Edisford Bridge to Little Mitton



Start Point

Distance/Time

Terrain

Public transport

Edisford Bridge Car Park SD 7286 4142

2 Hrs (aprox.)

4 miles

Roads, tracks and fields. Gates and some stiles

Train and Bus station. Clitheroe

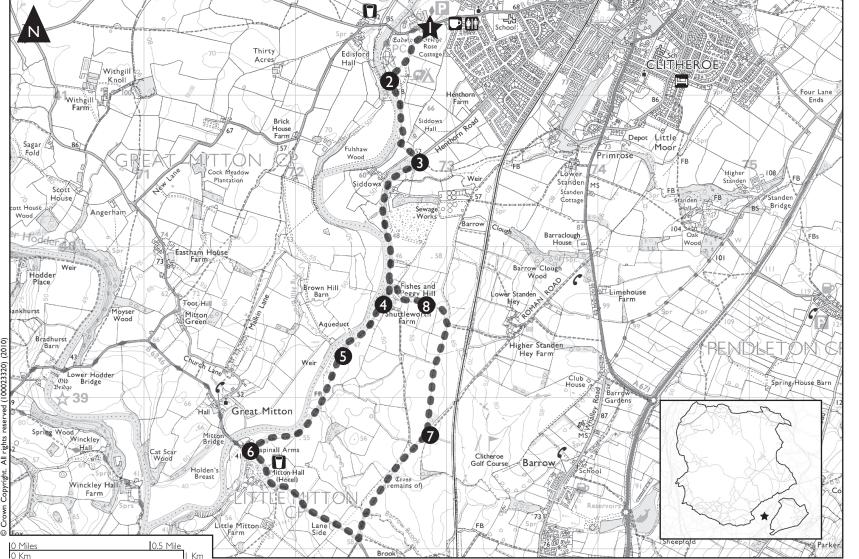
Key to Facilities Edisford Bridge: Pub,

Cafés. Toilets Mitton: Pubs

Clitheroe: Accomodation

GPS Waypoints (OS grid refs)

1	SD 7286 4142	
2	SD 7261 4112	
3	SD 7281 4057	
4	SD 7262 3968	
6	SD 7231 3930	
6	SD 7169 3865	
7	SD 7263 3847	
8	SD 7300 3947	





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Walk Description

★GPS: SD 7286 4142

Leave the car park and take the path down to the Riverside Café and picnic area (also the location of a disabled car park). The first part of this walk - up to stage 4. is accessible by powered wheelchairs/scooters and may be accessible by manual wheelchairs with assistance.

2 GPS: SD 7261 4112

Turn left and follow the surfaced path along the riverbank. This path then slopes up away from the river bringing you out onto a tarmac drive that leads to Henthorn Road (where it links up with Walk No. 4)

3 GPS: SD 7281 4057

Turn right and follow this road, passing the household waste recycling centre on your left. Keep to the road and note the stunning riverside views to your right. Also views of Kemple End. Continue through where it is signed "Private Road - Footpath Only". You will pass Fishes and Peggy Hill Farm on your left as you approach Shuttleworth Farm. (Access for wheelchairs is not possible beyond this point).

4 GPS: SD 7262 3968

Take the kissing gate to the right of the main farm gates (signed 'Ribble Way') and continue via a second kissing gate and a gate, on a track that runs alongside the river. You will pass an aqueduct carrying the piped water supply from Hawes water, then come to a weir and flow measurement station.

5 GPS: SD 7231 3930

Take a diagonal route away from the river across a field then over a small footbridge. As you approach Mitton you will glimpse its Medieval Church and Hall. The footpath brings you out on the Whalley - Mitton road next to the Aspinall Arms.

6 GPS: SD 7169 3865

To continue the walk turn left and go past Mitton Hall Hotel and Little Mitton farm. When the road bends to the right look for a footpath going off to the left. This takes you through a copse and over a small footbridge then through open fields to a stone cross base (Hardhill Cross) where you join the line of a roman road - and link up with Walk 4.

7 GPS: SD 7263 3847

From the cross, through a kissing gate into Standen Hey Community Woodland where you are welcome to wander and picnic. Just before the railway crossing turn left and continue through the woodland along a tussocky ride. You will come to an old hedgerow/fenceline that links with an existing footpath. Turn left away from the railway and exit the woodland.

8 GPS: SD 7300 3947

Bear right across the fields to the tree-line then follow the path down to Fishes and Peggy Hill Farm. You will pass through two farm gates to a track that runs alongside the farm. This will bring you out onto the Private Road where you turn right to retrace your route back to Edisford Bridge.

About This Walk

The Clitheroe Walks have been produced to encourage walkers to celebrate the history, culture, wildlife, birds, flora and fauna of Clitheroe and its surrounding countryside. They link Clitheroe through to several surrounding villages and amenities including shops, pubs and cafes. Improvements have been made and Walks 1, 3 and 4 are stile-free, however there are steps at a couple of locations. All of the routes are waymarked on the ground as 'Clitheroe Walks'.

Standen Hey Community Woodland

This community woodland comprises 55 acres of native broadleaf trees. A total of 23,000 trees were planted on farmland in 2003 with the help of school children in Barrow. The woodland is managed by the farm and includes a network of grassy rides for informal recreation.

