

QMD Walks

Dartmoor Mountains Remote Circular

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This walk summits both mountains in Dartmoor and takes you to the most remote place in England, Fur Tor. It can be demanding especially in poor weather and the going can be tough in places.

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THE MOOR IS NOT CLOSED**

Relevant Maps include: OS OL28 (1:25); OS LR191 & 202 (1:50); Harvey Dartmoor 1:40.

Distance: c. 19 miles

Going: Demanding. Some rough ground. PRow and FPs not always clear. Route finding necessary. Twmpy. Boggy.

1. Start at Sourton Down CP SX544917. Make way on FP to OA at SX542911 and pick up PRow. When PRow ends at JNCT keep heading for re-entrant at SX550899, CB 135, handrail fence/wall on LHS. From head of re-entrant (fence/wall makes TL) follow stream on FP on far side heading for FB SX556903, CB 055, across West Okement River.
2. From FB head for Yes Tor SX580901, CB 100. Route finding necessary. Boulder fields and small scree slopes. From Yes Tor make way to High Wilhays SX580892, CB 180.
3. From High Wilhays head for track JNCT on Dinger Plain SX588888, CB 125 (aim off as featureless landscape). Take track straight ahead CB 130 swinging round to CB 085 and at next track JNCT SX598887 TR overall CB 160 heading for Okement Hill SX602877 (track JNCT). Keep on track to Hangingstone Hill SX617861 (overall CB 140; track switches back and forth; TR at track JNCT on Ockside Hill).
4. From Hangingstone Hill follow FP around contours to Peat Pass SX619855 overall CB 160, c. 600m then TR up Peat Pass CB 275 to Memorial Stone SX616854 c. 200m. (This avoids bog on top and is a FP). From Memorial Stone head to Whitehorse Hill Memorial Stone SX615850 CB190.
5. From Whitehorse Hill go to Quintin Man's Cairn SX620838, CB 169. From Quintin Man's Cairn head roughly for 563 contour (on Harvey map) SX 60145 83741. From 563 make way to Cut Hill SX598827, CB 195. (**NOTE:** this is mainly an attempt to

work way through boggy ground. A number of routes are possible and there is a FP that cuts across the ground somewhere around here, so I've been told.)

6. From Cut Hill head descend to edge of re-entrant SX592827, CB 275. From here head for Fur Tor SX588830, CB 310. From Fur Tor head for saddle at SX587843, CB 360. From saddle head for flat place between two river heads Amicombe Brook and West Okemont River SX578858, CB 330. **NOTE:** very twmpy from saddle across to flat place; slow going, some pony paths and quad bike tracks and the like.
7. From flat place between river heads make way to track leading to Kitty Tor SX567872, CB 315. Track starts at c. SX571865. From Kitty Tor make way to Hunt Tor SX556875, CB 285 (stay high to skirt bog). From Hunt Tor make way to Branscombes Loaf on Corn Ridge SX553891, CB 345 (stay high to avoid bog). **(OR, can follow West Okemont River back to FB at SX556903 and retrace route to CP. FPs on both sides of river BUT steep, slippery, boulders, and holes.)**
8. From Branscombes Loaf make way to Sourton Tors SX543898, CB 305. From Sourton Tors make way to JNCT with PRoW SX548904, CB 030, and follow PRoW back to CP.

Glossary

BL - Bear Left

BR - Bear Right

CB - Compass Bearing

FB – Footbridge

FP - Footpath. Usually marked on 1:25 but not on 1:50

JNCT - Junction (paths/tracks cross/join)

OA – Open Access

PRoW - Public Right of Way. Usually marked on 1:25 and 1:50

Quad bike track - Two parallel lines going across the fell made by continued use by quad bike

RHS – Right hand side

LHS – Left hand side

TL - Turn Left

TR - Turn Right

Track - A wide track that looks suitably for 4x4 vehicles