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Quick start

- A** Start at Church Lane bus shelter.
- B** Head towards the Grapes Public House, Goosnargh Lane.
- C** Turn west along Goosnargh Lane until you see a water hydrant sign, follow the waymarked footpath down the side of a house, across the fields towards Langley Lane.
- D** Head south down Langley Lane look out for the communications mast.
- E** Follow the waymarked path across the fields to Whittingham Lane.
- F** Turn west towards Short Lane, then south along Pudding Pie Nook Lane.
- G** Follow the bend east, follow the waymarked path across the fields and through some railings.
- H** Walk past New Field Farm.
- I** Walk past Cowells Farm.
- J** Follow the path past Whitehead Farm.
- K** Head past the fishing pond towards Chingle Hall.
- L** Follow the track north towards Whittingham Lane.
- M** Turn east towards the Stags Head Pub then north to Church Lane.



This is a pleasant walk of about two hours with good views of the surrounding countryside. Most of it is along paths with numerous stiles of various types; good footwear is essential in wet weather.

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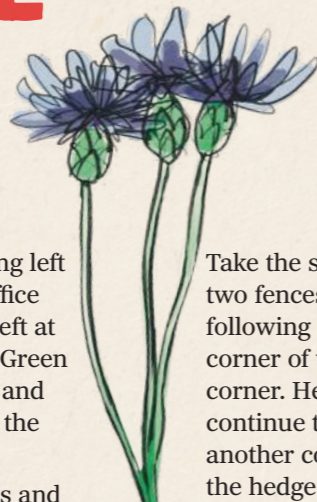
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You can park at the Stag's Head car park. Turning left onto Whittingham Lane turn right at the Post Office and walk the length of Church Lane **A**, turning left at the Grapes along Goosnargh Lane **B** Follow the Green on your left and, after passing the tennis courts and Willow Grove on your left, keep an eye open for the water hydrant sign and footpath sign to the left.

The footpath takes you behind the row of houses and is very narrow, and can be very muddy underfoot. The path emerges at a pond where you bear right to a footbridge, after which you go left across the field, following the wire fence on your left to a stile in the left hand corner. In the far distance to your right, are the Bleasdale Fells, and Beacon Fell.

From here you head steadily west, following hedges and fences on your left, across numerous fields and crossings, Eventually, you will see a wire fenced enclosure ahead.

You will notice the buildings beyond the enclosure, belonging to Oakhill Veterinary Surgery close to the former WWI bunker. Walk to the fence, turn right and follow the fence down to a stile at the end, on your left. Take the stile and walk to the road - Langley Lane **C**. Turn left and walk on the road, over the brook in the dip and look for the path on your left, in about 100 metres.



Take the stile onto the track, which leads between two fences, to a line of trees. Here you turn right following the hedge on your right, and walk to the corner of the field where you go left, to the next corner. Here you may spot a sheep feeder, as you continue to follow the hedge round to the right, to another corner where you turn left, still following the hedge on your right. Beyond the hedge you will notice a communications mast **D**, and soon arrive at a stile in the far corner. Take the stile and, bearing right; follow the track onto Whittingham Lane **E**.

Crossing this busy road carefully, turn right and walk for a short distance, passing Short Lane on your right, until you come to a sign in the dip. This is Pudding Pie Nook Lane **F** which you follow, to a sharp left hand bend. Just past the bend, note the footpath sign taking you to the right. After about 50 metres at the fork in the path, bear left towards the stone cottage. The path runs diagonally to the left of this building, through the garden, to a stile in the fence. Cross the stile and walk behind the garage in front of you, to a cobbled drive, leading to Pudding Pie Nook Farm. Bearing right cross the drive and take the stile into a field.

You are now heading back towards Goosnargh. Go forward, following the hedge on your left and stay forward across the field to a stile in the hedge opposite.



Take the stile and turn right; you will be confronted by a pair of large galvanized gates and railings **G**. Turn left and follow the railings and stone wall to a stile. This leads you into a large field. Follow the line of hedge and houses on your left. If it's a clear day, look for the Winter Hill mast, way over to your right. Take the stile in the left hand corner, and stay forward towards New Field Farm **H**. Leaving the farm on your left, take the stile ahead of you, and stay forward. You will come to a stile on your left which we take, and go right, down the track towards Cowells Farm **I**. Passing a house with 1848 date plaque.

