

# Horrabridge to Huckworthy Bridge

## The oak tree walk



Huckworthy Bridge

This is a leisurely 5 mile ramble that visits the picturesque Huckworthy bridge and passes by some particularly splendid oak trees. We start and finish in the village of Horrabridge which we are told gets its name from “Har” an old word for boundary. Apparently the river was once the boundary of Buckland Monachorum parish hence Har Bridge or now Horrabridge.

*If walking with a dog be aware that there is a tall stile on this walk that has no dog gate*



**Park in the village and walk over the bridge with the village sign on your right.**



**Turn left and when you reach the Leaping Salmon pub turn right .**

**Without going into the pub car park walk straight ahead and up a well used track**





**Keep going up hill through the parkland passing some magnificent oak trees. Go through a gate at the top and cross the farm track**



**The foot path keeps going up hill and takes us past some more oak trees and also crosses the driveway to Grimstone Manor.**



**When you reach the gate at the top turn right and walk out to the road**



**When you reach Jordan lane turn right. Its not a busy road but is safer to walk on the left.**



**When you reach the post box turn left**



**Go through the gate and stay on the footpath for three quarters of a mile.**



**Passing quite soon yet another splendid oak tree**





**The footpath is through the gate on your right**



**These gates look like barriers but they are all easy to get through**



**Head on through the farm along the farm road and out through a gate onto the road**

**Go straight across and up some steps**



**Keep right when you reach this pair of gates**



**When the path  
widens considerably  
ignore the gate ahead  
and veer right**



**Just past this level section  
the path can be slippery  
as it drops down hill....**

**...to a shallow stream  
that you cross and then  
go over the wall ahead.**





**Passing this splendid example of an oak tree....**



**...go through a gate.....**

**Along the bank of a stream  
and over a stile....**



**...passing a post ...**

**... and when you reach the  
road turn right. (This tall  
stile has no dog gate )**





**Set off up the road ignoring the turning on the left that you pass and on reaching the T junction....**

**....go straight over into a small car park and follow the arrow in the sky.**



**There is a wall on your right in the trees which you stay...**

**...parallel with all the way down to....**



**...a gate. The gate is hard to open, ignore the catch just lift it up.**



**Head on down this very pretty sunken path to a road.**

**Turn left...**



**...and walk on down the road to Huckworthy bridge and a cup of coffee on the bench.**





**Suitably rested carry on up the road for about 150m and then turn right along this track.**

**It's a poorly drained track that can be a bit muddy but keep going ignoring the gates into fields on either side.**



**Go through this gate and using the stepping stones cross the river.**

***(If after very heavy rain the stones are flooded***

***retrace your steps to the road turn right and take the first right turn in Walkhampton and pick up the walk again from Horrabridge school.)***





**Having crossed the Black Brook  
fork left and walk on up to a  
wall/hedge on your right.**

**Keeping the wall  
on your right ...**



**Walk along  
the edge of  
Knowle Down  
all the way to  
the road**

**Turn right and  
walk into  
Horrabridge  
passing the  
school on your  
left**





**Stay on the left crossing over a junction and over a green in front of some houses**

**At the next junction turn right on to a tarmac path that takes you....**



**..into the village passing over a bridge....**

**... next to a play park and back to your car.**



