

Moorland Discovery Nature Walk

An exploration of Burbage Edge, the Burbage Basin and Carl Wark

The walk

An exploration of the Dark Peak moorland around Burbage Edge and the Burbage Basin, including a visit to Carl Wark, the site of an Iron Age hill fort.

Length of walk and type of ground

A hilly walk of about 3 ½ miles on paths that are rough and stony. There are a few stiles to be climbed over. The walk takes about 2 hours.

What you might see

Moorland plants such as ling heather, bell heather, bilberries and cotton grass. Moorland birds, and the opportunity to study the interesting gritstone rock formations of the dark peak and learn about the stone's uses in the past. This is a very scenic walk and so long as visibility is good, beautiful views can be enjoyed throughout.



Meeting points:

If arriving by bus—The bus stop outside the Fox House Inn between Hathersage and Sheffield. Get bus times and routes from www.transportdirect.info or contact us for advice.

If arriving by car—The entrance to the main Longshaw Estate Car Park (Woodcroft) on Owler Bar Road, just off the A6187 (About 200 metres south of the Fox House Inn, Hathersage Road, Longshaw—Post code of the inn is S11 7TY). The car park is a pay and display and costs £2.50 for 4 hours.

Your meeting time will be advised to you, and will usually be 10 minutes before the start of the walk.

Facilities nearby

The Fox House Inn serves drinks and bar meals during opening hours. The Longshaw Estate Visitor Centre which is a short walk from the car park and the bus stop serves a selection of beverages, cakes, snacks etc. There are public toilets next to the Fox House Inn and at the Longshaw Estate Visitor Centre. There are trails that you can follow through the Longshaw Estate.

What to wear and bring with you

- Strong, comfortable walking shoes or boots that you don't mind getting wet and muddy.
- Comfortable outdoor clothing (Jeans can become cold and uncomfortable if they get wet! Shorts are not recommended if you wish to avoid insect bites, nettle stings, and scratches.)
- Waterproof jacket (except in exceptional summer conditions)
- Spare fleece or jumper
- Drinks/water, and any snacks that you think you might need.
- Small rucksack or bag in which to carry drinks, snacks, spare items of clothing etc.

You also might wish to consider

- Waterproof trousers
- Sun screen, insect repellent and personal first aid kit.
- Camera and binoculars

Any queries, please do contact us on 07870 778585 or e-mail info@peakwalking.com

