

Clun is one of the stops on Castle Connect, a weekend Shuttle bus, which runs between Easter and September.

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# Clun

## Walk 3: Rock Hill

A 3 hour (approx.) 5½ mile circular walk over Rock Hill starting and finishing at St George's Church, Clun.

This moderately easy walk is mainly on quiet lanes. There are several stiles and fields with sheep; these can be avoided by taking the alternative route and staying on the lane at point 7.



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### Important information for visitors about the Country Code:

- Take your litter home
- Close gates behind you
- Keep dogs under control at all times



We hope you enjoy this series of walks to discover some of the quietest spots in the Shropshire Hills Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.



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**1** Walk along the Knighton Road to the right of the church until you reach the Llwyn Road; turn right.

**2** At St George's Place follow the footpath sign for the green lane. The green lane meets the Llwyn Road again at Pear and Fir Tree Cottages. *Stay on the road if you prefer not to walk on the green lane.*



From the Llwyn Road there are good views of Clun Castle over to the east.



**3** Pear and Fir Tree Cottages where the green lane meets the road. Keep going up the Llwyn Road until you reach the crossroads.



**4** At the crossroads turn left up the hill. Rock Hill is above, to the right.



**5** Looking back there are dramatic views over to the Welsh Border. You are looking towards Springhill where the Offa's Dyke starts to drop down to Newcastle.



At the summit there are fine views over the Clun Valley.



To the south as you walk towards Rock Hill there are fine views over to the Welsh Mountains, Bache Hill, Black Mixen and Great Rhos.

Continue down the road until you reach

the crossroads, immediately after the two houses on the right hand side; staying on the same lane, cross to a short stretch of lane onto the Knighton Road. This is a busy road with blind bends to your left and right so be very careful as you turn right and proceed along the main road for approximately 150 yards until you see the sign post for Pen Y Wern.



**6** At the Pen Y Wern turning on your left, leave the main road and proceed along the lane until you come to a footpath fingerpost on the left.

**7** *At this point, if you prefer to avoid stiles and fields with livestock, stay on the lane. When you reach the Pen Y Wern crossroads, turn left; this lane drops you back into Clun. This alternative route merges with the walk at point 10.*

The path bears away from the hedge line through the first field. In the second field it follows a diagonal line to the right through a field gate then drops down the hill.



There are good views over to the Stiperstones and the Shropshire Hills south of Shrewsbury.

**8** Half way down cross a double stile and turn left along the hedge just crossed.



**9** Cross the small field at the bottom of the hill following the path diagonally to the right, heading for the field gate. This brings you out onto a bridleway. Turn right and bear to the left. At the end of the bridleway turn left downhill.



**10** On the lane back towards Clun, you will pass Thomas Cottage on the left; at the bottom of the hill the lane drops into Hand Causeway. St George's Church is on the right.



If you have enjoyed this walk, look out for this book, available locally (£5.95). Walks range from 2 – 14 miles and are graded leisurely to strenuous. It includes local points of interest – history, archaeology, wildlife and more.

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