Castle Grounds to Standen Hey

Start Point
Mitchell Street Car Park
★ SD 7392 4144

Distance/Time
4 miles
2 Hrs

Terrain
Roads, tracks and fields.
Gates and some stiles

Public transport
Train and Bus station, Clitheroe

Key to Facilities
Clitheroe:
* Pubs, ♦ Cafés, ♣ Toilets,
☆ Shops, ♠ Accommodation

GPS Waypoints (OS grid refs)

1 SD 7392 4144
2 SD 7374 4078
3 SD 7283 4056
4 SD 7260 3963
5 SD 7277 3862
6 SD 7300 3949
Walk Description

Start from Eshton Terrace entrance to Castle grounds, or the Mitchell Street Car Park (both adjacent to the railway crossing). Walk up Mitchell Street and take the first left into West View. Turn right to the end of West View then left into Primrose Street - past the Clitheroe allotments and onto Woone Lane. Turn right down Woone Lane to an industrial area.

As the road bends sharp left, follow the way marked route right (to the left of Primrose Mill). This brings you to a track that leads down to the railway viaduct and Pendleton (or Mearley) Brook. Go under the viaduct, keeping the brook on your left, and continue over several fields until you reach Henthorn Road (where you link up with Walk 3).

GPS: SD 7283 4056
Turn left along Henthorn Road passing the household waste recycling centre on your left. Keep to the road and note the stunning riverside views to the right. Also fine views of Kemple End. Continue through where it is signed ‘Private Road - Footpath Only’ you will pass Fishes and Peggy Hill Farm on your left as you approach Shuttleworth Farm.

GPS: SD 7260 3963
Go through the main double farm gates, then through a second set on your left. Exit the farmyard via a gate on your right onto a farm track. Follow this track away from the farm until you reach a farm gate. Keeping the hedgerow to your left continue through a number of fields until you reach a small corner plot of recently planted trees. Exit via a gate to a large rushy field. Take a diagonal bearing away from the fence line to the stone base of Hardhill Cross - a point on an old roman road.

GPS: SD 7277 3862
From the cross, bear left and through a kissing gate into Standen Hey Community Woodland where you are welcome to wander and picnic. Just before the railway crossing, turn left and continue through the woodland along a tussocky ride. You will come to an old hedgerow/fenceline that links with an existing footpath. Turn left away from the railway and exit the woodland.

GPS: SD 7300 3949
Bear right across the field to the tree line then follow the path down to Fishes and Peggy Hill Farm. You will pass through two farm gates to a track that runs alongside the farm. This will bring you out onto the Private Road where you turn right to retrace your route back to the Castle Grounds.

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About This Walk

The Clitheroe Walks have been produced to encourage walkers to celebrate the history, culture, wildlife, birds, flora and fauna of Clitheroe and its surrounding countryside. They link Clitheroe through to several surrounding villages and amenities including shops, pubs and cafes. Improvements have been made and Walks 1, 3 and 4 are stile-free, however there are steps at a couple of locations. All of the routes are waymarked on the ground as ‘Clitheroe Walks’.

Standen Hey Community Woodland

This community woodland comprises 55 acres of native broadleaf trees. A total of 23,000 trees were planted on farmland in 2003 with the help of school children in Barrow. The woodland is managed by the farm and includes a network of grassy rides for informal recreation.