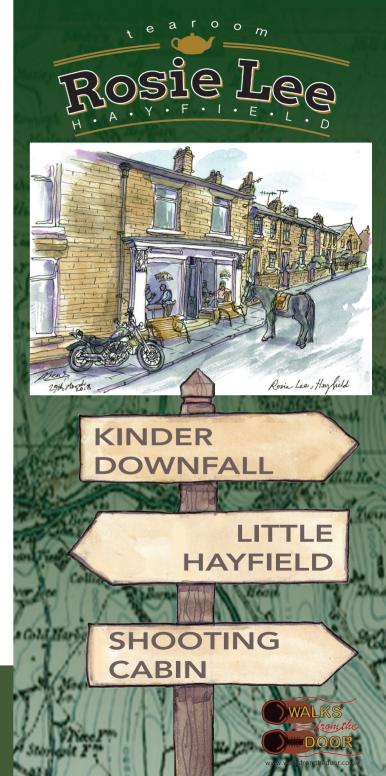




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Shooting Cabin and Little Hayfield

3½ miles: Moderate

Our favourite local walk with our dogs including wide views, heather moorland and the pretty hamlet of Little Hayfield. Allow 2 hours. Moorland sections may be bleak in bad weather. May be muddy or boggy in places. Great views of the reservoir and Kinder.

- 1 From the front door of the tearoom, turn left up Kinder Road. Pass Hayfield Library and Vicarage Lane on your left, and Spring Vale Road on your right.
- 2 After 350 yards, as the slope levels off, turn left into a driveway with a Peak and Northern Footpath Society sign indicating the start of the Snake Path.
- 3 Bear left through a gate at the top of the driveway and follow a track up to a further gate into open fields.
- 4 Follow the obvious field along the bottom of a field to a kissing gate and cross the next field to the far right-hand corner, passing above the clump of sycamores known locally as Twenty Trees (although there are actually only nineteen).
- 5 Follow the wall on your left for a short distance, then strike out across the field to a further kissing gate. The track beyond leads alongside the wall and then crosses rough pasture to a gate into open moorland.
- 6 Bear right along the wall, in the direction of the white-painted shooting cabin and Kinder Scout behind it.
- Just before the wall on your right ends, an indistinct path leads off through the heather to the left. This is the path to Little Hayfield, but a short and recommended diversion continues across the moor to the Shooting Cabin, returning the same way. Bear right at the Shooting Cabin for views over Kinder Reservoir before retracing your steps.
- 8 Having returned to the path junction at the start of the moorland, take the descending path across the moor towards Park Woods and Little Hayfield. This runs to the left of and parallel to a small valley.
- 9 On reaching the wall encircling Park Hall Wood, by a National Trust sign for Middle Moor, cross a track following the wall, go through the gate and turn left, away from the semi-circular stables, when you reach the driveway.
- 10 Walk down the driveway to the A624 in Little Hayfield; the former Park Hall swimming pool is among the trees to your right.
- **11** When you reach the main road, cross straight over into Slack Lane.
- 12 Walk down the lane. At a small green on the left, take the footpath to the left (signposted to "Hayfield ½ mile").
- 13 Follow the well-surfaced path through a series of fields to a gate into a lane (Bank Vale Road).
- 14 Turn left and follow the lane to its end, at the junction by the entrance to Oaklands.
- **15** Turn left and walk past the junctions with Swallow House Crescent on your left, The Glade and then Wood Gardens on your right (opposite Lea Road).
- 16 Turn right into the May Queen Field (recreation ground). Walk down to the river and follow the path left (upstream).
- **17** Pass the footbridge and the remains of Walk Mill and go under the bypass bridge.
- 18 When you reach Market Street, cross over and turn right up Kinder Road.
- **19** Follow the road back to Rosie Lee for a Cream Tea.

Kinder Reservoir circuit 5 miles: Moderate

A scenic and relatively low-level walk below the gritstone edge of Kinder Scout, using permitted paths and rights-of-way to circumnavigate Kinder Reservoir. Allow 3 hours. Several moderate climbs; parts may be muddy after rain. A couple of streams (which may be awkwardly swollen after exceptionally wet weather) must be forded or you'll get wet.