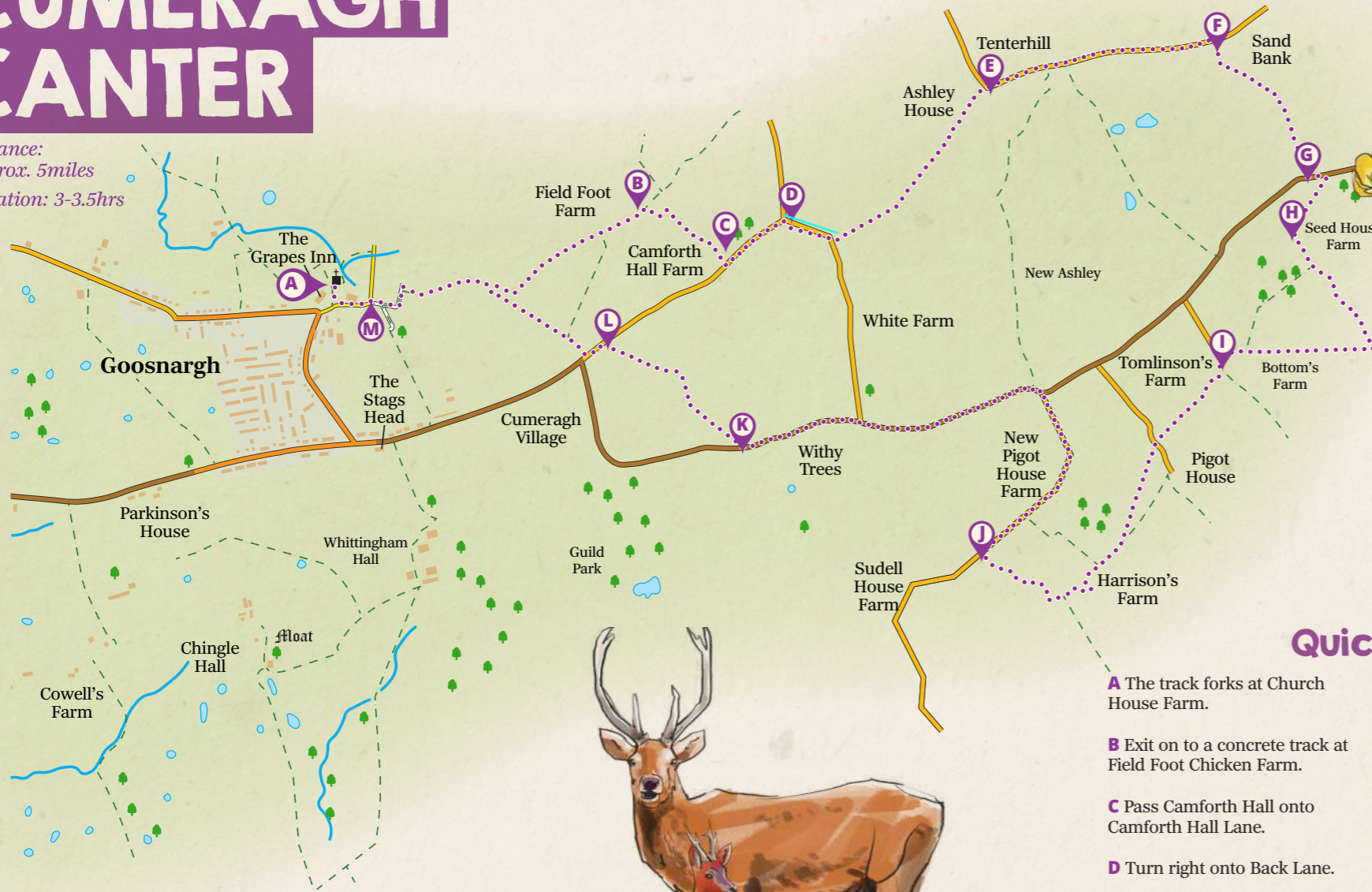


Where the track turns sharply to the left you carry straight on, taking a stile into new property grounds. Go forward between the houses, following the brick wall on your left and round to the left. The path takes a right turn along a track to a kissing gate. Go through the kissing gate and take the stile immediately in front of you. Go across the track, through another kissing gate opposite, and follow the path, past, Whitehead Farm, **J** to a stile where the path divides. You stay forward over the stile, into pasture. The walk takes you past the pond on your left, and, staying forward, you go through a gateway into the next field, passing another pond on your left, and across to a double stile in the left hand corner, which you cross into another field. You follow the hedge to your left and, bearing slightly right towards the disused fishpond, which you pass on your right. The path turns right, following the fence around the fishpond.

Look for the metal field gate on your left and go through towards a pair of metal field gates ahead of you. You now pass Chingle Hall **K** on your right with its dry moat. Go through the metal gate, onto the track, where the path divides. You turn left and follow the track down towards Whittingham Lane **L**. Here you turn right and walk back to the village and the start point **M**.

CUMERAGH CANTER

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Duration: 3-3.5hrs



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- A** The track forks at Church House Farm.
- B** Exit on to a concrete track at Field Foot Chicken Farm.
- C** Pass Camforth Hall onto Camforth Hall Lane.
- D** Turn right onto Back Lane.
- E** Exit on to Ashley Lane.
- F** At the track crossroads, turn right into Sandbanks Farm
- G** Water Pumping Station on the B5269.
- H** Go left at the entrance to Seed House Farm.
- I** Pass through Tomlinson's Farm.
- J** Exit on to Brabiner Lane.
- K** Cross to the fields at the 30 mph sign
- L** Exit on to Camforth Hall Lane
- M** Arrive back at the Mill Lane starting point.

A walk across farmland and industrial buildings. It also involves walking along the side of some roads. Children should be well supervised and dogs should be kept on a lead. There are numerous stiles and the walk is not suitable for those with limited mobility. Some fields are boggy in places and good footwear is essential.

