Ramblers Devon Area

Moorland Group
Summer Programme 2026

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WEATHER CONDITIONS: Please telephone the appropriate Walk Leader if you wish to know more about the walks listed in the programme or if the weather conditions on the day seem dubious. Walks are rarely cancelled but may be curtailed at the discretion of the Leader.

TORCHES: Although it is intended that all walks finish in daylight, walkers are advised to include a head-torch or hand-torch in their kit, especially on winter walks, in case of unforeseen delays.

GROUP SAFETY: In order to promote the collective comfort, safety and enjoyment of walkers with the Group, each participant should be adequately clothed and equipped for bad weather and emergencies in remote, exposed situations. Advice can be obtained from the Walks Secretary or the General Secretary.

WALKS LEADERS: New leaders are always welcome, but are required to be fully paid-up members of the Ramblers and over eighteen years of age.

NOTE FOR LEADERS: If you are unable to lead your walk, it is your responsibility to find another member to do so. Please also let the Walks Secretary know, in order to help with finding a replacement leader.

BACKMARKERS: It is the recommendation of the Committee that a backmarker be appointed. While the backmarker may not be familiar with the route, they should be capable of navigating back to the finish point of the walk. Please contact the Walks Secretary if you have any questions about appointing a backmarker.

DOGS: Dogs are welcome except where stated in the Walks Programme. When brought, dogs must be under complete control at all times. Please note that dogs should be on a short lead at all times during the nesting season, 1 March to 31 July. Also please note that a Walk Leader may require dogs to be on leads and that the Walk Leader’s decision is final and not negotiable.

CAR SHARING: We would encourage the use of car sharing where practical between fellow walkers. We would suggest either a voluntary donation of £4, or a private agreement between passengers and drivers, or alternate journeys.

INCIDENTS & INJURIES: Any walker who required medical attention following an incident or an injury sustained during an organised walk is asked to give details to the General Secretary.

RAMBLERS MEMBERS: Members from other groups are welcome to walk with the Moorland Group at any time. Non-members may join a Moorland Group walk on a trial basis, but in furtherance of Ramblers’ policy, after three walks they should apply for membership.

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Date	Starting point and distance	Route details	Leader(s)
05/04/26 10am	Lidl, Towerfield Drive SX 505 618 13 miles S	**There Should be Bluebells** West Wood, Tramway, Plym Bridge Canal, Plym Wood, Borrington, Woodside	Chris 07875 194535
12/04/26 10am	Cold East Cross CP SX 740 741 11 miles M	**10 Commandments** The hard way to the 10 Commandments via Leusdon	Isobelle ibelcher@live.co.uk
19/04/26 10am	Four Firs CP SY 032 864 12 miles M	**Woodbury Wander** Squabmoor Reservoir, SWCP, Budleigh Salterton, East Budleigh	Don & Hetta 07530 945944
26/04/26 9am	Cadover Bridge CP SX 554 645 20 miles S or 12 miles M	**Hilda Biscoe** Trowlesworthy, Penn Beacon, Hawk Tor, Dewerstone Rock, Counting House, 12 mile cut off, Burrator Woods, Sheeps Tor, Scout Hut, Ringmoor Down	Chris 07875 194535
03/05/26 10am	Lydford Moorgate SX 525 853 15 miles S	**The Heights of Dartmoor** Sourton Tors, Meldon, West Mill Tor, High Willhays, Kitty Tor, Brat Tor	Roger 07485 089166
10/05/26 10am	Pork Hill CP SX 532 752 13 miles S	**Figure of Eight** Up and down the Walkham to the Tavy via Barn Hill, Langstone Moor, Smeardon Down	Helen 07791 970181
17/05/26 10am	Dartmoor Inn moor gate SX 525 853 13 miles S	**Tavy Cleave Loop** Sharp Tor, Corn Ridge, Bleak House	Neill 07980 100587
24/05/26 10am	Stokenham Church CP SX 808 428 16 miles S	**Start Bay Saunter** Beeson, Lannacombe Bay, Start Point, Beesands, Slapton Ley	Steve & Julie 07527 021783
31/05/26 10am	Prewley Moor SX 544 910 11-12 miles S	**A High Tor on Open Moor** Great Links Tor, Widery Cross, Great Nodden, Sourton Tors	Adam 07530 473424
05/06/26 to 09/06/26	Dolgellau Mawddach Estuary	**Moorland Weekend Away** See website for details	Steve & Julie 07527 021783

