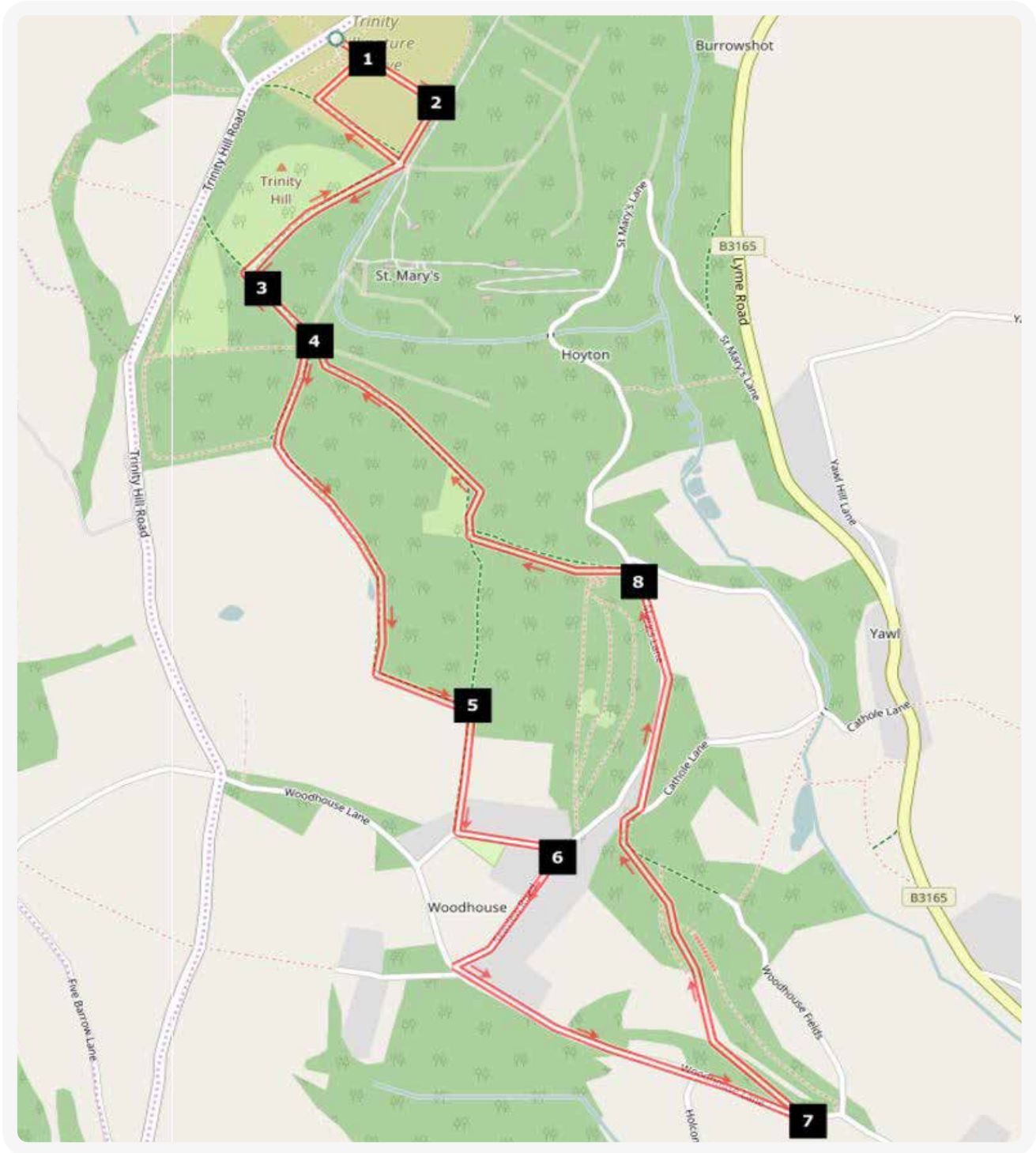


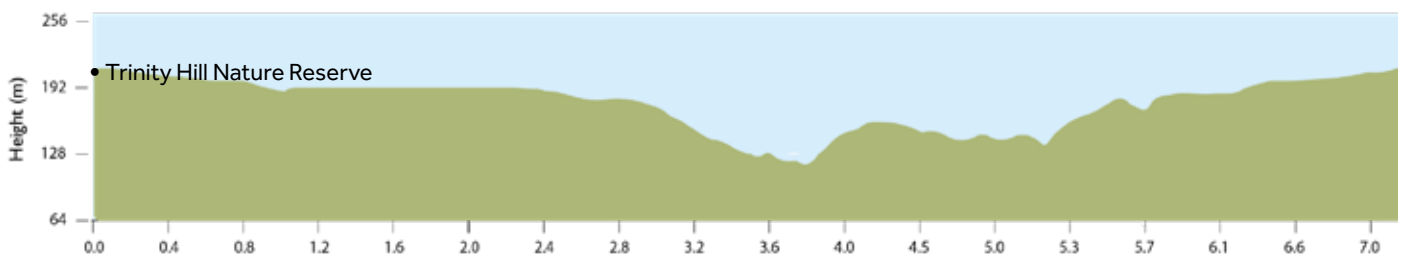
Trinity Hill Circular



Difficulty: Leisurely

Walking time: 2 hours 20 minutes

Length: 7.2km / 4.5mi



Distance 7.18 km Ascent 161m Descent 159m

Circular Route 13

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Difficulty: Leisurely **Map:** Explorer 116 Lyme Regis and Bridport

Walking time: 2 hours 20 minutes **Length:** 7.2km / 4.5mi

Start location: Trinity Hill Nature Reserve

Route Summary: Through the Trinity Hill Local Nature Reserve to look at the Cannington Viaduct and the East Devon Way.

Getting there: Trinity Hill Local Nature Reserve car park is on the south east side of Trinity Hill Road, south of Raymond's Hill and the A35. The nearest town is Axminster

Description

- [1] After looking at the interpretation board turn around 180 degrees and walk out over the metal step gate.** Walk along the path, south east, until it comes to a T junction.
- [2] Turn right, south. Follow this track until it reaches a forestry road.** Continue along the road until it reached a T junction.
- [3] Turn left, south east, and continue along the forestry track** until you come to a track leading off to the right.
- [4] Turn right, south, and follow this bridle path through the woods.** The large Beech trees along the path are described as some of the "Great Trees of East Devon"
- [5] On reaching a T junction turn right, west and follow the track to the road.** At the road turn left, south, until you see a footpath sign on your right.
- [6] Turn right, south west, along the footpath** until you reach another road. Turn left, south east.
The East Devon Way comes in from the right but follow the road down the hill.
- [7] Look out for a footpath sign on the left.** The path goes up the hill, north west, and through a gate then turns right along the field boundary. Continue through a gate into the wood and along the well walked track.
At a T junction turn left, north, and walk up the hill past a house on the right onto a narrow lane. Carry straight on up the hill bearing right at the junction.
- [8] Look out for a footpath sign on the left,** turn left, west, and walk up the path until you come out onto a wider forest track. Turn right, north, and carry on along the track retracing your steps back to the car park.

There are a number of routes across the Trinity Hill Reserve, take a different route back to the car park.

There are good views of the Cannington Viaduct and to Uplyme.

The Cannington Viaduct was opened in 1903. It was one of the first in the UK to be constructed in concrete. Unfortunately, the builders ran into problems when subsidence was discovered between two of the arches.

This was subsequently reinforced by a fill-in arch, which gives it an unusual and distinctive look. It is the only remaining part of the Axminster to Lyme Regis railway branch line, which was closed in 1965 during the 'Beeching Cuts'.

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