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WEEKE BARTON

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ARRIVAL INFORMATION

Check in is from 4pm and a rough arrival time helps us make sure all is ready for you. Please do not arrive before unless discussed and agreed. Thank you for respecting this.

Check out is before 11am.

On arrival please park in the car park. Vehicle access is not allowed any further. Walk down the gravel drive (sign posted WEEKE BARTON) and around the front of the house. Enter through the **BIG YELLOW DOOR**.

There are luggage trolleys in the large white porch, if you use them please return them.

DOGS

If you are bringing a dog you must tell us first. On arrival please ensure your dog is on a lead in the car park. Our neighbours garden at the top of the drive opposite the car park is not fenced. It is very important dogs do not go on their property. Thank you so much for your understanding. Come down the gravel drive and around the front of Weeke Barton, you will find a large 4 acre garden where they are free to run and play!!

FOOD

We serve dinner on Monday Thursday and Friday. If you are here for those nights drop us an email and we can send over the menu's. Let us know if there are any dietary requirements.

We serve dinner at 7.30pm. Although tables are separate we serve everyone at the same time. You must pre book.

FINAL PAYMENT

Is by cash, bank transfer or Debit card and can be done on departure. We will send your final invoice on the morning of departure. We have very good WiFi and good mobile signal in the house.

GETTING HERE

We find Googlemaps works well around here (<https://g.page/r/CTI7VbgFPCFnEAE>)
IMPORTANT INFORMATION CHECK YOUR SAT NAV DOES NOT SEND YOU VIA NEADON LANE,
ALWAYS APPROACH HOUSE VIA SWANAFORD RD

Exeter Airport is 30 mins away, Bristol just over an hour.

IT ALL STARTED WHEN

We moved from Hackney, London in May 2007. We bought and renovated Higher Westcott Farm. 4 years later we found our rhythm and reached a good level with our award-winning (trumpets please) and successful bed and breakfast.

With a few spare hours, our fingers started tapping and we realised that we may live in the relaxed ambling countryside, but our minds were still very go-go urban

“Let’s buy another house. A bigger, better one. Let’s do it again” we thought. So here we are, Weeke Barton. With a few years in the bank here now. Well, who knows whats next. Watch this space...

We have taken the praise and the “comments” of Westcott, all our experience from life in London- as a graphic designer and restaurant manager- and the bits that our guests have liked best. Added a little of that and a sprinkle of this.

We love this house!

We mean we really love it! We hope you do too.

THE HOUSE

Dates back to 1447 and would have been the main farmhouse for the surrounding land. It has long been split up, with the main farm now being next door. Still retaining 5 acres of land (more than enough for a couple of Londoners) The land surrounding the house is a mix of private farmland, public footpaths and bridal ways. There is very little light pollution so star gazing on a clear night is fabulous.

Weeke Barton should feel like a home from home and at the same time offer everything you need for a special time away. Although we are here to help, you are also free to just be. We have been mindful in our choices of products, ingredients and design, we always strive to leave as small an environmental footprint in this special part of Dartmoor as we can. Its just us and the very lovely Sarah doing what we love to do, oh and our ever ready to play spaniels, Coco and Winston. With the occasional appearance from the teenage son





FOOD & DRINK

BREAKFAST

Breakfast at Weeke Barton is a relaxed time of day. Served between 9-10am (if your up with the larks just let us know) in the dining room or on the terrace weather permitting. Our Devon sourced breakfast menu is included in your rate.

If you awake super hungry go 'farmers size' + £5.00

Tea/Coffee

Earl grey, English breakfast, green, camomile, peppermint & rooibos
Italian ground & decaffeinated

Juice

Devon apple

all breakfasts come with handmade sourdough toast

House granola

Yogurt and fruit

Local farm eggs

Poached, fried, scrambled or boiled

Carnivore

Locally made sausages, bacon, slow roasted tomatoes,
field mushroom & fresh farm egg

Pescatarian

Severn & Wye Salmon & eggs of your choice

Vegetarian

Slow roasted tomatoes, field mushroom, spinach, black beans &
fresh farm egg

Vegan

Slow roasted tomatoes, field mushroom, black beans,
spinach & kimchi

Takeaway Treats

Our award winning House granola : is handmade by us, naturally
gluten free, no refined sugars, salts or nasties, it's totally moorish.

Original | Pecan & Cacao | Vegan £6.50 for 450g

FOOD & DRINK

DINNER served at **7.30pm**

You will receive the menu before arrival (all diets catered to). We source our meat from responsible local farmers and our fruit and veg from friends and our local food cooperative "Teign Greens". We cook what we love and what's in season. For group bookings we offer a bespoke menu.

