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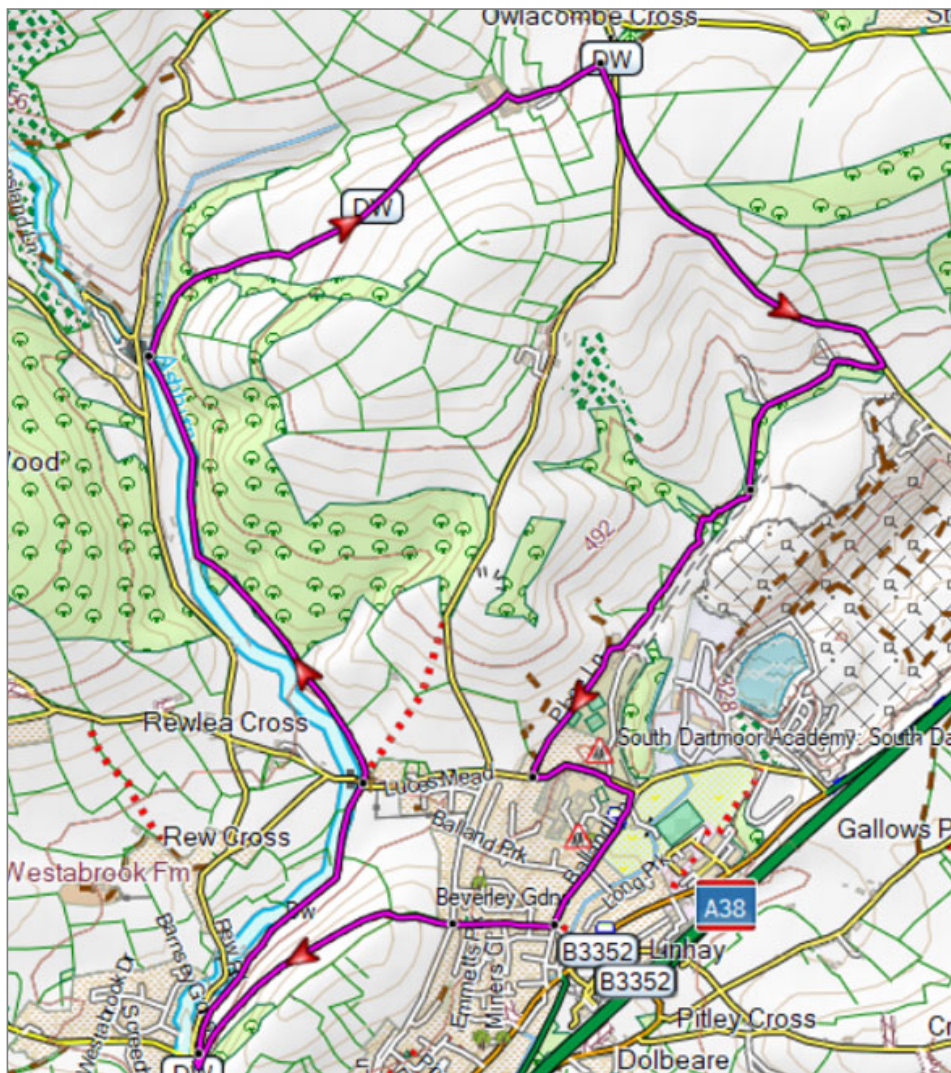
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Part of our series of PDFs featuring the best walks in Devon



Best Ashburton Walks




Walk 1 Owlacombe Cross (3.9 miles)




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This is one of our most popular walks following part of the Dartmoor Way along the river Ashburn into Whiddon Scrubbs.


Ashburton, an old stannary (tin mining) town, boasts numerous pubs and a variety of old-fashioned shops.

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 Balland Lane or Pay & Display
Car Park ... (see website)



Best Bowermans Nose Walks



Walk 2 Hound Tor & Bowermans Nose (4.4 miles)



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This delightful and varied walk follows public footpaths and bridleways ; apart from one steep climb it is not too strenuous and most of the paths are clearly defined - some between small rocks.

Bowermans nose was once thought to be idolised by ancient tribes.



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Best Chagford Walks



Walk 1 to Gidleigh (9.5 miles)



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This most enjoyable walk takes you along the ever babbling river Teign.

Chagford is a bustling Market town surrounded by the stunning beauty of Dartmoor.



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Rock Inn The Three Crowns



Northmore Arms



Best Christow Walks



Walk 1 Reservoirs (5.4 miles)



A most delightful and varied 5 mile hike from an old mining village to spectacular reservoirs and pine forests.

Two scenic walks through the beautiful Teign Valley.

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Free Large Car Park near the Community ... (see website)



The 12th century Artichoke Inn



Best Buckfastleigh Walks



Walk 1 Buckfastleigh (2.4 miles)



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A very pleasant short walk to Buckfastleigh and the ruins of a church destroyed by fire. There is an option to see some cave entrances.

Buckfastleigh, a medieval market town, is a popular tourist attraction. The name implies 'a place where buck and deer were kept'.



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Buckfast Abbey Restaurant



Buckfast Abbey Free Car Park



Best Castle Drogo Walks



Walk 1 Best (4.1 miles)



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A castle, pub and river walk combined through one of the most magical landscapes in Devon!

Follow the famous Hunters' Path and return at Fingle Bridge via a riverside path, Fisherman's Path.



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Castle Drogo National Trust or Fingle Bridge ... (see website)



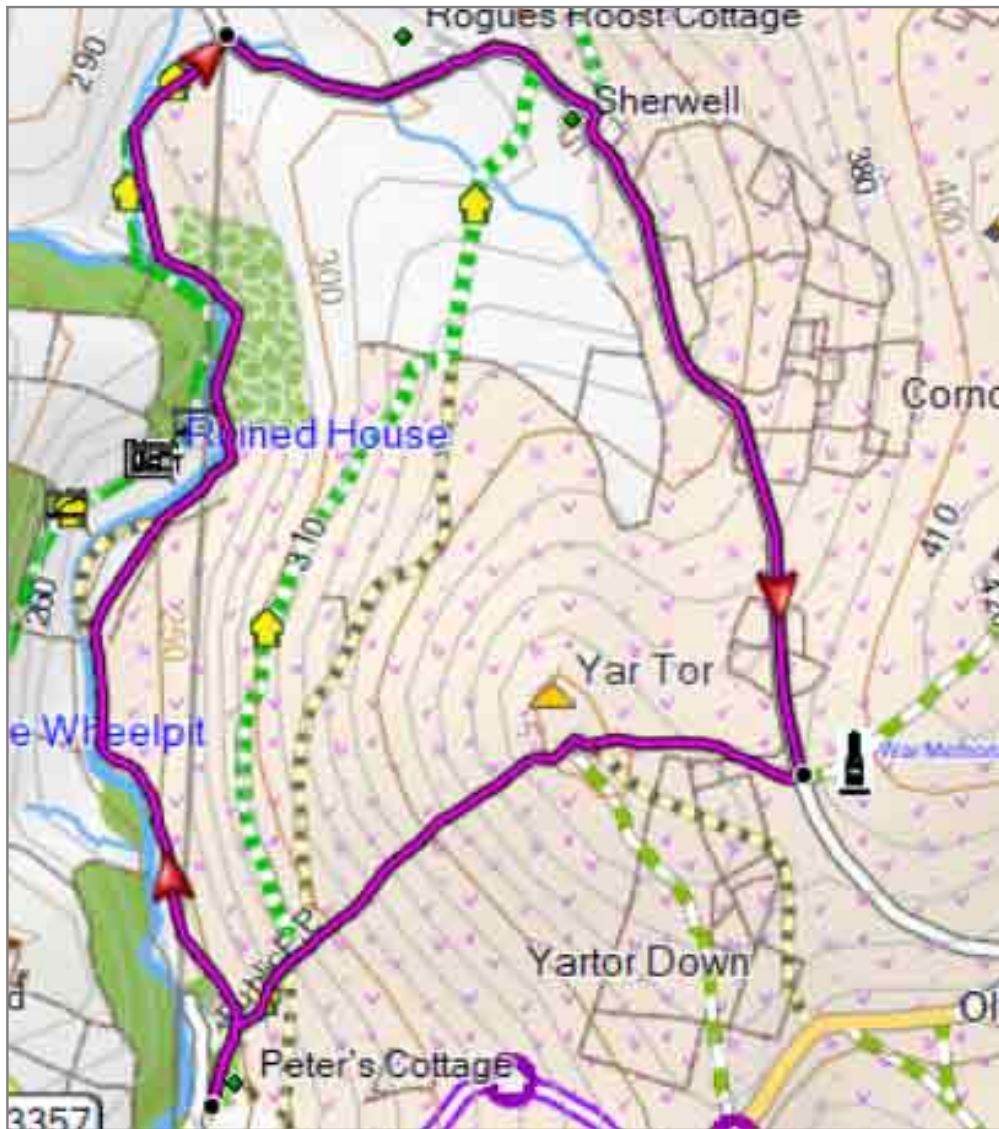
Fingle Bridge Inn



the popular Fingle Bridge Inn.



Dartmeet



Walk 1 Yar Tor (3.2 miles)



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This pleasant walk includes a steady climb and a steep descent with a possibility of a path hidden by bracken. Unlike the other Dartmeet walks it does not use stepping stones.

Dartmeet is a popular picnic destination in the centre of Dartmoor.



