

BAKEWELL Sunday, 26TH April 2026

A Walk

Distance: approx 11.5 miles

Ascent: 2,500 ft

Leader: Bob McConnell

This walk is for most of the time along good stony and grassy paths and bridleways with two significant stretches of incline at the start and towards the end of the walk.

Having first visited the town (toilets 20p) we cross the bridge over the river Wye and make our way up Castle Hill. We continue up a track crossing the Monsal Trail and the golf course and through Manners Wood. We then cross an area of grassland known as Calton Pastures then through New Piece Wood and descend into the village of Edensor.

We then head down towards Chatsworth House and onto the Derwent Valley Heritage Trail which we follow along the river crossing a bridge and following a track to the village of Beeley.

Walking briefly along Beeley Lane we pick up a track passing Burnt Wood Quarry continuing until we reach Rowsley. From here we make our way to the road which we follow for a short distance until we reach a bridleway which we follow up for a significant distance skirting Aaron Hole Plantation and the estate railings of Haddon Hall before dropping down to the River Wye which we keep to our left as we head back into Bakewell.

B Walk

Leader: Ken Morley

Details will be passed around the coach,

C WALK

Distance 6.8miles

Leaders Lynn Clinton & Ewa McAulay

Today, from the car park, we make our way to the recreation field, walk across it to a small passageway in between the houses, which will lead us to the main road. We then go towards Haddon House and then we cross a number of fields. We continue across Haddens Fields, going through the woods, (this path is a bit rocky so taking our time) going down towards the river where we will stop for lunch.

We go towards Conksbury |Bridge, still following the river go over the bridge and still following the river until we come to the road leading us to Higher Hadden, (this is going uphill) here there are toilets which can be used free.

We go through the village till we come to a hotel and then we go across 2 fields before we come to a lane. At the end of the lane, we walk along the road for a short period before we again come to a field, we continue to Burton Closes and then carry on till we come to a small gap in the wall which is at the side of the cemetery and follow this path down (there are some steps) back to the main road. When we reach the road the recreation filed is opposite.

The toilets are situated across the bridge a short walk from the coach, and these toilets are 20p.