

Hawkridge & Spaxton

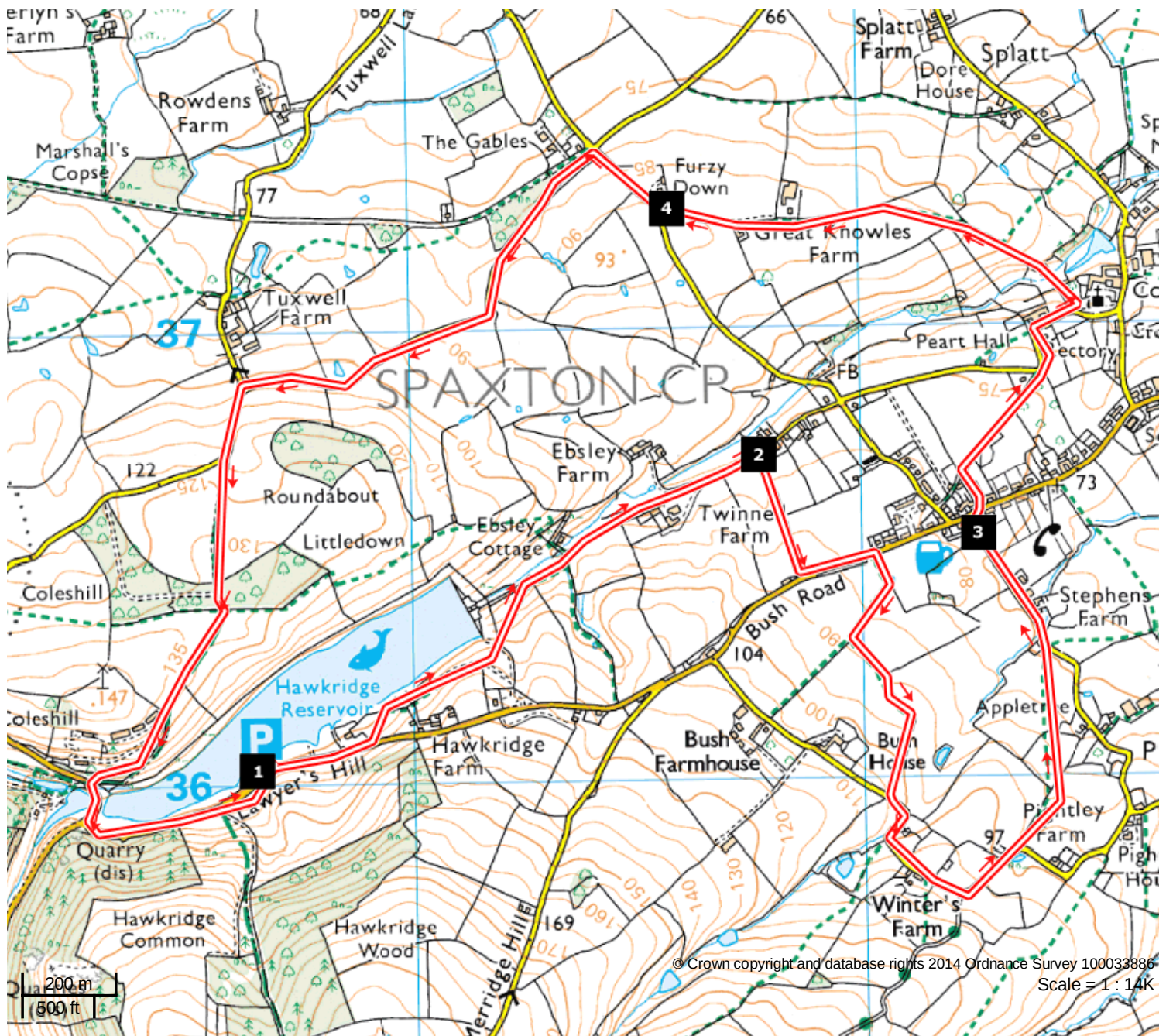
Starts at Spaxton

2 hours 30 minutes | 5.1miles 8.3km | Leisurely



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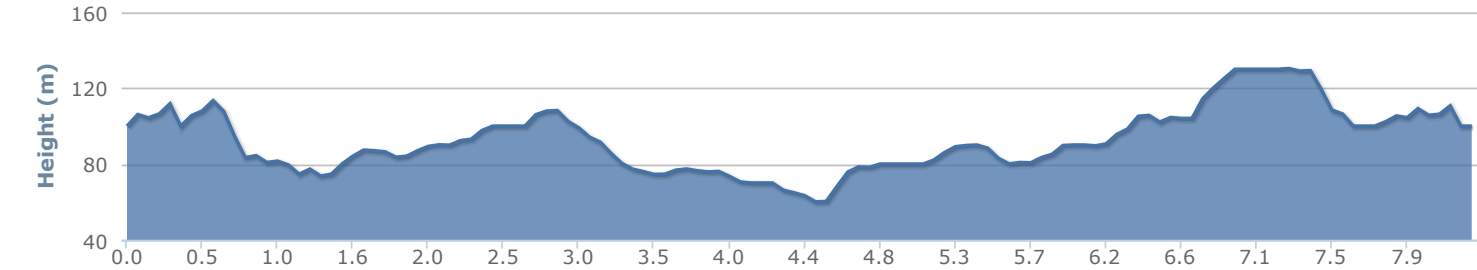
A circular gentle walk from Hawkridge Reservoir through fields and Spaxton village passing several fine houses. Views towards the slopes of the Quantocks and across Bristol Channel.



— Main Route — Alternative Route Point of Interest Waypoint

Distance: 8.25km Ascent: 174m Descent: 174m

Route Profile



*move mouse over graph to see points on route

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Starts at

Car Parking Area alongside Hawkridge Reservoir

Ends at

Car Parking Area alongside Hawkridge Reservoir

Getting there

Follow minor road from centre of Bridgwater (turn left on A39 at the traffic lights after passing Morrisons and B & Q on the left). Follow road out of Bridgwater and after approximately 5 miles pass through Spaxton. Continue ahead for approximately one and a half miles where Hawkridge Reservoir will be found on the right.

Route instructions

[1] From reservoir car park follow road back towards Spaxton alongside reservoir and then up hill. After a short distance turn left to cross a stile leading into a field which cross to stile on opposite side. Cross stile to exit on grassy hillside dropping down to the reservoir. Turn right and cross grass to tarmac road which follow and then bear to the left to pass dam wall on left and proceed downhill to stile ahead. Cross stile into field and head diagonally to left downhill to reach further stile in corner of field. Cross stile and go straight ahead to pass Ebsley Cottage on left. After passing Twinnell Farm on right continue straight ahead and then turn right onto footpath just after road becomes metalled.