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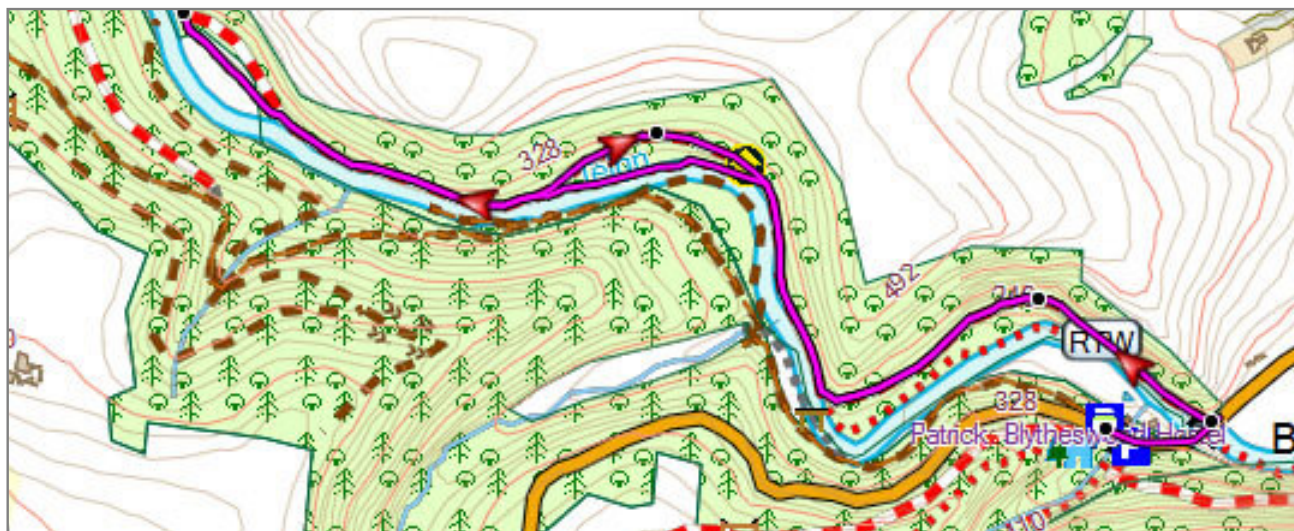
Free Car Park Dartmeet
(SX672731)



Nearest pub The Forest Inn in
Hexworthy ... (see website)



Best Dunsford Walks



Walk 1 Dunsford 'Daffodil' Walk (3.8 miles)



This is the popular daffodil walk along the river Teign.

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Many delightful walks around Dunsford & through Dunsford Nature Reserve.



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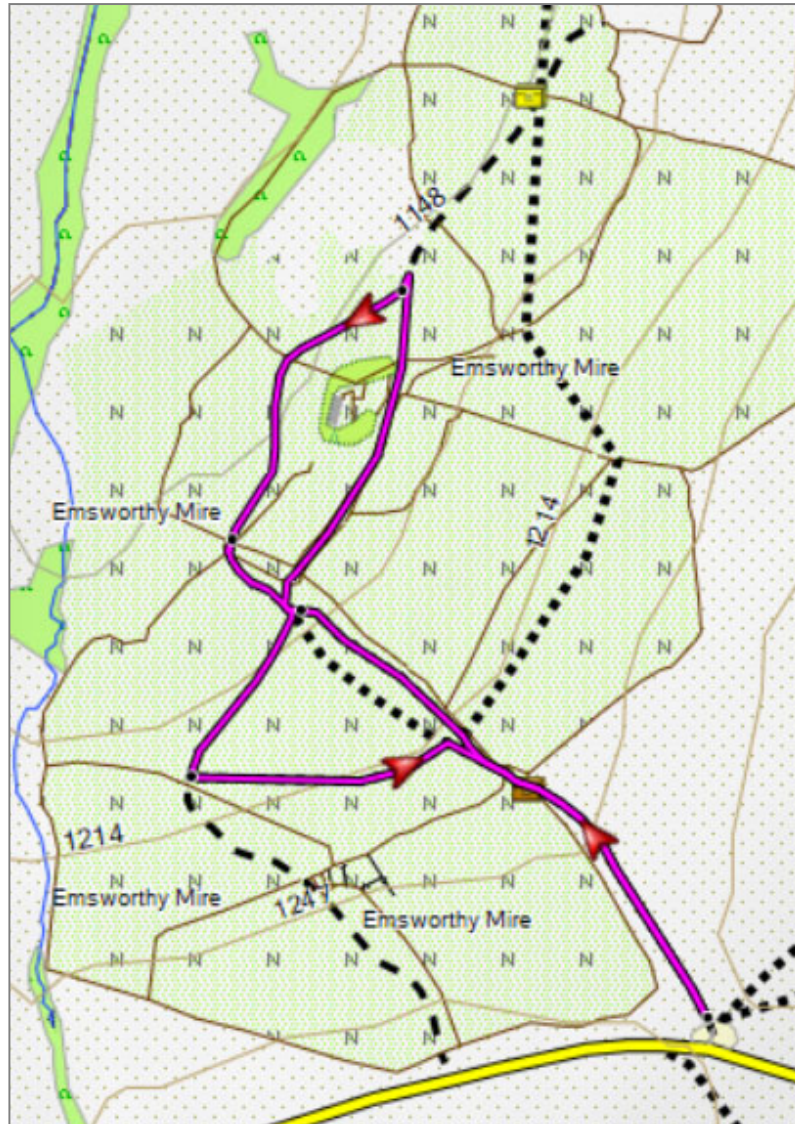
Free Car Park near Steps
Bridge.on B3212



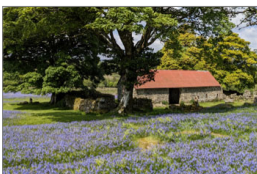
Dunsford:The Royal Oak.



Best Emsworthy Mire Walks



Walk 1 Emsworthy Mire (1 mile)



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A short and pleasant rural walk from Saddle Tor Car Park South around the Nature Reserve.

Emsworthy Mire is a nature reserve near Widecombe. In early summer, the fields are a dazzling purple from the flowers of thousands of bluebells.



Follow the B3387 from Bovey
Tracey on to ... (see website)



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Best Elephants Nest Walk



Walk 1 (5.4 miles)



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This delightful & varied 5 mile hike follows the [Dartmoor Way](#) to Peter Tavy passing the famous Elephant's Nest pub.

This is a must do pub walk if you are in the area.



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Residential at Mary Tavy



Elephant's Nest



Fernworthy Walks



Walk 1 Reservoir and ancient circle (3.6 miles)



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A popular and easy walk to a historic site.

Fernworthy is a popular place for walkers enjoying quiet woodland walks, the views of the reservoir or its many archaeological sites.



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Grimspound Walks




Walk 1 Hookney Tor & Grimspound (4.1 miles)




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This enjoyable walk offers a true sense of space and timelessness.

During the bronze age Grimspound , made of granite blocks , enclosed 24 hut circles, some of the oldest surviving buildings in Great Britain.

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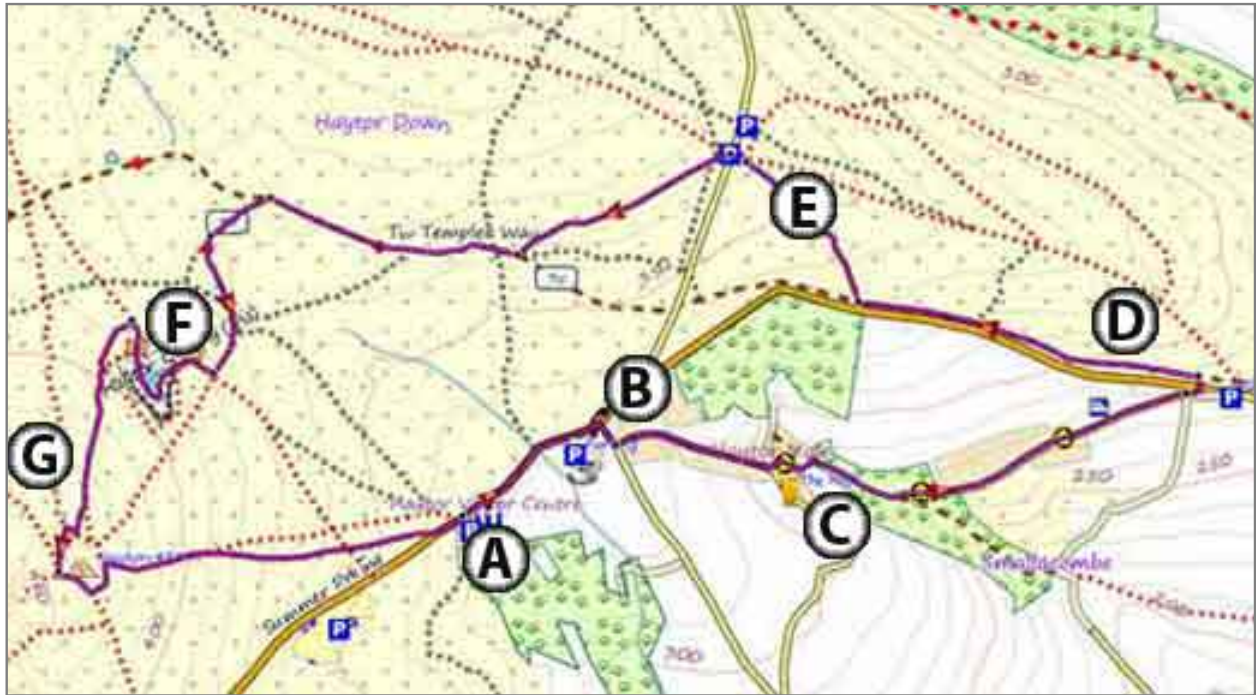
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Haytor Best Walks



Walk 1 Haytor & Quarry (3.4 miles)



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This very dramatic, pleasant and fairly easy walk.

There is much more to Haytor than a steep climb to the Tor and back again!