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The walk starts at the Grapes Inn next to St Mary the Virgin Church. Parking is possible near the church but beware of children from the school. Turn left out of the carpark on to Mill Lane passing Bushells House on your left. Where Mill Lane bends sharply left, go straight ahead down a track past an entrance with white metal railings. Take the right hand fork towards Church House Farm **A**. Take the stile on your right, just before the farm, into a small field. Follow the line of trees on the left to another stile and cross to the next field; follow the brook on your right to the corner: Cross the brook by a stone slab, over a stile, into a large pasture. Bear left along the boundary to a wooden footbridge where you again cross the brook into pasture. Bear left following the hedge boundary around the field until you reach a stile, opposite where you entered the field. Cross the stile to the left of the fingerpost and keep ahead following the hedge for about 200 metres to an opening. Go through the opening and bear left to a stile emerging at a concrete track. This is Field Foot Farm **B** an extensive chicken farm.

Follow the track past the hen cabins on either side. Once past the cabins, look for a small brick out house. Just before the brick building, take the footbridge into a field. Stay ahead following the lefthand hedge through a gateway.

Camforth Hall built in 1858 is on your left. Follow the garden boundary to a gate onto Camforth Hall Lane **C**. Turn left up the lane and after a short distance, turn right onto Back Lane **D**. Where Back Lane bends to the right, look for the sign on your left, leading to a stile between hedging, into a large pasture. Cross the stile and follow the line of telegraph poles to an electricity pylon.

At the pylon turn left until you find a wooden stile in the wire fence. Go over the stile past a fenced off pond on your right, then bear slightly left towards the corner of the hedge. Follow the hedge down to a metal gate, leading onto Ashley Lane **E**. Turn right up Ashley Lane, passing several farms until you come to a clearing where farm tracks cross the road. **F** Turn right into Sandbanks Farm. Look for the red metal panelling in the yard and go through, bearing half left on a concrete road between the industrial buildings. Stay on the concrete road which leads out of the site. Approx 200 metres before the track meets the B5269 Cumeragh Lane, take the stile on your left and turn immediately right down the path, past the stone water pumping station. **G** Notice the Manchester City coat of arms on the side of the pumping station and the motto "Concilioet labore" - Wisdom and Effort!

Cross the cattle grid on to Cumeragh Lane. Turn left and in about 80 metres, cross to a stile into a triangular field. Follow the hedge on your left, passing a brick water inspection chamber heading towards a grass mound. Take the stile out of the field and take the path to the left of the entrance to Seed House Farm **H** which is used for timber manufacture. Keep ahead

past the buildings heading towards the fields at the end of the site. Go through the metal gate and follow the path until you reach a clearing with three metal gates. Take the stile on the right into a field bearing half right across the pasture to a plank bridge. Stay forward following the hedge to a footbridge in the right hand corner, over a second plank bridge just ahead, into a small field. Head towards the disused telegraph pole in the field, leading to two stiles onto a tarmac drive.

Turn left and look for a way mark leading to the right of Tomlinsons Farm **I**, to a double gate entrance into the yard. Bear right through the farm buildings, towards a metal gate which leads to a pasture with a stream on your right. Head up the slope, away from the stream, heading towards a telegraph pole and the hedge in the distance. Cross the stile on to a tarmac track and take the next stile immediately ahead into rough pasture. Bearing half left, you cross the pasture to the stile in the wire fence opposite. Head towards the single tree, then bear right following the tree line to a farm track. Turn left up the track until you get to a gateway on your right. Cross over the stone stile and follow the wire fence towards Irelands Farm. Just before the farm buildings, turn right through a gate and follow a track bordered by a hedge to the left and a barbed wire fence to the right. The path emerges at Harrison's Farm. Turn right onto the drive way and out on to Brabiner Lane **J**.

Turning left there are public rights of way across the fields, but as these can be very wet and boggy with livestock, it is recommended that you turn right up Brabiner Lane, following it to the junction with Cumeragh Lane.

Turn left and follow Cumeragh Lane, past Back Lane until you reach the 30mph sign. **K** Take the marked path across fields on your right. Walk diagonally left across to a stile in left hand corner. Keep forward over the stile,

into the next field, following the hedge on your left, to a stile in left hand corner. Cross left into the adjoining field and then right over another stile in the hedgerow. Turn left going diagonally across the field to the corner of a farm enclosure with hay bales and caravans. Follow the path along a garden on your right, emerging on Camforth Hall Lane **L** which you enter over a stile. Turn left at the end of the Lane, then follow the signpost turning right down the side of the end terraced house.

Follow the path through the garden, turning left at the bottom to two stiles into pasture. Keeping half right look for the farther of two gateways across the far side of the pasture. Go straight ahead here ignoring the footbridge, which you crossed at the start. Follow the hedge and cross a stile on your right. Turn left and rejoin the path from your outward journey following the brook on your left this time. Cross the stile back into the small field turning left to rejoin the track to Church House Farm. You can see Bushells House and the church tower, in front of you. **M** Follow the track back to Mill Lane and the start point.

