



Hayfield to Kinder Scout Trespass Walk

A tough ascent on the original 'Trespass' route up to the Kinder Plateau. The descent is by way of little used paths. One for experienced walkers with navigation skills

Essential Facts

- Route distance: 12.3 km (7.6 miles)
- Approximate time: 4 hours 45 mins
- Approx. total ascent: 420 metres
- Start point Grid Ref: SK 048 869
- GPS Ref: SK 04871 86948
- Recommended O.S. Map: Explorer OL1
- Toughness Rating: Peaks 4

Please see the notes on Toughness Ratings at the end of this report

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THE ROUTE

Caution: This is a high level walk incorporating some challenging terrain. It is essential to wear suitable boots and clothing, and to avoid adverse weather conditions. The route is for experienced walkers with navigational experience.

After taking the time to see the plaque commemorating the Mass Trespass on Kinder leave the start point car park, **S**, by turning left and walking up the terraced lane reaching the Reservoir gates after about 0.75 km. Go straight ahead through the gates for a further 0.25 km to a second set of gates, **A**.

Take the steep cobbled path to the left signposted White Brow. As the path levels remain close to the wall admiring views of Kinder Reservoir and of Kinder in the distance. Continue along the path never far from the wall on your right until reaching the end of the reservoir.

Take the path which is slightly left and signed William Clough, **B**. This path gradually becomes steeper as the Clough narrows. Shortly after ascending some manmade steps watch out for a slabbed path off to the right, which we take at **C**. After a short distance this path ascends again for the last major climb of the walk.

We are now on the Pennine Way and any walkers approaching you with large packs could very well be on day one of this challenging long distance path which runs from Edale right up the 'back-bone of England'. The views from here are stupendous - on a clear day !

Turning right, take the well marked path along the plateau until reaching Kinder Downfall, **D**. The path here is indistinct however, cross over the stream at a safe point and continue parallel to the edge. Very soon you will be reassured by a more distinct path.

After around 1 km you reach a cleft in the terrain and cross Red Brook at **E**. Immediately after crossing the brook take the right hand, less distinct, path which remains close to the edge. At any forks in the path keep to the right until an outcrop of rocks is reached. Shortly afterwards the path bears left and then straightens again. At any stage where the path is indistinct aim towards the tip of the plantation to the left of the reservoir in the distance.

Cross a wooden fence continuing to aim for the tip of the plantation. Shortly after crossing a brook proceed by a stile at Broad Clough, **F**. Keep ahead on the grassy track with the plantation on your right. Soon after the end of the plantation a minor road is reached at **G**.

Cross the road and descend the steep path turning left just before the river. Continue with the river on your right and turning right at the lane. This takes us back to the reservoir gates and by taking the road to the left the car park, **S**, is reached in around 0.75 km.

Your exertion may be rewarded by a visit to one of the inviting hostleries in Hayfield.



The Foot of William Clough



The Trespass Commemoration

Refreshment

The Packhorse Inn Public House Hayfield. Tel: 01663 740074 Meals and bar snacks available	The Bulls Head Public House Hayfield Tel: 01663 745511 Meals and local ales
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The George Hotel
 Public House
 Hayfield.
 Tel: 01663 743691
 Restaurant and bar
 snacks



