

WALK SEVEN - EDENSOR & PILSLEY

Summary: This walk goes west of Chatsworth Park, following the River Derwent before crossing to Edensor, then up to Pilsley. From Pilsley the return over the fields gives excellent views of Baslow Edge.

Distance: 9.8km

Elevation gain: 278m

Difficulty: Easy, but with one steep downhill slope.

Start point: Baslow car park DE45 1SR

Grid reference: SK 25877217

Public transport: The 170 bus leaves from our doorstep and stops at Baslow, Chatsworth, Pilsley and Edensor. For timetables visit www.stagecoachbus.com

Exit the car park and turn right crossing the Barbrook Bridge. Immediately turn right and follow the path to the kissing gate into Chatsworth Park. Follow the river to Queen Mary's Bower, a stone structure, and go through the gate to the bridge.

Cross the bridge and the road to take the path on the right going uphill. When you come down to the road by the big tree, Edensor with its church is straight ahead of you.

It is possible to take a short cut to Pilsley. Turn right at the road and follow the footpath keeping the golf course on your right. At the top of the hill bear left and follow the road to Pilsley. As you come into the houses of Pilsley take the first turning on the right, going downhill past the school and village green. The Farm Shop and Café is on the left of the main road. At The Pilsley Inn re-join the main walk.

The main route goes ahead over the cattle grid into the village of Edensor. Take the right hand road and walk uphill with the village green and the church on your left. (The tearoom and entrance to the church is on the left hand fork). Keep straight ahead onto the track with fields to the left and trees on the right. Take care as this lane has an uneven surface due to damage from vehicles.

Eventually the track meets Handley Lane at a T junction, with a carved stone feature and guide stoop. Turn right and be rewarded with views over towards Longstone Edge as you walk along the ridge. Follow the lane downhill to the main Pilsley road (5.7km from start) and cross into the field ahead over a stile. Directly ahead of you by the second tree on the right are stone steps and a stile. Cross here into a grassy lane.



The Pilsley Inn

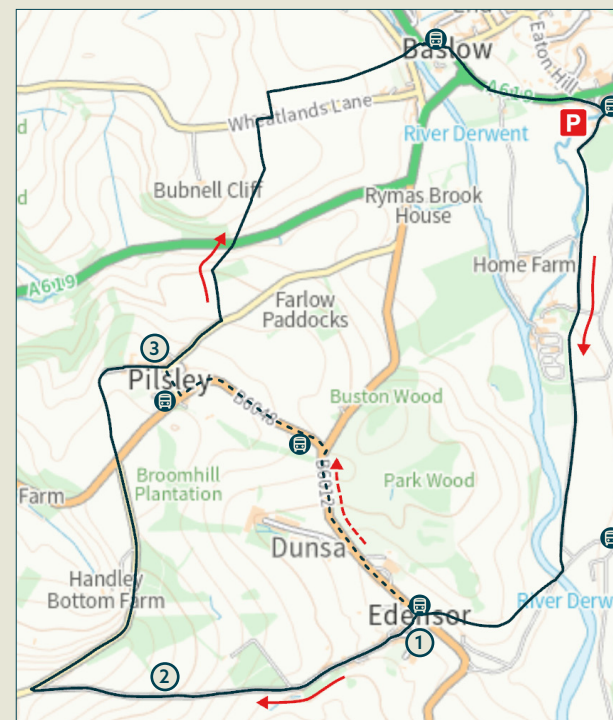
Follow the lane round, into Pilsley and down to The Pilsley Inn on the left (6.9km from start).

Leave the village and continue down the lane to a small stone barn on the right (330m). Take the path to the left, and walk down the field keeping the wall on your right. At the bottom of the field on the right is a gate into a steep sided field. Follow the path diagonally downhill, which can be slippery. At the bottom, go through the gate and cross the main Bakewell Road with care.

Enter the field opposite and climb diagonally towards the telegraph pole in the centre of the field. Continue past the pole in the same direction to the top right hand corner of the field with a signpost "Public footpath to Baslow". Ahead of you, as you enter the field, are views of Baslow Edge. Go through

the gate and follow the wall right to the far end of the field and Wheatlands Lane. Exit via the stile and turn right. After 45m turn left into the field through a pedestrian gate. Go straight forwards to an old gate post by a projecting corner of the field. Turn right and follow the path through several fields along this wall. At the end take the footpath in the left hand corner and go down an alley to Bubnell Lane. Ahead is Baslow old bridge, with its Watchman's Hut, Toll Bar Cottage and Baslow Church.

Cross the bridge and turn right past the church. Cross the Bakewell Road at the roundabout and continue past Baslow Sportsfield and the Cavendish Hotel on your right. Turn right at the village green and hall to the car park.



POINTS OF INTEREST

- ① Edensor
 - ② Lane from Edensor
 - ③ Pilsley
-  Bus Stop

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