



Brief Description: This trail offers a 5.2 mile (8.3 km) route along shooting tracks across Fountains Earth Moor. A great place to experience the bleak beauty of this open wilderness. It is perfect for all-terrain chair users.



Access and Facilities: Nearest Accessible Toilet is at Lofthouse Village 1.6 miles (2.6 km) from the trail start point. **What3Words:** coverings.bliss.enchanted.



Features of Interest: Crags, Jenny Twigg & her Daughter Tib (Standing Stones), Moorland, Spectacular Views, Wildlife.



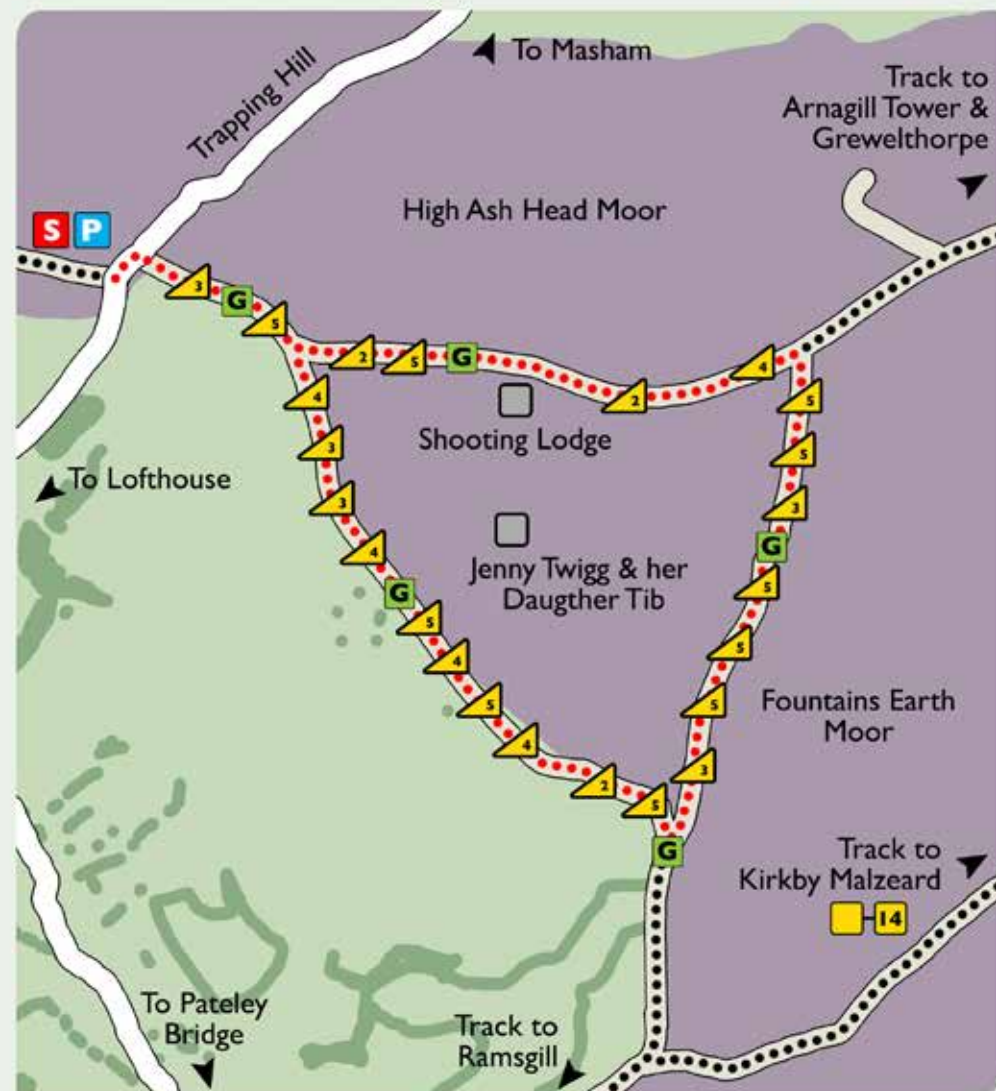
Location: Lay-by on Trapping Hill, Fountains Earth Moor. Please park considerately.
What3Words: huddling.bypasses.nanny.



Public Transport: The nearest bus stop is in Lofthouse, 1.5 miles (2.4 km) from the route start point. From here the 821 bus operates a service to and from Pateley Bridge.



Route Details: Tracks are predominantly made of crushed stone and are severely rutted in parts (D). The route is undulating throughout with some steep sections (up to 5). It is advised that this trail is used by ambulant pedestrians and all-terrain chair users.



TRAIL CARD & MAP KEY

	Suggested Route		Viewpoint
	Alternative Route		Motorcycle Barrier
	Slope/Hill (Level)		Speed Humps
	Linked Trail		Steps (and how many)
	Suitable for Cycling		Café
	All-Terrain Chair Route		Public House
	Trail Start Point		Bench/Seat
	Parking		Picnic Area
	Information Board		Playground
	Bus Stop		Cattle Grid
	Accessible Toilet		Trees/Wood
	Accessible Fishing Platforms		Lake/Pond
	Accessible Gate (Manual Wheelchairs & Scooters)		Landmark Building
	Gate not Accessible to Wheelchairs		
	Caution		

Each card has a letter & number (for example **A3**) in the top right hand corner. It describes the **surface** and **slope** of the **most difficult** parts of the main route. With the map and text, this will help you to decide whether to do the whole route or just the easier sections. The bicycle symbol indicates all or part of the route is suitable for cycling.

Surface Quality (in dry weather)

- A** - Smooth (tarmac, paving, concrete, etc.)
- B** - Quite Smooth (short grass, compacted earth/stone, etc.)
- C** - Uneven (worn grass, loose stone, some ruts, tree roots, etc.)
- D** - Rough (long grass, soft earth, sand, gravel, severe ruts, roots, etc.)

- 1** - Gentle (up to 1:20)
- 2** - Quite Gentle (up to 1:16)
- 3** - Fairly Steep (up to 1:12)
- 4** - Steep (up to 1:8)
- 5** - Very Steep (over 1:8)



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