

MUDDY BOOTS FEATURED WALK

GUISBOROUGH THREE PEAKS

Distance: 9 miles

Grade: A challenging walk with numerous steep climbs, five hours to complete

Suitability: Suitable for those with a good level of fitness

Start and end point: Guisborough Forest & Walkway.
(Grid ref NZ 58358 15236)

Highlights: This walk takes you through the picturesque Guisborough Forest & Walkway, with some great views of the Tees Valley from the top of Roseberry Topping and the chance to see the North Yorkshire Moors.

Route: Starting at the visitor centre (1) follow the walkway towards the forest and turn right at some metal

benches. Turn right again at the chain course and follow this track. At the end of the track (2) turn left and head

up a concrete bank. (3)

When you reach the farm, turn right and follow the path through the fields until you reach the edge of the forest (4). Turn right when you get there and you'll go through two gates and walk across Roseberry Common. When you reach the wall, do a right turn and climb up Roseberry Topping.

The top of Roseberry Topping (5) is a great place to get photos of the area so spend a few minutes taking in the view before retracing your steps and heading as if you're going to Captain Cook's Monument. Go through the gate and through the field before turning left at the bottom of the hill. At the top of this track go through the gate and then turn right and climb Little Roseberry.

After this you'll reach a gate (6), turn left here, go over the stile and follow the path straight ahead. If you want a quick detour, when the path turns to the right in the forest. Go straight on and see the Hanging Stone or turn right and continue on the track until you hit the edge of the moors.

At this point you'll join the Cleveland Way (7), follow the path along until you reach a kissing gate (8). Don't go through the gate, instead stay on the edge of the moors before turning left at the dip. Follow the track down Highcliff Nab going down the pitched steps, at the bottom of the hill turn left and continue following the path (9).

When you reach the road (10) turn right and walk up the road slightly before turning immediately left to walk past Home Farm.

Walk along until you get to the edge of the forest (11). Turn right and follow the walkway back to the visitor centre.



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Featured walk

HUNTCLIFF CIRCULAR

Distance: 5 miles

Grade: A moderate walk with some steep climbs taking approximately three and a half hours to complete.

Suitability: Suitable for those with a moderate level of fitness.

Start point: The Ship Inn, Saltburn (Grid ref: NZ 670 215).



Highlights: This route takes you along the Cleveland Way with some amazing views of Cleveland from Huntcliff and offering a unique perspective on the coast's nesting seabirds.

Walkers will pass by several sculptures including the stunning Charm Bracelet, walk alongside the Boulby train line and see some of the area's best preserved ruins from our industrial history.

Route: Starting at the Ship Inn, head east up the steep bank following the Cleveland Way. At the top you will see a stone carved with 'Cleveland Way, Heritage Coast'.

From here you will see your route stretched out ahead for 2.7 miles. Pass by information boards detailing the Huntcliff Roman Signal station, Warsett Hill, the Charm Bracelet, the railway line and the Guibal Fanhouse.

Continue along the Cleveland Way from the Charm Bracelet for a further mile until reaching the Cattersty Nature reserve. There is a Wildlife Trust information board to the right where the path forks from the Cleveland Way. Climb the stile here and walk around the field edge heading south west until you come across another stile on your right into small woodland. Climb the stile and head south along the woodland until the path turns sharp right through a hedge.

Heading west along a farm track you will pass under a railway bridge and Gripps Farm. Continue to the road (Lorne Terrace) and head up along the road on the footpath. Pass through Brotton then turn right on Saltburn Road. You are now heading north.

The road eventually turns hard down into Saltburn. Leave the road here following the public footpath over the railway line passing Shepherd's House Farm.

Continue north towards Brough House Farm then follow the footpath left just after the barn. This footpath will take you back to the Ship Inn passing Ladgates and the Coast Guard cottages.

MUDDY BOOTS FEATURED WALK UPLEATHAM CIRCULAR

Distance: 4.5 miles

Grade: A moderate walk with some steep climbs, three hours to complete

Suitability: Suitable for those with a moderate level of fitness.

Start and end point: Errington Woods, New Marske. (Grid ref: NZ617 203)

Highlights: This route takes you through some beautiful woodland and offers amazing views of East Cleveland and Boulby as well as Eston Hills and Roseberry Topping.

Route: **1** Starting from the main car park in Errington Wood, head through the decorative gates along the main path. After approximately 20 metres you will see a set of steps on your left hand side, **2** follow the steps upwards then turn

right at the top and follow the path.

After approximately 50 metres you will come to a cross roads, **3** go straight ahead and follow the bridleway adjacent to the fields either side. The lane offers views of the Cleveland Hills, Eston Hills and Roseberry Topping. After approximately one mile you will come to a small wooden gate, **4** go through the gate and head towards the dry stone wall in front of you (do not cross the ladder stile), follow the path up the hill and head for the metal field gate.

5 The next section of the walk follows public footpaths marked by a yellow arrow on a green backing plate and takes you across farmland. Please pay attention to any signs for this stretch of the walk and all dogs should be on a lead.

Walk for half a mile and you will come to a road which leads into Upleatham Village. **6** Follow the road through the village which will lead you onto the Upleatham Bridleway.

Follow the bridleway for roughly one mile as it winds its way back towards Errington Wood. **7** At this point take a well-deserved rest and take in the views of the historic town of Skelton and the coastal cliffs of East Cleveland and Boulby.

Once the bridleway re-enters the wood, **8** follow the route downhill for about 100 metres until you come to a large metal gate on your left hand side. Once you are back in the wood, **9** follow the footpath for 1.5 miles which will lead you back to your starting point at the main car park.



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Featured walk

AXON PRINCESS CIRCULAR

Distance: 4 miles

Grade: A moderate walk with a gradual ascent and two short steep sections, with several stiles, taking approximately two hours to complete.

Ability: Suitable for anyone with a moderate level of fitness.

Highlights: This route takes in some of the borough's most ancient history and is a great way of learning more about the Anglo-Saxon settlements discovered by archaeologists in the countryside surrounding Loftus.

Walkers will follow in the steps of workers who used the Cleveland Way to travel to work for centuries and see how the area's alum industry transformed the towering cliffs.

Route: Starting at the Co-op on Loftus High Street **1**, turn left and walk down the road past St Cuthbert's Church and onto East Crescent **2**.

Walk down East Crescent until it becomes Micklow Terrace and follow the path through the woods until you rejoin the A174. Walk just past Classic Foulsyke Farm (on your left) and turn immediately left at the sign and head through the gate **3**.

The track, which climbs steadily uphill, will lead you through farmers' fields and a small copse of trees until you reach Upton Farm and Upton Cottages. Cross the road **4** and carry on heading north until you reach the cliffs and join the Cleveland Way **5**.

Follow the Cleveland Way for a short distance, going through North Warren Cottage, and then turn right where it is signposted **6**. The track will take you down to the cliff edge and carry on for a time. At the crossroads, turn left and go down the bush-lined path to reach a track **7**.

Turn right at the track and you should walk past Hummersea Farm as the track curves to the left. Keep following the track for a while, passing the row of terraced houses on the left **8** and the allotments (which should be on your right), and you will find yourself back in Loftus High Street.

