



Audio Trails

South Western Approaches

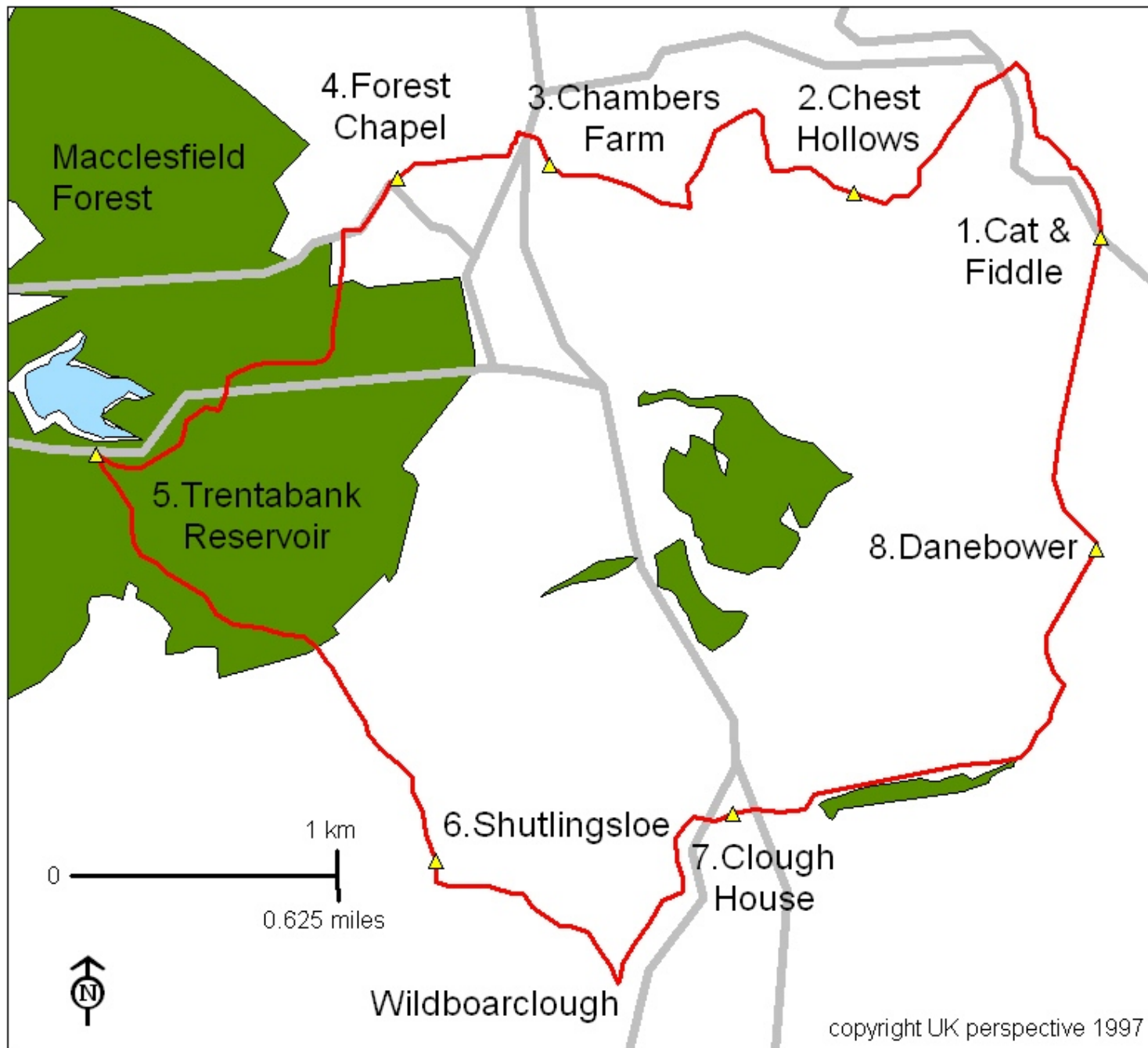
Start point (OS grid ref):

SJ001719

Distance:

8 miles / 12.8km

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Grade: Strenuous
Nearest Town: Wildboarclough

Map: Explorer OL24 The Peak District - White Peak Area
Terrain: Variety of conditions underfoot with steep ascents, descents and many stiles to cross

Allow: 5 hours



Moors for the Future Audio Trails South Western Approaches Route Directions



Cat & Fiddle Pub - SK 0009 7188

From the layby, cross over the road towards the Cat & Fiddle pub and head north along the A537. Where the road takes a distinct left, follow the footpath straight on (ignoring any side turns) for approximately 5 minutes until you meet the road again by the tea room. Cross the road and the stile opposite and follow the concessionary footpath as it heads straight on, then bears left to follow the line of telegraph poles. When you meet the river, you will see below you a small stone pen.

Chest Hollows - SJ 99410 72058

Follow the path, keeping the river on your left. Cross a stile and continue along the track where after a couple of minutes you will go through a field gate. Turn right, cross a stone bridge (30 metres in front) and head uphill towards the ladder stile in the top corner of the field. In front of you will stand the distinct Matterhorn shape of Shutlingsloe. Head for this peak and skirt around the private land (by the fenced sheep pen) where you will join the public footpath by a fingerpost. Turn right at the second fingerpost, go through a collapsed stone wall and up the small Holloway. At the top, go through the field gate, turn left and keeping the wall on your left, you will, after approximately 100 metres, come across a ladder stile. Climb over, and head west to another ladder stile sitting above the track down to the farm.

Chambers Farm- SJ 9816 7212

Head down, and through the farm and at the road turn left, then immediately right, up the road to 'Forest Chapel' (signposted). After approximately 50 metres, turn right again and head up the steep track until you reach the chapel.

Forest Chapel - SJ 9743 7213

Follow the road out of Forest Chapel (ignoring the road left to Macclesfield Forest). Within a couple of minutes, turn left along the public right of way down the left hand side of Macc Forest and follow the

signs to 'Trentabank'. When you reach the road after approximately 20 minutes, either turn left and follow the road to the layby or, cross over and head left along the path. Go through the kissing gate by the road and cross over to the layby adjacent to the reservoir. If you want to stop for lunch, there is a picnic area 100 metres further down the road next to the visitor centre.

Macclesfield Forest and Trentabank Reservoir - SJ 96340 71149

From the layby, go back through the kissing gate and head back up the path, following the signs to Shutlingsloe.

Shutlingsloe - SJ 9765 6958

Head east (using the panorama close to the trig point if necessary to get your bearings), descending steeply along the path as it heads towards, and then to the right of the farm buildings, crossing two stiles and a walkway before joining a tarmac road. Continue along this for about 2 minutes and when you reach a cattlegrid, turn back on yourself and follow the track adjacent to the woodland, keeping the wall on your right. Follow this track for 10-15 minutes, when you will meet the road. Turn left up the road and after approximately 100 metres enter the car park on the right.

Clough House - SJ 9871 6990

Walk over the bridge and out of the car park and head towards the 'except for access' sign at the 'T' junction. Go through the gate and follow the public right of way up Cumberland Brook to the cat and fiddle pub. On ascending from the brook, head towards the fenceline where you will meet the bridleway.

Danebower - SK 0009 7076

Turn left and follow the bridleway back to the Cat & Fiddle pub