

TRAIL TYPE

Walking

GRADE

Moderate

DISTANCE

1.5 miles

TIME

30 – 40 Minutes

OS MAP

Explorer 141

Landranger 182

CONTACT

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FACILITIES

Available in the main Gorge area
and Cheddar Village

TERRAIN

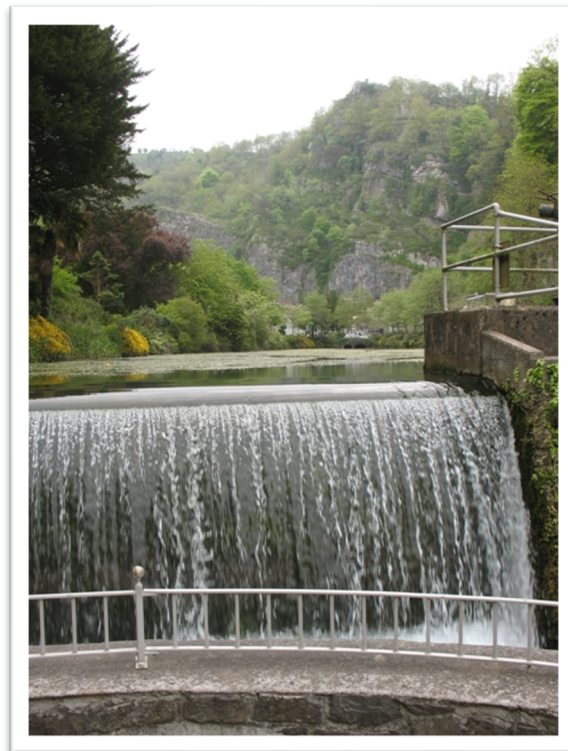
Paths and tracks with one steep
incline

WHAT TO SEE

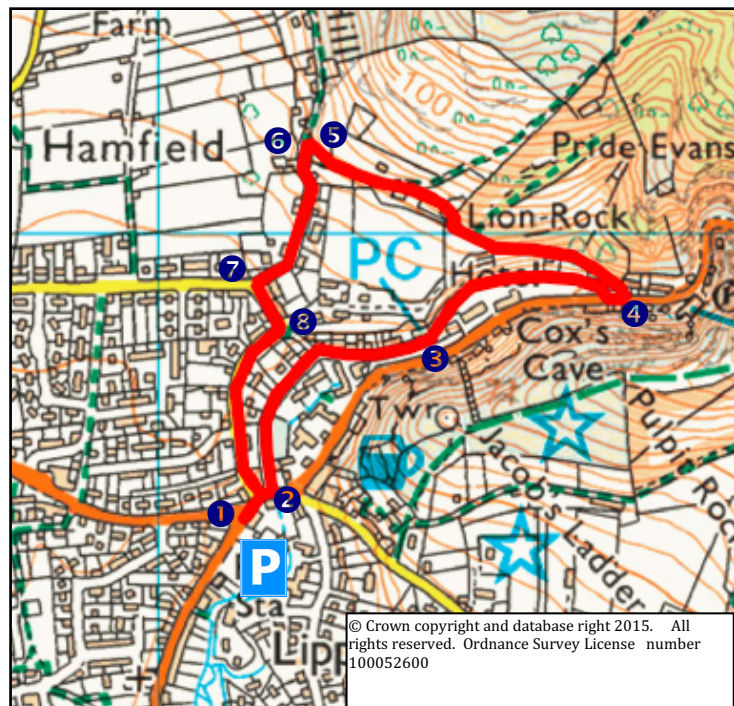
Views across Cheddar and the
Somerset levels across to Brent
Knoll.

3. Cufic Lane Loop Walk

A pleasant circular walk providing a good vista of Cheddar
and the Somerset levels.



Map



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Cheddar Walking



Cheddar Walking is a voluntary group promoting the wonderful walking to be had in and around Cheddar, Somerset.

Our walks are designed for all types of people from those looking for a short simple walk, through those wanting something a bit more stretching up on to the Mendips or out on to the levels. We also have historic walks, bus walks (bus out, walk back) and walks suitable for buggies and wheelchairs.

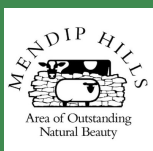
We have met the strict criteria that allows us to be a certified member of the national **Walkers are Welcome** association.

We get great ongoing support from several key groups in the area, without which we could not function:

Mendip Hills AONB
Sedgemoor District Council
Cheddar Parish Council

And we partner with other non-profit groups including the National Trust, Somerset Wildlife Trust, the Mendip Society and Mendip Ramblers.

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Directions

- ① Start from the mini-roundabout outside the Riverside Inn, which is close to the Tweentown bus stops and the Cliff Street car park.
- ② Go past the Riverside Inn and after 50 yards turn left into The Bays, by the green railings. Pass the Bays Pond on your right (the old mill pond). Continue along the road, passing the White Hart pub on your left, and onwards up the narrow lane called Dag Hole, and past its row of gift shops. (There are public toilets here if you need them). Opposite the toilets is the Garden of Fragrance which also offers a view over the middle pond and the gushing Yeo.
- ③ Continue along Dag Hole to the end, turn left and follow the path sloping up hill. Follow this path along the back of the Waterfall Restaurant and Crazy Golf course - it can be muddy in places after rain. As you approach the upper lake there are steps down where you can see the main waterfall. Back on the path continue along the lake side to the black and white Mark Hole Cottage on your left.
- ④ Go sharp left around this cottage and up the rough track, Cufic Lane. After about 200 yards the surface improves, leading up hill and around bearing slightly left. As the track bears right, on the left you start to see views across the Cheddar valley with Brent Knoll in the distance and Pavey's tower over to your left amongst the trees.
- ⑤ At the end of the track there is a private drive, and the footpath goes off to the right between two stone walls (marked with a footpath sign). Follow this narrow path around the rear of the hillside cottages. Further views open up towards Cheddar Reservoir and beyond. The path comes out at another track, follow this downhill and out to a steep junction with a narrow lane (Tuttur's Hill). ⑥ Turn sharp left here and follow the lane downhill with views out to the right.
- ⑦ Keep on to the end of Tuttur's Hill and turn left at the post box into Birch Hill. ⑧ After 100 yards bear round to the right. As the line of hedges on your left ends, stop and look over the wall for a lovely view up the Gorge. Keep on along Birch Hill as it descends to the main road junction at the bottom, by the fish and chip shop. Turn right and you are back at the Riverside Inn and mini-roundabout where you started.

If you liked this walk you might be interested in the others walks we have checked and written up, eighteen of them in all. They vary in distance from 1 mile (this walk), to 20 miles. All of them are downloadable from our website, www.cheddarwalking.org.uk, or for a donation as a printed sheet from the Visitor Information Centre near Cheddar Gorge Caves.