

No.11 Webbers Post



Grade: Access For All: Suitable for pushchairs and unassisted wheelchairs.

Directions: The path starts near the entrance to the car park. Follow the surfaced path heading along the ridge. After about 300 yards at the second bench the path heads slightly uphill and joins another. Turn right here and follow the path through the woods back to the car park. Alternatively turn left here and take the slightly rougher path out to the walkers hut (and return the same way).

Surface and terrain: The route follows a rolled stone path, which is virtually level and has regular benches.

Start point: National Trust car park on the minor road between Dunkery Beacon and Bossington.

Postcode: TA24 8TB.

Grid Reference: SS 903 439

What3Words:
water.move.templates

Distance: ½ mile / 0.8 km, with 25 feet / 8m of ascent.

Toilets: None on site. Nearest accessible public toilets are at the National Trust car park at Horner (TA24 8HY)

Refreshments: There are tea rooms at Horner

A level walk through open woodland with great views across the valley to Dunkery Beacon and beyond.



- Webber's Post is thought to be named after a local man who liked this spot for viewing the hounds in the valley below.
- The walk overlooks Horner Woods National Nature Reserve, a temperate rainforest where the oak trees are draped with mosses and lichens, and streams tumble over the rocks.
- Across the valley is Dunkery Beacon, at 1705 feet (519 metres) the highest point on Exmoor.

No.12 Wimbleball Lake



Grade: Access For Many: Suitable for sturdy pushchairs, assisted wheelchairs and more robust, all-terrain type equipment.

Directions: From the car park, take the path heading towards the lake, and midway down take the path heading south signed Wimbleball Wheeler and 'To Dam'. Once you arrive at the dam to get the best view of the spillway continue on the path straight-ahead. Return along the same route.

Surface and terrain: The route follows an undulating rolled stone path, close to the edge of the reservoir with a total ascent of 180 feet (55m). There are some steady climbs and ascents, the longest of which is 150 yds / 137 metres varying between 1 in 10 and 1 in 8 gradient, and a few shorter sections (max 40 yds / 36 metres) which are 1:6. As this is a there and back walk, any downhill slopes on the way to the dam, are uphill on the way back.

- The dam across the River Haddeo valley was completed in 1979 and is 161 feet high. When full the lake covers an area of 374 acres (151ha) and holds 21 billion litres.
- As well as supplying drinking water, the lake and its surroundings are managed for wildlife and recreation. There are miles of walking and cycling trails and it is a Dark Skies Discovery Site.
- At Wimbleball you can hire a rugged off-road Trampler mobility scooter - see www.countrysidemobility.org for details.

A walk alongside the Wimbleball Lake to the impressively high dam across the Haddeo valley.

Start point: Wimbleball Lake Café car park
Postcode: TA22 9NU.
Grid Reference: SS 965 308
What3Words: creatures.guarding.sailed
Distance: From the café car park to the dam and back is 2½ miles / 4km
Toilets: Accessible public toilets in the car park at the start of the walk.
Refreshments: Café in the car park at the start of the walk

