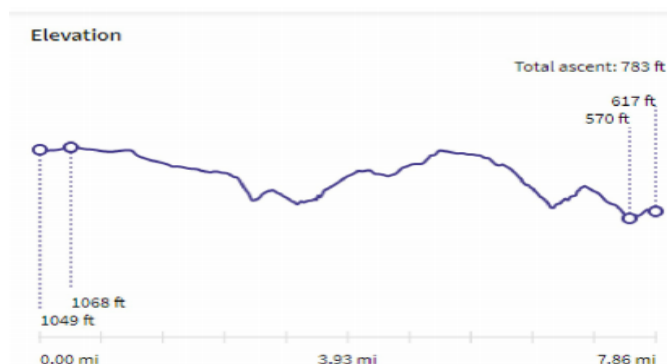


Section 2: Flash Lane to Holymoorside - 7.87 miles

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- 1) Leaving the check point, continue in the same direction from which you came walking along the country lane with the farm building on your right. Walk past Darley Forrest Grange. And continue for no more than 50m turn right over a small ditch and stone stile in a wall marked with a metal public footpath sign
- 2) Follow the field headland with the wall on your right, passing a timber farm building on your right. Pass over a stile in a post & wire fence. Keep on along the field edge passing a copse of trees on the other side of the wall. Path is marked by timber posts with blue squares.
- 3) Continue with the stone wall on the right with trees behind. Head for the pedestrian wooden gate ahead of you. Ignore the one to the right. Pass through the wooden gate ahead of you passing over a little stream.
- 4) Take the direction as indicated by the footpath marker walking diagonally to your right so that you can then continue along the field edge with the wall on your right.
- 5) When you reach a gateway in this wall pass through but continue in the same direction so that now the wall is on your left. Look diagonally to your right and head to the small wooden gate in the wall ahead of you. Pass through this gate and then continue in the same diagonal fashion across the next field.
- 6) At the far side of the field pass through a stone squeezer stile and cross the small tarmacked lane to pass through a small wooden gate. Turn 45° right to walk diagonally across the field. The path might be unclear but after you walk a short distance you will see across the field another small gate marked with a finger post to head for. This will take you onto another road. **BEWARE – MAIN ROAD – TAKE CARE**
- 7) Cross the main road and walk up the tarmacked lane ahead of you, with blue signpost “unsuitable for heavy goods vehicles”. Keep on this lane for approx. 0.5km.
- 8) Look out for a green metal footpath sign on your right. Turn off the lane here and pass over a stone stile. Follow the path for less than 100m then turn left to pass through a small wooden hand gate.
- 9) Turn to your right and **follow the field edge with open field on your left**. Shortly you will be walking on a track. Continue to reach a wooden farm gate. Pass through and close behind you.
- 10) Turn to the right as directed by a footpath roundel marker and approach another wooden farm gate. Pass through gate and close behind. Walk along a narrow path with holly hedge on the left, barbed wire fence on the right. Pass through a small stone gap stile then pass over a small wooden plank bridge followed by wooden stile. Continue along the narrow path.

- 11)** Come to another small wooden bridge and pass through a gap in a wall, over a second small wooden bridge and stone gap stile. Come out onto a track and turn to the right to pass over the stone stile next to the fingerpost.
- 12)** Continue ahead with open field to the left, field boundary with trees on the right. Pass through an open field gate, proceed with barbed wire fence on the left. After less than 100m pass through an open gate. You now have open field on your left again.
- 13)** At the far end of the field you will reach a double wooden farm gate. Squeeze around this gate on its left hand side and pass onto a lane. Turn left and walk down the tarmacked lane. Reach a junction in the lane and turn left on Jaggars Lane in the direction of Uppertown.
- 14)** Follow the lane downhill and around bends left then right. As the lane rises follow the lane around a left hand bend then lookout for Whitfield House on your right. Immediately after this property turn right to walk up some stone steps and through a wooden hand gate.
- 15)** Walk ahead towards a standing stone then on to pass a second standing stone, passing through gaps in large hedgerows. At the far side of the fields pass through a wooden hand gate in the left corner of the field marked by a footpath post. Continue across the next field in the same direction.
- 16)** Shortly you will be passing farm buildings on your left behind post and rail fencing followed by high hedge. Ignore any turnings and continue ahead towards the new looking small wooden gate in the far left corner of the field. Pass through this then around a left corner and then the older looking gate which is on your right. Step through a stone squeezer stile.
- 17)** After 10m or so turn 90° left and walk down a narrow path with stone wall on your left and laurel hedge on the right. Come to a stone stile that takes you down onto a tarmacked lane. Turn right. And walk down to a junction with a signpost ahead "Mill Lane".
- 18)** Turn left to walk along Mill Lane. Pass a number of stone properties including Brierly Farm on the right. Immediately after turn to the left at the fingerpost. Walk diagonally to your right as if towards someone's garage and you will see a metal kissing gate and footpath roundel.
- 19)** After the kissing gate pass a display of standing stones right and left then up stone steps to skirt around a pond to your right. Continue ahead with Smalley Brook down below to the left and a small stream on the right. Walking under trees.
- 20)** Walk over stone with a cascade down to your left. Pass through a small wooden gate and pass by a wooden bench. Cross this small grass field and through another small wooden gate. You are now back under trees.
- 21)** Soon there is a stone causeway to mark the route. This takes you to a crossing point to cross the brook via some large step stones. Go up the bank and through another small wooden gate. Turn right follow the path to another small gate preceded by a couple of steps. Turn left and continue along the banking with Smalley Brook down to the right. You are walking in woodland.
- 22)** Pass over a small section of plank bridge then up a flight of wooden steps. Emerge into an open grass field. Continue with high hedge and trees on the left, open field on the right. At the far end of the field pass through a small wooden gate.
- 23)** Proceed on a very short section of track then ahead to pass through or by two metal farm gates one after the other. Continue ahead across a grass field. Keep the hedge on your right close to you and the walked path should be visible.
- 24)** At the far side of the field look for a small wooden gate in a gap in the stone wall. Pass through and walk ahead towards buildings with a stone wall on your left. Continue to a road.