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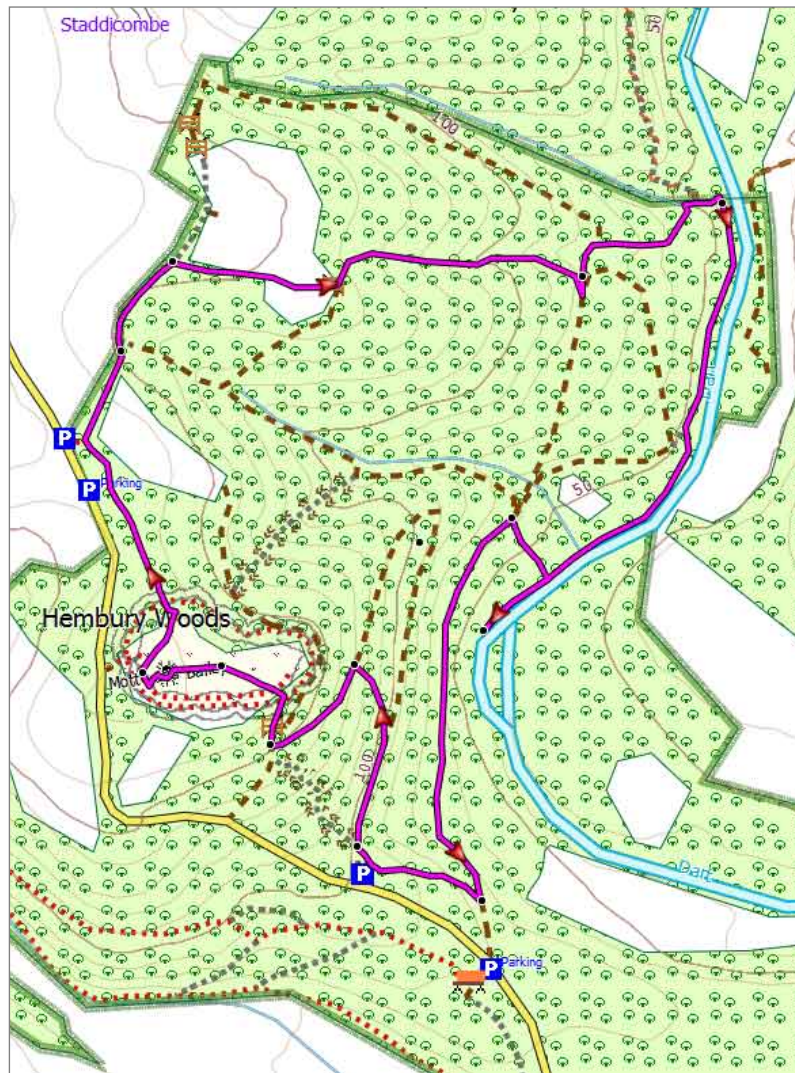
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Information ... (see website)



The Rock



Hembury Woods Best Walks



Walk 2 Hembury Fort & River Dart (2.7 miles)



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Hembury Castle (signed 'fort') is one of the most serene forts you can imagine , with grass carpeted paths flanked by lush fauna, a secret well kept!

Hembury woods lie between Buckfastleigh and Dartmoor.



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3°47'28.7"W



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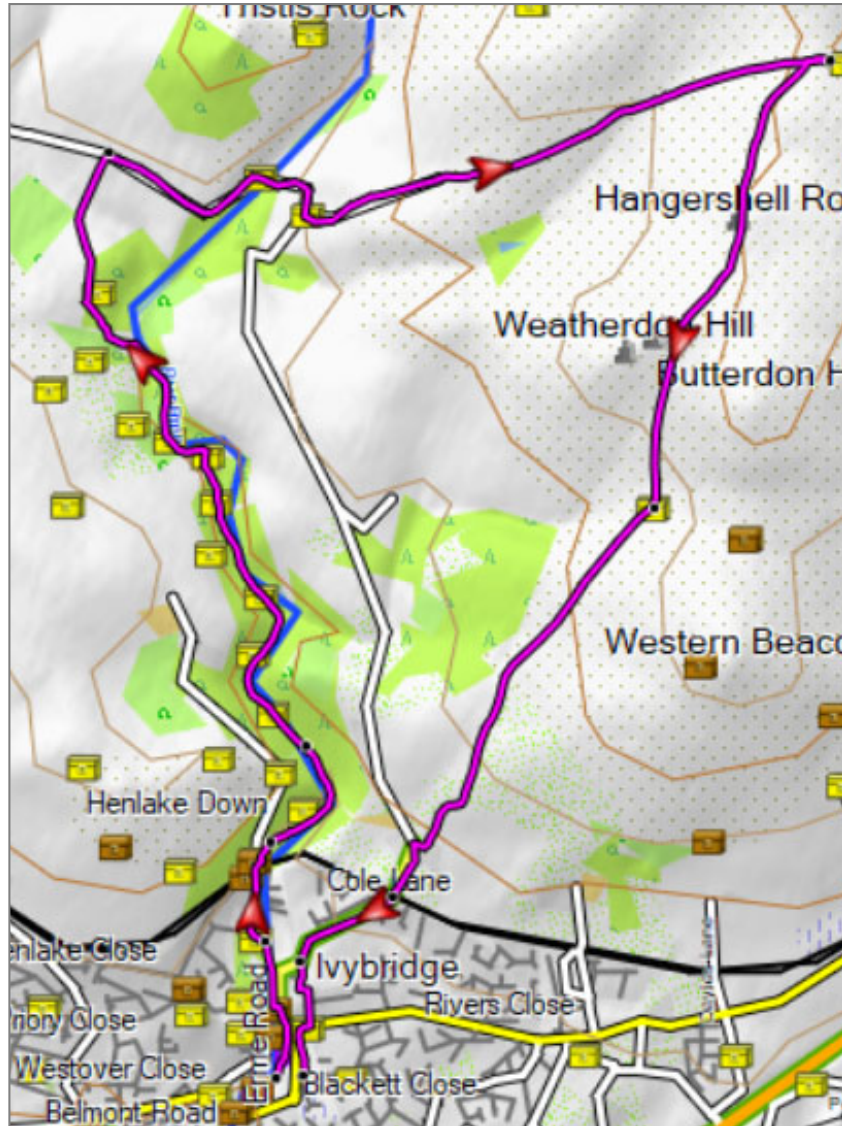
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Trust Car ... (see website)



Best Ivybridge Walks



Walk 1 Harford Church & Moorland (7.8 miles)



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This most varied walk combines riverside with moorland walking offering extensive views of undulating moorland , the sea and Plymouth.

Gateway to Dartmoor, Ivybridge is perfect for nature lovers with delightful riverside trails and lush countryside views .



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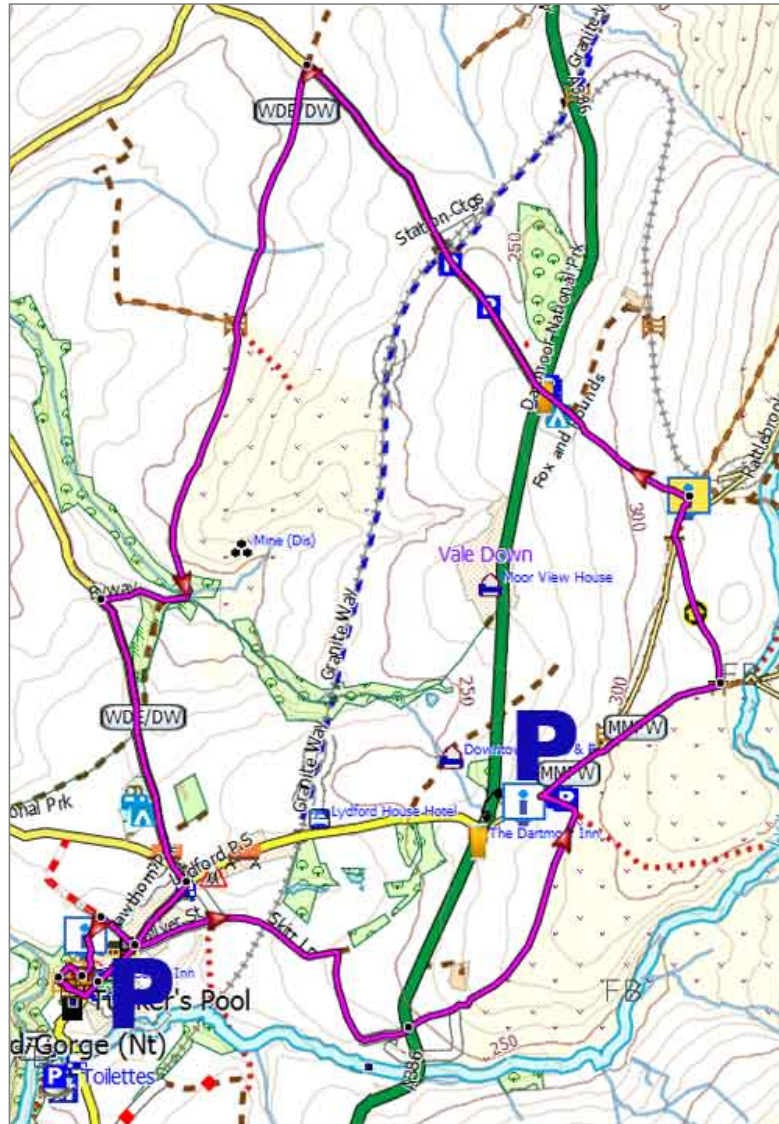
Ivybridge, Leonards Car Park
Limited Free ... (see website)



Trehill Arms Sportsman Inn
Old Smithy



Best Lydford Walks



Walk 1 Dartmoor & Lydford Castle (6.1 miles)



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A delightfully varied walk, not too strenuous, around Lydford with spectacular views of Dartmoor.

Great walks from a village on the edge of Dartmoor beleaguered by the Vikings.



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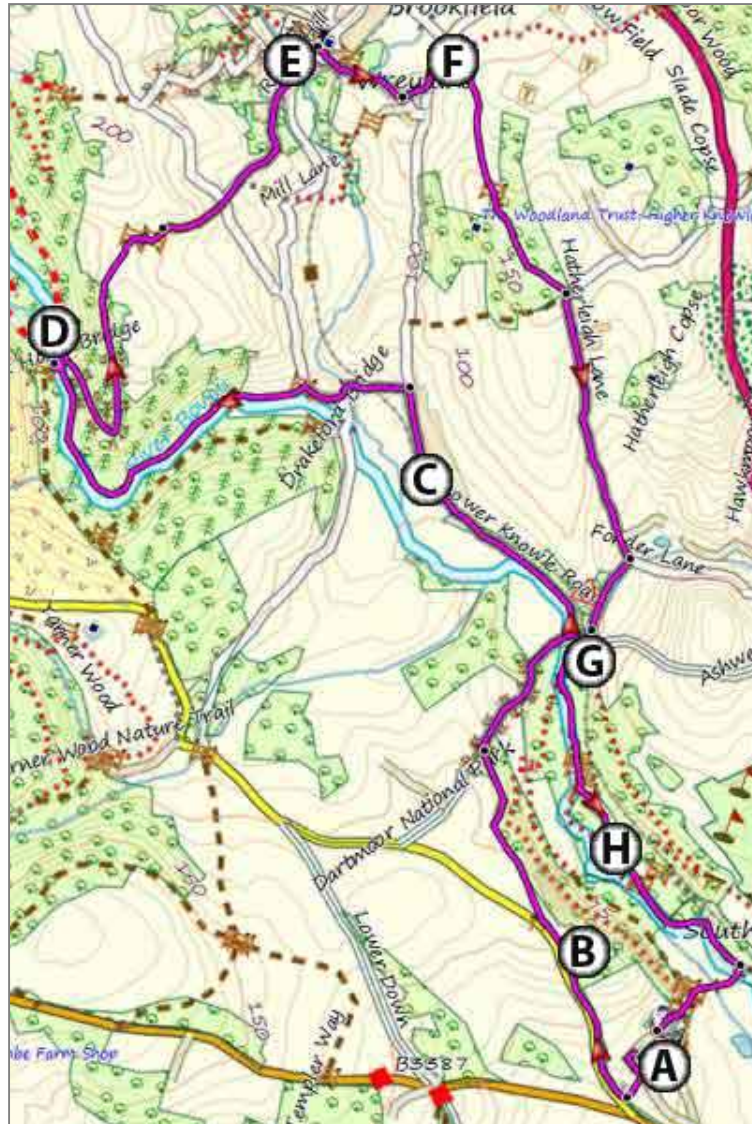
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The Castle Inn (Lydford) ,Fox
& Hounds



Best Lustleigh Walks



Walk 1 Parke - Lustleigh (6.8 miles)



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This delightful walk takes you into a most unspoilt and dramatic part of Devon following the river Bovey.