**The Packhorse Inn
Hayfield**

LOCAL INFO

THE KINDER TRESPASS

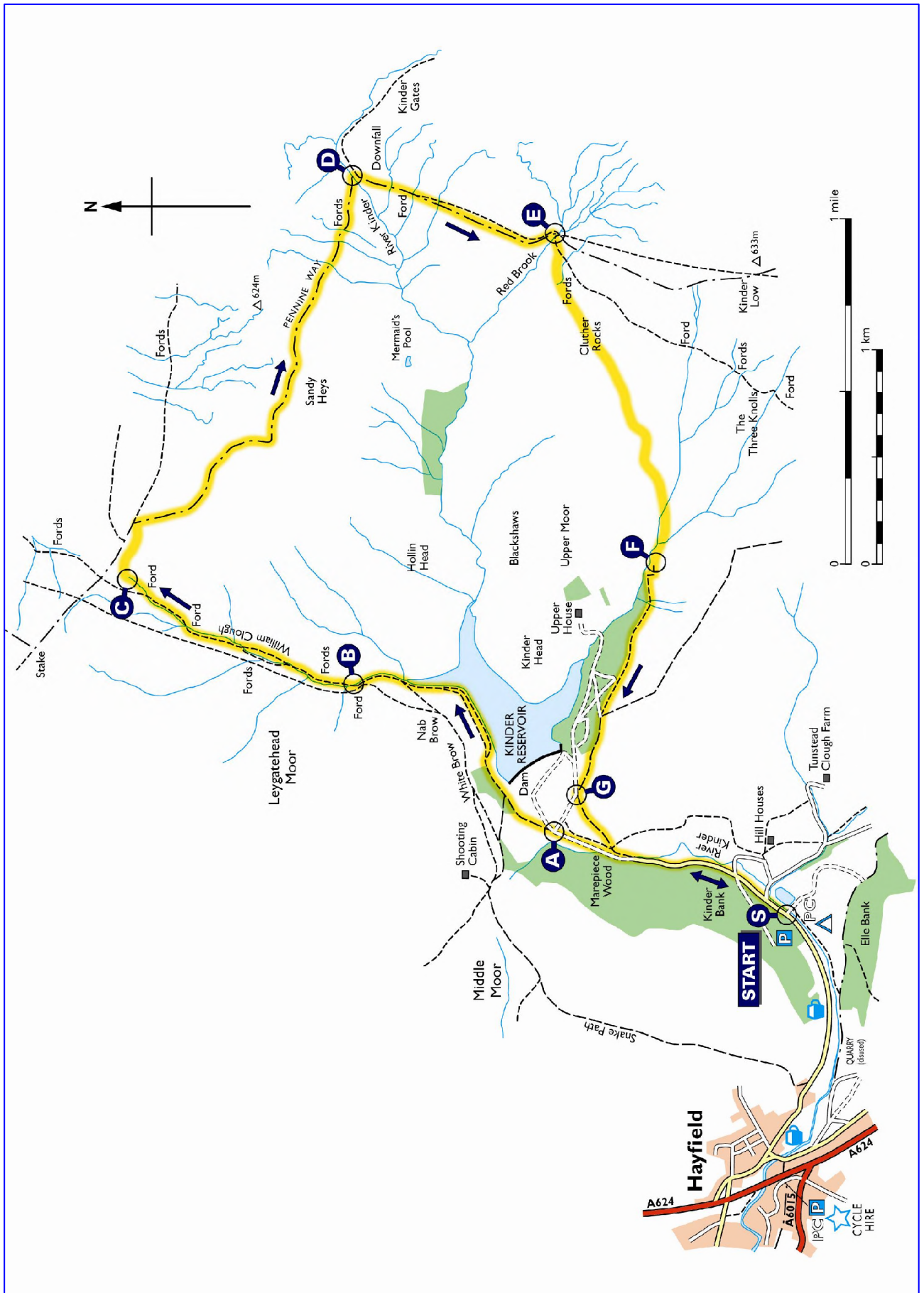
This walk up onto Kinder begins from Bowden Bridge car park, just outside Hayfield. Here you will see a plaque commemorating a significant event in the history of the area, and walking for the common man (and woman). Large areas of land owned by wealthy landowners were used as shooting moors and were inaccessible to walkers. In an attempt to open up access for all a mass trespass of the Kinder Scout Massif was arranged in April 1932.


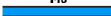



























Ramblers from Manchester met in the car park at Bowden Bridge, where a rally took place before they climbed up through William Clough, soon meeting up with ramblers from Sheffield. A clash took place between ramblers and gamekeepers resulting in the imprisonment of five ramblers. As a result of the trespass access restrictions have gradually been reduced opening up the countryside for all to enjoy.

Hayfield is a picturesque village nestling in the Sett Valley, at the foot of the Kinder massif. It is a popular location for both walkers and mountain bikers who are well served by several welcoming inns and teashops.

HAYFIELD TO KINDER SCOUT TRESPASS G.P.S. WAYPOINTS

WAYPOINT NAME	MAP REF	CO-ORDINATES	ELEVATION: Metres
HAY S	S	SK 04871 86948	221
HAY A	A	SK 05252 88146	238
HAY B	B	SK 05974 88747	289
HAY C	C	SK 06401 90029	504
HAY D	D	SK 08315 88956	604
HAY E	E	SK 08046 87978	600
HAY F	F	SK 06507 87562	322
HAY G	G	SK 05431 87899	281



MAP LEGEND					
	Great Walks route				
	Motorway		Church with tower		Spot height - metres
	Main road		Church with spire		Information centre
	Secondary road		Other place of worship		Parking
	Minor road		Cathedral / Abbey		Public convenience
	Other road		Building		Public house
	Track		Built up area		Picnic site
	Footpath		Woodland		Camp site
	Bridleway		Sand		Major tourist feature
	National trail		Water feature		Other tourist feature
	Railway				

Safety First

Safety should always be your first priority in planning and undertaking a walk, whether on your own or leading a group. Please read these Safety First and Walking Our Routes notes.

