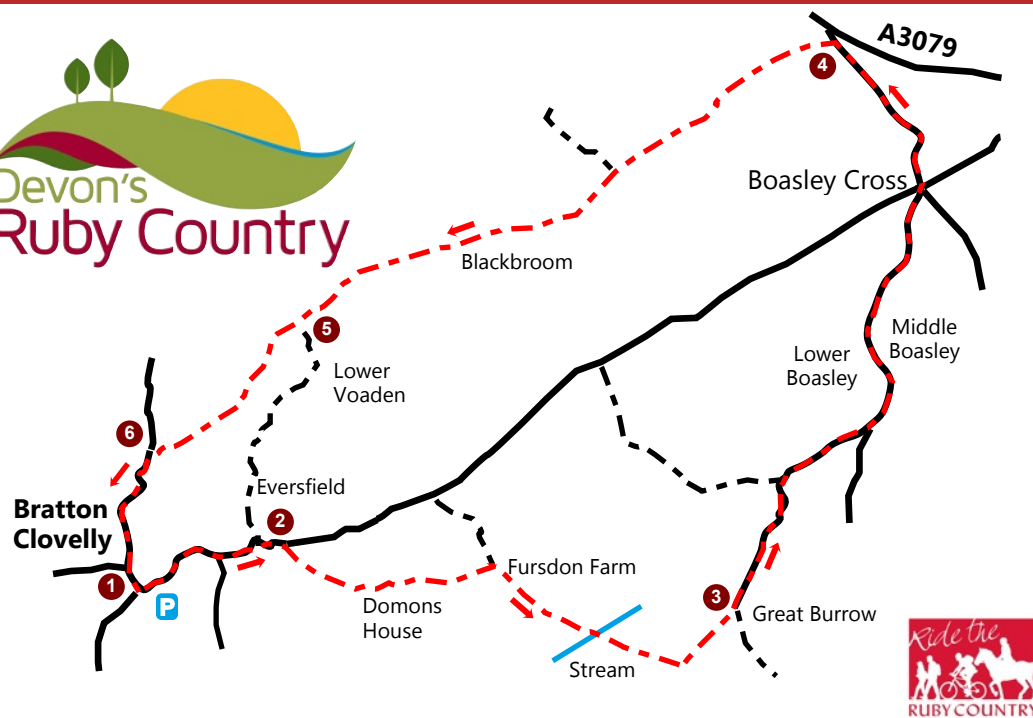


## South Ruby Country - In the shadow of Dartmoor



### Directions - Bratton Clovelly and Boasley

<b>DIRECTIONS</b>	6.7 miles	<b>TIME</b>	2½ to 3 hours
<b>PATHS</b>	Quiet country lanes, tracks and footpaths across fields		
<b>MAP</b>	OS Explorer 112, or Landranger 190		
<b>START/FINISH</b>	Grid reference SX463918		
<b>PARKING</b>	In the village of Bratton Clovelly, outside church, or village hall		
<b>FACILITIES</b>	Clovelly Inn public house in Bratton Clovelly. Village shop and The Village Inn in Ashwater (3 miles). Lakeside cafe and restaurant at Roadford Lake (3 miles).		

**1.** Starting from outside the church in Bratton Clovelly, the walk begins downhill in the direction of Boasley. At the bottom of the hill cross a stream. This stream once drove the mill wheel in the building on the right, now a private house. To the left are views of Eversfield Manor. Continue on the road uphill past a public bridleway sign on the left. Shortly after a lane is reached on the right, by a post box.

**2.** Take this lane and pass the entrance to Domons House and 2 houses on the left. Turn right after the 2nd house and head towards a building. Take a narrow path to the left of the building and follow this until a stile is reached. Cross this stile into a field. Cross this field and the next, with the hedge on the left. When a farm is reached, keep to the left of the buildings and then to the right of the farmhouse. Take the track on the right with a public bridle way sign. Pass some farm buildings and when the track bears to the right, keep straight on along the grassy track straight ahead. Pass through 2 gates into a field. Cross the field keeping the trees on the left and near the bottom of the field go through a gap in the hedge on the left. Cross right, down to a stream. Cross the stream. This may be difficult following periods of heavy rain. Follow the track as it leads uphill, becoming a wider track and eventually a tarmac road.

**3.** Pass several houses in the small hamlet of Burrow. Keep on the road and at the first junction bear left. This road will eventually arrive in Boasley Cross, with a chapel on the right and a primary school ahead. Go straight across the crossroads so the school is on the right. Stay on this road until just before the main A3079 road is reached. Take a track to the left with a public bridle way sign.

**4.** Stay on this track which seems to go on for a long way. There are still good views to Dartmoor on the left. Occasional farm buildings are passed beside the track. Eventually more farm buildings are reached on the left and a house on the right. Go through the gate ahead and onto a track running between hedges. Stay on this track which can be soft and muddy. Pass through a gate on to a hard track. As the track takes a sharp left turning, this route carries on straight ahead over a stile. The gate on the right may be easier to access the field ahead.

**5.** Now go downhill to follow the path over a stile and through a gate in the hedge in to the next field. Cross this field heading to the right until a stile is reached and then a footbridge crossing a stream. The path then crosses another small field through a gate into another field. Keeping the woods on the left hand side, cross the field until a gate is reached ahead. Follow the grassy track between 2 banks.

**6.** When the road is reached turn left and the road will gradually arrive back in Bratton Clovelly village, past the Clovelly Inn and then back to the start point outside the church. A leaflet called the Bratton Clovelly Village Trail details the history of the village and surrounding area. Copies of this are available from the Old Post Office in the village square. The Pack Horse Trail is another walk starting and finishing in Bratton Clovelly. It is shorter than this walk and forms part of the series of walks in Ruby Country.