

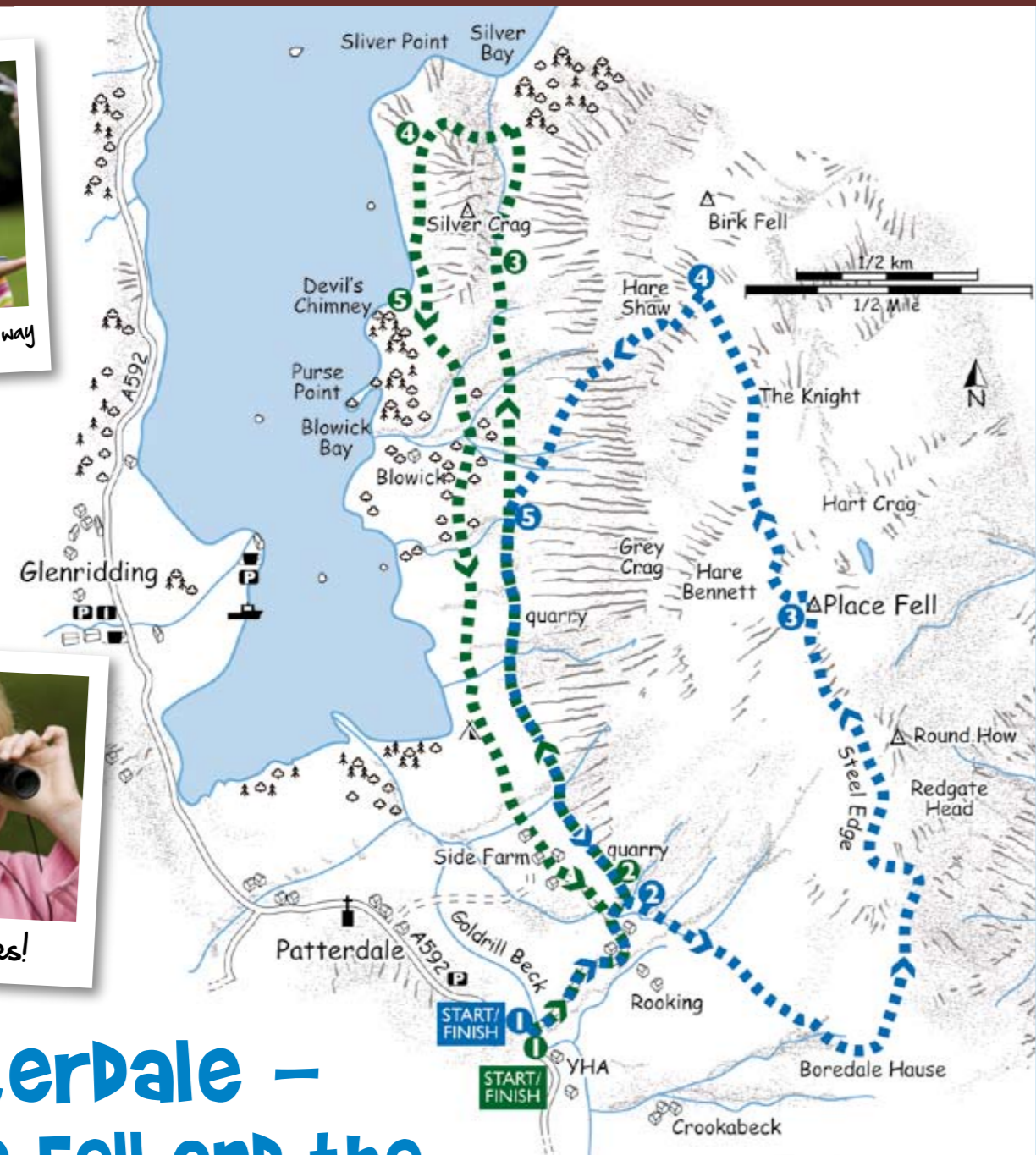
great things to see and do on the walks...

lets go fly a kite!

Even on the calmest summers day there is usually a breeze on the summit area of Place Fell so it is worth packing a pocket kite for a bit of aerial antics!



a compass to help find the way



see for miles!

# Patterdale - Place Fell and the Ullswater Bridleway

Place Fell towers over the southern end of Ullswater like some mythical castle. Its craggy flanks soar skywards and when viewed from the tranquil waters of the lake they look impossibly steep with no obvious route up to the summit.

