



British Walking Federation

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DISTANCE: 13km

ENTRY FEE: £2.00 per walker (Cheques payable to the British Walking Federation)

AWARD: Cloth Badge at £2.50 each

START VENUE: Low Fold Car park (opposite Hayes Garden Centre on A591 south of Ambleside)

OS MAP: OL7 **GR:** NY377037

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COACH & CAR PARKING: At start point (charges apply). Free parking in Fisherbeck Lane just after start of trail.

PUBLIC TRANSPORT: Train or bus to Windermere. Bus to Ambleside. Please check as all transport is seasonal.

REFRESHMENTS: At the start and on the route

ROUTE DESCRIPTION (Updated 24th October 2025)

Leave the car park by the road at the rear, turning left and then turn right into Fisherbeck Lane. After 80 metres turn left. At the T-junction turn right into Blue Hill Road. Continue ahead as tarmac road changes to a track signed Wansfell 1 mile.

Q1. What is the grid reference for Blue Hill Road Debris Screen (on sign)? NY 38102 ____

Continue on, passing sign on right for Bluehill Wood. Continue on track with wall on left, through gate and ahead then over stile next to gate and ahead between walls and then wire fence on left. At kissing gate directly in front of you by stream, turn right and follow steps steeply up Wansfell, the views back over Ambleside are magnificent. Follow clear path up due east to go over the wooden bridge, you are now almost half way up. Continue climbing on well defined rocky path bearing left to the summit of Wansfell Pike. At the top you have fantastic views. To the South, Windermere, Morecambe Bay and Blackpool Tower. To the West Crinkle Crag and Bowfell. To the North Kirkstone Quarry and Pass.

Continue in the same direction through gate and bear left on yellow footpath sign steeply downhill on rocky path over moor to reach stone wall. Through kissing gate yellow sign to next stone wall through wooden gate, turn right on wide stony track between walls (Nanny Lane). Go through wooden six bar gate and continue on track downhill to gates and road.

At the road turn left, towards the Mortal Man pub. Bear right at pub sign.

Q2. How many men are on the Mortal Man pub sign?

Pass pub on your right. After 40m and before Yew Tree Cottage, turn right with stream on the right and follow track. At cross paths go straight ahead signposted Church. Go through small wooden gate to the right of three metal gates. Continue ahead on narrow path between fields. Go through three wooden gates to T-junction with track before churchyard. Turn right and go over stream. Do not turn right but go ahead through the gate, along path between trees to road and High Fold Guest House. At the road turn left.

Q3. At Troutbeck village shop what is the post box number?

After the post office serving hot drinks and snacks turn right uphill on the narrow Robin Lane. Stay on Robin Lane for 1.5km ignoring turns on the left. At wooden gates take kissing gate bearing left signposted Skelghyll and Jenkin Crag. Go through gates keeping wall on your left heading towards farm. Cross the river and go through the gate next to the cattle grid. Continue on track towards and through the farm yard. Continue on bridleway and ahead through wood to reach Jenkin Crag on your left (sign is currently missing).

Continue downhill on track, go over stone bridge and turn left downhill. Continue on rough track between walls. Go ahead downhill eventually on tarmac lane. At T-junction turn right.

Q4. What year was Thomas Fold Cottage on left built?

Return to car park and end of walk.

When you have completed this trail please use the [Permanent Trail Entry Form](#)

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