

- **Distance** 7.7km/4¾ miles ● **Time** 3½hrs ● **Grade** Challenging

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Climb to the summit of Chrome Hill at Point 3.

The wonderful limestone peaks of Chrome and Parkhouse Hill are two of the steepest and narrowest ridge walks to be found anywhere in the Peaks. This route takes in both tops in a demanding round on steep and often narrow, exposed ground.

By Steve Goodier.

1 START

Go north past phone box and uphill in same direction climbing steeply to take bridleway, R. Pass through gate and downhill over river via bridge. Go though gate, continue to gate and stile, go over and L rising to farm track. Go L and continue to gate and stile. Go over and follow good track to Fough, pass on R via stile near gate and carry on up track to reach Booth Farm, L.

2 2km/1¼ miles

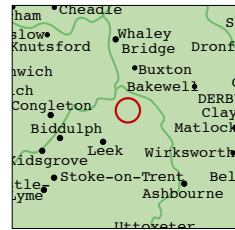
Pass cattle grid on to access lane and when it bends R take

stile near gate, R, to follow track, leaving it L at gates to cross stile and head up field towards marker post. Pass through wall gap above Stoop Farm, R. Head to second post, pass through wall gap and continue to another signpost. Cross track near cattle grid and take concessionary path to pass through two gates and wall gap descending half-R towards fence to reach stile, R.

3 2.6km/1½ miles

Cross stile and follow path near fence/wall, R, and below limestone outcrop, L, to pass through kissing-gate, going L uphill on wet ground. Pass marker post to follow wall R uphill, leaving it to climb R to join Chrome Hill ridge at col. Path climbs L to summit of hill following ridge and meandering in and out of crags. Follow grassy path steeply downhill (south-east) from summit to ➤

PLAN YOUR WALK



ROUTE

Terrain Good tracks, paths and bridleways; some trackless areas and some very steep, exposed ground
Stiles 8

Suitable for Fit walkers with a head for heights

START/PARKING

Roadside parking at Hollinsclough near phone box, grid ref SK065664

Nearest town Buxton

Refreshments Buxton

Public toilets None

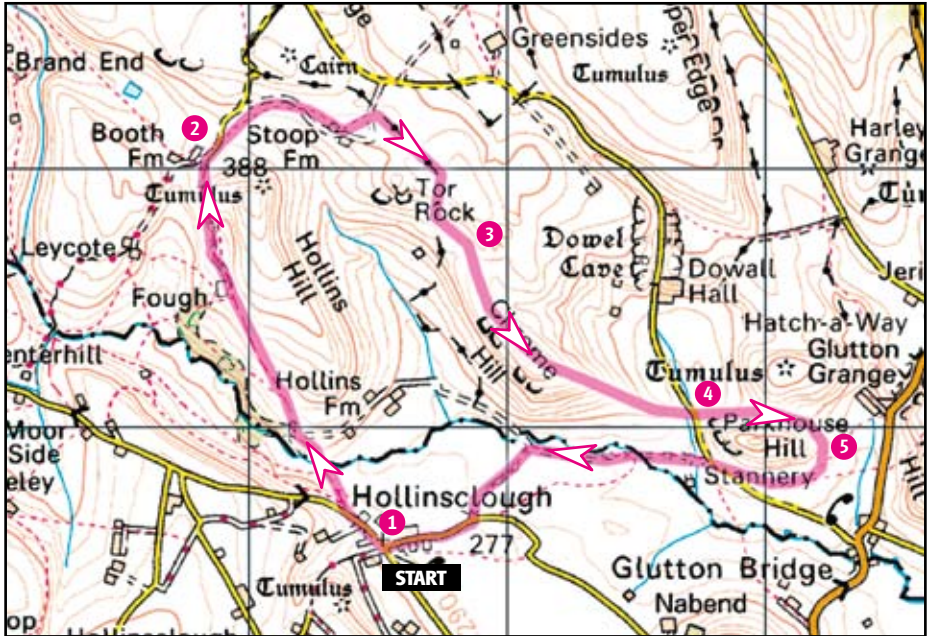
Public transport None suitable for route

MAPS

Ordnance Survey Explorer OL24; Landranger 119



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CUT ALONG HERE

➤ reach stile in wall, cross and follow descending ridge to drop R towards wall and go L in front of marker post to reach stile near cattle grid.

4 4.8km/3 miles

Cross and go R down lane. Cross stream, L, to go L of limestone pinnacle and follow path uphill to take a faint path cutting back R to join ridge on Parkhouse Hill (or go R of pinnacle and follow path back L up gully to scramble to same point – more difficult). Now follow path steeply uphill to summit of Parkhouse Hill taking care on very steep

ground. From summit, head down ridge east to drop to rocky knoll. Go L to descend steeply and pick a way R carefully down to wall. Go R and follow around nose of hill to reach gate and footpath arrow.

5 5.6km/3½ miles

Go R (ignore gate) and follow track uphill next to wall, L. When wall bends L, go half-R to join footpath coming from gate in wall, L. Follow R to road and go R (ignoring footpath L) to take bridleway directly ahead towards high stone gateposts. Pass through gate L

of gateposts to follow track and cross river by bridge, L, near ford. Continue on good track, pass through gate opening to go L at footpath sign (signposted 'Hollinsclough') and join lane after stone barn, R, via gate near cattlegrid. Go R and follow lane back to Hollinsclough going L at T-junction to return to car.

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