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A walk through a wood to the Acland memorial hut, and a second walk across moorland with spectacular views across Porlock Bay.



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## Grade:

Woodland walk - Access For All: Suitable for pushchairs and unassisted wheelchairs Moorland walk - Access For Many: Suitable for sturdy pushchairs, assisted wheelchairs and more robust, all-terrain type equipment.

**Directions:** Both routes are along obvious paths leading out of the car park.

**Surface and terrain:** The woodland walk to the Acland memorial is a purpose built accessible path with a rolled stone surface, a maximum gradient of 1:15. The moorland walk runs along a wide grassy track with a few soft or rough sections and gently climbs to a viewpoint. Beyond the viewpoint there are a choice of paths onwards towards the summits of Bossington Hill and Selworthy Beacon, but these tracks are rougher and steeper.

- The Acland Memorial Hut is a walkers' shelter built in 1878 in memory of Sir Thomas Acland and the walks he took here with his family.
- From these walks you can look down on the wildlife rich wetlands of Porlock Marsh created by a storm in 1996 that breached the shingle ridge.
- These hills have inspired people for millennia; Bronze Age burials took place on the summit, there has been a fire beacon since the 16th Century and the Romantic poets wrote some of their greatest prose around here.

Start point: Selworthy Beacon viewpoint car park. Postcode: TA24 8HS Grid Reference: SS 910 476 What3Words: divide.intelligible.objective

## Distance:

Woodland walk:  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile / 0.8km with a total ascent of 30 feet / 10m. Moorland walk:  $\frac{3}{4}$  mile / 1.2km (there and back) and an ascent of 35ft / 12m. **Toilets:** None on site. Nearest accessible public toilets are in the Summerland car park, Minehead, TA24 5AG



**Refreshments:** A wide range of pubs and cafes in nearby Minehead

