

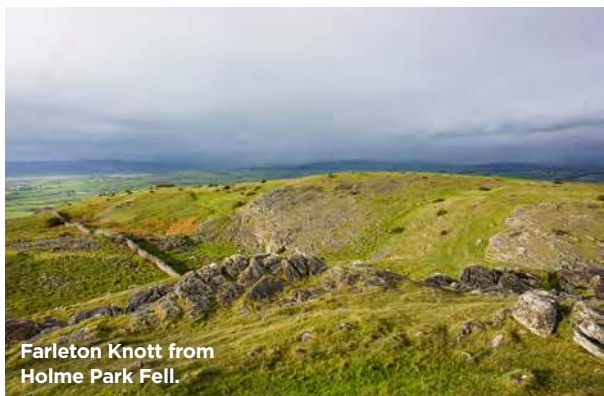


# 16 CUMBRIA HUTTON ROOF & FARLETON KNOTT

■ Distance: 8½ miles/13.7km ■ Time: 4-4½ hours ■ Grade: Challenging



NORTH WEST



Farleton Knott from  
Holme Park Fell.

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## CHOSEN BY... JAMES DEBOO

This walk reaches a mere 274m, a fraction the height of the nearby Lakeland mountains, but the lack of height is compensated by the scenery, both near and far. The highest hills between the Dales and Morecambe Bay, they command panoramic views of the Pennines, Lakes, Dales and Lancashire hills, while their surface is a huge slab of Carboniferous limestone that was scoured by the most recent glaciation and is now a haven for rare, alkaline-loving plants. Bird life is also plentiful, both on the top and along the canal, which forms a pleasant beginning and end.

## 1 Start

From Smithy Inn head E: join Burton Road, veering SE toward canal. Drop R to towpath: continue S 2km. At 3rd bridge take stepped slope R down to road. Go R, SE, under canal, over motorway and into Burton-in-Kendal. At historic signpost bear L along Tanpits Lane.

## 2 1¼ miles/2.8km

Cross A6070: take Vicarage Lane ahead. After 200m take bridleway L, signposted Burton Fell. At bench and signboard take stile R into Lancelot Clark Storth. Follow path along wall, then fork L at Cumbria Wildlife Trust fingerpost. Climb, with wall on L. Cross stile, and pass

## PLAN YOUR WALK



## ROUTE

**Start/parking** Outside the Smithy Inn, Holme, LA6 1PS, grid ref SD523788.

Plenty of roadside parking nearby: try North Road

**Is it for me?** Be aware the steep descent of the west side of Farleton Knott involves some loose scree: an alternative route avoids the worst. The rest of the walk is on clear, well-trodden paths and tracks, although sections through limestone pavement require care

**Stiles** 5

## PLANNING

**Nearest town** Kirkby Lonsdale

**Refreshments** Smithy Inn, Holme (01524 781302)

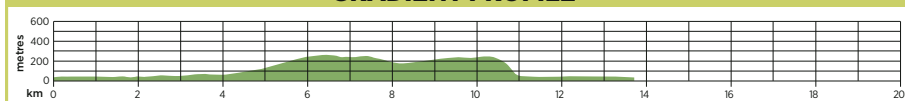
**Public toilets** None

**Public transport**

Stagecoach Cumbria 555 Lancaster–Carlisle stops at the start

**Maps** OS Explorer OL7; Landranger 97

## GRADIENT PROFILE



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■ OS Explorer map OL7 ■ Buy maps at: [ordnancesurvey.co.uk/shop](https://www.ordnancesurvey.co.uk/shop)

## DON'T MISS...



The broken, craggy limestone pavements and summits of Holme Park Fell and Farleton Knott.

pink-topped post. Bear R, passing solar panels to wall corner. Through kissing gate, climb to trig point on Hutton Roof Crags.

### 3.4 miles/6.3km

Middle arm of bronze theodolite mount on trig point shows way ahead, following ridge NE, Dales on R. Entering dry valley go L, undulating through outcroppings and past limestone pavement. Entering another dry valley – Potslacks – bear L, NW, through woodland. Pass through limestone, then coppice, to cairn. Wind through juniper, gorse, and bracken in summer, through kissing gate to road.

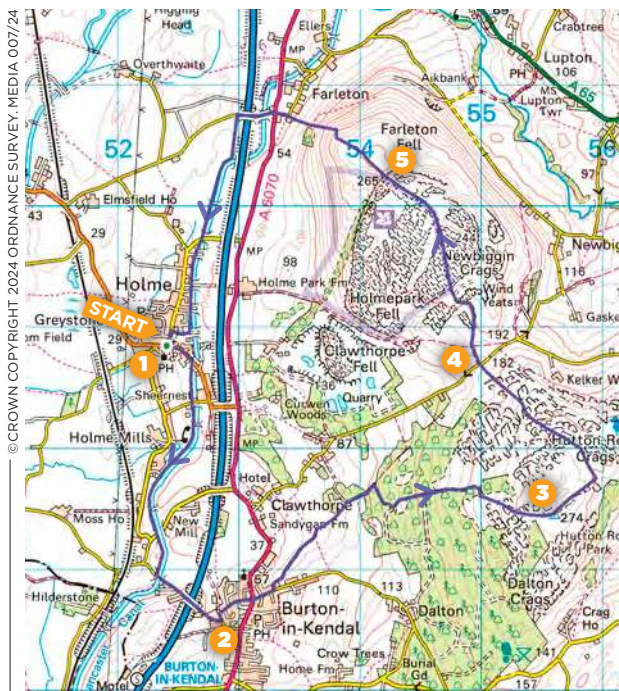
### 4.5 miles/8.2km

Cross road, through gate opposite, and follow track under power lines. Approaching escarpment climb short direct scramble, or take R/L, to top. Follow path N, with wall L: drop to ladder/stile and gate. Through gate, follow grassy path NW along wall. Cresting the rise, detour

L over stile then R to summit of Newbiggin Crags, then return via stile to path.

### 5.6 miles/10.3km

Drop to saddle: climb straight ahead to top of Farleton Knott, passing stone shelter. Continue NW to find path dropping steeply via scree past wood corner. If this is too steep, contour R, N, and descend to track around foot of fell. Routes meet at fingerpost by wall above Marsden Farm: follow footpath through bushes to stile. Descend along field edge:



stone squeeze leads across driveway to road. Go L, cross A6070, canal and motorway, then take kissing gate L across field S, parallel to motorway. Join canal towpath: continue S, crossing over road at second bridge. At bridge 150 go R past sports fields to North Road, then L to start. **CW**

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