1 From the front door of the tearoom, turn left up Kinder Road. Pass Hayfield Library and Vicarage Lane on your left.

- 2 By a house on a bend called Grey Beck, turn right into Spring Vale Road and descend to the stream.
- 3 Cross the stream and continue out to Valley Road. Turn left.
- 4 After a row of terraced houses on the right, keep left along the no-through road. Keep left again at a fork below a high stone retaining wall on your right.
- 5 Descend to the river and follow the riverside path, ignoring a footbridge.
- 6 At a fork, keep left between the gateposts, staying close to the river.
- 7 Walk between the river and the campsite.
- 8 At the campsite entrance, turn left over the road bridge.
- 9 Turn right past Bowden Bridge car park.
- 10 When the road bends slightly left at Bowden Bridge Cottage, turn right onto the riverside track.
- **11** At the entrance to Oakbank, turn right over the packhorse bridge.
- 12 In the corner beyond, turn left through a gate.
- 13 Climb a walled path and go through a gate and past a converted barn to emerge at Hill Houses.
- 14 Turn left past the farmhouse on your left and go through a gate.
- 15 Follow the track beyond, bending left then right to reach Booth Farm after half a mile.16 Beyond Booth, descend to a lane.
- 17 Turn right, uphill, passing between the buildings of Farlands.
- 18 Opposite a bench and path on the left, turn right through a gateway.
- 19 Follow the track across the field up to the edge of a coniferous plantation on your left. 20 Follow the edge of the wood to its end, ignoring the Oaken Clough bridleway that heads
- off right at PNFS sign no. 285.
- **21** Beyond the end of the wood, follow the track ahead to a stile by a gate and National Trust sign, then ford the stream on your left.
- 22 Cross the National Trust stile and follow the path beyond up the hillside; bear right then left between broken walls to a gate in a more complete wall.
- 23 Turn left, parallel to the wall, then when the vague track bears left, turn right on a narrow path that descends to meet another wall obliquely.
- 24 Follow the wall to a junction of walls then bear right along the obvious descending path that curves left down to a footbridge.
- 25 Cross the bridge and turn left, taking the higher (right-hand) path that passes above a walled clump of birch trees.
- **26** Bear left along the wall towards the reservoir, leaving it to ford a small stream then climbing to a hand-gate.
- 27 The path beyond contours above trees then curves right and descends to a gate.
- **28** Ford a side-stream and continue to cross the footbridge over William Clough.
- 29 Turn left and follow the path above and along the reservoir wall.
- **30** At a fork, take the right-hand (upper) path that climbs slightly through the heather, leading away from the reservoir.
- **31** Rejoin the reservoir wall at a hand-gate and continue along the wall, below open woodland.
- 32 After an information board erected to mark the centenary of the reservoir, level with the dam, turn right onto an ascending path (signposted "BRIDLEWAY").
- **33**. Follow the path alongside the wall to a gate at the top.
- 34 Bear left then right across the open moor to a junction of paths below the shooting cabin.
- 35 Turn left (signposted "Hayfield 11/2 miles").
- **36** Follow the obvious path through the heather to a National Trust sign for the Snake Path.
- 37 Go through the kissing gate and follow the track across rough grazing land.
- 38 After a stretch alongside a wall, go through a gate and cross the field, aiming for the treetops of Twenty Trees.
- 39 Follow the wall and then go through a kissing gate on your right, above the clump of trees.
- 40 Bear left past the trees to a further kissing gate and commemorative sign.

41 Descend along the bottom of the next field to a gate and stile.

- 42 Follow the track beyond, which bends left to join a concrete drive and leads down to the Kinder Road.
- 43 Turn right and walk down the road back to Rosie Lee for great cakes.

Kinder Scout & the Downfall 8¹/₄ miles: Strenuous

A classic gritstone hike, climbing to the Kinder plateau and Derbyshire's tallest waterfall. Allow at least 5 hours. Not for the inexperienced or ill-equipped: includes long, steep climbs and descents over rough and rocky moorland terrain. Walking boots and Ordnance Survey map OL1 recommended; pack food (we can supply) and waterproofs in a backpack, and do not attempt in bad weather. Likely to be boggy or muddy in places; several streams to ford. In winter the downfall freezes for ice climbs and blows up on windy days.

- Follow steps 1-7 of the Kinder Reservoir circuit, above.
- 8 Beyond the campsite entrance go straight on, along the metalled road to the right of the stream; bear right at the confluence of the Sett and Kinder rivers (with views ahead to Bowden packhorse bridge).
- 9 The road crosses the river on a bridge below a small weir.
- **10** At a crossroads, go straight on through the gateposts and follow the track uphill.
- **11** Follow the road round to the right as it crosses the stream to reach Tunstead House, which the path skirts via a track on your right.
- 12 Beyond the buildings, follow a short walled section to reach open fields.
- **13** Keep along the left-hand wall of the first field, then cross the middle of the next three fields, heading relentlessly uphill from gate to gate.
- 14 In the fifth field, as the slope eases off, keep parallel to the right-hand wall to a gateway and then a further gate into open country by the scant remains of a ruined building.
- 15 Turn left briefly across rushy ground to the higher of two gates, then turn immediately right, steeply up the spine of Kinderlow End ridge. The steepest central section is pitched with stones.
- **16** Beyond the rocky section the gradient eases, but the path continues uphill along the centre of the ridge to a further rocky outcrop.
- 17 Pick up the paved path that skirts to the right of Kinder Low Bowl Barrow.
- **18** Keep left when another paved path joins from the right, following the slabs to the trig point on Kinder Low. At the trig point, turn left to reach the plateau edge at a cairn.
- 19 Follow the edge path for a little over a mile to Kinder Downfall, fording Red Brook above its rocky valley about halfway along. At times, particularly in the rockier sections, there is a choice of paths and the way forward is indistinct, but route-finding is generally simple: keep between the peat on your right and the steeper ground dropping away to your left.
- 20 Ford the shallow River Kinder above the Downfall and continue along the plateau edge in similar fashion to before, except now heading northwest.
- **21** After a little under a mile, having climbed to a minor rocky summit followed by a level stretch with sandy sections, the path reaches a projecting spur of land where the edge path turns sharp right. Turn left here and leave the Kinder Scout plateau, descending fairly steeply down the grassy shoulder.
- 22 Towards the bottom you ford a small stream, then descend further to cross the footbridge over William Clough, just above the head of the reservoir.
- **23** Take the rough path leading diagonally up the hill opposite (not the more obvious lefthand path, which leads alongside the reservoir).
- **24** At the top of the hill, the path meets a fence and wall and levels off to contour above the reservoir.
- 25 At a fork above a wood, take the upper (right-hand) path to avoid losing height.
- **26** On meeting a track, bear right to a path junction below the white-painted shooting cabin.
 - Now follow steps 35-43 of the Kinder Reservoir circuit, above.