

### Tiny Treks - Quarry Bank Mill, Styal, Wilmslow.

**Start:** Quarry Bank Mill, Styal, Wilmslow, SK9 4LA. Tel: 01625 527468

**Facilities:** WC, Parking (£4 per car, free to N/Trust members), Visitors centre, Cafe.

Alternative free parking can be found at Twinnies Bridge Car park on the B5166(continue past the Quarry Bank N/Trust entrance for about  $\frac{1}{2}$  a mile and the car park is on the right). From Twinnies Bridge car park you will start your walk from behind the toilets and over a small wooden bridge where you can join the path that runs along the side of the river Bollin

to point 2 and follow the sign  to Quarry Bank Mill.

**Walk:** Approx 2miles (1:5hrs)

#### Walk instructions

1. Walk to the **far right end** of the car park go through the **(Q1)** two gate stiles following the signpost  **to Wilmslow** across a field **(Q2)** and through another gate onto a well defined path that becomes cobbled **(Q3)** and eventually opens into an open field.
2. Continue along the gravel path as it **doubles back** into **woods** and runs along the edge of the River Bollin. Continue ahead and over a wooden bridge **(Q4)**.
3. After passing a small dug out **quarry (Q5)** area on your right, take the next path on your **left (Q6,Q7)**. The river Bollin is on your left and small lake to your right.
4. **Rejoin** your original **path** and turn **left**.
5. Continuing through the main Quarry Bank Mill keep going ahead up the tarmac road **(Q8)**, passing the Natural Play Area on your right.
6. Where the **sandstone wall** ends turn **left** towards **(Q9)**  **Styal Woods**. Keep on this path, crossing another path until you enter the **woods**. Turn **right**.
7. Keep on this path passing **Norcliffe Chapel (Q10)** on your left.
8. Pass the **Village Green cross roads** marked with a **tall cross (Q11)** and turn **right** toward the farm cottages **(Q12)**.
9. Turn right just after the small Methodist Chapel onto a wider path and take the next path to the right.
10. Keep on the path until you reach the Apprentices House **(Q13)** on the left - Have a look in the garden its free **(Q14)**.
11. Cross the road and return to the car park

## Map



## Activity Sheet / Walk Diary

We went on our walk on (date).....,

with.....

The weather was.....

Q1.  Look for  marker post. ☐

Q2.  Look for  An Ancient tree? ☐

Ancient trees can be measured by the number of adults needed to hug the tree.  
How many adult hugs do you think this tree would take?

Q3.  Look for a **Cobbled path** that the apprentices from Quarry Bank Mill would use twice each Sunday to go to church in Wilmslow. ☐

Q4.  Look for  'Heron's Pool Bridge'. ☐

Q5.  Look for  Long tree roots in Stone. ☐

Q6. Name a type fish have been found in the river Bollin?

Q7.  Look for  river flood marking. ☐ Do you think the river is about to flood?

Q8.  Look for  Quarry Bank Mill and clock tower. ☐

Q9.  Look for  Styal Woods Sign. ☐

Q10.  Look for



Norcliffe Chapel tower. ☐

Q11.  Look for



Styal Village Cross. ☐

Q12.  Look for two unusual street lamps ☐

Q13.  Look for



the Whitewashed Apprentices House. ☐

Q14. Have a look around the Apprentices House Garden and see what types of HERBS you can see. Listen out for a bell being rung.

### **Some notes on Quarry Bank Mill.**

There are lots to see and do at Quarry Bank, Styal. Collect a map from the main car park or the information office to assist your visit.

Quarry Bank Mill was originally constructed in 1784 by young Samuel Greg as one of the first cotton mills built to use water powered looms to weave materials. He built the mill and catered for his apprentice workers between the ages of 10 to 21yrs by providing, food, clothing, accommodation and education.

**Answer;**

Q6. Perch, Chub, Roach, Brown Trout.