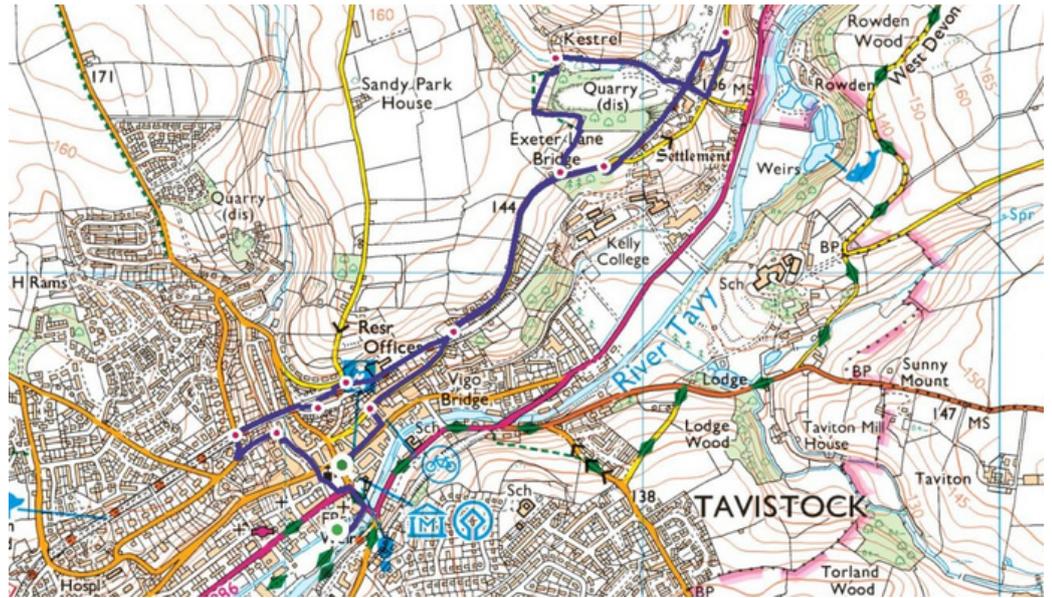


WALK HIGHLIGHTS

Views of Tavistock Town Centre & Dartmoor

Tavistock & Wilminstone viaducts originally built to carry trains on the London & South West Railway Line

Pretty country lanes



A fantastic 3 mile walk that is accessible from the very centre of town, taking in two viaducts which carried the London and South West trains from Exeter around the north western fringes of Dartmoor, and out onto leafy lanes with some great views of Dartmoor. The walk is relatively flat but is steep in places. You can turn back at any time.

Starting in the town centre, walk up Market Street to Bank Square, past the Union Inn and take a steep pedestrian footpath off to the left (2). We warn you - it is steep! At the top, catch your breath and take a right towards the Railway Bridge.

3. Access the Railway line before the bridge, to the right. At the end of the viaduct, the road bends sharply to the right past some houses.

4. There is an almost hidden footpath on your left which skirts the old railway station.

5. At Kilworthy Park, the route is signposted back onto the railway line. You carry on until the path loops back onto itself and joins a residential road.

To cut the walk short, take a left here and continue downhill until you come to steep steps in the wall on your left, taking you to Paddon's Row (11).

6. Here you turn right and follow the road until you come to a sign for Cycle Route N27 through a gate to the right.

7. Rejoin the railway line, across Wilminstone Viaduct until you are directed to exit once again back onto Old Exeter Road.

8. Here take a right, down the hill, right again underneath the viaduct towards Kestrel Kennels. At the car park for Kestrel Kennels, bear left along a track until you come to a cottage.

9. Go left over the bridge, through a gate and up a steep field. The route takes you around the edge of another field until you reach a bridleway. Follow this back to the main road (10).

Retrace your steps but, instead of joining the railway line again at the bridge, carry on down Old Exeter Road until you come to steps on your left down into Paddon's Row (11).



WHERE TO EAT

There are any number of places to eat & drink in Tavistock. See www.visit-tavistock.co.uk/eat



FOOT FILE

START/FINISH REF:
SX 478 745
W3W animal.slate.audio

TIME: 1 1/2 hours
LENGTH: 3 miles
TERRAIN: on/off-road, woods, railway path, mostly flat with one steep ascent.
PARKING: Bedford or Riverside Car Parks.