

Car Free Ideas for Dulverton



A great car-free day out around Dulverton, taking in the town and the surrounding countryside on foot with options to take the bus to local villages and attractions nearby.

Highlights

- 15th Century Church of All Saints
- The Town Hall
- The River Barle and bridge
- Lorna Doone statue
- Dulverton Guildhall Heritage and Arts Centre
- Scenic walks along the River Barle
- Bus ride to Dunster or Minehead and bus back
- Bus rides to local attractions

Explore Dulverton

Take time to discover this wonderfully untouched 'county town' on the edge of Exmoor. The town is far enough away from any large conurbations to still enjoy a wide range of small shops. Walk into any of them and you will be greeted in a way that is more reminiscent of the years gone by; People have the time to talk and enjoy helping you decide on your purchase.

As you stroll around the town, which feels much more like a village, visit the beautiful church overlooking the town. Bank Square beside the church still has a bank. Cobbled streets beside the church give an insight into the old town. In Fore Street you will find the old Town Hall with its unusual double outside stairs leading to the first floor hall. Opposite is the National Park Centre where you can get information about Exmoor and the Guildhall Heritage and Arts Centre (01398 323818) which includes interesting exhibitions throughout the summer.

As you walk on towards the river you will pass more fascinating specialist shops. On reaching the large five-arch bridge over the River Barle, turn right towards the National Park Authority headquarters which used to be the old workhouse. The riverside green is a good spot to have a break with sandwiches or something more exotic bought in one of the delicatessens in the town.

An enjoyable walk beside the river through Burrige Woods can be taken by crossing the bridge. Turn immediately right into Oldberry Lane and when the lane turns hard left, continue ahead down a track. Shortly bear right through woodland following above the river. This track eventually reaches Marsh Bridge, about 1.5 miles from the start. You could return along the roads, but I would advise returning the way you came.

Explore further afield by public transport from Dulverton

Using the 399 bus service from Dulverton High Street (6 days a week all year):

- Go for a day out in either Dunster (fairy-tale castle, Yarn Market, church and dovecote and working mill) or Minehead (harbour, golf course, Butlins, amusements and shopping).
- Head to the highest village on Exmoor at Wheddon Cross / Cutcombe for a lunchtime meal.
- Take the bus to Bridgetown for a 4.5 mile, 3 hour walk back to Dulverton. Walk description available from www.exploremoor.co.uk or from the National Park Centre.

Using the 401 Exmoor Link service from Exmoor House, Dulverton (2 days a week August - September):

- **Exmoor Pony Centre** (01398 323093) about 5½ miles on the bus from Dulverton following the steep climb to Winsford Common. The centre is on the left and will involve an approx. ½ mile walk from the main road.
- Explore the longest stone clapper bridge and **Tarr Steps** National Nature Reserve - approx. 7 miles from Dulverton the 401 service arrives and departs from the main Tarr Steps car park, a short walk down to the river, bridge and pub.

Using the MoorRover (7 days a week July - September, advanced booking essential):

- Use the MoorRover to reach Wimbleball Lake (01398 371460) for those who like outdoor activities, or an enjoyable walk by the lake. Situated about 6.5 miles from Dulverton near Brompton Regis.

Visitor Information

Dulverton National Park Centre, Fore Street, 01398 323841

Public Transport Information

For further information, ideas and inspiration for exploring Exmoor without the car visit www.exploremoor.co.uk. For up-to-the-minute public transport information and to confirm timetables call Traveline on 0871 200 22 33.

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