



# d131 Thorpe from Ashbourne

Ashbourne Leisure Centre Car Park is on School Lane, off the A517 Belper road to the west of Ashbourne

With Thanks to: Mike Waring

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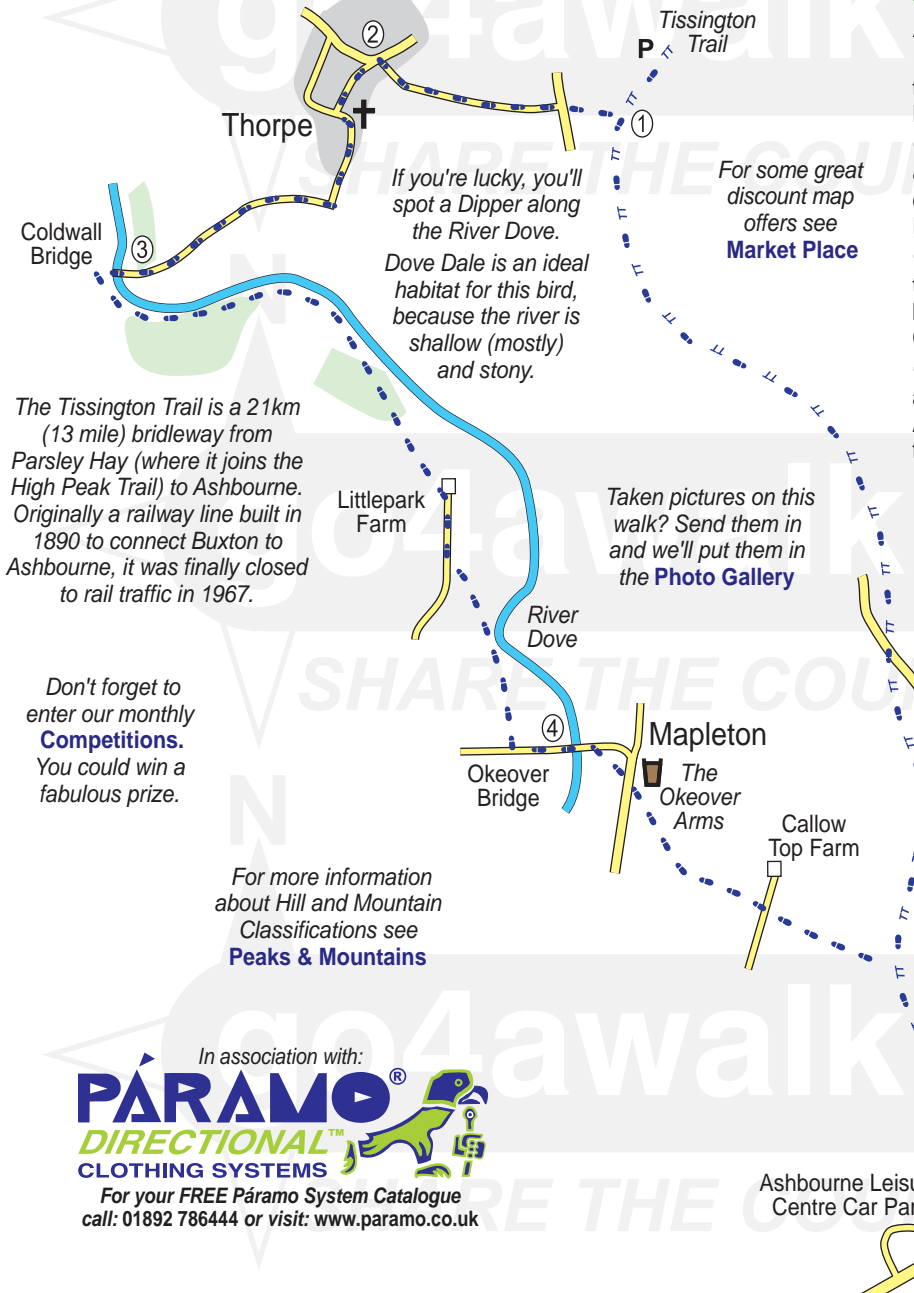


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### Hill Classifications:

- Hewitt
- Wainwright
- Bridget
- Trig Point

Details	
Distance:	12km (7½ miles)
Total Ascent:	292m (958ft)
Time:	3½ hrs Grade: 4
Maps:	OS Landranger® 119 or OS Explorer Map™ OL24 & 259
Start/Finish:	Ashbourne Leisure Centre Car Park, School Lane, Ashbourne
Grid Ref:	SK178466
Sat Nav:	N53.0147 W1.7359



A dismantled railway & a riverside path  
**S** Go N on the Tissington Trail until you come to a kissing gate heading W signed 'Thorpe - Dovedale'. (4½ km)

① Go through the gate and go W across fields & stiles to reach a road. Cross the road and continue W down the track past Broadlowash Farm and into the village of Thorpe. (1km)

② Continue W at the main road before taking the first left S. Go S past the church before bearing SW descending the track to reach Coldwall Bridge. (1½ km)

③ Cross W over the bridge and then go S on a path that generally follows the riverbank. After passing through a gate take the S (right) fork across fields to reach a stile onto a track just S of Littlepark Farm. Go S on the track for 200m before bearing SE over a stile across fields to rejoin the Dove. Swing away from the river again to reach a road. Go E and cross Okeover Bridge. (2½ km)

④ Leave the road and bear SE over a field to reach another road close to the Okeover Arms. Go S on the road before going E on a path in front of a row of cottages. Bear SE across fields to reach a track. Cross and continue over fields descending steeply to reach the Tissington Trail via some steps. Go S on the trail and return to the car park. (2½ km)

The Tissington Trail is a 21km (13 mile) bridleway from Parsley Hay (where it joins the High Peak Trail) to Ashbourne. Originally a railway line built in 1890 to connect Buxton to Ashbourne, it was finally closed to rail traffic in 1967.

If you're lucky, you'll spot a Dipper along the River Dove. Dove Dale is an ideal habitat for this bird, because the river is shallow (mostly) and stony.

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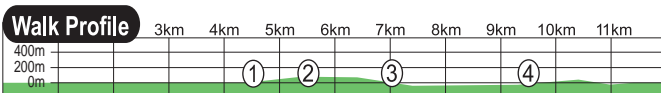
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