Please note we serve dinner on **MONDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY.**

2 course £28.00, Kids £12.50 (half portion of adult dinner)

YOU MUST PRE BOOK DINNER BEFORE YOUR ARRIVAL

On the days we are not serving we can recommend some awesome local places to try.

Please see locals page further down

SNUG BAR

Everyone should have their own bar. Ours is honest and fully loaded, open to guests 24/7. It is snug and old skool cool. We looked local first - think Dartmoor botanical gin, rum, whiskey and Dorset milk vodka, next door's sparkling wine, Dartmoor ale and Devon cider. Then we chose Bio-dynamic wines selected for their flavour and credentials. Shake your own martini, pour your own beer. Play bartender, it's a great game.

You can BYO if you have something special we do not stock, we do charge a corkage of £10 per bottle if you do.



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CRAZYWELL POOL

WILD SWIMMING

Crazywell pool (40 min drive) Nr Princetown

This one is a pool with a legend behind it. Located in the middle of Dartmoor, it is rumored to be a bottomless haunted pool. In 'real life' it's an old shallow cast mine but I think a 'haunted pool of doom' sounds so much more exciting! It's located just south of Princetown. Its 3 mile walk into the wilds of Dartmoor so go prepared.

Switchwick Common (30 min drive) New Bridge, Ashburton

Near Ashburton, mountain clean peaty water, easy access, also known as Deeper Marsh, it has been a bathing place for generations. A great day out with Ashburton nearby with great amenities and antique shops. Our family fav. Features some very high cliff jumping too. Only for the brave.

Salmon Leaps (20 min drive) Nr Drewsteignton

A long river pool in the woods below Castle Drogo. The Teign cascades into three Victorian square stone plunge pools, each about 1m deep and smooth. Great for a pummelling massage.

Holne Pool (40 min drive) Holne

This pool has its own mini waterfall so definitely worth a visit. It's a secluded spot located in Holne Woods, close to the village of Holne on the South Eastern side of Dartmoor.



SCORHILL, KESTOR ROCK

ACTIVITES

Walk

So much choice. We offer a handmade book of 5 walks from the door but feel free to use our O.S maps and go off piste on your own route. There is so much varied terrain here, rivers, moorland, fields, hills, reservoirs, beach and Tors. Walk for an hour or all day.

Ride

Depending on your bike, riding here is very diverse. Haldon Hill (20mins) is a great woodland park for off roading and you can hire bikes there. They also have a freestyle park, it's good for all ages and levels call www.forestcyclehire.co.uk We are just off the B3212 and B3193, 2 very challenging road bike routes.

Fish

Fly-fishing at the reservoirs – drop your day permit cash in the box and off you go. Also Fingle Bridge Inn offers day permits to fish in the river Teign – a totally gorgeous spot. You will need your own equipment to fish both these spots and a degree of experience. Trout fishing on Dartmoor is easy – we like Tavistock Lake www.tavistocktroutfishery.co.uk as they have a good kids pond to fish in, only fly fishing in the adult lakes all equipment can be hired here, Tavistock has a great pannier market.

Golf

There are many courses in the National Park from the glorious Bovey Castle www.boveycastle.com, you can hire all your equipment from their Pro shop, it is expensive but a great course. The Teign Valley is our local course and only 5 minutes from the house www.teignvalleygolf.co.uk



THE TEIGN HOUSE INN

LOCALS

The Nobody Inn (5 min drive/1.5 hour walk)

A 17th century inn full of charm and character where a warm welcome is guaranteed. Great pub food with a good selection of ales and the longest Whiskey list we've seen.

www.thenobodyinn.com

The Horse (15 min drive) Moretonhampstead. An excellent pub in the heart of the village. Great Mediterranean style food and the best pizzas we have ever tasted. www.thehorsedartmoor.co.uk

The Manor (10 min drive) Lower Ashton

A friendly local, with a great atmosphere. Mick, Jan and Chris run a super pub, with a good menu and serve a great pint of Otter Amber.

www.manorinn.co.uk

The Teign House (5 min drive/1 hour walk)

Locals pub with a big outside area, next to the Teign River with safe paddling. OK food and a good selection of local ales. A must in the summer months.

www.teignhouseinn.co.uk

Berto,s (15 min drive) Moretonhampstead. A cosy Italian restaurant serving homemade pasta and pizza, BYO www.bertospizzeria.com

The Bottle Shop (15 min drive) Moretonhampstead. A modern space with a great Selection of wines by the glass and a short menu of seasonal eats. bottleshopdartmoor.com



