

Walk 12 – Corscombe Round – Description

Start and finish: The walk starts at the Fox Inn in Corscombe (A), where parking can be found. Please let the Inn know if using their car park during opening times and have some refreshments at the Inn on the return from the walk.

Fox Inn to Barrow Lane: Walk 100m towards Halstock then turn left directly opposite the no-through road Norwood Lane (B), passing the walled garden and moat of Corscombe Court (C), to the field gate ahead. Make for the far left-hand corner of the field and into a small copse where the path winds to the right, then left and right again into a wildflower meadow. Go uphill, keeping the hedge to the left and aiming slightly to the left of the houses on the skyline, reaching a gate that opens into Common Lane. Turn left to the road by the side of a white house, The Pines (D). Turn right along the road for about 400m and left into Barrow Lane (E).

Barrow Lane to Corscombe Road:

Take the right of way up this steep lane (usually muddy) and take the second left past a row of chalet bungalows (Linhay Lodges). Follow the track downhill and go through the gate ahead passing a group of standing stones (G), before reaching a wicket gate into a large field. The bridleway continues along the valley and straight ahead up the hill towards the far hedge (H). Take time to stop and admire the panoramic view over Corscombe and beyond. Joining another bridleway, turn left and continue to the Corscombe Road (I).



Corscombe Road to St. Mary's Church: Cross the road and through the gate opposite. Walk diagonally to the left and into another valley, Coombe Bottom, lined with gorse, with distinctive, coconut-perfumed, yellow flowers during the spring and summer. Turn left along the side of the valley and head towards a gate (J), in the fence line to the left of a wood. Keeping the wood on your right continue downhill to the left of Ford Glen Cottage (K) and onto a metalled lane. Turn left and walk uphill towards St. Mary's Church (L), which is well worth a visit.

St. Mary's Church to Finish: Continue, turning right downhill to The Fox Inn, ignoring the turning on the left to the main village, and passing the village hall, which was originally the school. This road is very narrow in places and care needs to be taken because of traffic.

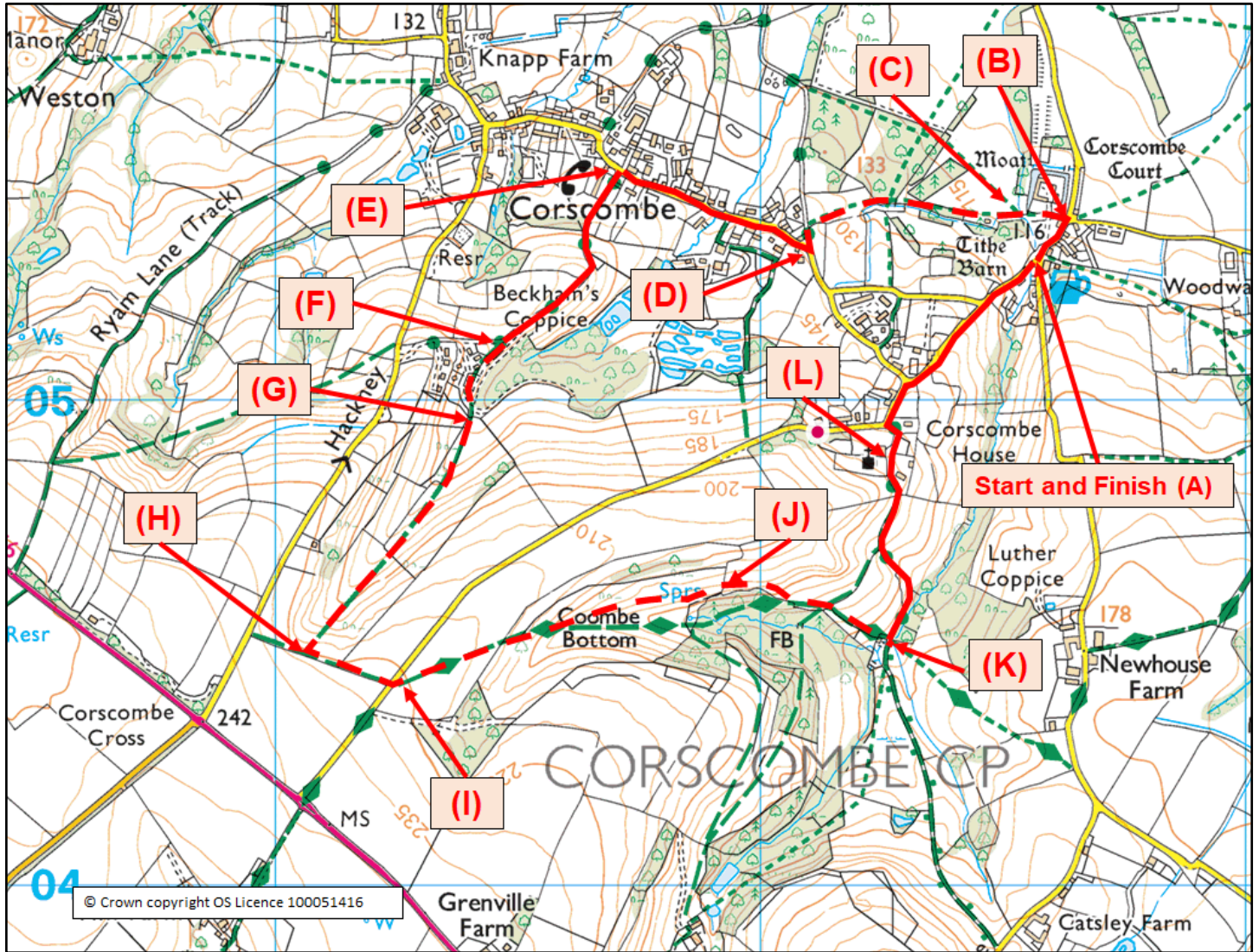
Walk 12 – Corscombe Round – Map

Distance – 4.5 km. Total Ascent – 160m. Duration – 1.5 hrs. Difficulty – Easy.

Clothing – Some sections seasonally muddy.

History – St. Mary's Church

Connecting routes – Common Lane



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