

Eype & Bridport Circular Walk

Region – Bridport

County/Area – Dorset

Length – 2.3 miles / 3.7 kms

Duration – 1 hour 30 minutes

Ascent – 232 feet

Grade – Easy

Start – Car Park, Eype Beach

Postcode DT6 6AL (approximate location only)

Walk Route Description

A walk from Eype to the historic town of Bridport, with spectacular views along the high white and gold cliffs of the Jurassic Coast.

Note: The coastline here is always on the move as the sea continually erodes the cliffs, causing the occasional landslide. For your own safety, please follow the waymarkers along the South West Coast Path, obeying any diversion signs that might be in place.

Route

- From the car park at Eype (Start Point) drop down the path to the beach.
- Turn left onto the Coast Path, heading eastwards, follow it around the old Forest Marble quarry workings and along the coastal edge of the common.
- At the first of the houses at West Bay, carry on downhill along the path and then the esplanade, until you come to the quay.
- Turn left at the bottom to skirt the harbour.
- Continue to the roundabout, cross the road beyond, to go into West Bay Holiday Park, immediately opposite.
- Continue through the holiday park to the end of the drive. Waymarkers lead you onwards, along the footpath running through the meadows beside the river.
- Ignore the paths leading uphill towards the mast to your left.
- Continue ahead until you reach the main A35 road.
- Cross the road, via the underpass, and continue on in the same direction, ignoring the first path on your left.
- Continue through the gate by the cottage, walking along the same path when another path forks off to the right.
- After a short distance you will meet with Skilling Hill Road.
- At the junction, turn left on the road. Continue past the school on your right and the sports pitches on your left.
- Continue ahead along Broad Lane. Cross the bridge over the A35 and continue past the entrance to Highlands End Holiday Park.

- Take the footpath on the left, continue up the steps in the bank just before the junction. Follow it to the road at Eype.
- Take the road to the right, continue to the footpath on your left following it to the edge of fields and re-join Mount Lane on the corner.
- Turn right and then turn left, almost immediately, on the footpath beside the postbox in the wall.
- At the bottom of the road turn right and continue along Mount Lane returning to the beach car park at the start of the walk.