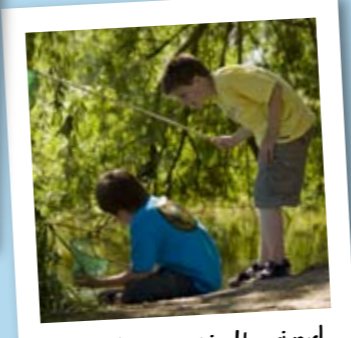
This though is just an illusion and Place Fell is perfect for families with a desire for adventure!



a "steamer" on ullswater



lots of sail boats at ullswater



a new discovery in the river!

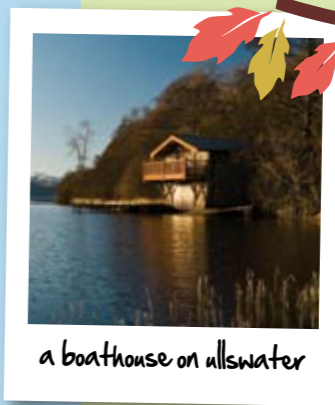


make new friends!

## Blue Route (Long)

**Start/Finish** Patterdale (GR NY 397 158)  
**Distance** 4 miles (6.4km) **Time** 4-5 hours  
**Height gain** 538m  
**Terrain** Lanes, fellside bridleway, broad col, steep rounded ridge, rocky summit, steep path and rocky bridleway  
**Maps** OS Landranger 90, OS Outdoor Leisure 5, Harveys' Superwalker (1:25 000) Lakeland East, British Mountain Maps Lake District (1:40 000)

- 1 From the road (A592) walk along the lane to Rooking. On the right at the end of the lane is a bridleway, join it and follow it up hill a short distance to a junction with the Boredale House bridleway.
- 2 The bridleway climbs southeast and is followed as it cuts across the fellside to gain Boredale House. The bridleway turns east as it reaches Boredale House - just before the actual crest is reached a distinct path branches left. Join this path and follow it as it climbs steeply north. This path zig-zags slightly but generally follows the crest of Place Fell's South Ridge and leads directly to the summit trig point.
- 3 From the trig point skirt around the summit rocks and head north along the path to The Knight (a rock knoll). The path then steepens slightly and trends to the north-west, follow it down to a hairpin bend above Hare Shaw.
- 4 Follow the path around the bend as it descends steeply south-west across the fellside overlooking Ullswater to join the higher branch of the Ullswater bridleway.
- 5 The Ullswater Bridleway is rough in parts but generally provides an excellent high level path. Follow it back to the lane head at Rooking. Join the lane and return to the start.



a boathouse on ullswater



## Green Route (Short)

**Start/Finish** Patterdale (GR NY 397 158)  
**Distance** 3.6 miles (5.8km) **Time** 3 hours  
**Height gain** 230m  
**Terrain** Lanes, fellside bridleway, lake side bridleway, woodland, walled track, campsite and farmyard  
**Maps** OS Landranger 90, OS Outdoor Leisure 5, Harveys' Superwalker (1:25 000) Lakeland East, British Mountain Maps Lake District (1:40 000)

- 1 From the road (A592) walk along the lane to Rooking. On the right at the end of the lane is a bridleway, join it and follow it up hill a short distance to a junction with the high level branch of the Ullswater Bridleway.
- 2 Turn left onto the bridleway and follow its rough course north across the lower slopes of Place Fell.
- 3 Continue north along the bridleway into the impressive gap behind Silver Crag. Follow the bridleway down towards Silver Bay. Near the trees the bridleway reaches a junction, turn left and follow the lower level of the Ullswater Bridleway west around the head of Silver Crag.
- 4 Once you have rounded Silver Crag the bridleway is followed south as it descends towards the shores of Ullswater.
- 5 A brief climb then leads inland to gain a track beside a wall. This is followed south past the campsite and farm yard at Side Farm to the lane end at Rooking. Join the lane and return to the start.

listen carefully

During week days in summer the RAF regularly fly low over Ullswater so keep your eyes peeled for fast jets. Also listen out on Boredale House, it is crossed by a big underground water pipe from Hayeswater and the water in it makes gurgling noises!

take a compass bearing

bring your sketch pad

get hooked on fishing

There are plenty of brown trout in Ullswater so it's worth packing a rod. You must have an Environment Agency Fishing Licence which are available at any Post Office.

Bring your sketch pad

There are lots of things to draw on both walks. For younger children drawing around collected leaves is the perfect easy way to start drawing.