SCORHILL, KESTOR ROCK

KID FRIENDLY

Miniature Pony Centre (20 min drive)

Great for children under 10 with over 150 animals and many activities.

www.miniatureponycentre.co.uk

River Dart Country Park (35 min drive)

Set in 90 acres of parkland, the park is very popular and rightly so. There is enough adventure and fun for all the family, all day here.

www.riverdart.co.uk

Cannonteign Falls (15 min drive)

Just down the road from us, this is a lovely park. There are natural and manmade waterfalls, beautiful lakes and fun woodland walks and cafe.

www.cannonteignfalls.co.uk

Chagford Lido (25 min drive)

River-fed Victorian lido with a little tea and coffee hut set in the fields near Chagford. With loads of decked areas for sunbathing. Beware the water can be cold so they have wetsuits to hire.

www.chagfordpool.co.uk

Bellever Woods (35 min drive)

The river has easy safe access and grassy banks great for some river fun. Take a picnic, spend the day. Good spot for seeing wild ponies too. "personal tip take something inflatable for the kids to float down the river." There is a car park and public toilet.



ANSTEYS COVE

BEACHES

Shaldon (25 min drive)

A crescent shaped beach, cliff backed with good rock pooling and epic crabbing at low tide. To get to the beach you have to go through an old smugglers tunnel. There is also a small Zoo www.shaldonwildlifetrust.org.uk. The particularly good Cafe Ode is based in the car park too www.odetruefood.com

Teignmouth (25 min drive)

On the other side of the Estuary to Shaldon, a wide beach at low tide, with good parking. A great kids play park and a very good kid friendly skate park. Head round to the Crab Shack www.crabshackonthebeach.co.uk for sunset over the water.

Bigbury on Sea (45min drive)

A stunning stretch of beach with a corridor of sand leading to Burgh Island with its Art Deco hotel and 13th Century pub. If the tide is in a sea tractor takes you over. One of our go to beaches.

Bantham (45 min drive)

There's more to Bantham beach than just sun, sand and ice cream. It's also one of the best surfing beaches in South Devon. The beach has got mellow waves for beginners and boggy boarders. equipment hire on the beach as well as some great food trucks.

Ansteys Cove (30 min drive)

A peaceful, shingle beach located on the coast path between Torquay and Babbacombe. There is a shop and cafe on the beach, which is set among wooded hills.



THE OYSTER SHACK

LUNCH

The Riverford Field Kitchen (45 min drive) Nr Totnes.

Eating at the field kitchen is a great experience. There is no menu or choices to make just arrive take a seat, order a drink and wait to see what turns up, you will not be disappointed. www.riverford.co.uk

Rugglestone Inn (45 min drive) Widecombe on the Moor.

A small but perfectly formed Dartmoor pub, our favourite on the moor. Cask ales and great pub food all housed in a granite flagstone floored pub.

www.rugglestoneinn.co.uk

The Oyster Shack (45min drive) Bigbury on Sea.

This place is a hidden gem on a hot sunny day, the outside area is huge and almost cut into the side of a cliff. Seafood is the name of the day here, all fresh and locally caught what more can we say. www.oystershack.co.uk

The Beach House (50 min drive) South Milton

The Beachhouse café and takeaway specialises in freshly caught fish and seafood, which you can enjoy with a chilled glass of wine. www.beachhousedevon.com

The River Exe Cafe (40 min drive) Exmouth

The River Exe Café is a must-do experience for locals and tourists in Devon, offering a unique experience to dine on a floating restaurant surrounded by glorious views of the river. www.riverexecafe.com

Emilia (30 min drive) Ashburton. Great food, a tiny kitchen, one large table, a daily menu and a few of their favourite wines www.emiliaashburton.co.uk

Folklore(25 min drive) Chagford. A very cool cafe with simple excellent food, in the heart of the lively and beautiful village of chagford. www.folklorekitchenandsocial.co.uk



SWANAFORD VINEYARD

DISCOVER DARTMOOR

Swanaford Vineyard Tour (5min walk)

When the neighbours moved in and said they were starting a vinyard we were very chuffed. 4 years later we are selling the first vintage in our bar and they are now open for tours and tastings. It is one of England's most picturesque vineyards, but we would say that! The wines pretty good too. www.swanford.com

Devon Guild of Craftsmen (25mins) Bovey Tracey

Set in a renovated water mill, it's a delightful spot and has really great exhibitions. Check their website for current events. The cafe on top is very good, aswell as the recently opened Cafe 3 sixty down the road. www.crafts.org.uk

