

# Nether Stowey, Over Stowey & Friarn

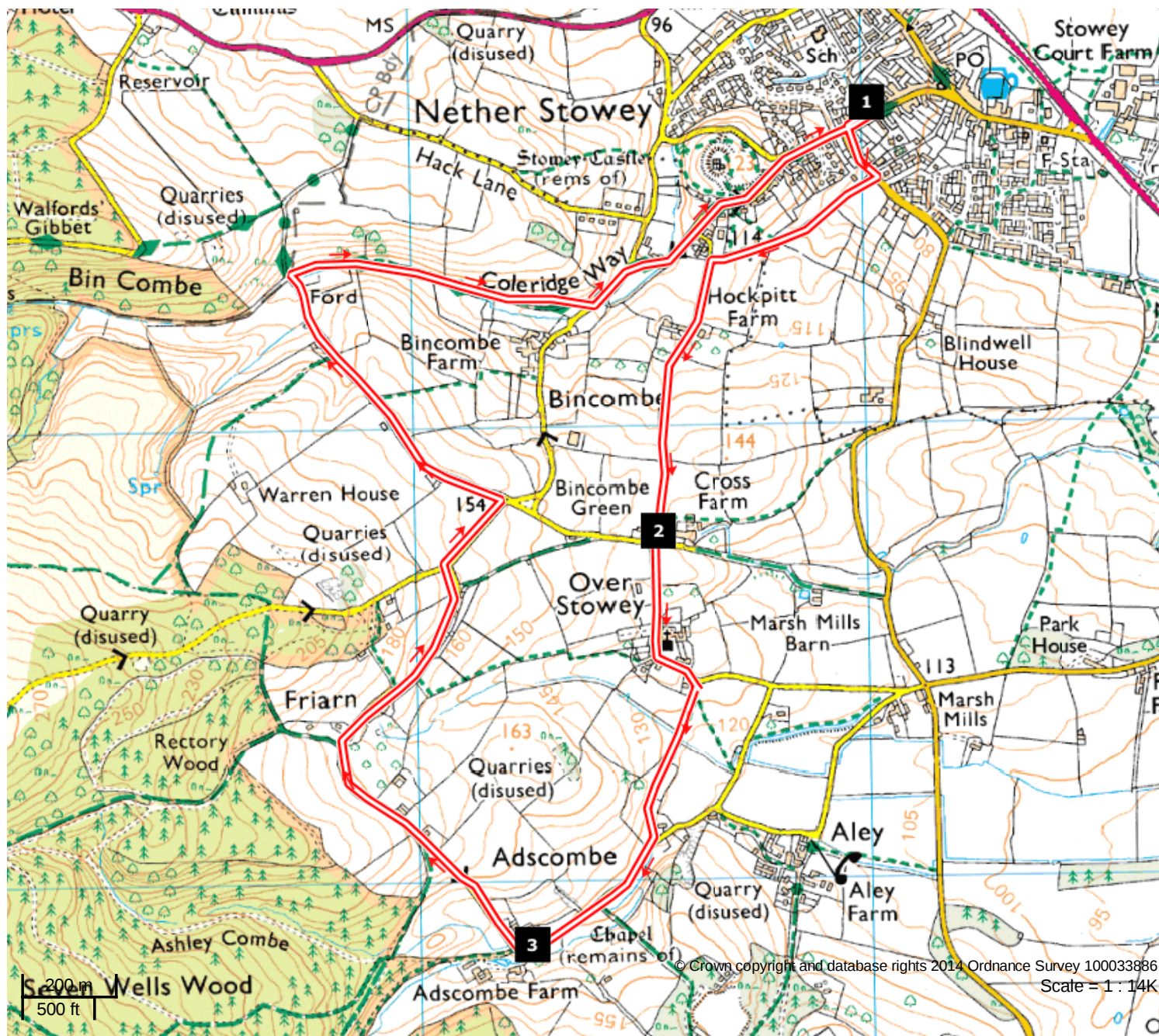
Starts at Nether Stowey

2 hours 51 minutes | 3.7miles 6.0km | Moderate



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A circular walk through the pleasant foothill country of the Quantock Hills. Good views out across the Bristol Channel from the road through Friarn.