Look out for an old packhorse bridge



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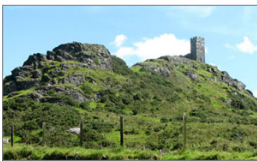
The Cleave, Lustleigh



Best Mary Tavy Walks



Walk 1 Mary Tavy To Brent Tor (8.6 miles)



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This delightful 8+ miles hike climbs steadily out of Mary Tavy following part of the [Dartmoor Way](#) on the Brentor Road.

A perfect starting point for exploring the iconic Brent Tor.



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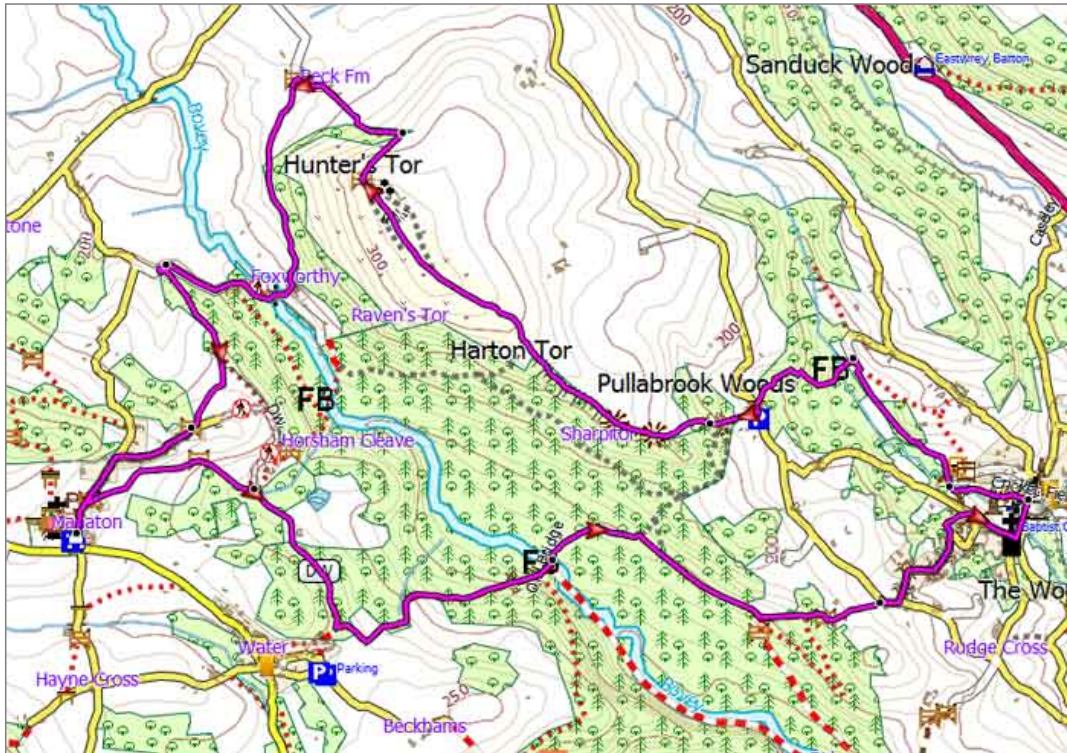
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Mary Tavy, residential



Best Manaton Walks




Walk 1 Lustleigh (7 miles)




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This long but most rewarding walk includes some strenuous climbs and steep descents but the scenery is most varied and truly spectacular.


Two most scenic walks on Dartmoor.

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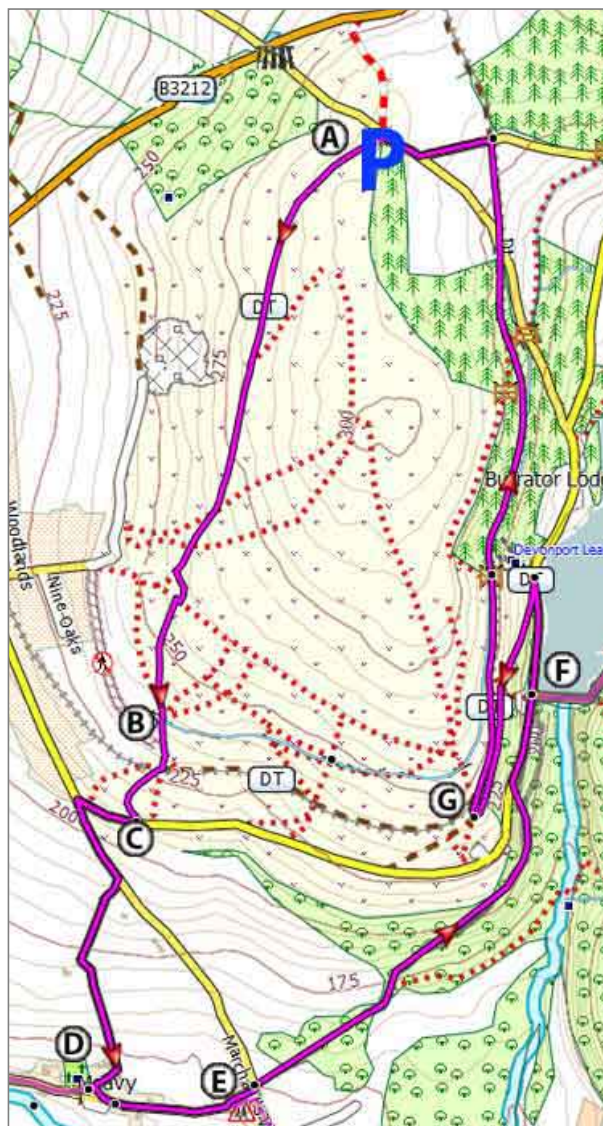
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 Manaton Church (£1.00)



Best Meavy Walks



Walk 1 Meavy & Burrator Reservoir (4.2 miles)



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This delightful but quite strenuous pub walk follows public footpaths and lanes and part of the Drakes Trail.

A few years ago, this delightful village on the edge of Dartmoor stepped into the limelight when scenes of 'War Horse' were filmed near by.



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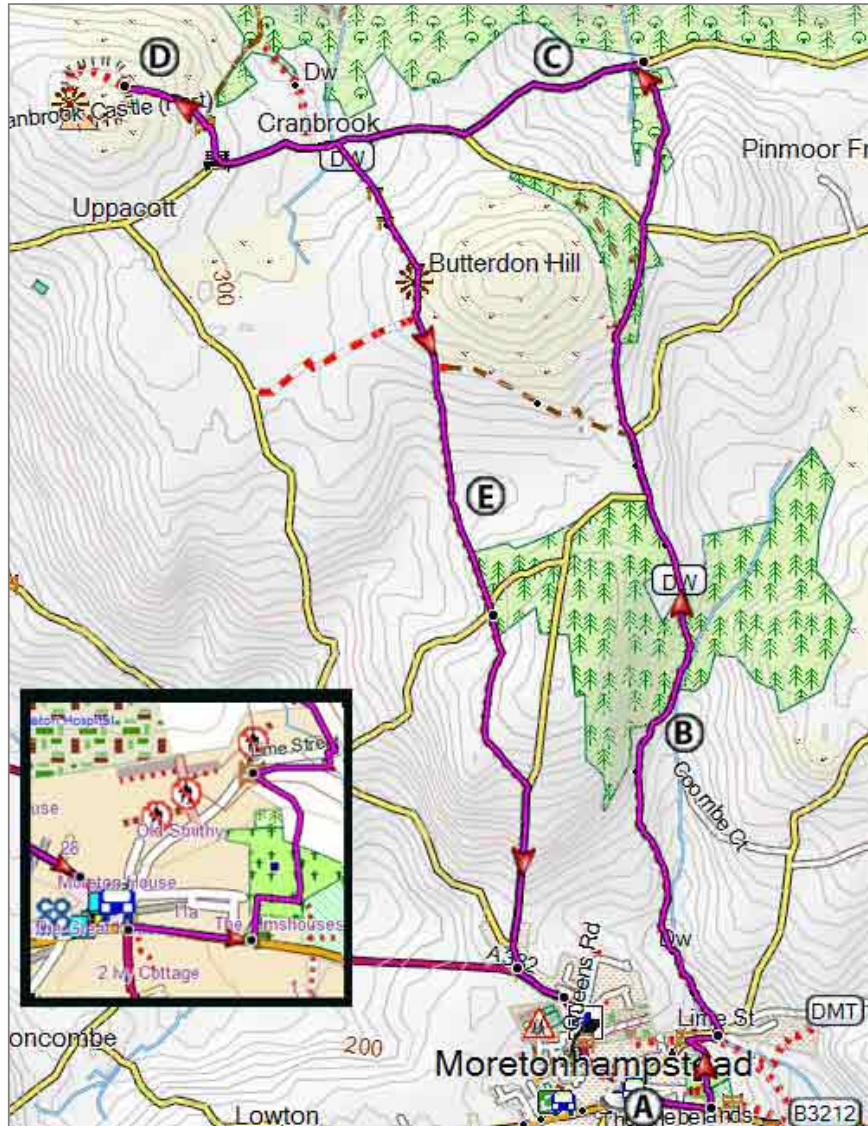
Lowery Car Park North of Meavy off the ... (see website)



the Royal Oak Inn.



