

2015 Sheffield May Day Trek: 16 mile walk

and almost immediately take footpath off to the right. (M4)

(Warning – electric cattle fence).

6. Follow the path with the wall on left across a field. Cross a ladder stile and go straight on towards trees, meeting another path just before a gap in the wall.
7. Go through the gap and turn left on to the track. (M5) [1.4 miles]
8. Follow track round to the left, over a bridge and immediately take path on right into a field *(Warning – cows may be present).*
9. Follow path up through field to top of steep hill
10. Continue in same direction at the top, through a squeezer walking up a narrow wall / fenced track, straight up top. (M6)
11. Turn right on to the roadside path and turn left at the next junction. (Round house / Norfolk Arms pub – refreshments and toilets at pub). (M7) [1.9 miles]
12. Continue straight bearing right up broad sandy track, as road swings to left. (M8)
13. Follow track over Houndkirk Moor for 2 miles.

13a. Turn right at footpath sign for 11 mile walk, straight on for 16 mile walk. (M9) [3.55 miles]

14. Keep straight on after passing through gate to near main road. (M10)
(Refreshment point)
15. Bear right and continue down road to Fox House pub *(Warning – busy road)*
(Note that the public toilets near the bus stop are closed). [4.6 miles]
16. CAREFULLY cross road at the T junction (M11) and go through small gate in wall. Follow path down past gate house onto estate road.
17. Head left towards Visitor Centre, but just before turn right down steps onto footpath and follow path by fence
(Public toilets available at rear of Visitor centre).
18. After passing through gate, bear right and continue on well-defined path, through several gates and past the lake. Keep right after the lake, ignoring paths to left and continue down to Granby barn and the main road to Grindleford. (M12)
19. Cross road and go through gate opposite bus stop, follow right path down to bridge over stream [5.55 miles]
20. After bridge, take the first path on left signposted Padley Gorge
21. Follow rocky path for a while, keeping stream on left,; ignore path to Bolehill Quarry. Where arrow and path to the left go downhill, keep right and continue uphill. *(Warning – take care steep river banks).*

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22. Continue straight on through gate, where the path becomes a rough road. To junction at bottom of hill. (M13)
23. Turn right and keep on rough road past the railway cottages, Brunt's barn and chapel.
24. Just after cattle grid, turn sharp left through kissing gate and across railway bridge. (M14)
25. Follow path through a field, keeping wall to your left and heading for a gap in the wall straight ahead.
26. Go through gap and head diagonally right towards next gap in the wall.
27. Go through the gap and continue on the same line towards trees.
28. Go over broken wall and head towards telegraph poles where you will meet riverside path by a gate into Coppice wood.
29. Go through gate and follow path through wood with River Derwent on your left.
30. Leaving the wood, continue across fields and through gateways until path bears right away from river towards a house (*aim for line of posts in field*).
31. Pass house on your right (Harper Lees) and just beyond turn left to join a wide track and continue on this to the main road with the river on your left. (M15)
32. Cross the main road (Warning – busy road), turn right and follow roadside path into Hathersage (*Warning - narrow footpath under bridge*).
33. After the railway bridge, take the third road on the right, just after Moorland House residential home (M16)
(*Warning – busy road, suggest you cross after second road on right*).
Then bear left after about 50 metres, across a car park to a footpath in the far corner, which leads to church hall. [9 miles].
Public toilets and cafes in Hathersage.

**Hathersage is half-way through the walk
and there are plenty of options here for a lunch stop.**

For those familiar with this route from the Sheffield Night Hike, there is no check-in at Hathersage Methodist Church.

1. Turn right out of church hall to road. Cross the road using the pelican crossing, then go right uphill and turn left after about 100 metres into Baulk Lane. (M17)

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2. Follow this road which turns into a track for about a mile, passing houses and going through gates. At the end of the track, bear left at footpath sign near a large tree (*do not follow track to farm*). Follow this path through a gate and behind Brookfield Manor on left to the road. (M18) (*Warning – low branches on path behind Brookfield Manor*). [10.1 miles]
3. Cross the road and go through a gate to follow path bearing slightly right, then left across field to small gate into wood (The Warren) (*ignore large gate to right*).
4. Continue through wood, bearing left across a footbridge signposted Dennis Knoll, then up through more trees, through a gate and then two small fields, with a further gate between. Turn left over a footbridge to a stile, then a gate by a house. (M19)
5. Turn left through gateway (follow sign for Stanage via Dennis Knoll), past barn on right and then turn right after about 100 metres through gate signed public footpath.
6. Keeping wall / fence on your right (*Warning – drop on left*), continue uphill and over a stile. Follow path as it curves uphill and right, then go through the first large open gateway on right.
7. Keeping wall on left, continue uphill, over wall and past a wood on left to road.
8. Turn left, cross cattle grid and then continue along road to Dennis Knoll car park, where you turn right (M20) [11.2 miles]
9. Follow track uphill and curving right onto Stanage Edge.
10. At top bear left at junction, remaining on same track – do not turn right off this track. Continue with fence on left past Stanage Pole and down track to Redmires reservoirs. (M21) [12.75 miles]. (*Refreshment point*)
11. On reaching the road at Redmires reservoirs, bear right through the squeezer and follow the Yorkshire Water concessionary path along the south side of the reservoirs. (*You do not cross any of the dams; there are a couple of paths – all end up at the same point. Half way along the third reservoir drop down to water's edge*).
12. Go through gate by third dam, bear left along the path closest to the wall on your right, and then right after a short distance, continue to the road. [14.6 miles]
13. Turn left down road and then right after about 200 metres onto the second public footpath, a wide gravel path accessed through a metal squeeze gate. (M22)
14. Follow this path (*the conduit*) to the next road.
15. Bear left and carry on along this road. Turn left at end to return to St. Luke's church. [16.1 miles]. *We hope you enjoyed the walk.*

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