

PORLOCK

Porlock is an attractive village containing several old thatched cottages and a range of shops and facilities including a modern visitor centre which will provide you with a whole host of information including cycle friendly accommodation and cycle routes in and around the area.

Worth a visit are the ancient parish church dedicated to St Dubricius and the museum based in the medieval manorial dower house.

Porlock Hill, notorious for its steep climb, can be avoided by a Toll Road. It crosses the heathland of Porlock Common, where there are beautiful views to Porlock Bay and Dunkery.



EXFORD

Welcomes cyclists!

2008 is the second year running that the Tour of Britain passes through the picturesque village of Exford in the heart of Exmoor National Park.

The village has two lovely pubs and a tea rooms so you will be well catered for when you stop to refuel.

Exford, the centre of Exmoor National Park, has some fantastic walks and cycle rides that will take you through wooded vales and up onto open moorland, placing you in a great position to see Exmoor ponies or the famous red deer.



Visit www.exford.org for more details about Exford.


PLANNING YOUR DAY

The permanent Tour of Britain Exmoor Cycle Route provides you with an opportunity to pit yourself against the professionals, giving you a taste of what they experienced when they raced across Exmoor.

The total length of the South West stage was 112 miles, but the toughest section of the whole Tour was undoubtedly the route through Exmoor. The 60 miles of the Exmoor Cycle Route gives you the opportunity to ride the Exmoor section (plus a little extra) from the Tour's 2007 South West stage. Not only did Exmoor provide the most challenging section of the race, it was also the most beautiful. From the open moorland of Brendon Common to the picturesque villages of Porlock and Lynmouth, this cycle route will take your breath away.



This cycle route was devised and developed by Active Exmoor, Somerset County Council, Exmoor National Park Authority (ENPA) and Steve Crossman (organiser of the Exmoor Explorer) and is based upon the 2007 Tour of Britain South West stage. Support was provided by the ENPA Sustainable Development Fund to help encourage cycle tourism on Exmoor.

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On Tuesday 11th September 2007, the Tour of Britain would its way through the steep and dramatic combs of Exmoor.

On Exmoor we have teamed up to bring you the permanent Tour of Britain circular route following in the wheel marks of the professionals. The route makes a great weekend or a challenging day ride and is the perfect way to explore the best that Exmoor has to offer.

It is a fantastic ride whether taken at cyclosportive speeds or an extended two or three day tour, with time to enjoy some of the sights and attractions along the way.

You can start or finish anywhere you choose along the route, Minehead offers the best public transport links so you don't need to bring the car.

ALL THE DETAILS OF THE ROUTE AND A LIST OF THE B&BS ON THE ROUTE CAN BE FOUND ONLINE AT WWW.ACTIVEEXMOOR.COM



THE ROUTE DESTINATION

Start: Minehead Visitor Centre, on the Sea Front (TA24 5BG)
 Porlock Toll Road
 Lynmouth
 Simonsbath
 Exford
 Wheddon Cross
 Washford
 Minehead

ESTIMATED MILES

5.7
 11.3
 9.3
 5.3
 5.0
 16.7
 6.5

TOTAL 60 MILES

4-6 hours depending upon fitness, 7-8 for leisurely riders

KEY

- National Park Centres
- Tourist Information Centre
- Location of Interest
- Exmoor Cycle Route
- Toll Road £1 fee
- KOM – Beware steep hill
- Café

DON'T MISS OUT!

As you are heading around the route you will experience breathtaking Exmoor in every sense of the word. Be sure not to miss out on the heritage and history of Exmoor on your travels the ★ mark scenic points of interest. For a large version of the map and a full route description visit www.activeexmoor.com or call 01398 324 599.