Moretonhampstead Walks




Walk 1 Cranbrook Castle (4.7 miles)



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A great moorland walk to a hill fort castle with spectacular views.


Moretonhamstead, gateway to Dartmoor, is an ideal town for walkers to explore the lush edge of the moor. The locals refer to it as 'Moreton'.

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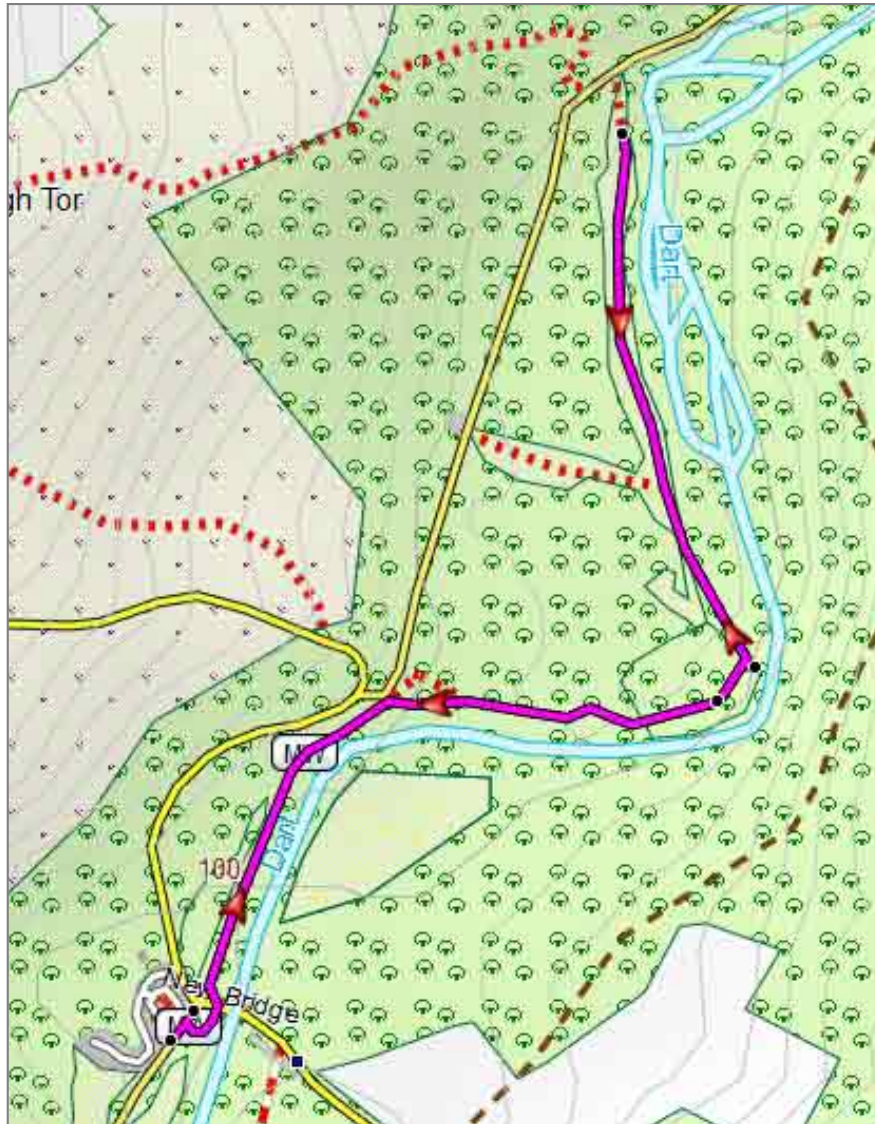
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New Bridge Walks



Walk 1 Around New Bridge (1.9 miles)



An ideal walk for a picnic or a paddle in the river.

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New Bridge originally designed for pack-horses, is known for it's idyllic setting and offers the walker many a relaxing walk up or down stream.



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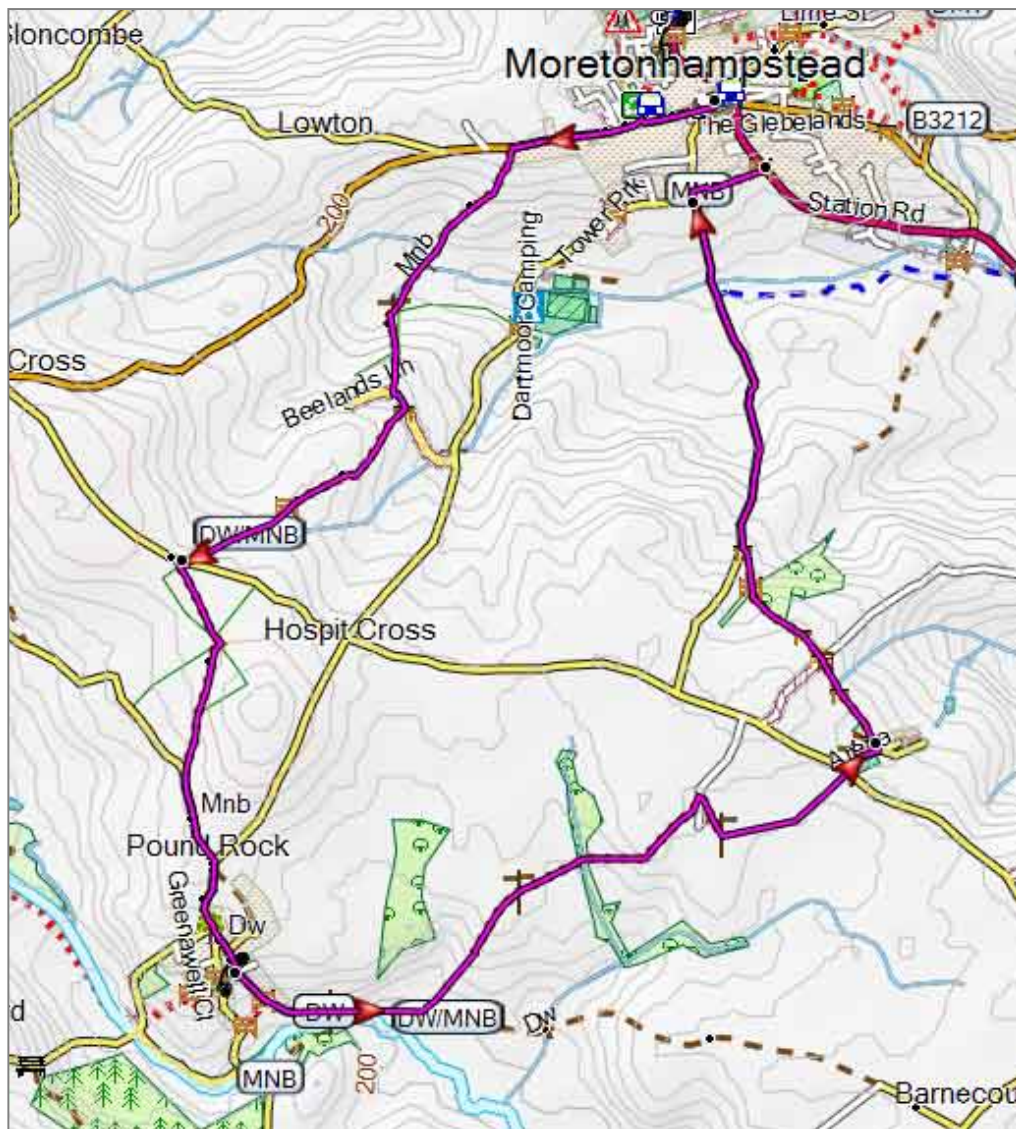
Pay & Display New Bridge Car Park



The Church House Inn at Holne
(see walk ... (see website))



Best North Bovey Walks



Walk 1 Moretonhampstead (5 miles)



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This most varied circular pub walk includes a long & narrow stone bridge, stepping stones (which can be bypassed), & magnificent views of Dartmoor.

North Bovey is one of the most idyllic villages in Devon. It is quite isolated and , perhaps because of this, the village has retained its original charm.



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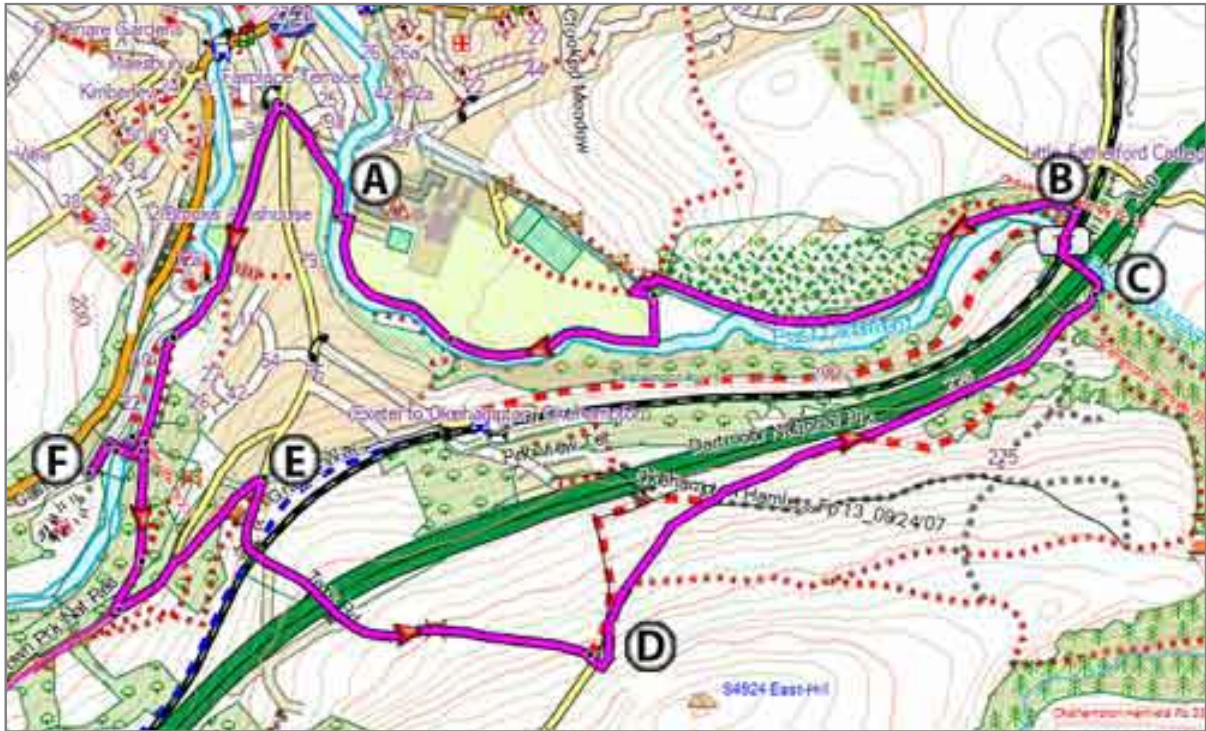
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the Ring of Bells



Best Okehampton Walks



Walk 1 Okehampton Castle (4.1 miles)



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This delightful circular walk to Okehampton Castle follows mainly public footpaths which after heavy rain can get muddy.

