

Billinge Hill

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Grade	Moderate
Distance	4 kms / 2.5 miles
Time	1.5 hours
Start	Spuley Lane / Hedgerow junction, Bollington GR SJ 946 783
Map	Explorer 268
Terrain	Field paths, tracks and stony paths. Muddy patches in winter. Some gradients.
Barriers	6 stiles, uneven ground on hillside slopes
Toilets	Adlington Road, Bollington
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Route Details

The old track, known as Hedgerow, is probably an ancient trade route and a drovers' road leading from Cheshire into the Peak District. It leads up to the pass or crossing point called Charles Head and is an interesting walk for another day.

For area historic information visit <http://kriv.org.uk>

If the walk is undertaken in the Spring or Summer months the meadows of Billinge Hill are particularly rich in wild flowers.

Directions

1. Walk up the old track known as Hedgerow for approximately 1 km.
2. Take the second footpath on the right. Follow this across the slopes of Billinge Hill and onto a track leading to Blaze Hill Lane.
3. Turn left and cross the road and turn right onto a track.
4. Take the right fork and walk towards the settlement. Follow the footpath through the stone buildings to the rear of the settlement.
5. Take the footpath on the right leading downhill along a narrow enclosed way.
6. On entering the field, follow the path to the right downhill towards the stream in Lima Clough. Pass the information panel and continue along a track to Oakenbank Lane.
7. Turn right and follow Oakenbank Lane to the cross roads. Cross with care and walk ahead and turn right into Spuley Lane and back to the start of the walk.