

**JMHT Section 4 Route description: Greenway Quay to Brixham Approx 5 miles
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The route can be followed from the description below but we recommend one of the following maps should be carried also (JMHT is marked on these). There are JMHT waymarkers along the trail but these are not referred to in this description in case one or more is missing or damaged. Features along the route are described in more detail in the JMHT booklet, available from South Devon Ramblers web site and tourist offices. Information boards along the trail give local routes and describe nearby heritage features.

OS Explorer Map OL20 'SOUTH DEVON' Scale 1:25 000
Available at bookshops and tourist offices.

Yellow Walk Map 'Around & About Brixham' Scale 1:16000 (www.yellowpublications.co.uk)
Laminated plastic, folding neatly to pocket size.

START: Greenway Quay: Limited parking, charges apply. Small foot ferry from Dittisham on request; larger ferry excursions from Dartmouth.

FINISH: Brixham harbour near William of Orange Statue.

Abbreviations: L (Left) R (Right) m (metres) HN (Heritage note ref. in JMHT booklet; describes a trail feature in more detail) Jnct (Junction) FP (Footpath)

a) From JMHT information board by Ferryman's Cottage, walk uphill on paved road for 600m to reach Greenway Lodge main gate on R. Go R through gate to visitor's car park. Alternatively, 75m uphill from quay, enter Greenway gardens by iron gate on R and follow trails uphill to Greenway Estate car park (HN 34).

b) Opposite visitor's car park (pre-bookable only for Greenway House visitors) pass through gate into grassy field and climb hill southwards for 200m to summit at woodland corner. Continue south-east along woodland/field boundary for 200m then go through bridleway gate to reach another woodland corner with a kissing gate.

c) Turn L after kissing gate, noting the views downriver to Maypool and Dartmouth (HN 25). Continue for 600m passing through another kissing gate and various residences on the right to a jnct.

d) At jnct turn R along lane for 100m towards Higher Greenway past The Granary and at Barton Cottages bear L through gate into hedged bridleway towards Churston Ferrers. Ignore fenced FP to R.

e) After 200m of open field, bridleway passes a stile and water trough before reaching a hedged lane with observation platform on L with wide views over Torbay (HN 36)..

f) Continue 150m to enter a small wood where the trail forks. The main route is straight ahead while the alternative route with fewer main road crossings bears L.

MAIN ROUTE:

- g) Immediately after passing south-east through small wood, go L over stile into field and walk downhill for 20m then R to follow contoured path past spring and head of valley for 200m. Now aim north-east for 200m past stone pillar in mid field to reach stile leading onto main A379 road.
- h) **Take care crossing busy A379 road.** Walk L after crossing stile then immediately R into Alston Lane, a hedged track leading to Alston Farm.
- i) Continue along Alston Lane for 800m until track becomes metalled at corner near Higher Alston. Continue ahead for 600m passing Alston Farm to jnct with A3022 road.
- j) **Take care crossing busy A3022 road.** Cross straight across into Churston Road (HN 38) and continue for 400m passing under old rail bridge then straight ahead for 200m past tennis club on to T-jnct. Turn R.
- k) In 30m round blind corner (**caution, no pavement**) then L over stone stile signed 'The Grove' (HN 39).
- l) Follow wide trail between fields and woodland edges for 1.2km before entering woodland for 200m to reach jnct with South West Coast Path (SWCP).
- m) Follow SWCP east for 120m passing through gap in wall and along lane with holiday park on R to reach WW2 gun/battery site (HN 40) at lane end.
- n) Immediately before WW2 gun/battery site go L and downhill to Fishcombe Cove. Just before cove, turn R and through gap in wall turning L. Continue 800m hugging the shoreline to your L passing car parks and boat yards to reach Fish Landing Quays at Oxen Cove.
- o) Follow harbourside paths around quay and historic ship replica 'Golden Hind' to reach statue of William of Orange.

Congratulations!...You have completed section 4 of JMHT.

ALTERNATE ROUTE via Galmpton Village

- p) Where trail forks (see paragraph 'f' above) bear left down Combe Lane for 1km between hedges where trail bends right by railway line. In another 150m turn L over railway bridge and in 150m turn R onto Greenway Road leading to Galmpton village.
- r) Continue downhill for 500m through village past primary school on L then past jnct with Stoke Gabriel Road. After jnct with Manor Vale Rd bear R along Galmpton Rd for 400m passing Churston Ferrers Grammar School before entering pedestrian subway by railway station.
- s) Exit subway and take first L into Bridge Rd for 400m then after crossing old rail bridge turn R into Bascombe Rd for 400m. Go L into Green Lane for 400m then R along Bascombe Rd for

250m past Church of St Mary and Churston Court on R to reach T-junct. At this point follow the instructions for the main route above from (k) onwards.

We would appreciate your feedback on your walking section 4, to help us to maintain and improve the trail.

A form can be downloaded from the South Devon Ramblers website.