

UPHILL AND DOWN DALE AROUND LANCASHIRE'S PRETTIEST VILLAGE

A pleasant afternoon ramble through the pastures above Waddington and up onto the fell for breath-taking views over the Ribble Valley before returning via pretty wooded ghylls for a pint at a bustling pub at the heart of the village.

HOW FAR? 7km / 4.3miles **HOW HARD?** Moderate: 160m of ascent on good paths with several stiles
HOW LONG? 2 - 2½ hours **DOG-FRIENDLY** Livestock in most fields, ideally keep dogs on a lead

START From the Waddington Arms, head over the bridge, past the church and right at pub, then, after 50 yards, right again up driveway, through gate then left over footbridge and over stile.

Continue on path under the trees and over another stile then half left across field. Continue straight over the field to stile, then right through a gate to stile under trees on far side of field.

Over stile, head right for 75m, then left over bridge and follow path along field boundary to footbridge in copse at far side of second field. Continue straight across field in front of Coulthurst Hall to stile at end of wall.

Over stile, go left down track then right over first stile and right across field parallel to boundary to reach stile on edge of the woods. Over stile, find your way through dense woodland, over the footbridge and left onto Cross Lane - known by the locals as Rabbit Lane.

Continue gently downhill on the lane for 150m, taking Bridleway on right. Continue climbing for 500m, jinking right then left and continuing along edge of wood and through kissing gate.



Views of Pendle Hill



Rabbit Lane

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Continue slightly left along perimeter of woodland then along wall and through two gates to next wall, heading right along wall and through gateway towards farm building.

At building, go over stile and follow path round to the right of the farm and continue straight across fields for 250m, jinking right through gate and diagonally across field to stile in corner.

Follow field boundary for 100m then head half right, following telegraph poles and over stiles to road. Cross with caution into Mill Lane and continue straight on for 200m, taking footpath right down track signposted 'Tagglesmire Hall' heading downhill between the houses and into wooded ghyll.

Cross footbridge and climb steeply left then right to follow the path along the lip of the ghyll. Continue straight down through the fields and right of the irrigation reservoir and over the stile.

Walk through farmyard then right down faint path into ghyll and left over steep stone stile into field. Continue descending through the fields beside ghyll for half a mile and as the church spire appears ahead, make for the line of Sycamores and follow the track then path past the almshouses back into the village.

At road, turn right then left down the lane back to the Waddington Arms.

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