HATHERSAGE STEPPING STONES
PREPARED FOR WALKING THE PEAKS, OCTOBER 2018

THE BIT FOR KIDS!

Hey everyone! So you’re being dragged on a walk are you? I bet you’re thinking it’s going to be a bit boring….well, we’ve tried to make it interesting for you. There’s a river to follow, a wood, a railway to cross, and hopefully, an ice cream stop at the end, and it’s up to you to guide the adults. Have fun!!!

BORING STUFF FOR ADULTS...

The route starts at the junction of the A6187 and the B6001 in Hathersage.

Initially you follow the road down to the railway station, continuing down and across the River Derwent. You then leave the road and follow a lovely riverside path, through some woods and fields. Nothing too difficult.

You’ll come to a footpath junction, where you’ll have to cross the Hathersage stepping stones. It’s not too tricky but take care.

After that, the walk heads up to the A6187 and the adjacent railway line. You’ll cross both, before taking a path up to the outskirts of Hathersage.

It’s then a nice gentle stroll back into the village.

ARE WE NEARLY THERE YET?

There are several ways to get to Hathersage.

The village is on the main Manchester to Sheffield railway line, with regular services to each. For train times visit www.nationalrail.co.uk

It’s also well served by buses, with services linking with Bakewell, Castleton and Sheffield. See www.derbysbus.info for more details.

If driving, there’s a Pay and Display opposite the outdoor swimming pool. Other than that, there’s street parking. The bays on the main street are limited to 40 minutes only.

I’M HUNGRY!

Hathersage is a bustling village and has several cafes and outdoor shops. Outside has a cafe, and Cintra’s is one of our favourites. There’s also a Spar, and an Alpkit shop (we love their gear!).

You’ll also find a curry house, a fruit and veg shop, and various other shops including a petrol station and two cashpoints.

As for activities, there’s a children’s playground, an outdoor swimming pool and also an ice cream parlour not far away at Thorpe Farm.
1 FOLLOW THE ROAD

Right kids! It’s often easy to go wrong at the start of the walk. So, look for a ROAD JUNCTION and down the road you’ll see the LITTLE JOHN PUB. Follow that road, down the hill and under the RAILWAY BRIDGE. Keep going until you go over a RIVER.

2 FOOTPATH THROUGH FIELDS

Managed that bit ok? Easy wasn’t it! This is nice and easy now. In fact, it’s almost impossible to go wrong!

Take the path on your right through a GATE. Simply follow the path keeping the RIVER on your RIGHT. You’ll go through a WOOD, and lots of GATES, and also a couple of little BRIDGES.

3 STEPPING STONES

It’s the exciting bit now! You’ve got the cross the RIVER on the STEPPING STONES. Take care doing so, you’re best asking the ADULTS for help here. It’s great fun.

When you’ve reached the other side, TURN RIGHT and follow the path with the river on your RIGHT.
4  ROAD AND RAILWAY

WAIT FOR THE ADULTS HERE. Head up to the main ROAD, and go across. You then cross a little field and come to the RAILWAY.

The trains don’t stop so you must STOP, LOOK, AND LISTEN. After that, cross the field and head up to a quieter road.

5  BACK TO THE VILLAGE

You’re nearly back! Upon reaching the road, turn RIGHT and follow it back into the centre of HATHERSAGE where you started. We hope you had a fabulous walk – for more personalised walks developed just for you, visit us at www.walkingthepeaks.com!

THE END OF THE WALK

Well done! You’ve walked about FOUR THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED METRES so we definitely think the ADULTS need to buy you a treat! There are plenty of places to get something nice and tasty, but it’s well worth a visit to THORPE FARM for an ICE CREAM!!