

do142 St Aldhelm's (St Alban's) Head from Worth Matravers

Worth Matravers is on Minor Roads S of the A351 Wareham to Swanage Road

The walk shown is for guidance only and should not be attempted without suitable maps.

Details			
Distance:	7.5km (4¾ miles)		
Total Ascent:	230m (754ft)		
Time:	2½ hrs	Grade:	3
Maps:	OS Landranger® 195		
	or OS Explorer Map™ OL15		
Start/Finish:	Worth Matravers, Dorset		
Grid Ref:	SY974777		
Sat Nav:	N50.5986 W2.0377		

One short, steep climb to magnificent views
 Ⓢ Go S from the Car Park into Worth Matravers past the duck pond (left) and then Worth Matravers Church (right) and follow the road out of the village. Beyond Weston Farm leave the road and fork SW on a track (signed 'St Aldhelm's Head'). After 100m go W (right) over a stile and cross a field to reach a crossing track and a car park. Go SW (half-left) on a clear path to reach the South West Coast path above Chapman's Pool. (1¾ km)

- ① Go S (left) along the cliff top before descending steeply into a valley. Continue steeply up the other side and follow the cliff top to reach the small stone built St Aldhelm's Chapel and the Coast Guard Lookout Point high above the cliffs. (2km)
- ② Continue E above more cliffs before slowly descending round a disused quarry to reach a crossing path in Winspit Bottom. (2km)
- ③ Leave the South West Coast Path and go NW (left) along Winspit Bottom to reach a fork. Go N (right) across fields and stiles to return to the road in Worth Matravers. Go NE (right) to return to the car park and the start. (1¾ km)

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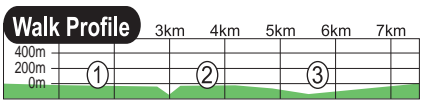
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- ▲ Hewitt
 - ☀ Wainwright
 - ☀ Bridget
 - △ Trig Point

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