

Cargurra Farm to Boscastle walk

- A walk through fields and footpaths alongside River Valency (2.5 miles or so)
- Takes approx. 45 mins (red-faced, sweating pace!) or an hour or so (gentler pace)

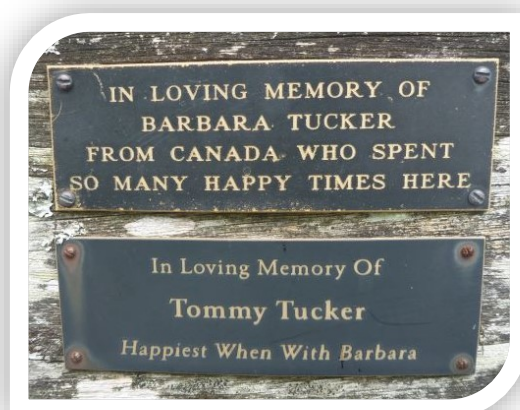
Directions



Leave the cottages and turn right to head around the buildings.

If you're leaving from East Park or West Park cottages, turn left instead and pass the other cottages on your right.

There's a dedication to Barbara and Tommy Tucker on the bench outside the cottages. See if you can spot a similar dedication on another bench along the walk.



Keep bearing right as you follow the track around the outside of the cottages and farmhouses.

When you get to the crossroads at the end of the track, turn right. (If you head straight over, you'll be taking the footpath to Tresparrett.)

NB: The gates might or might not be closed. Leave them as you find them.



If you see this landmark, you're heading in the right direction!



Turn right at the end of the track, and you'll meet your first cattle grid.

NB: Ditto re. gates.

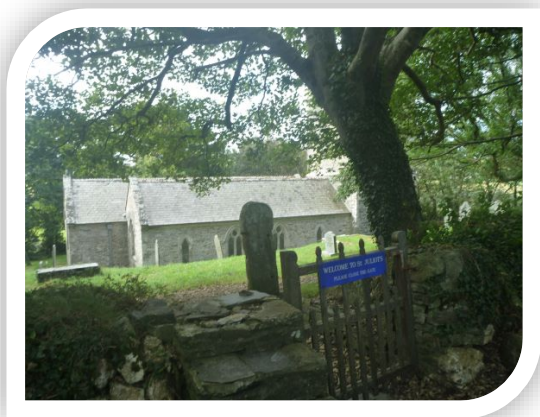


Go through the gates, crossing over the cattle grid.

NB: Ditto re. gates.



Once you've reached the second cattle grid at the end of the track, turn left and head down the hill to St Juliot's Church.



St Juliot's Church is associated with Thomas 'Far from the Madding Crowd' Hardy. Pop inside to find out more information and view the beautiful etched window dedicated to him.



Follow the path through the church grounds and go over the stile, down some steps and into a field.



Farther down the hedge on the right (past the two circular water troughs), you'll find a stile.

Once you've climbed over the stile, keep to the left of the field until you reach another stile.





Again, keep to the left of the field as you walk through.



Pass over another stile into a field.



Go through the gate (about $\frac{1}{3}$ or so of the way down the field) into another field.



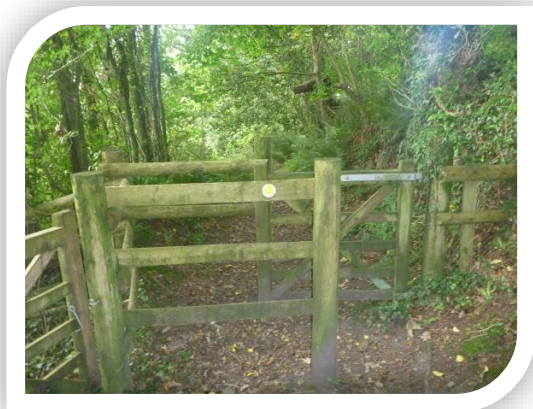
This signpost will be on your right in this second field.



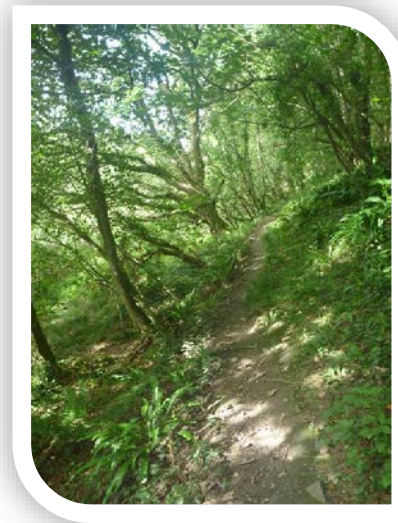
You're looking for the gate in the top right corner of this field.



Pass through a second gate.



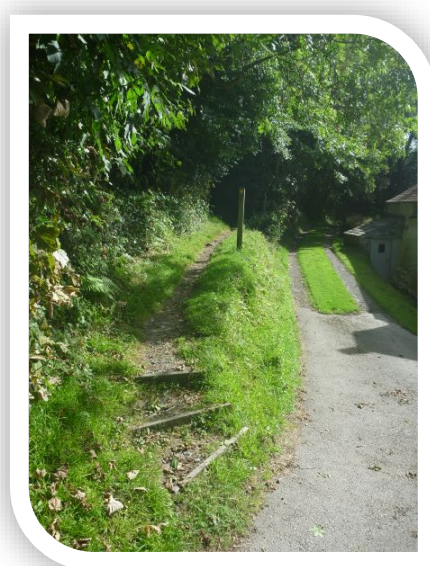
And a third one. (The yellow arrows are helpful!)



Listen out for the river on your left as you walk along the track. The footpath sometimes gets narrower in places and you'll occasionally have to navigate over some tree roots, too.



Another helpful yellow arrow. Only 1.25 miles to go from here!



NB: Don't forget to head up the steps on your return journey. It's easy to miss them if you're on auto-pilot, and you'll keep walking till you reach someone's garden!



You'll pass through an open five-bar gate onto a bend in a road. Take the fork to the left. (Again, the yellow arrow is very helpful on the right.)



Keep to the right as you head down this track. (The left is private access.)



Continue straight on.



Pass through the gate.



You're about 15 minutes away from Boscastle by the time you reach the bridge.

NB: If you want to visit Minster Church, cross over the bridge and head uphill to the right.



After you've passed through a stretch of woodland, you'll arrive at another gate.



Another landmark – the River Valency and some very picturesque stepping stones.

Nearly there!



Congratulations!

Welcome to Boscastle. 😊