— Main Route

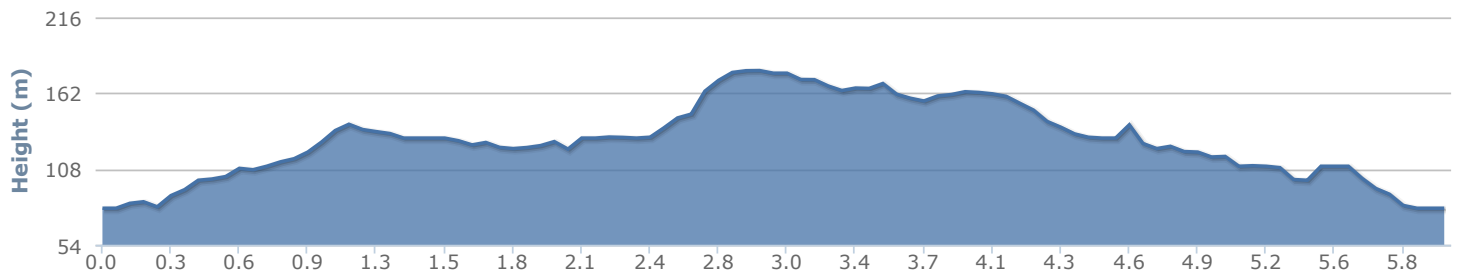
— Alternative Route

Point of Interest

Waypoint

Distance: 5.95km Ascent: 162m Descent: 162m

## Route Profile



\*move mouse over graph to see points on route

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## **Starts at**

Nether Stowey Library Car Park

## **Ends at**

Nether Stowey Library Car Park

## **Getting there**

Nether Stowey is approximately 8 miles west of Bridgwater on the A39 going towards Minehead.

Turn left off the A39 into the village and in the centre by the clock turn left into Castle Street. The library car park is found on the right approximately 150 yards up the street.

Refreshments can be found in pubs in Nether Stowey. The village also has shops and a cafe. There are public toilets in the library car park.

Buses run infrequently from both Bridgwater and Minehead and stop in Castle Street. If getting to the walk by bus it is preferable to have a morning start as return services cease to run from mid afternoon.

## **Route instructions**

**[1]** Exit the car park and turn right passing a shop on the left. Shortly after passing shop turn left into South Road and in approximately 100 yards turn left through a gate onto a footpath running behind houses. Follow the path and cross a stile into a field and then cross the field to reach a gate leading into a lane. Pass through gate and turn left in lane and follow it a short distance where it ends amongst some house. Keep straight ahead onto a path leading to a stile. Cross the stile into field and proceed across 2 fields to exit by a large house into a lane on a corner.

**[2]** Go straight ahead following the lane into Over Stowey village. Turn the lefthand bend by the church and after passing the village hall also on left turn right through a parking area and pass through a gate leading into a field. Two paths go ahead from this point. Keep to the righthand path going straight downhill with the hedge on the right to reach a stile which cross into another field. Follow the path alongside the lefthand hedge and then through a small gate on the left by a cottage to follow a short path out through a further gate into a road. Turn right (take time to stop and look over a field gate on left a short distance ahead where a beautiful woodland garden with a stream and small lake can be seen) continue ahead to reach a junction with a road coming downhill from the right.

**[3]** Turn right and follow the road uphill and through the community of Friarn. On reaching "T" junction turn right and go downhill to a corner. At corner turn left and follow the lane which finally leads to a ford followed by a cottage on the right beyond. After passing cottage turn right and follow the bridleway. The bridleway splits to take walkers up above the stream whilst horses proceed through the stream. On reaching gate exiting into road turn left and follow road a short distance to a junction where turn right. Follow road uphill passing entrance to the castle hill on left and then down and back into Castle Street.

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