Lead a group of other walkers only if you have leadership and navigational experience adequate for the 'worst case' conditions which may be encountered on the particular walk, bearing in mind the terrain, possible weather and navigational demands.

Weigh up the capabilities of your party, in terms of fitness and walking speed. Adjust your time expectations accordingly.

Ensure all your party are adequately clothed for the weather and conditions. Footwear is particularly important. Clothing must protect against cold, wet or strong sun according to the time of year.

Emergencies are quite rare, but it is essential to think ahead about what to do if someone in your party sustains an injury. Will you have a First Aid kit? Is there a qualified First Aider in the party? How could help be summoned in a serious eventuality?

Refreshment, particularly water, can be vital. Dehydration in hot summer conditions can be rapid, and frequent intake of fluids is essential.

On tougher walks it is a good idea to tell someone where you are planning to go – and when you expect to be back. Remember - mobile phones often lose reception in mountainous or isolated areas.

All our walks use legitimate routes: Public Rights of Way, Public Footpaths, Bridleways, Permissive Paths, Access Land, Byways and Roads.

Road walking calls for particular care. When there is no defined footpath or verge wide enough for safe walking it is usually best to walk on the right – facing oncoming traffic. An exception may be a tight bend, where walkers would be more visible on the left.

Occasionally you may find a public footpath blocked or unuseable. It is perfectly in order to take the shortest available diversion without damaging crops, perhaps around a field margin.

It is courteous to close gates after passing through, sometimes even if the gate was open when you arrived – particularly if it is obvious livestock may escape.

Mutual respect for farm animals is to be encouraged! Don't frighten or annoy them, but equally don't put your party members in danger or discomfort. You certainly wouldn't be the first walkers to go round the outside of a field of frisky bullocks.

Dogs should always be kept on a lead anywhere near farm animals, and under close supervision elsewhere in the countryside.

Walking Our Routes

Our walks are designed to be negotiated using the route directions in conjunction with the map section provided. We suggest walkers also take the Ordnance Survey Explorer or Outdoor Leisure map recommended for each walk.

On mountain, moorland and open heathland walks it is **ESSENTIAL** to have navigational expertise and tools, including the recommended Ordnance Survey map(s).

Take care to observe any cautions in the route description; exposed paths, areas liable to flooding etc.

Consider conditions before setting off. Will heavy rain have made a water meadow impassable? Will frost or snow make a path slippery?

When navigating the route look for clues to confirm you are in the right place. Are map features where you would expect on the ground? Are features mentioned in the text where expected? If you suspect you may have taken a wrong turn, take action sooner rather than later. It is better to re-trace to a known point rather than carry on regardless with the possibility of becoming increasingly confused.

All our routes are carefully checked before publication, but features can change on the ground – sometimes surprisingly quickly. Footpaths may be re-routed, buildings can appear or change significantly and these days pub names seem to change frequently.

The approximate time given for each walk is based on an average walking speed of 2.5 miles per hour (4 km/hour), plus an allowance for ascent, descent and any difficult terrain.

Total ascent is the approximate total ascent over the whole walk.

GPS users can enter in the waypoints provided in each of our walk reports. It is important to read our guide **Introducing GPS for Walkers**, available as a PDF file from the Great Walks in Britain web site.

Remember that GPS is a great navigational tool, but only one of those available to the navigator. Never dispense with conventional map and compass – and the training and skills to use them, especially on mountain, moorland or open heathland walks.

TOUGHNESS RATINGS

Most of our **Peak District** routes can be undertaken by reasonably fit walkers able to utilise the map segments and our recommended Ordnance Survey maps, together with the route guidance notes.

The toughest walks should be undertaken or led only by experienced mountain walkers with navigational expertise. Always consider recent and forecast weather.

Each walk has been allocated a **Toughness Rating**:

1. Easier walks with modest ascent and generally on well defined paths. There may be stiles or narrow gateways to negotiate.
2. Routes which are more demanding. They may include more ascent and possibly paths which are looser or more difficult underfoot.
3. More strenuous walks. There may be prolonged steep ascents, and perhaps several ascents over the whole walk. Conditions may be challenging underfoot.
4. The toughest walks, requiring considerable fitness and navigational experience. There may be prolonged steep ascents. The ability to navigate by compass may be essential.

Toughness Ratings are allocated in the context of the terrain in the edition area. For example a walk rated as demanding in Cambridgeshire may be equivalent to an easier or moderate route in the Peak District.