



Brighouse Bay Walk – 2 hours

We like this walk because it epitomises parts of Scotland, solitude, wildlife and spectacular views. In winter it can be really brooding and atmospheric and in summer is a fabulous scenic treat.

The walk starts from from the Brighouse Bay Beach Car Park which is a short drive away.. Leave Gatehouse turning right at the end of Ann Street and cross the A75. Turn right at the sign for National Scenic Area and follow the Solway View sign (ignore the Brighouse Bay sign at this point.) Go through Borgue village and you will pick up signs for Brighouse Bay and the Beach Car Park there.

Heading away from the beach cross the road you drove in on and through a metal gate to cross a field. Once through the gate head up the hill on a tarmac road towards a farm. As you pass through the farm yard keep left and go past the heap of tyres covering the silage and carry on a rough track in an upwardly direction.

Eventually you will get to a crossroads which is waymarked with a finger post.



Turn left and follow the sign for Borness Bay along the wide grassy track through a metal farm gate.

The track heads gently down with a drystone wall on one side and a farm fence on the other. The path heads through gorse and part way along there is a wooden bench and some information boards. There are several way-markers along the track.

Continue heading straight on until you pass a cottage on the right and after passing a wooden fence around the cottage you meet a gate in front of the farm track. Cross the road a continue straight on into a relatively newly planted woodland.



After about 100 metres you will see a track heading up the field through the trees - if you want to shorten the walk you can go straight on here and follow the path through the golf course and caravan park which will lead you back to the beach – otherwise follow the path up to a gate.



Go through the gate and head up to a cairn on top of the hill – it can be quite blustery up here but you can see Cumbria and the Isle of Man from the top – there's also a bench and a water butt if the dog needs a drink!

Follow the path down the hill to a couple of wooden gates and a bit further on you will come to another finger post at a gap in the wall which leads to the cliff edge.





The path runs along the cliffs a gradually descends to the beach at Brighthouse Bay. The first section of this area is quite steep and we would recommend both dogs and young children be put on leads!

Eventually the path broadens and the cliffs become less steep so wind your way down to the sea and as you enter the bay and a woodland take the right hand fork and skirt the edge of the caravan site.

At the end of the woodland you reach a slip way, follow the coast line in and out of the woods until you reach the beach and car park.