Dartmoor Artisan Trail

Blacksmiths and beekeepers, potters and painters, woodturners and weavers - Dartmoor National Park has one of the most diverse and talented artisan communities in the UK. The Dartmoor Artisan Trail is a self-guided art, craft and food trail that links the moor's finest artists and craftspeople. Definitely check this site out as it offers a really cool look behind the workshop walls and a chance to try your hand at traditional skills.

www.dartmoor-artisan-trail.co.uk

Dartmoor Heritage Trails

This is a great website to discover the history, wildlife and landscape of Dartmoor. With maps and approved walking routes helping you access many of the natural and man-made elements of Dartmoors rich and diverse past.

www.dartmoor.gov.uk/wildlife-and-heritage/heritage/heritage-trails

VALLEY CIRCULAR

13.7KM 953m ascent 4.19mins



DIRECTIONS BELOW


- Start from the house and turn right out of the drive and follow the lane down to the first S bend
- Follow the lane past Swanaford house and vineyard
- Turning right off the lane at the Bridford Wood House sign and follow the path into the woods
- When you reach the Bridford Wood House, follow the footpath to the left round the property
- The footpath will meet a larger track, turn right and in a short distance the footpath begins again on the right
- Follow this track until you reach the main road at Steps Bridge
- Turn right onto the main road and cross over the bridge rejoining the footpath on the left
- Follow the path until it splits follow bridal path to the right (don't follow the river path)
- Follow path until you reach a sign (on the right) with a path cutting back and up the hill
- Walk all the way up until the track cuts back on itself to the left then follow all the way back to the river
- Once back down turn right follow path until path cuts back on itself to the left, follow path along river back to the road at steps bridge
- Cross over bridge and follow road until you see the sign for the Youth Hostel (on the left)
- Go up their drive and then follow path all the way to the top
- Out of the woods, walk up through the fields sticking to the left keep going until you come to gate on your left
- Through the gate you will be in small wood/orchard follow the track to the lane
- Once on lane turn left and follow it to the crossroads turn left follow the lane until you see footpath on the left up to Heltor rock
(views are amazing from the top and great spot to stop for some refreshment)
- Back on the lane turn left follow the lane till you see the sign for Burnicombe, (on the left) walk down their drive to the yard
- The footpath is through the gate on the right at the end of the drive
- Go through the gate at the top of the yard into the field and turn left
- Follow this path until you reach Lower Lowton Farm (you do pass through the yard)
- Rejoin the path and follow until you reach the lane
- Turn right, follow lane towards Windhill Gate when you reach the T Junction turn left and follow road back to the house
- If you turn right and follow the lane up to Bridford (10 mins) the Bridford Inn awaits for a well deserved pint

CIRCULAR PUB WALK

6.2KM 270m ascent 1.41mins



DIRECTIONS BELOW


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- Out the drive turn right and follow the lane down to the main road at the bottom
 - Cross over the small single track bridge and head to the corner the footpath runs through Sowton Mill
 - Walk through the property sticking to the path. Follow path until you reach the lane
 - At the lane turn right and follow lane to the main road
 - At Leighs Cross turn right and follow the main road over the bridge and onto the T Junction
 - At T junction turn left and follow main road till you reach the pub on the left (Teign House Inn)
 - On leaving the pub turn right and follow the main road until you get to Pound Lane on the left
 - Follow the lane up the hill, just past the first turning left there is a drive on the right the footpath starts here
 - Walk down the drive until you reach the gate on the left climb over and cut across the fields
 - The path will narrow and lead you into a private garden (Many Waters) stick to the path which leads through the garden
 - Arriving at their drive follow it off the property to the lane
 - Turn left and almost immediately you turn right and cut into Neadon Farm follow the path past the front of their house
 - Follow the path through the field into the next and on to the lane
 - On the lane turn right and follow back to the house