Okehampton is the starting point of many long distance hiking routes making it an ideal centre for walkers.



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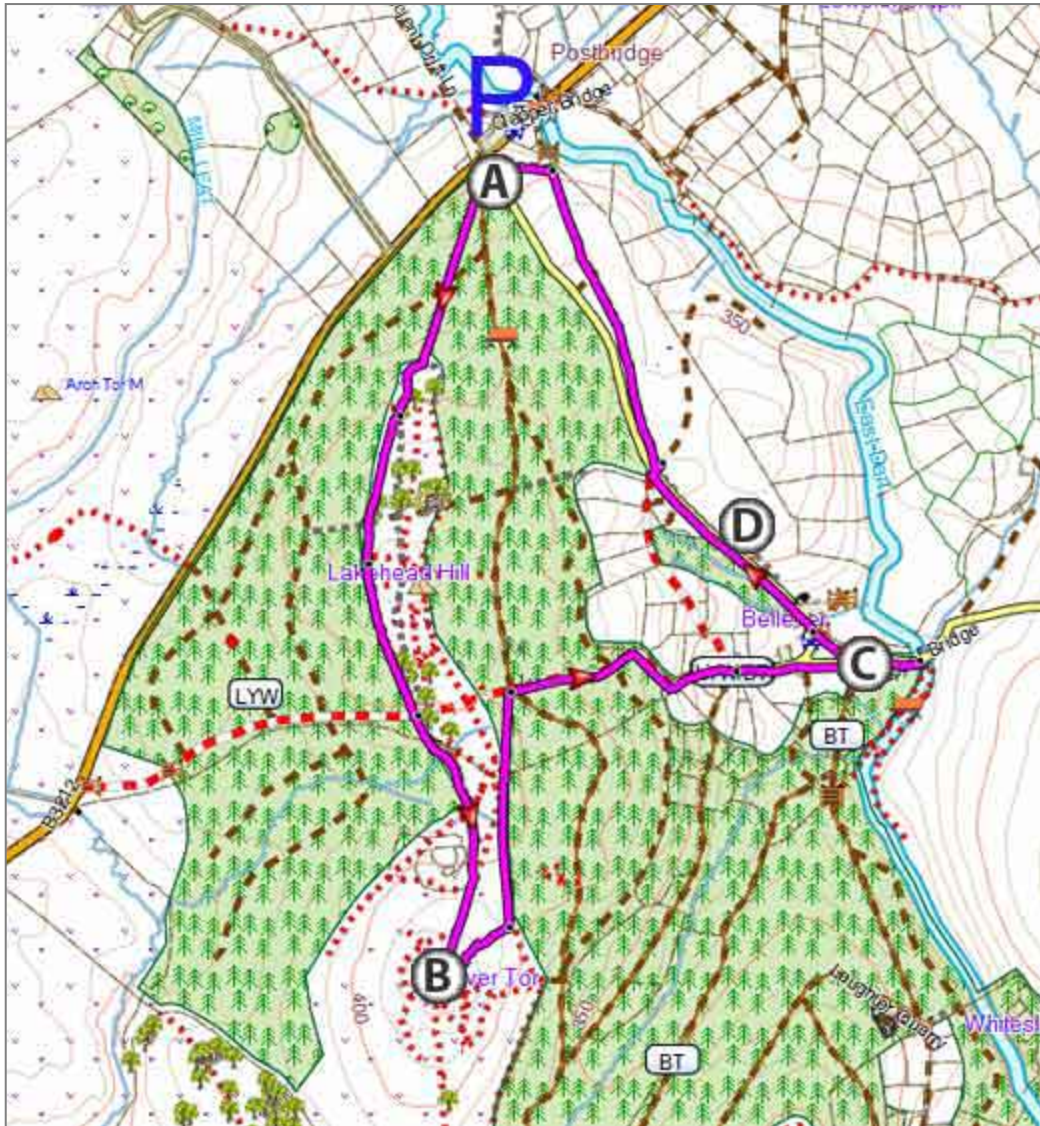
Old Station Tea Room



Mill Road , Okehampton Pay & Display



Postbridge Walks



Walk 1 Postbridge to Bellever Tor & Clapper Bridge (4.1 miles)



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An easy and popular walk to Bellever Clapper Bridge.

Throughout the ages a narrow bridge made of granite slabs across the East Dart caused many a bottleneck!



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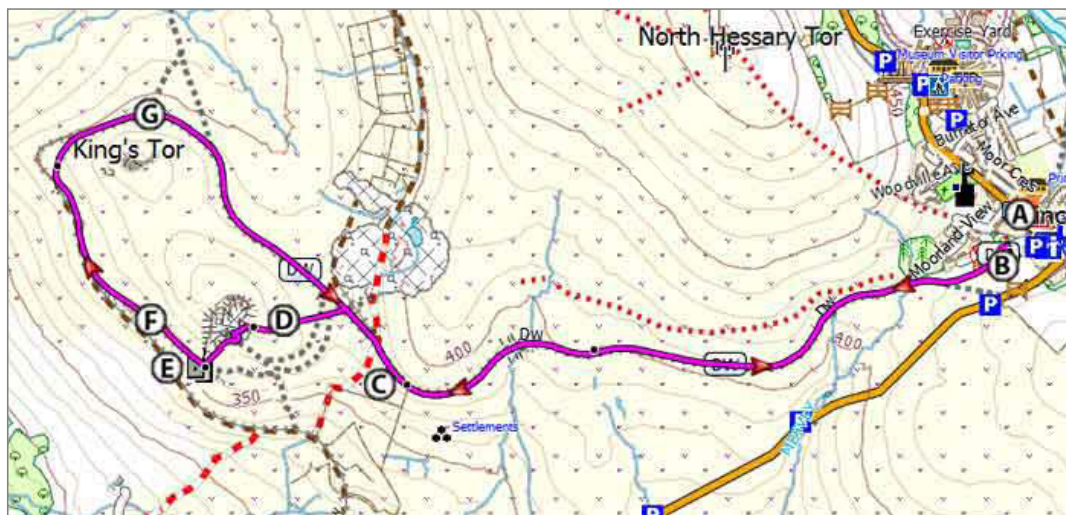
Car Park Postbridge



East Dart Hotel



Princetown Walks



Walk 1 Princetown to Swelltor Quarry's ruins (5.4 miles)



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A most memorable 5 mile hike travelling back into the past following a dismantled railway to the ruins of workshops where once stones were carved for London Bridge.

Princetown offers the walker spectacular views of Dartmoor's almost volcanic landscapes.



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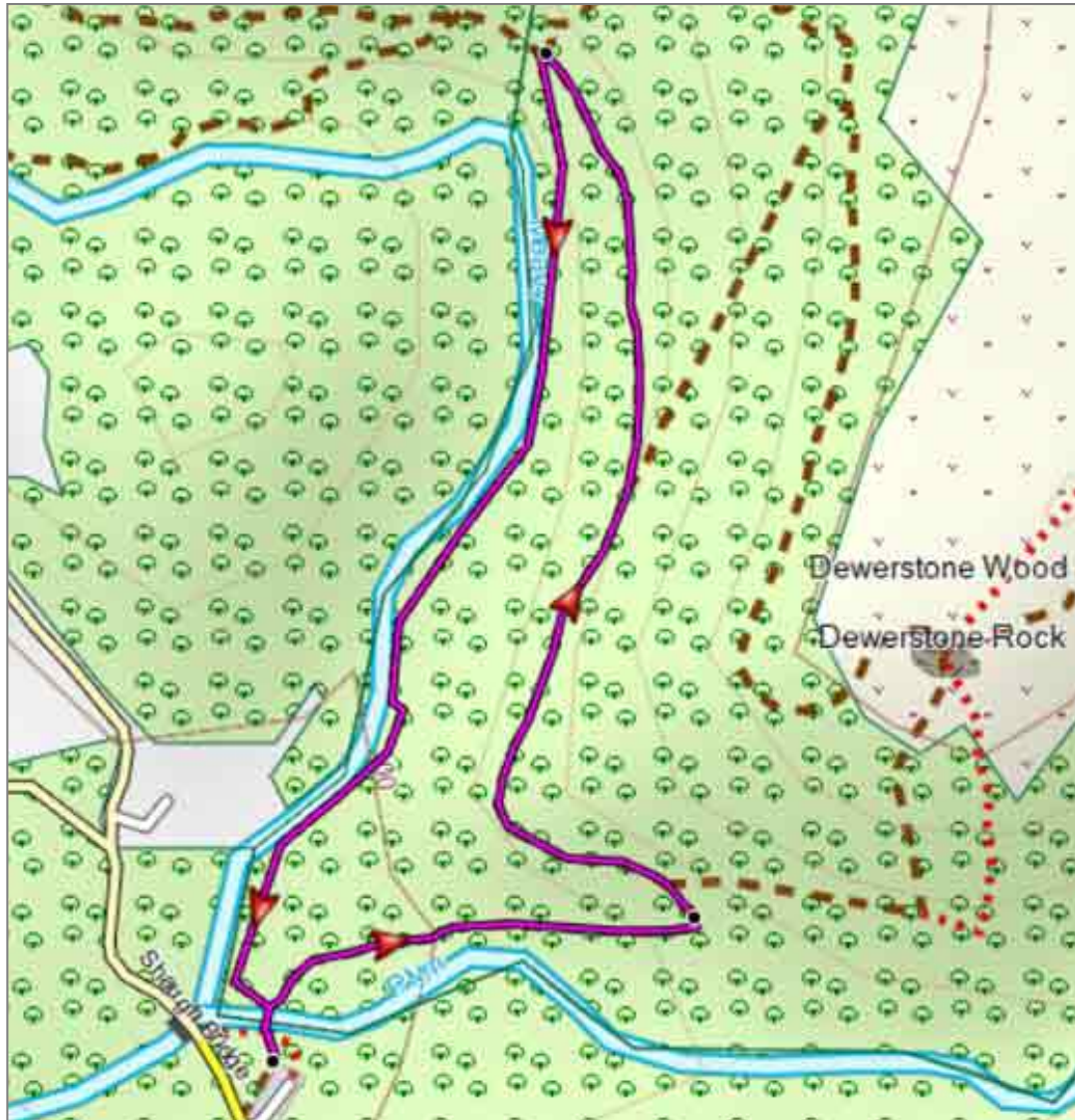
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Car Park Princetown £ 2 all day



