

EXMOOR ROUTE 1 - COUNTY GATE > BRENDON COMMON

- ✓ With your back to the toilets take the path in the far RH corner of car park. Go downhill passing through gate to cross bridge @ Wp1.
- 1 Follow rim of valley to gate then begin descent to meet Rd @ Wp2.
Go L on Rd. Pass Brendon bridge on L & soon after small bridge on L to meet track on L signposted "Rockford & Watersmeet" @ Wp3.
- 2 Go L on track & pass through Contisbury Mill. Follow river on L, track becomes path. Enter Watersmeet estate & pass private footbridge on L. Soon after is footbridge on L @ Wp4.
- 4 Cross bridge & go L on Rd to path on R by Carpenters Cottage @ Wp5.
- 5 Go R up very steep rocky path through wood, signposted Brendon Common. Meet Rd @ Wp6
- 6 Turn L on Rd to stile on R at bend in Rd @ Wp7.
- 7 Go over stile & continue uphill following hedge on R to gate, do not pass through gate but swing R aiming for Shilstone Farm. Pass between farm buildings & through gate to path on R @ Wp8.
- 8 Cross stream & go up steep hill following hedge on R at fist to corner of field, then go straight on following finger posts to summit of Shilstone Hill. Go straight on to meet Rd @ Wp9.
- 9 Go Lq on Rd & over small bridge to track on L. Follow stoney track to track "T" junction @ Wp10.
- 10 Go L & walk for approx 15 mins to track on R @ Wp11 signposted Doone Valley.
- 11 Go R & cross stream. Continue on, when track becomes indistinct continue straight ahead walking parallel to valley on L to reach gate. Through gate and onto broad grassy track that drops down to river & path on L signposted Cloud Farm @ Wp12.
- 12 Go L & follow river on R. Cross bridge & turn R still following river on R to meet Rd @ Wp13.
- 13 Go R on Rd to "T" junction, turn R & cross bridge. Follow Rd past small row of houses on L to path on L signposted "County Gate" @ Wp14.
Follow path, cross river on footbridge & continue on track for a short distance to path going diagonally up very steep hill. Follow this path back to WP Start.