[2] Follow path straight across 2 fields to exit onto road. Turn left and proceed down road to reach a footpath entering a field on right. Follow path round edge of field watching for a gap in the hedge on the left where turn to follow path along edge of field to reach a lane ahead. Turn left onto road and follow. Road turns sharp right then sharp left and then left again before reaching a right turn. At right turn go straight ahead into field following footpath alongside hedge on left. On reaching gate in hedge pass through it and turn right to reach a gate a short distance ahead. Pass through gate and then proceed diagonally to the left across two fields to reach a road ahead. Turn left onto road and proceed to T-junction.

[3] Turn right at junction and proceed for a very short distance and then turn left onto footpath running between houses. In a short distance at junction with another path turn right and follow to reach a road. Turn right into lane and follow onwards to Spaxton Church. After visiting church retrace steps past cottages at edge of church and then turn right down lane to Spaxton Mill. At the mill the road becomes a footpath initially a greenway running between hedges and then passing into a field on left. Cross field diagonally to right and then follow hedge on left past Great Knowles Farm to emerge on road at Furzy Down.

[4] Go straight ahead to cross roads at 'The Gables' where turn left to follow road to T-junction. Turn left and proceed ahead to right hand bend. Here go straight ahead onto path crossing a field and passing through a small wood before entering a field overlooking Hawkridge Reservoir. Follow path alongside hedge on right to reach road. Turn left to pass end of reservoir and then turn left onto road leading back to car park.

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