

UERSA Walking Group Summer Programme 2021

Wed 7th July

10.00 start Exeter Quay to Powderham Castle Cafe circa 8 miles

Meet at Piazza Terracina, walking along the canal to Turf for a **Picnic lunch** (with optional Turf drink) then onward to Powderham Castle Cafe and bus back from Kenton. Those preferring a more leisurely lunch at the Turf and a shorter walk, can backtrack to take the Topsham Ferry (5.5 miles) The route is remarkably flat (apart from the final gentle rise to the Cafe in Kenton) with plenty of good views and hopefully (non-human) wildlife.

The returns from Kenton & Topsham use the bus so BRING your **BUS PASS and FACE MASK**.

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Monday 12 July

A nature ramble with Judy

10.30 start and bring packed lunch. Under 4 miles. Meet at the Wheathill Plantation, turn left towards reservoir from main road to Budleigh from Exeter, in the dip just after the turnings to Exmouth. The post code is EX9 7BS and grid reference Grid Ref: SY 041 478 and it is the second carpark on the right - about half a mile from Budleigh road.

Judy

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Thursday 22 July

Otterton circa 8 miles

10.30 start. Bring packed lunch. Meet on The Green in Otterton. Circular walk starting along the river towards Colaton Raleigh. A steepish climb up the escarpment to Mutters Moor, including a couple of steeper sections, then over to the Coast Path to return via Ladram Bay and Colliver Lane to the river and Otterton. If weather permits, swimmers could have a dip at Ladram Bay where we will have lunch, so bring bathers.

Sara

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Friday 30 July

Broadhembury circa 5 miles

10.00 start. Meet at Broadhembury village car park.

Up to the gliding club and then back to the village : beautiful views , pretty village , take signs to Broadhembury from the Honiton Cullompton Road.

Margaret

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Tuesday 10 August

Hound Tor circa 7 miles

10.30 start. Packed lunch. A circular walk from Hound Tor CP, grid reference SX 739 792 to Jays Grave and back via Honeybag Tor and Holwell lawn.

Judy

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Thursday 19 August

Belstone circa 7 miles

10.30 start. Bring packed lunch. Meet at car park in Belstone, on left as you enter village. Grid Ref SX 621 938. We will head to Scarey Tor, Culliver Steps, Higher Haystack, East Hill, Lower Haystack, East Oakment and Woodland then West Cleave. Mostly easy walking with care to be taken along the side of the East Oakment.

Jan

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Wednesday 1 September

Sidbury circa 4.75 miles

Start time to be confirmed, start point outside St Giles' Church, Grid Ref: SY139917. Free Car Park on Ridgeway Close. Post Code: EX10 0SN.

This walk takes you along hedge-fringed lanes up to Core Hill Wood, passing the site of Sidbury Castle with some excellent views along the way. We then join the East Devon Way from which the views across to the valley of the Sid are stunning; after more woodland rambling, we return to Sidbury via farm paths and tracks. There are some fairly steep ups and downs. Hopefully, the views will compensate.

Simone and Paul

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Wednesday 8 September

A visit to Exeter Castle

Bob Higham has agreed to take us on a tour of Exeter Castle. 10.30 start. Meet just inside Rougemont Gardens, (in front of Rougemont House, the old Costume Museum) near the castle gatehouse at the top of Castle Street. This will take approximately 1.5 hours and then you will be free to lunch in town!

To book a place on this visit, please contact:

Jan

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Wednesday 22 September

Silverton circa 7 miles

10.00 start. Bring lunch/snack. The walk starts from the free car park in Silverton (OS map ref 957029, adjacent to the Community Hall north of the Church). We follow a road/track/footpath south west of the village in the direction of Ellerhayes Bridge. The path involves a pair of styles to cross over the main railway track. After Ellerhayes we traverse anticlockwise around the Killerton "clump" to Columbjohn Farm, Front Park, Killerton Chapel and back to the Bridge. Return along the path to Silverton and the possibility for lunch at The Lamb Inn (the baguettes are excellent).

N.B bus 55A and/or 55B runs from Exeter to Silverton, but not very frequently.

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