WALK 2

ETTRICKBRIDGE CIRCULAR via KIRKHOPE TOWER

3mls/4.8kms with 425ft/130m climb. Grade: Easy/Moderate

An interesting walk passing the tower that was the stronghold of 'Auld Wat' of Harden.

Start & Finish: Park on Woodend Road at the east end of Ettrickbridge alongside the churchyard railings, Grid Reference NT389243

- 1. Continue up Woodend Road to the end. Turn right, through a gate. Follow the track for 200yds, then take the left hand fork to head up the hill. Go through the next gate, then turn left and pick up the track running along the lower part of the hillside walking in a westerly direction.
- 2. As the track nears Kirkhope Tower it turns to the right. Stay on higher ground to avoid any boggy areas and follow the track towards the gully at the side of the tower.
- 3. Cross the wooden bridge, go through the gate beside the tower and follow the track back past Old Kirkhope to the metalled road. Turn left crossing the cattle grid and walk down to the B7009. At the T-junction, turn left, returning to Ettrickbridge.



Parking possible beside the Kirk, Ettrickbridge



Kirkhope Tower, near Ettrickbridge



Looking south towards Ettrickbridge village