

the path straight ahead by a large boulder. Follow along the ridge heading for a steel pole. At the pole turn right and take the left hand track and head downhill for a short distance. Take the next left hand track (see picture) onto a narrow well worn path. Take the granite steps on the right and follow the zig-zig trail which will bring you to the A390 opposite Delaware School. Cross the road and turn left then take the first right for about 40m. Turn left opposite the school car park by the industrial site to enter a footpath through the *Drakewalls Mine* workings and down to the **Tamar Valley Visitor Centre (8)** (toilets when open). Exit at the gate and turn left, follow this road to rejoin A390 to *Gunnislake Station* on the right hand side just down the hill.



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Distance: Approx. 7 miles.

Gradient: Mostly level. One long ascent.

Level of difficulty: Moderate/challenging

Type of paths: Footpaths, may be muddy in woods, minor roads.

Suggested map: OS Explorer 108

Start/finish grid ref. GPS: N50° 30.983' W4° 13.171'
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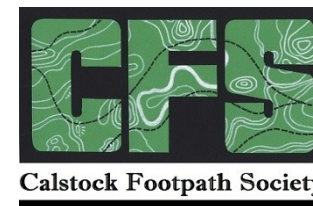
Suitability for dogs: on leads only

Parking: Gunnislake Station

Refreshments: White Hart, Chilsworthy.

Public toilets: Tamar Valley Visitor Centre (if open) or Gunnislake Village

Public Transport: Bus 79, 79A Train: Plymouth to Gunnislake.. See www.traveline.info

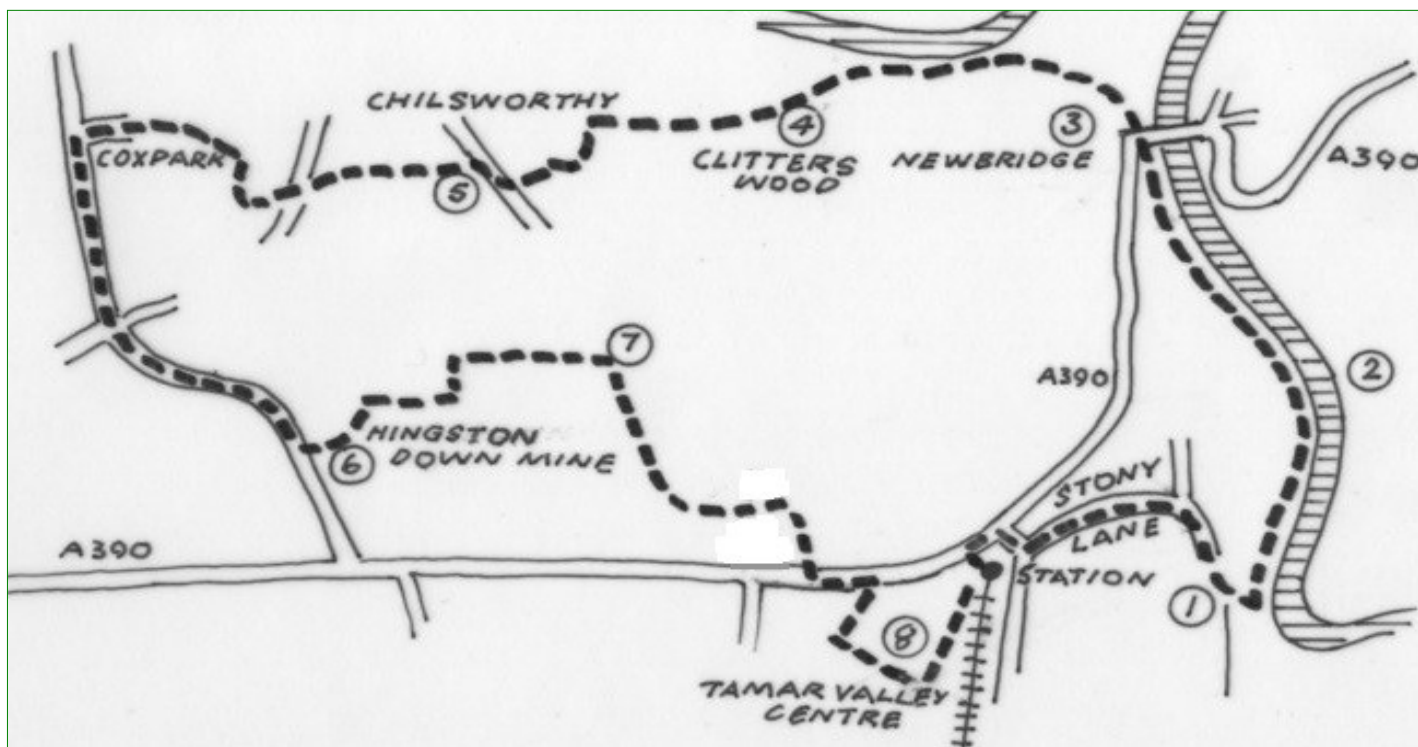


A SERIES OF WALKS IN THE TAMAR VALLEY

GUIDE NO 3

Gunnislake: Along the Tamar Valley Trail and over the top

A 9.5km (6 mile) circular walk that takes you down to and along the River Tamar. A 230m steady climb through Chilsworthy, Cox Park Plantation up to Hingston Down with wonderful views over Cornwall, Dartmoor and Plymouth. This walk offers a chance to visit three old mines and some other historic places. To enjoy this walk allow a minimum of 3.5 hours but more if you want to explore the mines.



This walk starts and finishes at *Gunnislake Station*. Leave the car park and turn right into *Wellpark Road*. The railway track is on your right. After 50m turn left (steep) down into *Stony Lane*. Follow this to the 'T' junction at *Hatches Green*. Turn right. After 250m fork left onto the **Public Footpath (signed) (1)**. Follow the path and turn left at the waymarkers. Keep the river on your right. Pass the weir at the **Tamar Manure Canal (2)** which is the limit of sea water



and the site of medieval fish traps.

Follow the path which joins the main road at **Newbridge(3)** a 16th century crossing point into Devon. Cross the main road (A390); take care. Go past the front of garage (once the site of a miners' hostel - 'The Caledonia'), then follow the main track. Keep to the right at the top of the slope for 250m then bear left on the way-marked path into **Clitters Wood (4)**. Follow the riverside track for about 1km. Visit *Clitters Mine* (worked until the 1920s) and then rejoin the track and climb up to join the tarmac road. Turn right down the road,

then at the bottom turn sharp left up a steep road and path to join the road through *Chilsworthy*. (*The White Hart (5)* is 100yds up the road on the left.) Turn right at the T junction and then take the left turning with the post box on



the corner. Continue up the hill past the right hand junction and farmhouse and

take the footpath on the right. This attractive winding footpath takes you over a footbridge to join the road. Turn left. At the T junction turn left again and head up the hill. Just before the crossroads note the site of *Latchley Halt* on the left.

Go straight across at the crossroads and continue up to the brow of the hill and turn left into a small car park. Take the path towards **Hingston Down Mine (6)**. There are good views of the valley from here. In 838 it was the site of a battle between the Cornish and Saxons.

With the Engine House on the left follow