



Route Summary

Roads, tracks and fields. Can get muddy in parts. Take care on unpaved road sections. Expect livestock. "Walking safely" information available at www.forestofbowland.com Walkers are advised to carry OS Explorer map OL41.

Route Overview



Category: Hiking
Length: 6.830 km / 4.27 mi
Last Modified: 12th February 2019
Difficulty: Medium
Rating: Unrated
Surface: Moderate
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Description

Nicky Nook, though modest in height, offers splendid views over Lancashire's coastal plain, Morecambe Bay and beyond to the Lakeland fells. On a really clear day it is possible to see the Isle of Man and the Great Orme on the North Wales coast. Birds such as meadow pipits and skylarks are common on the fell, while the more fortunate may catch a glimpse of tree pipits or yellowhammers.

Waypoints

1
(53.93292; -2.75990)
Starting from the centre of Scorton, turn right in front of the Priory and go up the road (Snowhill Lane) passing a school on the right. Go over the M6 Bridge and continue ahead passing several houses.

2
(53.93483; -2.75043)
When you see signs for Wyresdale Park and the Apple Store cafe follow those ahead. The Apple Store Cafe will soon be on your left and the Wyresdale Lake on your right, a really picturesque spot! Continue along the track with

Wyresdale Lake on your right until you reach a cattle grid.

3

(53.93892; -2.74654)

Go through the gate to the right of it and continue ahead.

4

(53.94076; -2.74565)

You will soon reach a wooden gate; take a left here where you'll join the road. Continue along the road.

5

(53.94489; -2.74431)

Follow the public footpath waymarker on your right; heading straight across the field. On reaching the farm track go right and through the farmyard at Clifton's Farm and look for the gate to the right of the farmhouse.

6

(53.94522; -2.74051)

Through the gate and straight across one field, and then straight across the next heading for the right field corner (you will see a green sign on it from quite a distance away). Watch out for the boggy ground in front of the stile here, especially if there's been wet weather

7

(53.94618; -2.73431)

Follow the left fence line and head towards Sykes Farm, you will reach a stile to the left of the farm, go straight across the next field to a wooden stile and take a right onto the lane and continue ahead.

8

(53.94607; -2.72765)

You will soon reach a ford, take the footbridge to the right of it and continue along the lane ahead.

9

(53.93938; -2.72457)

After about a ¼ mile you will reach a gate (ignore the farm track to the left), go through this onto a bridleway. Continue and go through a further metal gate.

10

(53.93596; -2.72323)

Bear right towards the bridge. If you want to do the Nicky Nook route, don't cross over the bridge but instead go through the wooden kissing gate on the right.

11



(53.93200; -2.72750)

Follow the path to the top of the hill and where it splits in two, keep left and continue ahead.

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(53.93089; -2.73256)

After a short climb you will reach the summit. Make sure you have a look round; there are magnificent views from the top!

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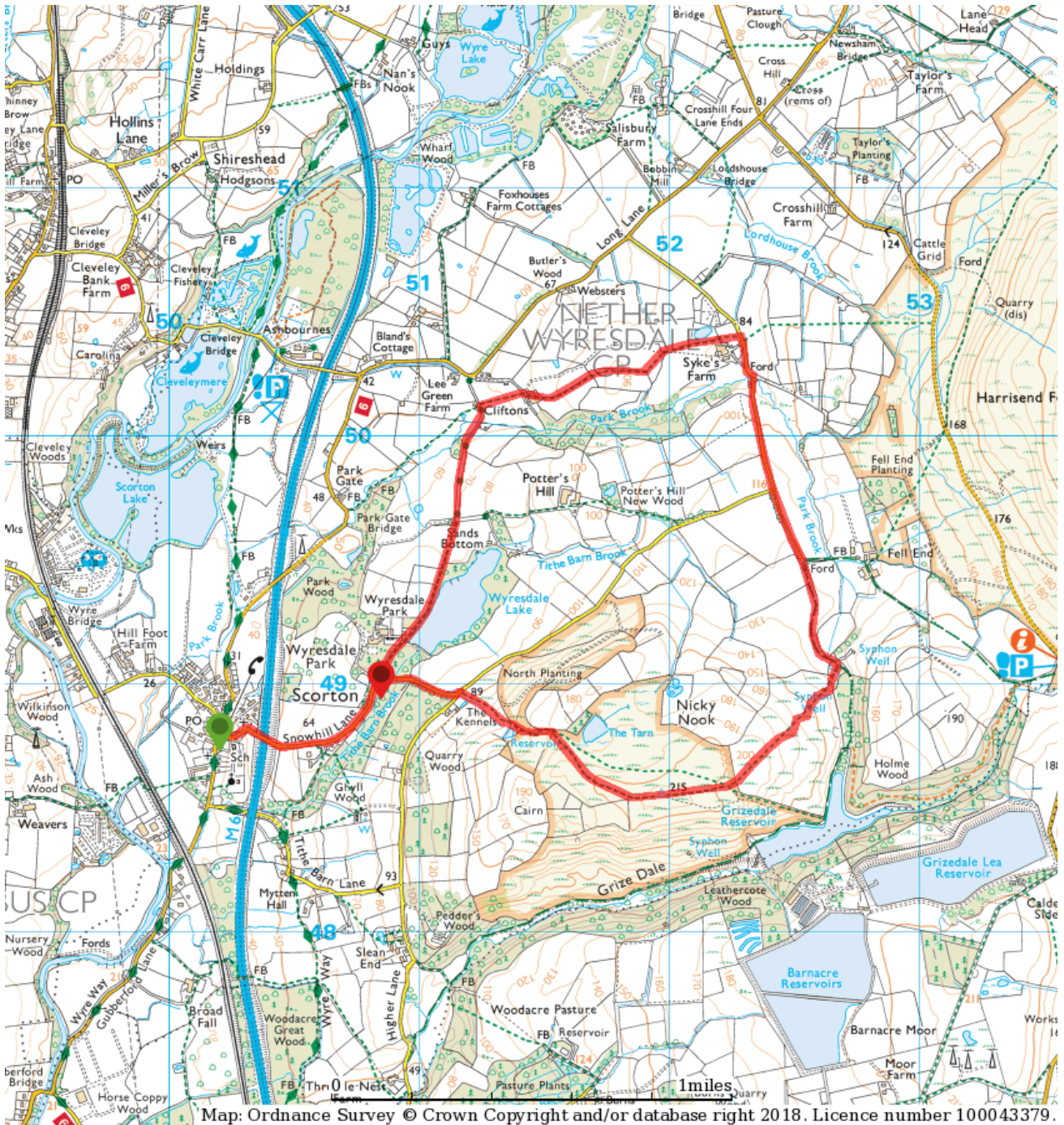
(53.93074; -2.73485)

Follow the path to the right, keeping to the track, you will come to a wall in the middle of the field, skirt to the right of it and again continue on the track.

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(53.93452; -2.74533)

Eventually through a kissing gate and onto a road. Go left and immediately right; continue along the road and then bear left when you see signs for Wyresdale Park and the Apple Store Cafe. Continue along the road crossing over the motorway until you drop back into Scorton.



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