

The Otterburn Ranges

Open ACCESS AREA

⑥ Wedder Leap and Barrow Law (lilac route on map)

A family route in the Cheviot foothills.

Distance 8km (5 miles).

Start: From Wedder Leap Car Park (Grid ref NT866104), turn left up the road. After 100 metres cross the bridge.

Climb the stiles and walk up to the edge of the plantation.

Turn left and continue 300 metres to Barrowburn.

Follow the track north into the valley of the Barrow Burn as it dips and then climbs 2km to become a green track into the forest.

Head north through the forest for 1km.

After the forest, keep straight ahead for 1km along The Middle to join the track to Trows Farm.

Turn left and follow for 0.75km.

At the end of a plantation, turn left over a stile.

After 15m turn right onto a grassy track. Follow this along the ridge for 2.5km back to Barrowburn.

Barrow Scar

The steep broken face of Barrow Scar is made of geological strata from the early Carboniferous period, laid down on the floor of a tropical sea more than 350 million years ago.

In June the fields around Barrowburn come into bloom with flowers such as yellow rattle, wood cranesbill, eyebright and black knapweed.

