



## Beautiful views from Bleadon Hill



### Walk information

**Distance:** about 2 miles.

**Difficulty:** easy to medium, with one fairly steep climb. The walk is along a compact gravel surface then a rocky, uneven lane. There are some loose stones, ruts and mud, so wear suitable footwear.

**Duration:** about 1.5 hours at a leisurely pace.

**Map:** OS 153 Explorer.

### How to get there

**Start at map ref:** ST 358578

**By car:** Parking is available on Roman Road, on Bleadon Hill. If heading east, there is a semi-circular layby on the left-hand side, shortly before Canada Coombe.

Walk along rocky paths and enjoy far-reaching views of the Somerset Levels and coast during this short climb around Bleadon Hill and Canada Coombe.

Bleadon Hill is a Site of Special Scientific Interest and part of the Mendip Hills Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

It features grassland, scrub and woodland, and is home to a variety of plants. Enjoy far-reaching views of the Somerset Levels and coast during this short walk.

From the layby on Roman Road, continue east.

At the bend, where the road becomes Canada Coombe, continue ahead on the footpath.

This is a compact gravel path and bridleway and you'll catch glimpses of Weston-super-Mare in the distance between the trees.

At the end of the path you'll come to a t-junction. This is signposted as a bridleway, the Butcombe Mendip Pub Trail, and the West Mendip Way.

Turn left here, heading downhill. It is another stony, uneven track so take care.

Go past the farmhouse and follow the track around to the right.







Keep following this wider track, as it then heads downhill. You'll pass woodland on your right, Christon Plantation.

At the next t-junction turn right, following the yellow waymarker. You are now on Bridewell Lane. It is a rocky, uneven track.

Continue on to the next t-junction and turn right again. You will now head uphill, with the woods on your right and a field on your left.

This becomes a fairly steep climb. Continue on as it bends to the left (do not enter the woods), then around to the right. You'll see Crook Peak in the distance ahead of you.

Pass the cottages on your left and at the junction with Keeper's Cottage, take the right-hand path, a rocky route going uphill.

As you continue up the hill, turn around to see wonderful views behind you.

At the next junction, continue downhill on the rocky path. From here, you can see Weston-super-Mare in the distance.

Continue round the bend and you'll find yourself back at the signposted junction from earlier in your walk.

From here, retrace your steps along the compact gravel footpath and back to Roman Road.



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