

Creamy Lancashire Cheese Walk

Route Summary

Route Overview



Category: Walking
Rating: Unrated
Surface: Undefined
Date Published: 14th August 2018
Difficulty: Easy
Length: 5.280 km / 3.30 mi
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Description

The Creamy Lancashire Cheese Trail is based around Leagram Organic Dairy – a small dairy surrounded by beautiful countryside and close to the picturesque village of Chipping. And the first place Lancashire cheese was made commercially! There is an on-site shop and you can also see a fascinating display of cheese making artefacts from years gone by – please ring ahead before visiting as the shop has specific opening hours. Tel: 01995 61532.

The walk starts and finishes in the village of Chipping, which has a few small shops, pubs and cafes. Chipping Farm Shop offers fantastic local produce including cheese, meat, ice cream & pies; and Brabin's Shop & Gallery can provide all your daily essentials along with a tea garden. For a café meal, there's the Cobbled Corner café, serving some delicious home-made food, or try a pub meal at the Sun Inn or Tillotsons Arms. The walk passes the Gibbon Bridge Hotel, well-known for its commitment to quality food & accommodation.

The walk crosses Chipping Moss which is an important breeding ground for birds. RSPB and the local farmer have been working to improve the management of the land, and grazing with traditional breed cattle to encourage breeding lapwings and curlew.

Waypoints

1 SD 6224 4328

(53.88439; -2.57646)

Starting in the centre of Chipping with St bartholomew's Church steps behind you, take the narrow road in front of you,

Windy Street, signposted to Longridge heading out of the village.

2 SD 6255 4294

(53.88144; -2.57126)

After approximately 400 metres, turn left to cross an old stone arched bridge into open fields and head diagonally across the first field to the far corner and over a stile

3 SD 6264 4294

(53.87881; -2.56962)

Cross several small fields and stiles following the line of a small brook.

4 SD 6259 4223

(53.87471; -2.57037)

Cross the brook on a bridge made from sleepers. The footpath is less distinct at this point but climbs and curves left following an old hedge line to the front. Follow the hedgeline keeping it to your left, as you climb the field you will see a house and cottages formerly Pale Farm. Head to the right of these to the stile in the far corner of the field at Pale Farm

5 SD 6280 4197

(53.87266; -2.56756)

Follow the way markers around the garden and garage and walk in front of Pale Farm, then continue between two houses onto a surfaced track.

At this point you can keep following the track to visit Leagram Organic Dairy.

Continue on from the Leagram organic Dairy until the main road into Chipping is reached

6 SD 63304274

(53.87715; -2.56106)

On reaching the main road turn left and continue for approx 600 metres until you reach the track on your right up to Dairy Barn Farm. Carry on up the track keeping the farm buildings and house to your right. Go through the farm gate heading North along the track until another gate is reached leading to the road.

SD 6327 4350

(53.88654; -2.56027)

Bear right crossing in front of the farmhouse and leave through a gate on to a track, heading north

7 SD 6326 4384

(53.88954; -2.56036)

After 300 metres the track joins the road. Turn left and return to Chipping on the road.

SD 6275 4384

(53.88943; -2.56814)

Signposted on the right as you pass the entrance to Leagram Hall and running parallel to the road is the North Lancashire Bridleway, which is a pleasant alternative to the road. This short stretch of bridleway rejoins the road just before Chipping.