DUNSFORD TEAROOM

5.7KM 332m ascent 1.42mins

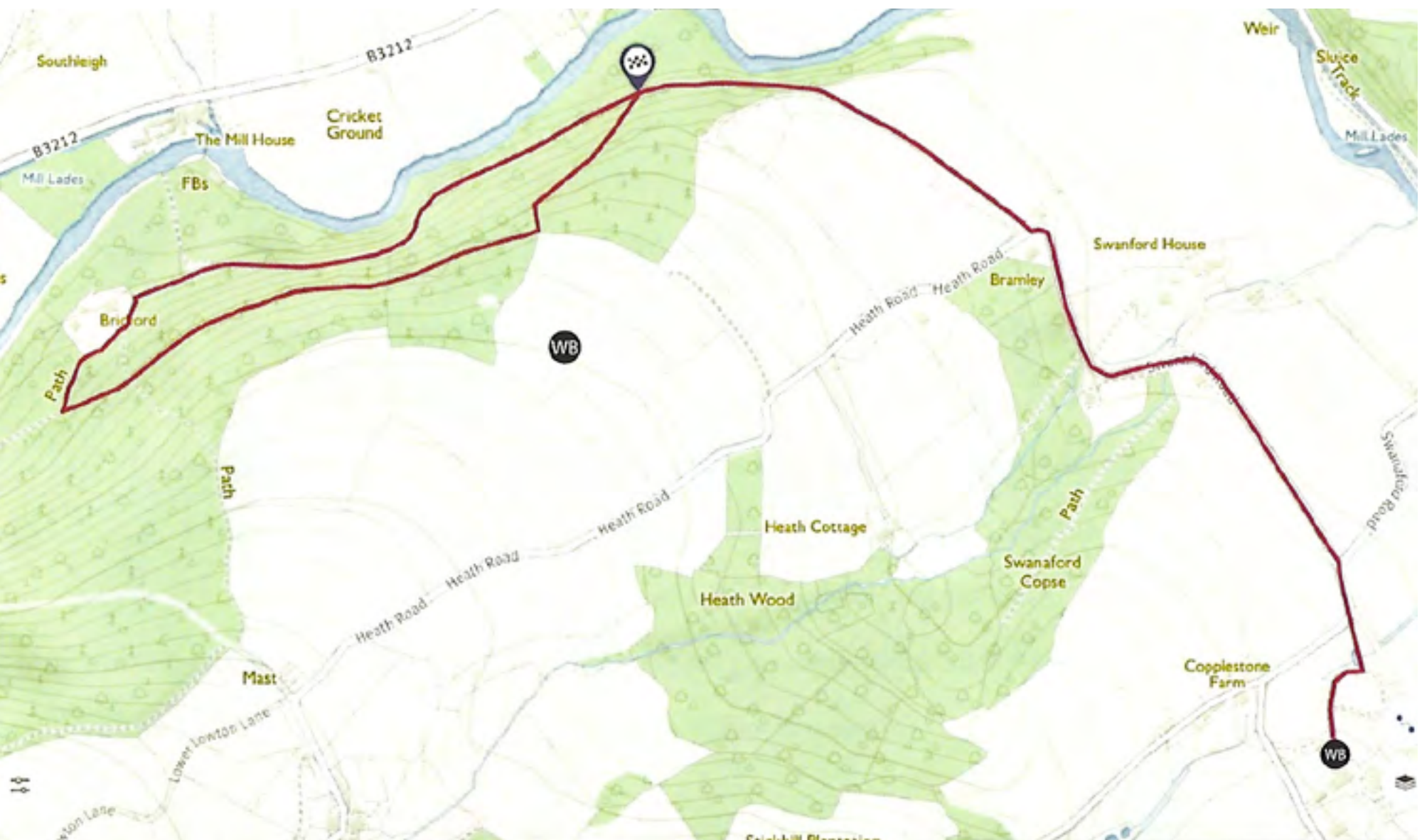


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 - Follow the lane past Swanaford house and vineyard
 - Turning right off the lane at the Bridford Wood House sign and follow the path into the woods
 - Just before you reach the Bridford Wood House there is a footpath on the right follow this to the river
 - Cross over the stepping stones, rejoin the path between the two buildings leading to the main road
 - There are two gates across the road go through the one on the right and follow the path into the village
 - Follow through the little cul-de-sac to main road running through the village, turn right and walk up the road
 - The tearoom is on the right opposite the church
 - On leaving the tearoom turn right and head up the hill keeping an eye out for the footpath on the right
 - Follow the footpath to the main road, on arriving at the main road turn left and follow road to the first corner
 - Footpath begins on the opposite corner, follow it up hill and all the way to the lane, turn right
 - Almost immediately footpath appears on the right, follow footpath down through field keeping to the left
 - Follow through the woods down to the river, turn right and walk through Sowton Mill and back to the main road
 - Turn left over the bridge, filter to the right up the lane and back to the house

BRIDFORD WOOD

2.6KM 225m ascent 0.54mins



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- Start from the house and turn right out of the drive and follow the lane down to the first S bend
 - Follow the lane past Swanaford house and vineyard
 - Turning right off the lane at the Bridford Wood House sign and follow the path into the woods
 - When you reach the Bridford Wood House, follow the footpath to the left round the property
 - The footpath will meet a larger track, turn left up the track
 - At the top of the track turn left and follow track along the ridge and back down to the track alongside the river
 - Follow same route back to the house