Best Shaugh Prior & Dewerstone Walks



Walk 1 Dewerstone Cottage (1.1 miles)



This is a delightful but somewhat demanding trail through a lush oak woodland with a beautiful stretch along the river Meavy.

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Shaugh Bridge , where the river Meavy joins the river Plym . has long been a favourite centre for walks.



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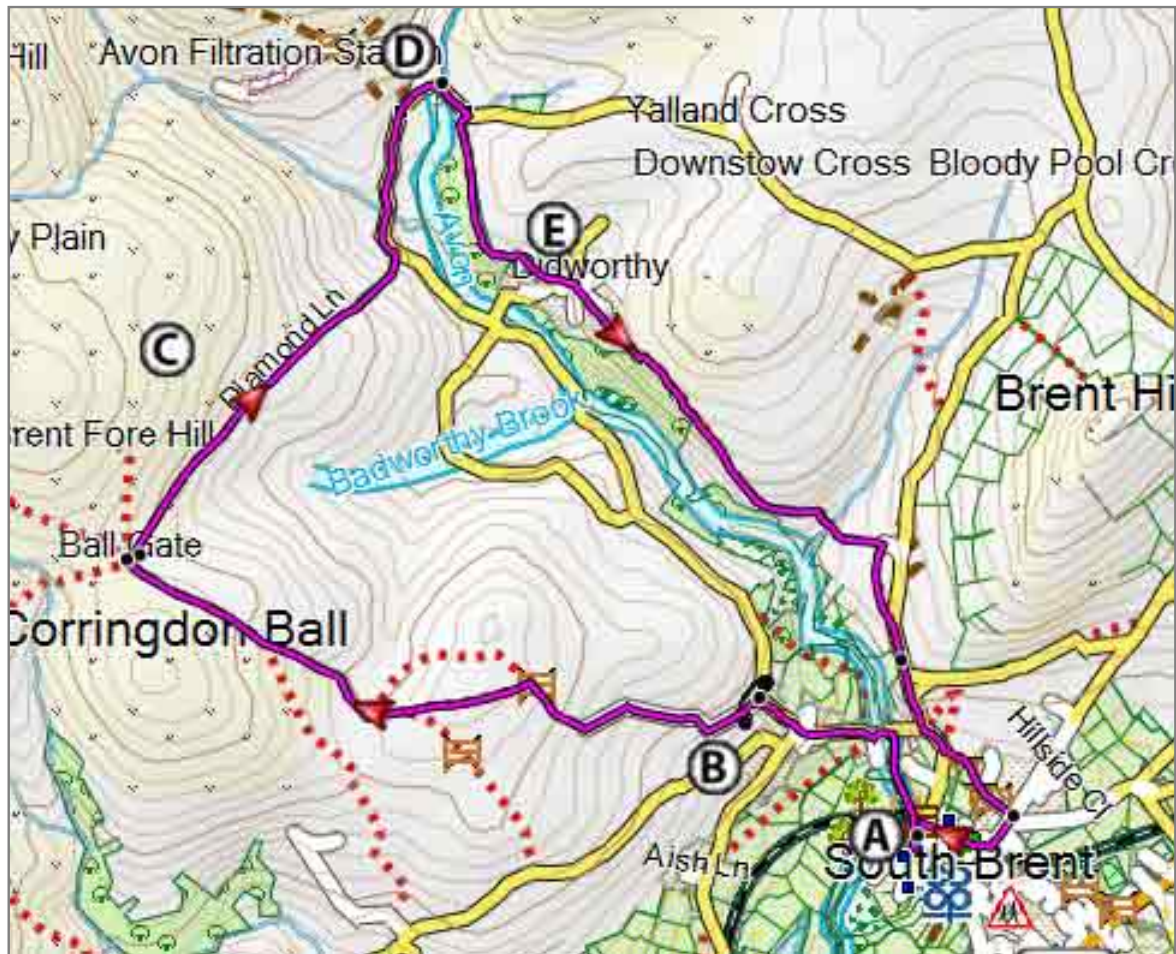
Dewerstone Carpark Limited
Spaces near ... (see website)



The White Thorn Inn in Shaugh
Prior



Best South Brent Walks



Walk 1 Brentmoor & Shipley Bridge (5.9 miles)



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A delightful 6 mile hike with exhilarating views.

Nestled on the edge of Dartmoor, South Brent offers a cozy village vibe and stunning moorland walks with dramatic scenery following the meandering River Avon.



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off Station Road, South Brent



Best South Zeal Walks



Walk 1 to edge of Dartmoor (1.6 miles)



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Enjoy a short moorland walk with great views and allow an hour.

South Zeal and its surroundings are steeped in history with its old pubs(!) , medieval plots and a chapel with two clock faces joined by a single shaft .



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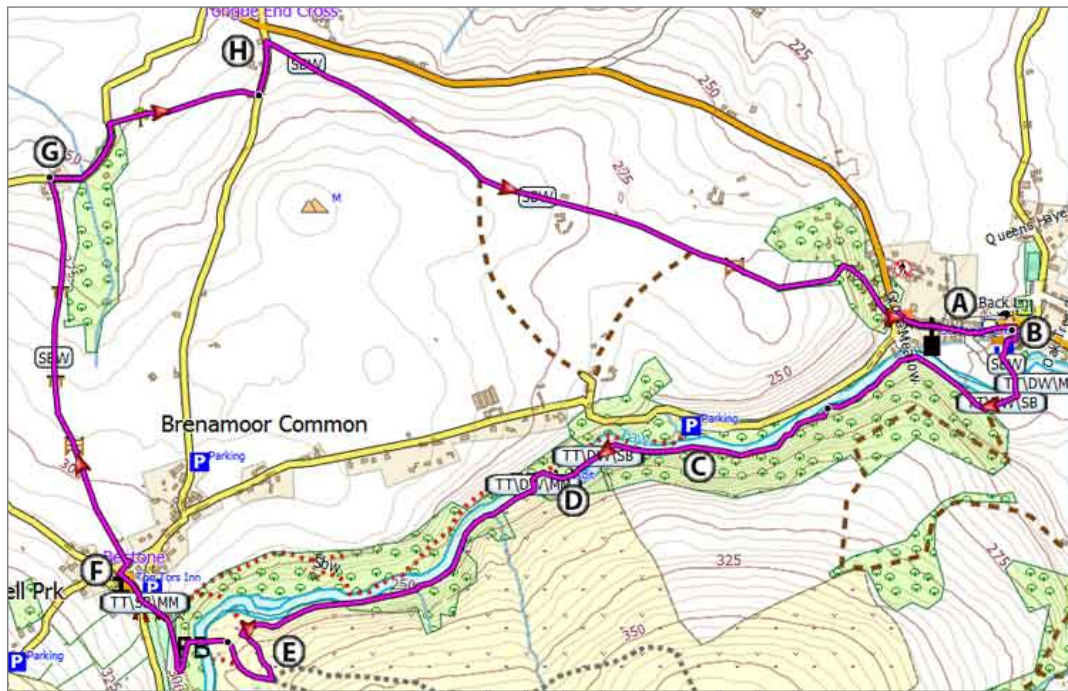
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South Zeal Car Park in village



Best Sticklepath Walks



Walk 1 Sticklepath to Belstone (4.5 miles)



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This most scenic walk follows the cascading river Taw all the way to the quaint and ancient village of Belstone, known for its stocks and pub.

Walking through a dramatic & peaceful scenery following the meandering River Taw.