- 25) At the road turn right. Pass the Uppertown Social Centre on your right and look for Old School Farm on the right. Just after the farm is a more modern property. Immediately after the gateway to this property turn right over the stile next to the metal gate. Continue in the direction indicated by the footpath fingerpost, which is unfortunately broken. You need turn 45° to your left and aim for the opposing corner of the field.
- 26) At the far corner of the next field pass through a small wooden gate. Cross another field and through a pedestrian hand gate onto a tarmacked lane. Cross the lane and through the gateway ahead as if entering a property then look diagonally to your right and follow the path sign and go over a small planked bridge.
- 27) Proceed uphill with a stone wall on the right. After 100m cross through a gap in the stone wall and continue uphill with the wall now on your left. At the top of the field pass through an open gateway with a stile to the left marked with a footpath roundel on a post.
- 28) Continue ahead towards the farm buildings and towards the next footpath marker post. Take the lane that goes through the farm. Pass through the farm and continue on the same track that winds up towards the road. **BEWARE – MAIN ROAD – TAKE CARE.** When you reach the road turn right and walk for 50m before crossing the road and turning left onto the marked footpath.
- 29) Follow the track uphill and after a short distance pass through a stone squeezer stile just to the right of a gate that is directly in front of you. The stile may be overgrown and not clearly visible, in which case use the wooden farm gate. Turn diagonally to your left and cross the field to another narrow squeezer stile. Pass through this and walk diagonally to your right to cross a field.
- 30) At the far side of the field pass through another squeezer stile and turn diagonally to your left to follow the obvious path marked with stone stepping stones. Stay on this path across a stretch of moorland until you reach another squeezer stile in a stone wall. Pass through into an area of small trees and heather.
- 31) Follow the most obvious path running diagonally to the left. Path winds through the heather until you reach some bodies of water. Look for the footpath marker post that points the way between the two ponds. As you stand by the marker post you will see two land bridges that separate the bodies of water in front of you. These form an apparent fork of paths. The path you need to take is the left hand of the fork. Take care to ensure you are on the correct path. Walk along the narrow stretch of land with water to either side.
- 32) Once past the water take the path as indicated by the footpath marker. Continue ahead towards the large stone tower chimney in front of you then follow the path indicated by the way markers. Pass another pond on your right then through a stone squeezer stile onto a tarmac lane.
- 33) Turn left onto the lane and walk 200m to the main road. **BEWARE – MAIN ROAD – TAKE CARE.** Cross the road and turn left to walk along this main road for about 100m. Turn right at the footpath fingerpost and walk down the track towards Stonehay Farm.
- 34) Walk into the farm. As you pass an old stone building on your right look for the path indicated by the fingerpost. Follow the path between high hedges to take you away from the farm.
- 35) After a short distance you will pass through a metal kissing gate and continue on the path with hedges and walls to either side. Cross a small stream and continue downhill into a wooded area.
- 36) Cross another stream by way of the stepping stones and then follow the path straight ahead. Pass an old stone building on your left and at the bottom of the valley cross the bridge over a stream at the side of a weir.

- 37) After this the path rises steeply with conifer plantation on your right hand side. When you reach the tarmacked road turn right and walk for 50m then turn off left at the finger post.
- 38) Follow the obvious path that rises through the trees. As you reach the top of the hill the path leaves the woodland area then follows a route in a straight line with stone walls to either side.
- 39) This path runs dead straight for a distance. At the end of this path when reaching a road cross over and turn left to walk along the pavement. After 100m turn right off the road at the fingerpost passing through a gap in a wall. Follow the path as it bends round to the left. Trees on the left, post & wire fence on the right.
- 40) Pass through a stone squeezer stile, cross a very small field, pass through another squeezer stile then follow the obvious path across the field until another stone squeezer takes you onto a farm driveway. Turn right towards the farm.

On the farm lane you will reach **Checkpoint 2.**
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