



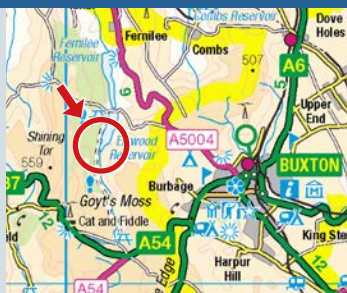
Your walk details

Distance	4 miles / 6.5 km (with optional detour to Shining Tor summit, + 1 mile / 1.8 km)
Duration	3½ hours (+ 45 minutes for detour)
Buggy friendly?	No
Dog friendly?	Yes, on leads please
Facilities	Free parking at Errwood Hall car park (access road closed on Sunday and bank holidays, 10am-4pm). Refreshments here at weekends, and also available from Peak View Café, mid-way through walk
Extra information	Paths uneven and steep in places, may be muddy; sturdy footwear is recommended

Start from here

Errwood Hall car park

Off the A5004 along Goyt's Lane, then left at T-junction, and continue for 1km to the car park.



Postcode (closest)	SK17 6GJ
Grid ref	SK 012 748
What3Words	happening.holly.channel

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Here's one way you can connect to the National Park on your walk:

Enjoy nature's symphony

Find a wooded area along the walk and spend a few minutes listening for natural sounds. Are there birds singing? Do their songs sound like words and phrases? Can you come up words to fit their song?

For more child-friendly activities to do on your walk go to peakdistrict.gov.uk/connect

For kids!

Be Peak District Proud

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Keep your dog on a lead to avoid disturbing birds that nest on the ground and other wildlife.



Be prepared. Weather conditions can change quickly and phone signal varies.



Leave no trace. Use bins for litter and dog waste, or better still take it home with you.



Stick to your rights of way whichever way you access the park, by foot, bike or horse.



Use the gates and stiles provided. Close and re-latch gates you have opened.



Be Dronesafe. Unauthorised drone use is against the law.



Camp fires, BBQs and naked flames are not permitted. Picnics are great, but please take your rubbish home.



Look and listen. Discover the wildlife and its habitat around you.



Drive with care and park in designated car parks.



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Family walk 10 Adventurer

Rivers, Ruins & Ridges in the Goyt Valley

A bracing walk with fantastic views



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Rivers, Ruins & Ridges

An adventurous walk in the Goyt Valley with something for everyone, including some spectacular views.

Walk options

There are options to make the walk shorter (reduced to 2km, or 3km) or longer (up to 8km).

Look out for...

Errwood Hall was built in 1840 for the wealthy Grimshawe family. It was demolished in 1934 when the reservoirs were being built. The Hall overlooked the hamlet of Goyts Bridge, which is now entirely under water.

Did you know?

At 559m above sea level, the summit of Shining Tor is the highest point in Cheshire. On a clear day you can see right across to Snowdon in Wales!

1 From the car park, follow the dirt path uphill for about 100m (past benches for an early picnic with great views over the reservoir). Pass through the gap in the stone wall and continue straight ahead, following the sign to Errwood Hall. After about 300m there is a set of stone steps and then a track on the right hand side. Detour here to explore the ruins of Errwood Hall (great for hide and seek, adventures and picnics).

2 Back on the track, continue uphill with the stream on your left. After about 300m turn left at a crossroads, signed 'Stakeside'.

3 Follow the dirt/stone path for about 350m, with the stream on your left, until the path crosses the stream. There is no bridge but the stream is usually shallow, with lots of stones.

Note: This is a good turning-around point for very small children (simply follow your route back to the car park) - 2km walk.

4 Continue to follow the path as it zig-zags uphill through the woods, following signs to 'Stakeside'. After 650m you pass through a wooden gate onto the moorland. Turn right here (signed 'Cat & Fiddle') and follow the dry stone wall uphill.

Note: To reduce this route to a shorter 3km walk, turn left here and walk downhill back to the car park (as for point 11).

5 Continue uphill for 1.2km until the path levels out at the brow of the hill.

Note: From here there is an optional detour to the right, signed 'Shining Tor', up a flagged path to the summit of the hill. Retrace your route back down.

6 Continue along the path, with the wall on your right, signed to 'Cat & Fiddle'. After about 200m pass through a wooden kissing gate then continue straight ahead, along the path between a dry stone wall on your left and wire fence on your right.

7 At the end of the path (after 600m) pause to admire the spectacular views over the Cheshire Plain and (on a clear day) the Welsh hills. Then, turn right past a log barrier and head downhill for 250m towards the Peak View Café.

8 Follow the footpath along the farm driveway, which starts just uphill from the café. Just before the farmyard, go through a metal kissing gate on the right and into the field.

9 Follow the path along the edge of the field, uphill and through a second metal kissing gate, and then through the wooden kissing gate which you've seen already at point 6.

10 Continue to the detour point to Shining Tor, and then retrace your steps, gently downhill for 1.2km to reach the wooden kissing gate from point 4.

11 Continue straight ahead, following the grassy track downhill towards the reservoir. You will pass through a wooden kissing gate and after about 750m the path becomes sandy. Continue straight ahead at the crossroads (signed 'Errwood Car Park') and follow the path through the woodland to reach the car park.

