

Devon Coast to Coast Day 2

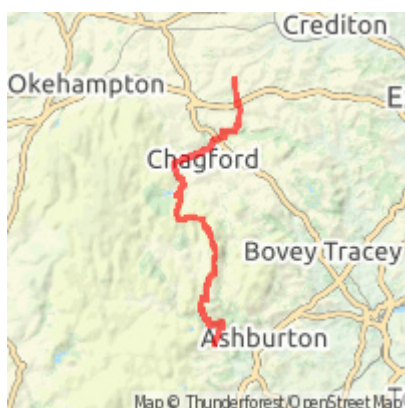
Climb South West



Route Summary

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Route Overview



Category: Trail Running

Rating: Unrated

Surface: Undefined

Date Published: 20th October 2017

Difficulty: Medium

Length: 40.960 km / 25.60 mi

Last Modified: 5th April 2019

Description

Day 2 (Holne to Hittisleigh)

After dropping into Ponsworthy and up out the other side, you soon arrive at one of the highlights of the 2 moors way, the Hamel Down; a ridge with 360 degree views, and the highest point of the Coast to Coast route; Hameldown Tor at 529m. The views get better with every step you take; to your right you will see the distinct shape of Haytor Rocks, to your left; Dartmoor prison in Princetown. Ahead of you the outline of Exmoor, and take a look behind to see where you've been and look back as far the sea at Teignmouth!

Tucked away beyond Hamel Down is Grimspound, a bronze age settlement with its recognisable round shape, one of

the best preserved on the moor. You then follow a well-defined path with the famous Warren House Inn in sight as you approach Bennett's Cross, a way marker dating back to the 13th Century; this is a prime spot for ponies and sheep. The next part of the journey passes by Fernworthy Reservoir, (just out of sight behind trees) and Hurston Ridge, a fascinating double stone row, worth a small diversion from the route, another area popular with moorland animals!

The running then gets easier as you go through the hamlets of Teignworthy and Teigncombe before meeting the Teign River; passing the village of Chagford and its charming outdoor swimming pool (should you fancy another swim!) Your next stops are the beautiful Fingle Woods, Castle Drogo and Drewsteignton, all worth a visit on their own. Just outside the village is the official boundary of Dartmoor National Park, marked with a special stone which faces a similar one at the boundary of Exmoor. A few miles of footpaths through proper Devon countryside to the finish of the day at Hittisleigh.

Waypoints

Hameldown Checkpoint

(50.56907; -3.83189)

All participants must visit this checkpoint. Our team will be here to guide you.

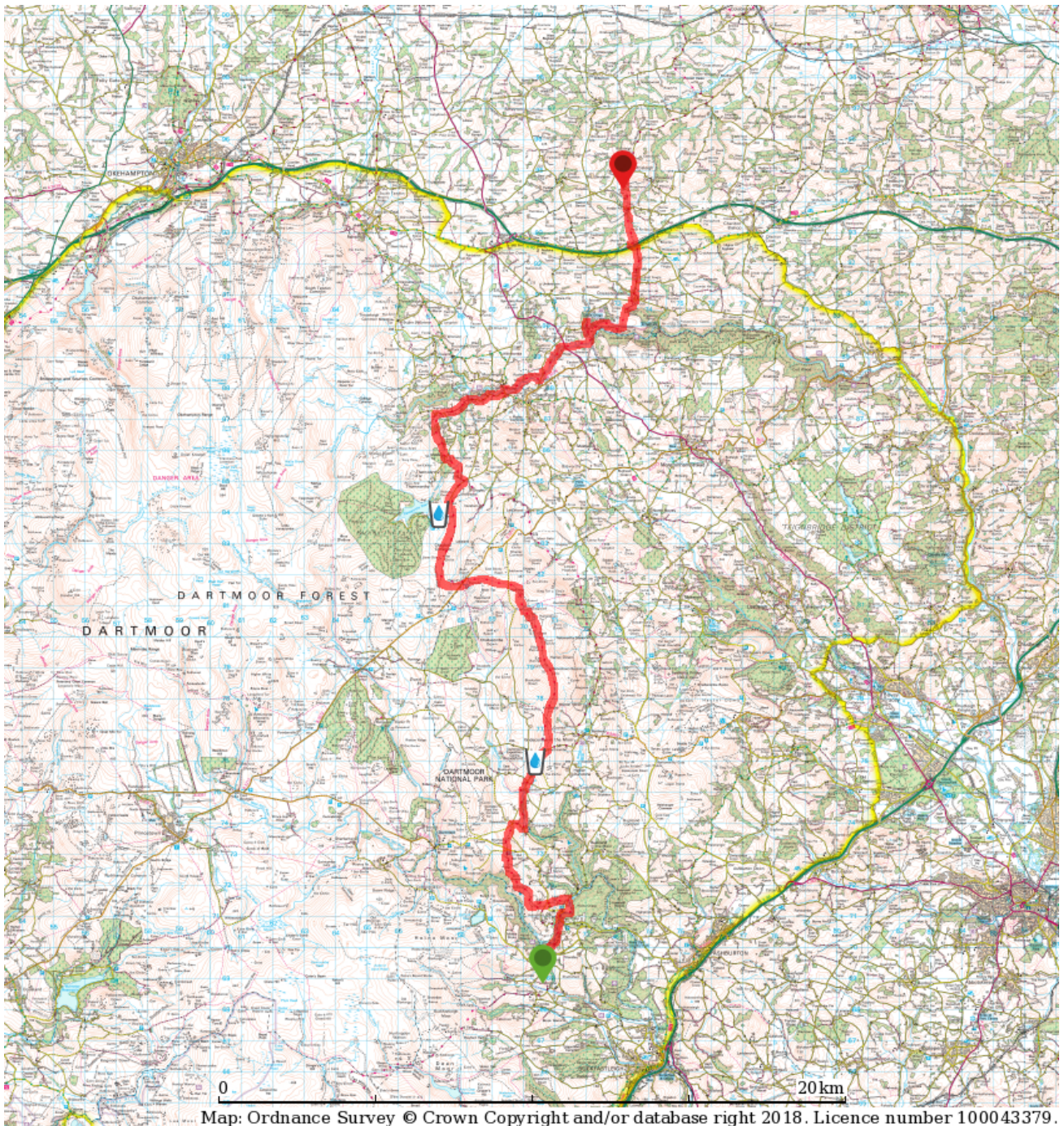
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Metherall Checkpoint

(50.63995; -3.87796)

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