

# Reeth

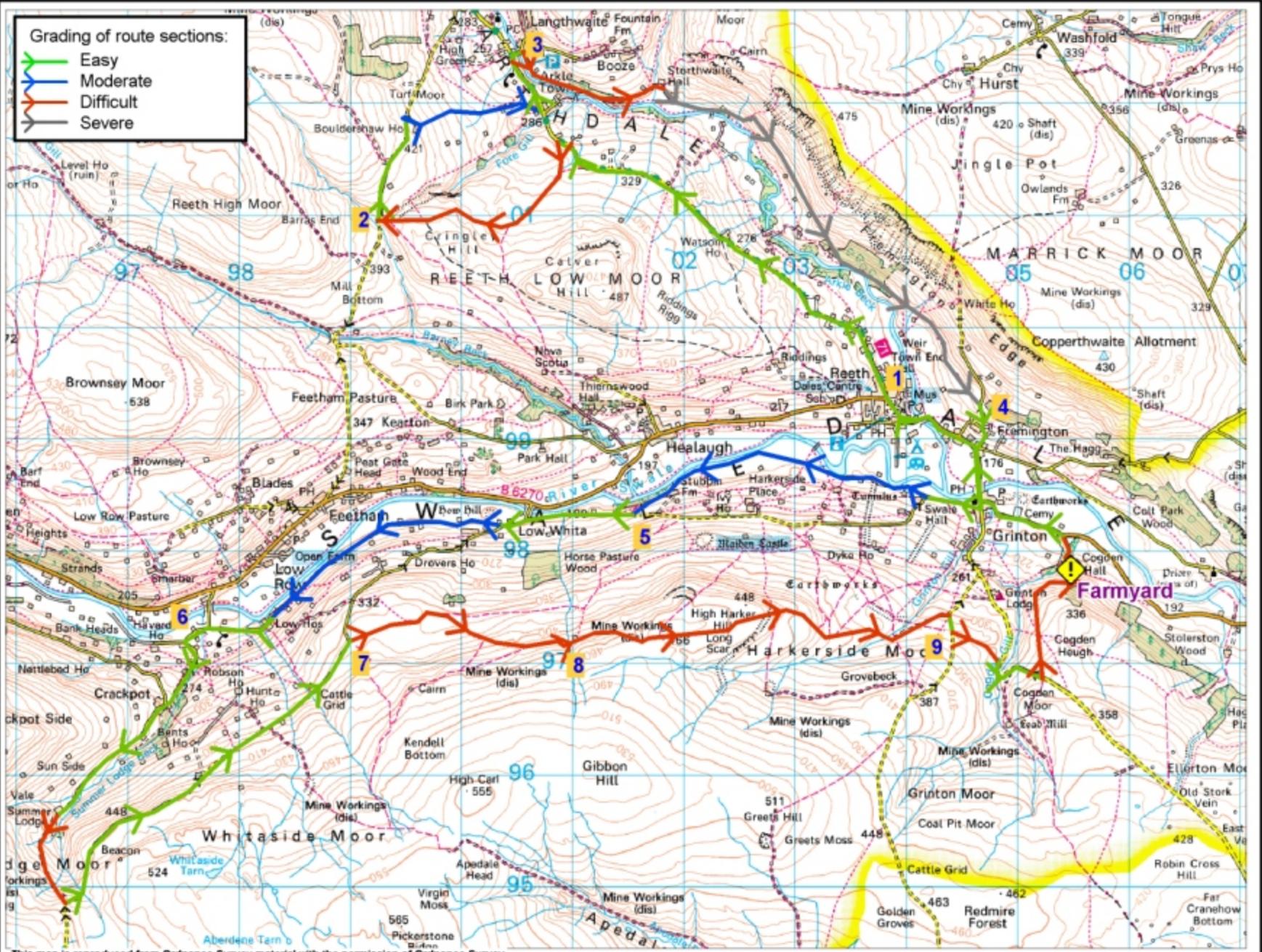
Start: Reeth, GR: SE 038 993

Distance: N Loop: 16km, S Loop: 25km

Ascent: N Loop: 400m, S Loop: 600m

Grade: Difficult

Scale 1:45000



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## REETH \_ BOOZE AND CRACKPOT

Start and finish	Reeth SE038993
Distance	North loop 16km (10 miles) South loop 25km (15 miles)
Toilets	Reeth, Grinton, Langthwaite
Pubs and cafes	Reeth, Langthwaite, Fremington
Nearest train station	Northallerton but it's a long way off

Two routes in one. The north loop includes the excellent singletrack section back to Fremington from Langthwaite, whilst the southern loop takes you up the valley bridleways, before a climb through Crackpot leads to a great crossing of Harkerside Moor.

### ROUTE DESCRIPTION

1. From Reeth take the road out toward Langthwaite for 4km then take the signposted bridleway track to your left up on to Reeth Low Moor. After 1km of gradual climbing take the right-hand bridleway and descend on an increasingly wide stony track to the road.
2. Turn right and follow the road for 1km then turn right off on to a farm track, pass by a barn and bend left to descend down a fast track that eventually rejoins the road. Turn left down this road into Langthwaite.
3. In Langthwaite turn right down a minor road over the river and then immediately right down a wide track along the riverside. The track climbs up a muddy wide track through trees and then descends on rough concrete to Stornthwaite Hall Farm. Keep on the farm road past the farm and stick on the same bearing as it dwindles to an indistinct track across a grassy field to a small gate. After the gate the track becomes clear singletrack for 3km until it spits you out on to road below the imposing Fremington Edge (to your left).
4. Turn right down the road to join the B6270. Turn left at the road and head over the river into Grinton, as the road bends sharply left at the pub take the minor road straight ahead for 100m, and then take the first road on the right. After 500m as this road bends left carry straight on down an initially wide track, follow this trail for 3km until it turns left and climbs up to meet a road.
5. Turn right down the road for 1km and then turn off along the farm track on the right, follow this walled track for 3.5km until you come out on the bend of a minor road with a phone box on it.
6. Follow the road left for 300m then keep left at the junction with a dead-end road and climb very steeply for 600m up to Crackpot. As a road joins you from the right keep heading in the same direction for 1.5km to Summer Lodge where the way ahead will keep getting steeper and rockier until you finally reach the road at the top of the hill. Turn left along this road and stick to it for 3.5km until it kinks left.
7. At this kink, turn off the road (ie. carry straight on!) on to the bridleway. After 1km you will come to a fork in the trail, take the right-hand option and climb uphill to a small barn just before another fork.
8. At this fork take the right-hand option again and climb steeply to the top of High Harker Hill. Finally the track descends! After 1km of fast rocky descending the gradient levels off and another track cuts across you, go straight on over this track on to a less distinct track over moorland. Keep to this track (for 1.5km) as it widens out and drops down to cross over Grinton Gill and becomes clear farm track once more, eventually joining a road.
9. Turn right up this road for 200m and then turn left along and down a moorland bridleway. After 500m you hit another road, turn right and follow the road as it hairpins over Cogden Gill. Go through the gate on your left on to a wide grassy bridleway and swoop down to Cogden Hall Farm. Pass slowly through the farmyard and join the B6270, turning left and following the road all the way back into Reeth.