

Clitheroe Club Site: The Two Rivers Walk

Camping and Caravanning



Route Summary



This scenic seven-mile ramble follows the rivers Ribble and Hodder as they meander through the pasture and woodland of the verdant Ribble Valley. Along the way, you'll encounter abundant birdlife such as kingfishers and dippers and rich flora in the dense woodland alongside the River Hodder.

Route Overview



Category: Walking
Length: 11.210 km / 7.01 mi
Last Modified: 21st September 2017
Difficulty: Medium
Rating: Unrated
Surface: Moderate
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Description



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A pleasant but quite strenuous half-day hike along the rivers Ribble and Hodder direct from the site gate.



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Distance: 7.3 miles/12 km

Time: 3.5 – 4 hours

Terrain: Good riverside paths, but some trickier sections with steep ascents and descents through dense woodland.

Waypoints

1 (53.86405; -2.41685)



Starting from site reception, turn left at the gate and go through a gap in the hedge, signposted 'Footpath to riverbank'. At the river, head left and follow a Tarmac path downstream for 500 yards. Follow the path as it swings left away from river, then right and go through a gate to join a track before turning right again on to a quiet lane.

2 (53.86073; -2.41480)

Go over the bridge then take the path along the brook heading downstream. Rejoin the road after 300 yards and continue along the lane to the right of the recycling centre and past the farmhouses.

3 (53.85769; -2.41849)

At the farm gate, head half right through the kissing gate and through another gate to join a track heading past barns beside the river. Continue downstream on the Ribble Way, past a pipeline bridge and over the footbridge, across a tributary towards the road bridge at Mitton.

4 (53.84341; -2.43160)



At a kissing gate next to the Aspinall Arms, turn right and cross the bridge. Continue along the road between Hillcrest Tea Rooms and the Three Fishes. This road is quite busy so use the left hand verge where possible.

 (53.84981; -2.44181)



At the junction, turn left, dropping down to the bridge over the River Hodder. Cross this bridge and take the track to right, following the river upstream. At the large house on the hill, climb steeply then descend to the pretty little bridge before climbing steeply again up a flight of wooden steps.

6 (53.85536; -2.45751)



At the top, take the path off to the right through woodland and past an elegant stone cross. Ignore the path off up to the left and continue through the wood, descending gently to a series of footbridges.

7 (53.86182; -2.45700)

Continue along the river to Higher Hodder bridge, climb the steps and cross the bridge following the road around to the left. Proceed with care on the road, heading over the crossroads and after another 400 yards take the footpath on the right across fields.

8 (53.86877; -2.44966)



You're on the home leg now and only about 15 minutes from the pub and a well-earned drink. Continue across the fields with the hedge on your left heading directly towards Pendle Hill.

9 (53.86831; -2.43981)

At the end of the hedge, head across the field making straight for Clitheroe Castle. Go over the stile and straight on through the black metal gate. Cross the field then veer slightly left to join the road through a metal gate.

10 (53.86942; -2.42587)

Continue along the road towards Clitheroe, going left at the junction, past the pub and over the bridge. Turn right at the far bank and walk along the river and back into the site via the lower gate.

