

The Tolkien Trail, Hurst Green, Lancashire

(one of Lancashire's most popular walks)



THE
Tolkien Trail
HURST GREEN

People come from all over the world to walk the famous Tolkien Trail in Hurst Green and follow in the footsteps of J.R.R. Tolkien himself and see how he was inspired by the beautiful Ribble Valley landscape.

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1. START AT THE WAR MEMORIAL in the centre of Hurst Green (opposite Millie's Cafe). You will see the sign WARREN FOLD opposite the Memorial - walk [150 METRES] along this road onto the fields. Walk a further [200 METRES] towards SMITHY ROW COTTAGES then turn right. Follow the track [800 METRES] towards Stonyhurst School keeping FOX FALL WOOD on your left.

2. STONYHURST CATHOLIC SCHOOL [20 mins from start]: After FOX FALL WOOD go through wooden gate and turn right towards Stonyhurst School OBSERVATORY. Continue along this path [150 METRES] until you reach HALL BARNES FARM. Turn left and walk [600 METRES] towards KNOWLE BROW. Cross the main road and immediately opposite/left follow the farm track [350 METRES] until you reach OVER HACKING WOOD. Now turn RIGHT into the field. Keeping the woods on your left walk [350 METRES] until you reach a gate/stile. Go into the woods and follow the path [250 METRES] down to the STONE BRIDGE. Cross the stone bridge and walk up the hill [200 METRES] towards HODDER COURT.

3. HODDER COURT [1 hour from start]: Continue past Hodder Court and walk [150 METRES] down towards the RIVER HODDER. Go through gate into the field and follow the path [1000 METRES] until you reach the main road.

4. CROMWELL BRIDGE [1 hour 15 mins from start]: Turn RIGHT at Longridge Road and walk [420 METRES] up to KNOWLES BROW bus stop. Go through the gate opposite the bus stop and walk [200 METRES] towards SPRING WOOD. Keeping the woods on your left walk another [450 METRES] towards PIGGERIES PEN and go through the gate. Turn LEFT and walk [500 METRES] down the private road to WINCKLEY HALL FARM. Walk through the farm to the River Ribble footpath.

5. RIVER RIBBLE FOOTPATH [1 hour 40 mins from start]: Follow the river footpath [2000 METRES] to JUMBLES ROCKS. Continue along the path [1500 METRES] past the Aquifer Bridge to RAID DEEP WOODS. Go through the gate and walk up the woodland path [100 METRES] to the small wooden bridge before leaving the woods. Finally walk up the field [600 METRES] towards Hurst Green and finish at The Shireburn Arms car park.

TOTAL WALK TIME: APPROXIMATELY 2½ - 3 HOURS

Please note: The Tolkien Trail is not signposted and it is easy to get lost without a map. Download this map onto your phone before starting. Please respect people who live in the village and park in a safe place. Please keep dogs on a lead and remove dog litter. Thank you.

TIP: IF YOU WANT TO MEASURE WALKING BETWEEN POINTS ... ONE LONG STEP = 1 METRE

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