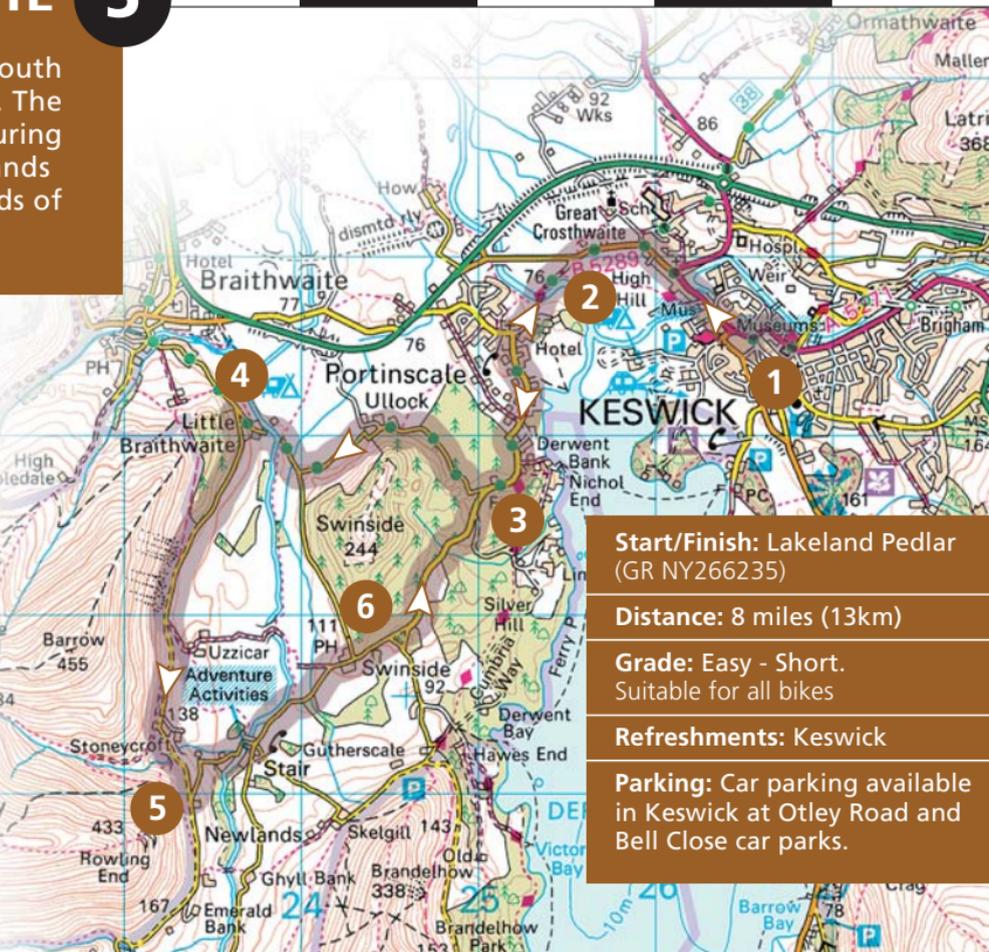


Swinside Circuit

ROUTE 5

This short 8 mile road route uses country lanes to the south west of Keswick on a circular ride around Swinside Fell. The route is on country lanes which can sometimes be busy during peak periods. The route takes in the newly built Newlands Beck Bridge, which was destroyed in the Cumbrian floods of 2009.

- 1 From the car park turn L onto the A5271 and proceed through Keswick, going SA at a mini roundabout and on over Greta Bridge.
- 2 After 0.9km (0.5m) turn L onto a minor road (*before the A66*) and cross Portinscale Bridge, taking care as the bridge is narrow, and go up the hill before turning L (*signposted for Grange*).
- 3 Turn R onto a minor road (*signposted for Ullock*). Pass through this hamlet and turn R (*signposted Braithwaite*) and cross the new bridge over Newlands Beck.
- 4 Turn L onto the Newlands Pass road (*signposted for Buttermere*) and proceed along the fell side lane.
- 5 After crossing a minor stream, turn sharp L onto the lane towards Stair, dropping down to Newlands Beck before climbing the hill towards The Swinside Inn. Continue straight on at the Inn.
- 6 Turn L (*signposted for Portinscale*), taking care on the twisty descent through the woodlands. Once back in Portinscale, turn R to the bridge and retrace your route back into Keswick town centre.



Start/Finish: Lakeland Pedlar
(GR NY266235)

Distance: 8 miles (13km)

Grade: Easy - Short.
Suitable for all bikes

Refreshments: Keswick

Parking: Car parking available
in Keswick at Otley Road and
Bell Close car parks.