

Kirkby Moor Round and Burney

31 km / 19 miles

1050 m / 3450 ft of ascent

A digital route file based on the route description can be downloaded from the LDWA website.

Grid reference

Start	Kirkby Community Centre	SD 232 822
	High Bank House Farm	SD 234 810
	Bank House Moor ▲	SD 245 804
	Winnow summit	SD 248 832
	Gray Crags	SD 260 839
	Cocklakes	SD 260 833
	Shooting House Hill	SD 259 818
	Windy Ash	SD 278 802
	Broughton Beck	SD 283 825
	Metal road	SD 279 836
	Gawthwaite	SD 271 848
	Burney ▲	SD 260 858
	Croglin Farm	SD 240 834
Finish	Kirkby Community Centre	SD 232 822

Maps required: OS Landranger sheet 96
or OS Explorer sheet 6

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From Community Centre car park go through a gate onto the sports field and through another gate near a row of cottages. Follow the tarmac track to a footbridge over the beck. Turn left and follow track to Low Hall Farm, through gate turn right and follow the road to Gill End. Turn left up the hill until you reach High Bank House Farm. Turn right through the gate and through wicket gate with yellow marker sign. Walk alongside the hedge until you reach gate. Go through across the field and pick up the zig-zag track which takes you to fell gate. (Look back here – excellent views.) Go through the gate and follow the good track to the right, which peters out farther up on the moor. Bear left up the slope till you reach a faint track. Follow it left until it stops climbing, then continue uphill to the summit of Bank House Moor (245804). Leave summit on a narrow path to go down to the fence to the east, turn left and follow down to fell road, left again. When you reach footpath sign on right cross moor and pick up good track, follow this right until you meet main bridle track across moor, bear left, follow bridle path past Horse Head over Gill House Beck. When you reach wall on your left about 150 yards farther on when wall runs away from path turn right across Long Moor, pick up faint narrow track which runs up a grough to rock outcrop. This can be counted as Winnow Summit (not shown on map). From small rock outcrop head for Brunt Riggs Mire, boggy here, head up through heather to slate road, turn right and next left up wide cart track, higher up the track you will see Graycrag Summit (260839), stay on cart track as long as possible to save tramping through deep heather to summit. Extra care from Graycrag to Cocklakes Summit, no path and deep heather, only a handful of rocks on its summit. If it is misty a compass bearing will be needed. From summit follow faint track south to wall corner, keep wall on left, drop downhill to slate road and fell gate, cross slate road and pick up good narrow track which crosses very wet boggy area. When out of wet path onto dry ground the path bears slightly left, follow this narrow path, runs parallel with the fence under Gunson Height, you climb a little later along the path when it levels out, move over to fell wall and follow to summit of Shooting House Hill, no cairn. From top follow wall to Pepperwood, crossing Rathmoss Beck.

At Pepperwood, turn left through gate and follow track to fell road. Left again to Horrace Farm. Turn left at crossroads to Knottallow, views on right, down narrow road past Knottallow Tarn and Higher Lath Farm, down steep descent to Windy Ash (278802) where signpost indicates route to Hollowmire and follow a few yards along grassy track to Newbiggin.

Go through farmyard onto a metalled lane but leave this through a gate when the path turns right and take to the fields once more. Keeping wall on right, go through a gate and over a stile before veering slightly to left to find an awkward makeshift stile where wall meets hedge. Over stile and beck, make straight for left side of Stony Crag, the farm immediately ahead and a gate giving access to farmyard. Use this but do not go into the farmyard proper; instead, pass through the gate on left and turn immediately right to go up to and through the wooden gate behind the farm.

Follow the wall on right as far as the small wooden gate, pass through to follow beck to Hollowmire with its monkey trees. Turn right into farmyard and follow the farm road to a junction where you turn left, to find, about 200 yards along the road, a kissing gate by a left hand bend.

A church can be seen about ½ mile away – more kissing gates mark the line of the path to it. At the church take the road to the right. At the next road junction turn left and then almost immediately right down a road alongside a beck into the village of Broughton Beck (283825). Keep straight on past the old buildings and over a bridge, then along a track to the left to arrive at a beck with a signpost on the other side. Do not cross but instead go through the gate on the left.

Leave the wall on the left behind and cross the field ahead to arrive at a stile. Once over this veer left to find a bridge over the beck in the middle of the field (281829). Beyond the bridge follow the beck to the left and then over and through a series of stiles and gateways eventually to arrive at an unfenced metal road (279836). Walk down the road and turn right at the Y junction just beyond Knapperthaw. At the next junction (276839) turn sharp left and find a gate on the far side of the road with a sign showing the way to Keldray.

Walk along this track to Keldray. Just before reaching the farm turn left uphill past a stile on your left and over the next stile. Turn right, keep hedge on your right and over another stile giving access to a large field. Walk ahead and slightly left, climbing towards an electricity pole, and a good stile will be found in the wall to the left of the pole. Over the stile follow the wall on the left to reach a track leading via another gate to a farm.

Pass through the farmyard on to a metalled road leading to A5092 opposite the village of Gawthwaite (271848). Cross this road to a minor road leading into the village and bear right and then left at Y junction.

Follow this road to the Bay Bottom. Then head for Great Burney summit. From the summit follow the good path to minor road. Turn left then, after a short distance, turn right. Follow good path to wall corner, cross road (A5092). Follow quarry road until you reach a 'Public Footpath' sign on your right. Bear right and continue with the wall on your right and spoil heaps on your left. Go through gap in wall that crosses the path, and shortly afterwards go through gap in the wall on your right, just before it ends. Follow wire fence on your right until path becomes a broad track. Bear right at a marker post and continue on bridleway alongside dismantled railway line, until you reach a crossroads. Turn left uphill to Croglin Farm (240834).

Climb up hill with caravan site on your right. Sharp short climb. When you reach crossroads, turn right uphill for short distance then downhill to junction. Turn right. Flat for a while then down steep hill to Becksid Hall and finish.

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