakewell Club Site again.

