

DORSET

## Hive Beach coast path walk

A circular walk at Hive Beach, West Dorset, following part of the South West Coast Path.



### Information

Address: Hive beach car park, Beach Road, Burton Bradstock, Dorset DT6 4RE. Grid ref: SY491888

OS map: OL15

Activity: Walking

Easy

Dog friendly

Full trail: Miles: 1.1 (km: 1.76)

Duration: 30 mins - 40 mins

### Terrain

Parts of this walk follow the South West Coast Path, which runs close to the cliff edges in some places. There are some moderate slopes. Sensible walking shoes with good grip are advisable.

### Total steps: 4

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1. From the car park follow the re-routed coast path signs heading west, marked 'Freshwater and West Bay', where you'll discover panoramic views. To the west is Golden Cap, the highest point on the south coast, and on a clear day, Start Point in Devon. To the east is the stretch of Chesil Beach leading to Portland Bill.
2. Follow the South West Coast Path until you reach a stile on the right-hand side. Go over the stile and follow the path to the bottom of the field.
3. Go over the stile and turn right along the lane until you reach Cliff Road. Cross over and go up the steps and over the stile. For a village detour, turn left along the main road. Burton Bradstock is an idyllic village well worth exploring, with many of the buildings made from the local stone.
4. Follow the path diagonally across a large field. Go through the kissing gate at the other end of the field and across the next field and gate. Now head down towards the car park.

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