

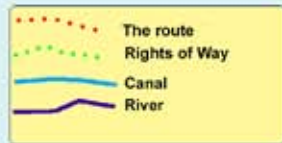
All walks start and finish at:
 Platform 3
 Marsden Railway Station
 Station Road
 Marsden
 HD7 6AX



The weather in Marsden can be cold and unpredictable on high ground even in summer.

Wear suitable clothing and footwear, and take an OS map.

The route is along public rights of way. Report problems to-
highways.ross@kirklees.gov.uk



Railway Station



i Marsden Library and Information Centre
 Marsden Mechanics Hall
 Peel Street
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Marsden Walkers Are Welcome



Deerhill

Rise high above Marsden in West Yorkshire. This 6.5 mile walk offers panoramic views of the Colne Valley, Marsden Moor and beyond.

Discover traditional hamlets, bygone relics of the industrial age and rich moorland habitats. This walk includes some steep ascents and descents.

Important information for visitors

Country Code Note

- Take your litter home.
- Close gates behind you.
- Keep dogs under close control at ALL times.

Deerhill route discription 6.5 miles/ 10.4 Km

From the **Railway Station** walk down to Marsden centre. Ignore the branch towards the Church and continue as the road curves left then cross the bridge over the river into Peel Street (shops on both sides). Walk up Peel Street past the shops to the main road (A62). Cross the road turn left into the park, pass to the right of the bandstand and up some steps to the road. *(Note the memorial to the Marsden dialect poet, Samuel Laycock.)*

A Opposite is a row of houses, to the left of them an entrance to a path which becomes a narrow walled Lane.

(To the right is Ing Head; from 1845 Marsden Adult School operated over the smithy. In 1861 classes moved to the newly built Mechanics Institute. On the left is Crow Hill, a former residence of mill owners and middle class Marsdeners.)



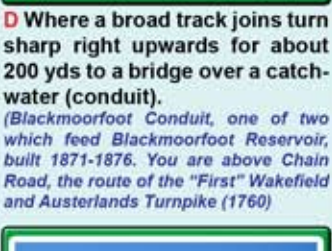
B Reach a field gate and pass through a narrow gap to the left of the gate onto a grassy path across a field between fences and hedges. Over a stile past stables on your right OR left through the grounds of a house (along the drive) and emerge onto a broad track. Turn left.



(This is the hamlet of Scout where inhabitants farmed, made cloth and worked the nearby quarry from the 18thC.)

C After 50 yds yards turn right through a wooden gate on to National Trust moorland.

Climb up by a stream on your left to a track, here turn left over the stream and continue along the track for about 500 yds.



D Where a broad track joins turn sharp right upwards for about 200 yds to a bridge over a catchwater (conduit).

(Blackmoorfoot Conduit, one of two which feed Blackmoorfoot Reservoir, built 1871-1876. You are above Chain Road, the route of the "First" Wakefield and Austerlands Turnpike (1760)



E Continue up the broad track until you reach another conduit over which there is a bridge. Turn left before the bridge at the side of the conduit towards a building. **(Live rifle range)**

(The building is part of an old army rifle range, the quarry beyond is appropriately named Shooters Nab.)



G Drop right down the bottom of the steps and turn right along a flat grassy area. Soon you see a wire fence around a reservoir mound. Walk up to the large metal gate and take the path to the right until you reach the stone stile. Climb over the wall and turn left along the wall.



Take care this short section of road can be busy with traffic.

I Turn left at Far Side Farm and follow the path in front of the house then left down the side of the house with the field wall on your right.

Pass through two gates and continue to join another road.



K Pass through the fieldgate across the field to a road. At the road turn right for 100yds then take the footpath on your left, which climbs to a group of buildings.

Head to the right of the buildings to a small gate.

F Pass in front of the building towards Deer Hill reservoir. Continue along the edge of the reservoir until you reach a flight of steps on your left.

(Deer Hill was the first of Huddersfield Corporation's reservoirs and was completed by 1875.)



H Where the wall turns left carry on straight ahead across the field towards some houses. Continue past a field gate onto a broad track and past a house. Continue down the tarmac track for about 500 yds until you meet the road.

Turn right along the bendy road for 100 yards.



J Turn left onto the road for 25 yds then turn right along a lane for about 50 yds.

Turn left onto the drive of Mullion House, keeping the house on your right go behind the house to the field gate.



M When the road takes a sharp right turn take the sunken track/bridleway to the left for 50 yds then climb up to a stile on your right.



O Turn right along the road for 100 yds then turn left onto the grassy footpath which leads to a road by a Brine Place farm. Turn right for about 100 yds. Opposite Hill Top Farm and take a path on your left down to the main road (A62)



Q Once over the canal walk up a track bearing left through the wood until the track branches.

Take the left branch which follows the canal on your left towards Marsden.



L Pass through the gate with the buildings on your left and reach a track. Turn left up the steps and through a leafy arch to join a sunken track for 250 yds. Finally reach a road and turn right for 450 yds.



N Drop down the field towards some trees and over a stile to the left of the trees on to a road. (Lingards Road)



P Cross the road and join a path to the right of the houses through three gates and down an embankment over some boardwalks to a bridge which crosses the river followed by a bridge over the canal.



R After about 550 yds the track reaches a road, here turn left over a bridge and join the towpath on the right. Keep on the towpath until you reach Marsden.

(On your left you will pass Cellars Clough Mill, a mill has existed here since at least 1801 until it closed in 1994.)