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Self-guided walk exploring Haytor Quarry and surrounding area. The suggested walking route will help you experience some of the delights of this lovely part of Dartmoor. Please be aware of your own limitations and navigational ability before embarking on any of the routes described.



ROUTE INFORMATION

Parking - Haytor car park next to National Park Visitor Centre
Facilities - Disabled public toilets at National Park Visitor Centre
Distance - 2 km / 1.2 miles
Time - 1 - 1.5 hours approx.
Character - Open moorland scenery, extensive views and access into historic quarry.

The area is particularly important for its industrial heritage of quarrying granite and tin. It is also the start of the Templar Way, the tramway (opened in 1820) carrying granite from the quarries here to Teignmouth docks. Nelson's Column was made from this particularly hard granite.

The route heads uphill in a northerly direction to Haytor Quarry and returns the same way. The route passes below the eastern flanks of Hay Tor, probably the most iconic tor in the National Park. A slightly narrower path allows access through the old quarry. This is quite sheltered and a great place for a picnic. It is possible to exit the quarry on the northern side joining a grassy path which leads to remnants of the old granite tramway and allows wonderful views into the moor beyond.

An alternative route back skirts below the eastern side of the quarry (rather than re-entering the quarry) and rejoins the main track back down to the car park.



This area is also particularly important for ground nesting birds including curlew, skylark and meadow pipit.

Cuckoos can often be heard in spring.





Category Level 2/3

Road crossing and gentle, uphill track.
Some narrow and steep sections through the quarry.



