

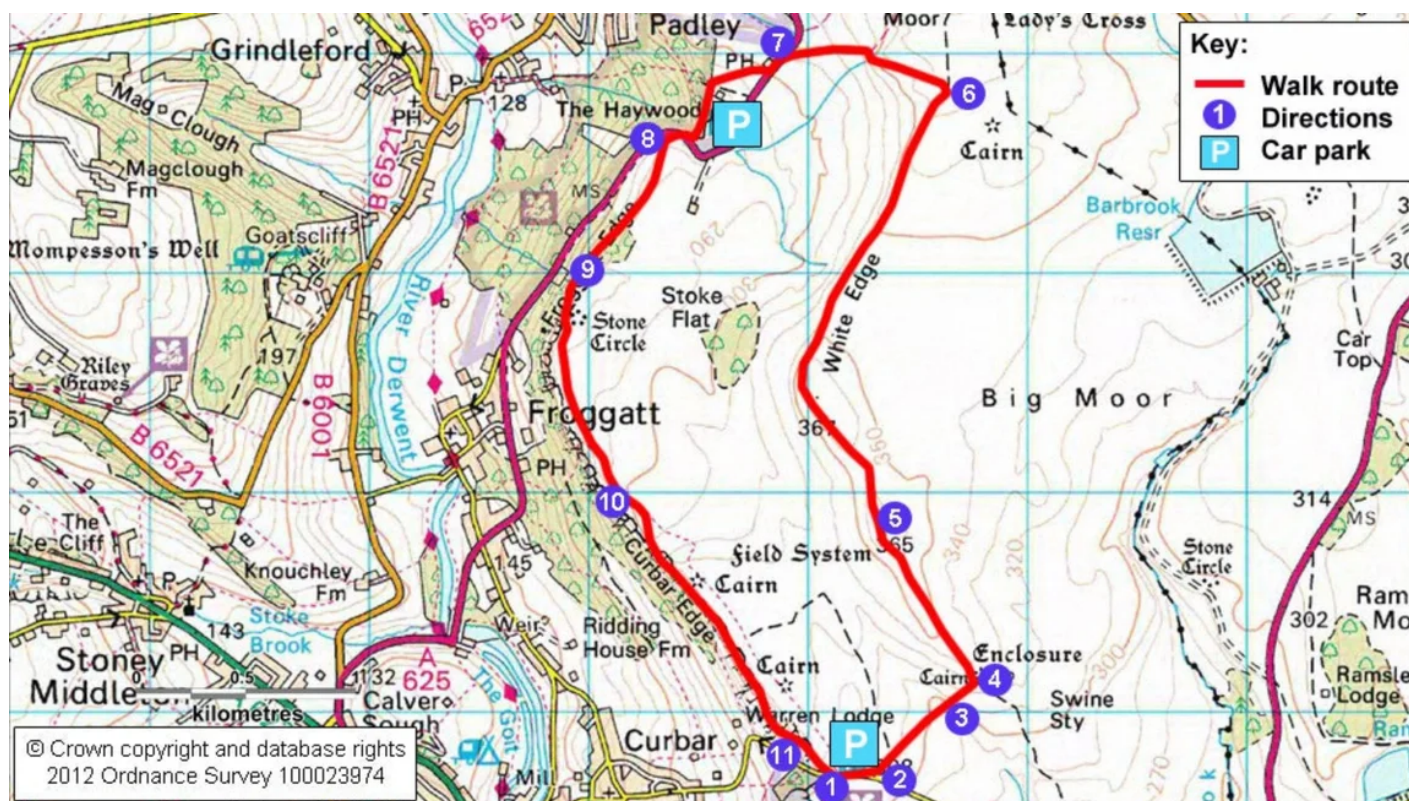
THE PEAK DISTRICT & DERBYSHIRE

Froggatt, Curbar and White Edge red deer circular walk

A picturesque moorland route taking in Froggatt Edge, Curbar Edge and White Edge. There are views across the expanse of Big Moor, a chance to spot its famous red deer and even the option to take a break halfway round for a pint and some pub grub.

! Preventing wildfires

Barbecues and campfires are not permitted in the area. Please take your litter home with you as this can also pose a fire risk, along with its impact on the environment and wildlife.



Information

Address: Curbar Gap, Peak District, Derbyshire

OS map: Explorer OL24; Landranger 119

Activity: Walking

Moderate: Mostly flat but with some steep, stony and narrow paths. For further details, please see Terrain section.

Dog friendly: Please keep your dog on a lead to protect wildlife and avoid disturbing other walkers. There are no dog bins so please take dog waste home with you.

Full trail: Miles: 6 (km: 9.6)

Duration: 2 hours 30 mins - 3 hours

Terrain

Mostly flat but with one or two steep sections and some woodland tracks. The paths can be narrow and stony in places.

Total steps: 11

Start point: Curbar Gap car park, grid ref: SK262747

1. From Curbar Gap car park, head east through the gate onto a vehicle track.
2. When the track forks, take the right towards Sandyford Brook. Cross the bridge over the brook, with the dry-stone-walled fields on your left.
3. Climb the steep bank, following the wall on your left to the top of the bank and the corner of the wall.
4. At the corner of the wall, a well-trodden path leads you north along White Edge. The Gritstone Edges were once extensively quarried for their rough, coarse stone. Many corn and textile mills were built here and you may find remnants of discarded millstones that give the stone its common name, millstone grit.
5. Make a quick detour to the trig point on your right for a great place to spot deer as you take in views across the expanse of Big Moor, with the old Barbrook Reservoir in the background. Back on the path, continue for some distance along White Edge to the hole in the wall.
6. Turn left at the hole in the wall, where a disused dry-stone wall leads from here through fields down to the Grouse Inn pub.
7. The next section of the route leads you across the fields behind the National Trust car park at Haywood.
8. From Haywood car park, head south over a small brook and carefully cross the main road to the gate opposite that leads to Froggatt Edge.

9. A wooded track leads to another gate, preceded by another brook. As the woodland opens out – with views across to the limestone of the White Peak – you can see the remains of a small ancient stone circle on your left, with one central stone around a metre high.
 10. Follow the track along the full length of Froggatt and Curbar Edges. Once famous for millstones, these are now known as great places to rock climb.
 11. At the end of Curbar Edge, a small gate leads back to the car park at Curbar Gap.
- End point: Curbar Gap car park, grid ref: SK262747
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