

River Dunsop and Black Brook Circular

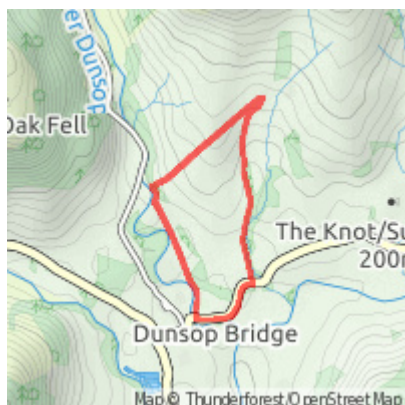
Forest of Bowland Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty



Route Summary

Roads, tracks, fields, steep steps. Can get muddy in parts. Take care on unpaved road sections. Expect livestock and keep dogs under effective control. "Walking safely" information available at www.forestofbowland.com Walkers are advised to carry OS Explorer map OL41.

Route Overview



Category: Walking

Rating: Unrated

Surface: Moderate

Date Published: 22nd May 2017

Difficulty: Easy

Length: 3.140 km / 1.96 mi

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Description

Following the edge of Black Brook Wood, this walk takes you up out onto the farmland above Dunsop Bridge where, on a clear day, you have wonderful views of both the lower slopes of Beatrix Fell to the north and back down the Hodder valley to the south. The route then drops back into the Dunsop valley and follows the track back to the village.

Waypoints

1.

(53.94579; -2.51765)

Turn left out of the car park and follow the road until you reach the large, wrought iron gates on your right.

2.

(53.94588; -2.51700)

Just to the left of the gates take the wooden gate onto the path which runs along the edge of the field. At the end of the stoned path, cross a farm access track to go through a further wooden gate straight ahead onto a track through

woodland.

3.

(53.94750; -2.51505)

At the top of the path go left through a wooden gate and cross the road (take care here and look out for traffic). Continue ahead between the farmhouse and farm buildings.

4.

(53.94776; -2.51508)

Keep ahead along the track and over the cattle grid, continue for quite some way until you almost reach Beatrix Farm but, just before you reach the wall at the entrance to Beatrix, turn left onto a rough track.

5.

(53.95690; -2.51419)

Continue ahead for a short way before bearing diagonally left across the field to reach a stone stile in the far wall.

6.

(53.95254; -2.52328)

Go over the stile and follow the steep steps (care needed here) down through the wood to go through a wooden kissing gate at the bottom.

7.

(53.95238; -2.52369)

Turn left onto the stoned path. Follow the path along and over the stile. Continue ahead before bearing right to pass behind Holme Head Cottages and through the gate next to a cattle grid to the right of the houses.

8.

(53.95144; -2.52320)

Follow the lane ahead for quite some way, eventually passing a small park on your left and then reaching the main road through Dunsop Bridge.

9.

(53.94579; -2.51983)

Turn left here and follow the road back to the car park.

