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SADDLEWORTH CYCLE & HORSE RIDING TRAIL

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Pass through the gates (closing them behind you!) Cross over Huddersfield Road and onto The Pennine Bridleway at Brun Clough. (Take care this is a busy road)

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Follow the PBW signs, weaving down the valley continue straight down onto Boat Lane.

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Pass the Diggle Hotel on the left then straight down through Kiln Green and onto Ward Lane. (This surface can be slippery for horses, take care).

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Follow Ward Lane then turn left at the next junction. Ride up the hill and turn right to Holly Grove Farm following the PBW signs for Uppermill.

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At the far end pass between the cottages and turn right down Butterhouse Lane leading onto Brownhill Lane. This will emerge opposite Brownhill Countryside Centre.

CAUTION - this is a busy road.

*This walk forms part of a series of walks and trails developed by Manchester's Countryside. For more information on Manchester's Countryside, including downloads of the walks visit www.manchesterscountryside.com
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DISTANCE:
7 miles/11km

STARTING POINT:

This trail begins on the Huddersfield Narrow Canal towpath behind the Brownhill Countryside Centre, Wool Road, Dobcross, Oldham OL3 5PB. OS Map Reference: 997064

HOW TO GET THERE:

By Car - M62 Junction 21/22 or M60 Junction 22.

By Bus - From Manchester, Oldham or Huddersfield.

By Train - From Manchester or Huddersfield, nearest station Greenfield.

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WALK SUMMARY

Castlehaw Valley is on the fringe of the Pennine moors, with untamed hills and deep peat gullies. Wind your way along the Roman roads and pack horse trails taking in the ever changing moorland colours of this dramatic landscape.

THE WALK

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- ① Behind Brownhill Countryside Centre turn left onto Huddersfield Narrow Canal towpath.
- ② At the viaduct turn right over the canal bridge and up the lane. After riding underneath the railway bridge turn right onto the bridleway.
- ③ Turn left onto "The Delph Donkey Line" - This is a popular multi-use bridleway, cyclists must give way to other users and horse riders must not gallop.
- ④ At the first horse style turn right to exit the bridleway, take care crossing the main road and ride right over the bridge to Dobcross.
- ⑤ Turn left at the mini roundabout up Woods Lane.
- ⑥ Continue straight up the hill, to the left of The Swan Inn. Join Sandy Lane then fork left onto Long Lane. Keep going where it turns into an unmetalled road.
- ⑦ At the top of Long Lane follow the sandy track leading up to Lark Hill.
- ⑧ Turn right at the cross roads continuing onto Harrop Edge Lane over to Castleshaw.
- ⑨ On reaching Huddersfield Road turn right and take the next left. CAUTION- fast traffic.
- ⑩ Carry straight on, ride along Whimberrylee Lane leading onto a wide, rough track.



- ⑪ At the top of the hill take the first right, turn sharply onto a narrow path keeping the edge of the fence on your right hand side. Follow it down to a horse crossing.



Huddersfield Narrow Canal