

77. Longstone Moor

Distance **12.5 miles/19.5km**

Ascent **722 metres**

Start/finish **Holme Lane, Bakewell, DE45 1GF**

Turn R off Holme Lane, following a track north over open hillside. Turn L onto the Monsal Trail through Headstone tunnel and over the viaduct. Turn R, descending to cross a footbridge and the road. Follow lane up Hay Dale, straight on at crossroads then R onto footpath (5.5 miles/8.8km). Continue through fields and over a road heading east to a track junction. Turn R then L, through a field and then Bleaklow Farm. Cross fields trending R and crossing a track at SK 215731 (8.1 miles/13.1km). Continue downhill to Hardrake Lane. Cross a stile then cross fields to Great Longstone. Turn R into the village, turning L onto Main Street, R on Croft Road then L to the end of Edge View Drive. At the end turn L down a footpath, crossing fields to reach the Monsal Trail. Turn L to return to Bakewell.

Miles	Km	Directions
0.0	0.0	From the end of Holme Lane turn right, following a track north over open hillside and down to the Monsal Trail.
1.2	1.9	Turn left and follow the Monsal Trail north-west through the tunnel and over the Monsal Head Viaduct to a right turn onto a footpath.
3.5	5.7	Follow this down into the valley across a footbridge and up to the road at a junction. Follow the road opposite uphill through Hay Dale to the road junction at the top.
5.1	8.2	Cross and follow the road opposite north-east to a footpath on the right.
5.5	8.8	Follow the footpath east across the moor to a left turn which takes you downhill to the road.
5.9	9.5	Turn right crossing the road and following the old quarry track south-east, to the north of the lake and down hill to Black Harry Gate.
6.9	11.1	Turn right uphill and then left onto a bridleway heading south-east along the edge of a large field to a track junction just north of Bleaklow Farm.
7.7	12.4	Follow the path past the farm and into the field beyond. Trend right across the next fields following the path downhill to reach a junction with a narrow rocky bridleway.
8.1	13.1	Cross and follow the footpath opposite south-west downhill across fields to the top of Hardrake Lane (an old narrow lane more like a path).
8.6	13.9	Follow this path south-west downhill turning right over a high rocky stile and following the path across a couple of fields to the road in Great Longstone.
9.3	15	Turn right on Church Lane into the village, left onto Main Street, right on Croft Road then left to the end of Edge View Drive.
9.8	15.8	Turn L down a footpath, crossing fields to reach the Monsal Trail.
10.2	16.4	Turn left onto the Monsal Trail and then right on the footpath back over the hill to Bakewell and the start.