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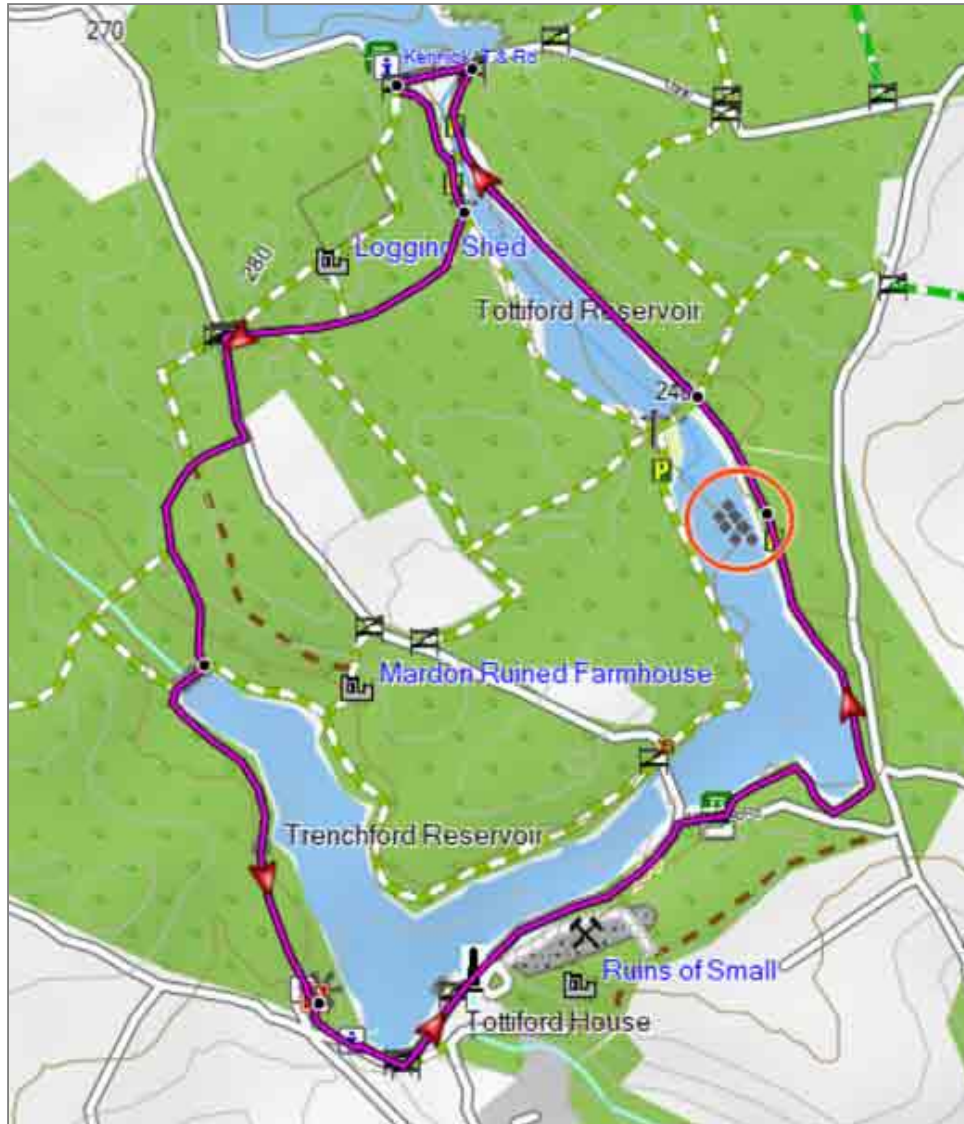
Sticklepath ,residential



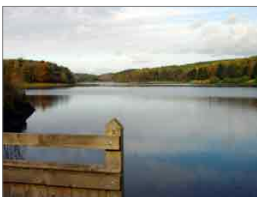
Taw River Inn



Tottiford & Trenchford Walks



Walk 1 Tottiford Reservoir (2.2 miles)



An easy and very pleasant walk around Tottiford ideal for picnics.

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Tottiford Reservoir with its peaceful surroundings makes an ideal site for a picnic.



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Numerous picnic tables



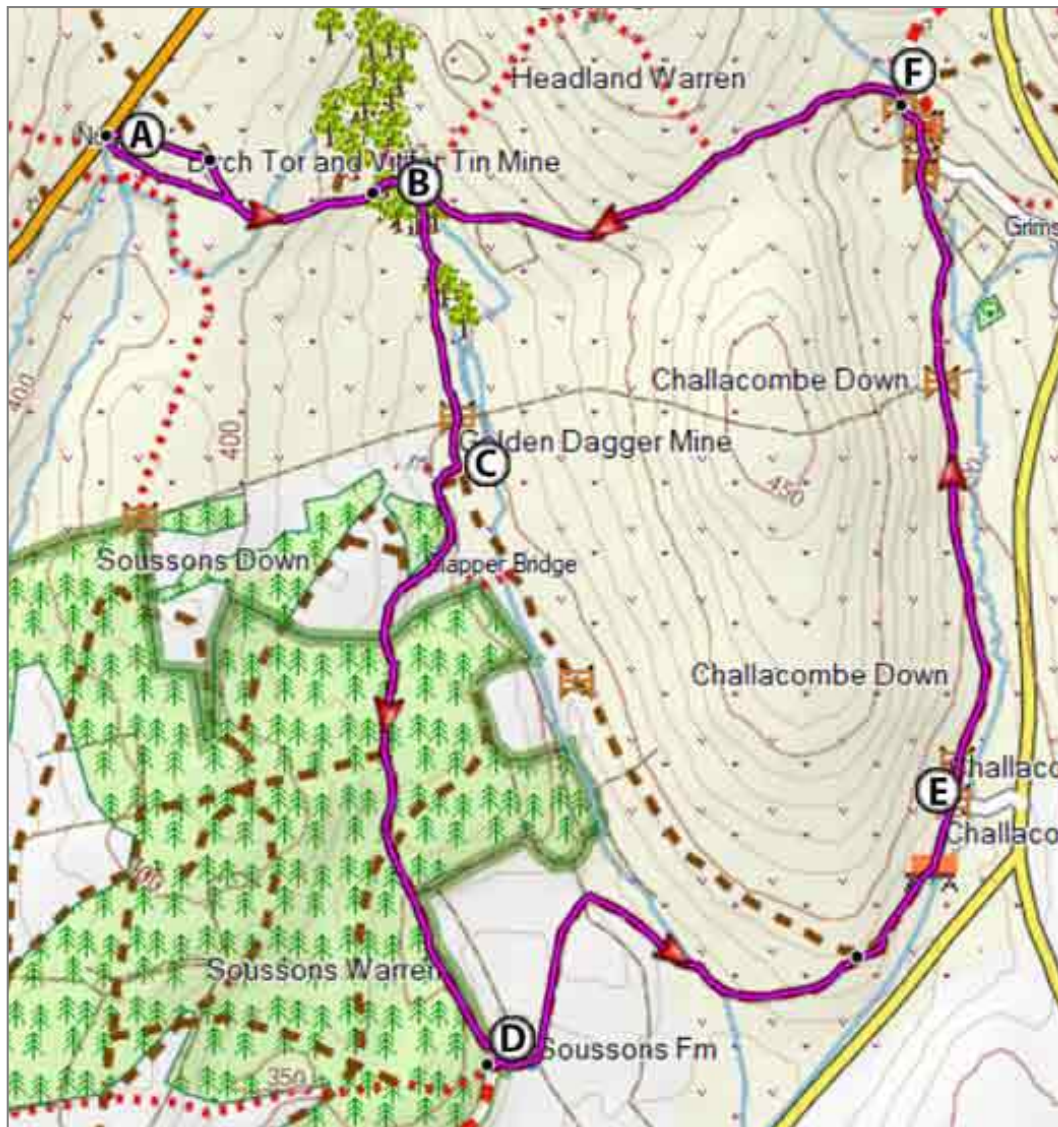
Pay & Display Tottiford
50°37.723'N, 3°41.528'W



Artichoke Inn, Christow



Best Warren House Inn Walks




Walk 1 Medieval Village (5.1 miles)




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A great 5 mile hike to explore Dartmoor and its tin mines.

Warren House Inn was built in 1845 opposite a house, now destroyed, which quenched the thirst of many a tin miner.

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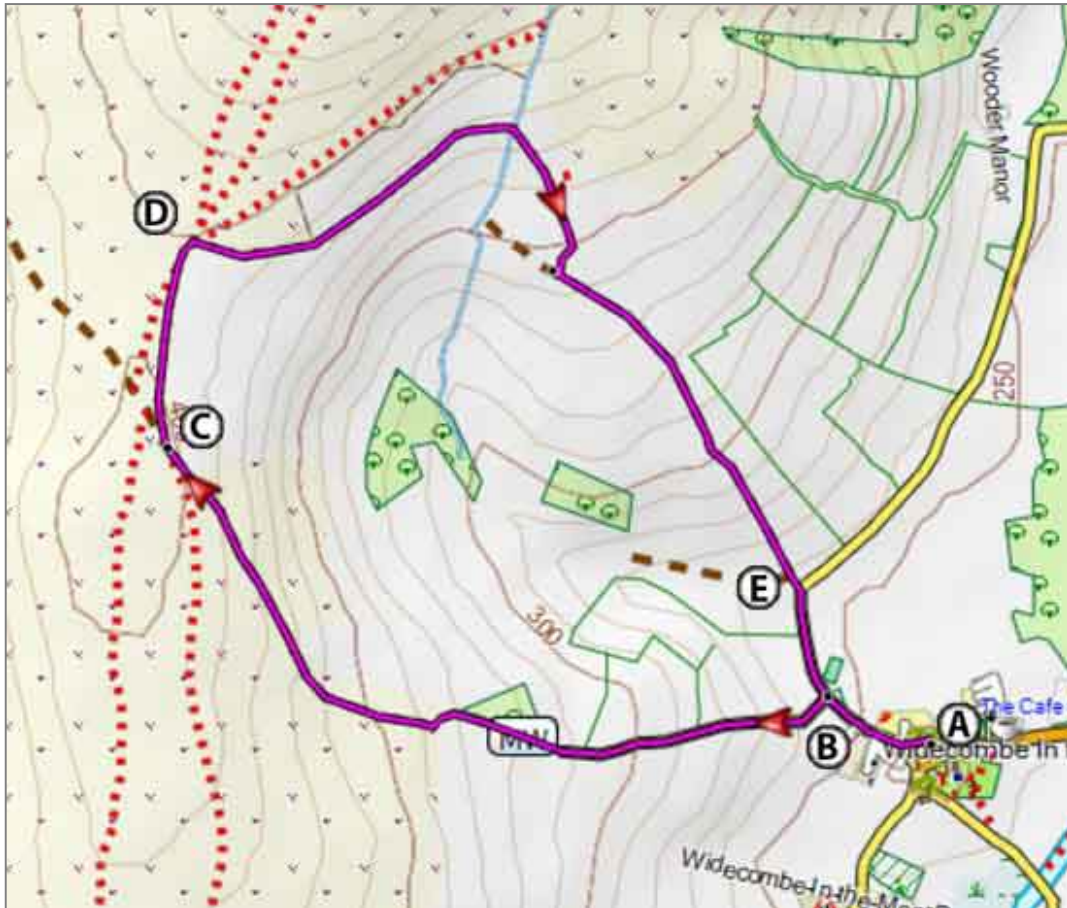
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Best Widecombe in the Moor Walks




Walk 1 Kingshead (2 miles)



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A delightful but strenuous walk exploring the scenic landscape around the village.


Widecombe (willow valley) is well known for its Fair, gift & tea shops and pubs.


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 The Old Inn