

walk 6 Village routes

Monkton Combe to Combe Down

Some steep path sections Distance approx. 1 1/4 miles to Combe Down.

Monkton Combe nestles in a valley to the south of Bath close to the River Avon, Kennet & Avon Canal and a railway towards the south coast. A viaduct for the railway and an aqueduct for the canal are striking landmarks in the valley to the east. The 'Limestone Link' walkway connects the village with the canal and hence with the city of Bath. This walk follows the 'drungway' to Combe Down.

Access to the village could be by a no.94 bus (First)

Difficulty : Steep climb from village or, sharp walk down from Combe Down. Tarmac paths throughout.

Bus : First 94 (not Sunday)

- Key:
- proceed to
 - ↔ cross a road
 - ✓ safety advice
 - 📍 point of interest

Start : By Wheelwright Arms pub, at the west side of Monkton Combe,
 → west towards Church and → right with road ↔ road to join the public footpath signed **South View** → around right bend and on up stepped path. Pause halfway to catch your breath and enjoy the view over the village and valley. At the top, join a road & → left, a few metres, to a metal 'kissing gate' which passes to another path between two walls (📍 adorned with flowers in summer)
 At top pass through another 'k.gate', join lanes and → right up **Mount Pleasant** → path behind 3 stones → through light woods (fence on left and then, a rugby field on right) → metal gate up path with allotments on right → left at **Church Road**.

Now you are in Combe Down.
 To join walking route 5 to Bath turn right at **Tynning Road** → North Road → left a few metres. (Alternatively for a visit to the village, shops (and/or a bus) → along Church Road and to The Avenue)
 At Hadley Arms cross North Road (✓ pedestrian crossing just past pub) & head for **Popes Walk** path entrance on corner.

A view back over the village

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