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14/06/26 10am	1.1km NW of Throwleigh SX 659 914 13 miles S	**Crossing the Walla Brook** Kennon Hill, Watern Tor, Teignhead Farm, Kestor, Buttern Tor	Graham 01626 830150 07500 340182
21/06/26 10am	Haytor Down CP SX 769 778 11.5 miles M	**5 Tors some Rocks & a Stream** Saddle Tor, Bell Tor, Chinkwell Tor, Honeybag Tor, Hound Tor	Alan 07305 098260
28/06/26 10am	Whitchurch Common SX 506 735 12.5 milesS	**A Full Circle** Pew Tor, Roos Tor, White Tor, Cox Tor loop	Helen 07791 970181
05/07/26	Venford Reservior CP SX 688 709 13 miles S	**Rider's and Pupers** Holne Ridge, Ryder's Hill, Pupers Hill, Scorriton, Holne Woods	Andrew 07508 070111
12/07/26 10am	Haytor Down CP SX 770 779 15 miles S	**Easy Cleavy** Lustleigh Cleave, Easdon Tor, Hound Tor	Jess 07553 257496
19/07/26 10am	Rowtor CP SX 596 923 12 miles S	**Into The Clouds** Yes Tor, East Mill Tor, Higher Tor, Lower Halstock	Glyn 07525 219303
26/07/26 10am	Moretonhampstead CP (£2 fee) SX 750 860 14 miles S	**New fingerposts on Dartmoor Way??** Butterdon, Fingle Bridge, Chagford, Thorn, North Bovey	Barbara 07482 138 982
02/08/26 10am	Postbridge Forest CP SX 646 788 12 miles S	**Searching for the Whitehorse Hill Cist** Sittaford Tor, Quintin's Man, Fernworthy Forest	Karen 07788 586860
09/08/26	Smeardon Down quarry SX 522 779 13 miles S	**Bearing Down to Black Dunghill** Beardown Tors, Black Dunghill, Roos Tor	Roger 07485 089166
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16/08/26 10am	Cold East Cross CP SX 740 743 11.5 miles S	**Up & Down near the Webburn** Buckland, Aish Tor, Bel Tor Corner, Wind Tor	Andrew 07508 070111

23/08/26 10am	Clannaborough Cross SX 659 914 12 miles S	**Some Throwleigh & Gidleigh Boundary Stones** Throwleigh Common, Gartaven Ford, Watern Tor, Scorhill Down, Deave Lane	Debbie 01364 643180 07530 259619
30/08/26 10am	Princetown CP (Fee) SX 589 735 13 miles S	**The Objectors Road To Nowhere** Bullpark, Conchies Road, Princes Hotel, Cherrybrook, Littaford Tors, Bachelors Hall	Chris 07875 194535
Friday 04/09/26	Linear walk 17 miles Start Haytor Info CP (Fee) 10am Finish Shaldon appox 5.15pm	**Tampler Way** Contact Barbara in advance (at least 4 days) to arrange car sharing Optional social meal at Moorland Hotel from 6.15pm	Barbara 07482 138982
06/09/26 10am	Hexworthy SX 651 727 13 miles S	**Centre of the South Moor** Swincombe Reservoir, Child's Tomb, Ducks Pool, Red Lake, 666666, Ryder's Hill	Graham 01626 830150 07500 340182
13/09/26 9.30am	Avenue Road (on road parking opposite Bampfylde Road) SX 639 906 14 miles S	**Agatha Christie Festival Walk** Cocking Park, SWCP to Babbacombe, back inland to start	Feli 07899 970215
20/09/26 10am	Churston War Memorial SX 889 569 11 miles S	**Heading to The Coast** Broadsands, Brixham Harbour, Berry Head Lighthouse, Lupton House, Coombe Lane, Galmpton	Dee 07765 196231
27/09/26 10am	South Brent CP SX 698 603 13 miles S	**Avon Dam** Shipley Bridge, Eastern & Western Barrows, Shap Tor	Feli 07899 970215