

**Truro (Boscawen Park), Malpas, St. Clement – 3.71 miles. Extension to Tresillian adds 2.48 miles**

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**Start from Boscawen Park car park (free), off Malpas Road, entrance at 83402/43801.****Boscawen Park to end of Malpas – 1.42 miles**

Head for the Truro River, passing on L *Coffee in the Park* and Tennis Courts. At the slipway at 190 yards, follow a path that runs roughly SSE along the river, passing football pitches and cricket field on the left. From 615 yards there is a series of memorial seats, with a view across the river, on your L. Oddly, at 710 yards is a group of four exercise machines on concrete plinths. Soon after them you come to the road to Malpas. **(740 yards)**

Go R on the road, initially with no footway until Sunny Corner (yellow house) at 785 yards. Footway along river finishes at 900 yards. Do not rejoin the road but keep along river on concrete path until 0.56 miles where go L up a total of 54 steps to the road at 0.58 miles. Do not join road but follow rough path which winds and undulates through trees between road and river. Beware gnarly tree roots across the path much of the way. 2 steps down at 0.60 miles. By a bench above on your L, go up 8 steps to the road at Malpas Village sign. **(0.82 miles)**

Go R on the road, with care because there is no footway. First house on L at 0.96 miles. On L at 1.07 miles note an old milestone '*Truro 2 miles*'. Immediately after is the modern looking timber clad village hall, complete with a wheelchair lift. Below on R are waterside apartments. Toilets are below on R at 1.18 miles. Heron Inn is on L (*10 car parking spaces*). *Opposite the Heron, seating area and a Fal and Helford Special Area of Conservation storyboard. Attractive cottages much of the way along, presumably Truro dormitory and second homes.* At 1.28 miles pass slipway and ferry landing stage to R. *At 84513/42825 on L steps up (FP) leads to top near Park Farm above St. Clement.* Eventually the public highway ends and becomes a private road. **(1.42miles)**

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**Malpas to St. Clement – 1.04 miles**

Continue forward on the private road and shortly bear R on a tarmac lane, following WM post St. Clement. After about 25 yards bear L (FP sign). At 17 Bar Meadows the tarmac lane ends, fork slightly L on a narrowish path, initially with gardens on each side, and beech hedge on your R, to a kissing gate to woodland. (1.50 miles) Path continues, the Tresillian River below on R. *From here to St. Clement the path, its route generally quite clear, stays mostly in mixed woodland, winds and undulates, is muddy and slippery in places, and tree roots are underfoot much of the time.* At 1.58 miles follow a WM R down to a clapper bridge over a tiny stream and a second clapper bridge over a slightly larger stream at 84731/43309. Ahead of you is an iron kissing gate (WM); this is the direct route over the hill to St. Clement. **(1.61 miles)**

Ignore this direct route and follow a Denas Road permissive path sign R, still in woodland. At 1.64 miles are 5 steps up to a high wooden stile, the path continues through woodland. At 1.67 miles circumnavigate an oak tree occupying most of path. *In the next half-mile you will encounter 29 steps up and 33 steps down.* At 1.85 miles you pass through gloomy conifers for about 50 yards then back into mixed woodland. At 2.02 miles you cross a wooden stile (WM) into a field. Follow the RH hedge to a wooden ladder stile (WM) to a second field. Follow RH hedge to a wooden stile (WM). At 2.22 miles the path widens into an easy track gently downhill to the small free CP and lane at St. Clement at 85136/43877. **(2.46 miles)** *The Tresillian River detour starts here.*

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**St.Clement back to Boscawen Park and a detour to Tresillian – see page 2**

**St. Clement back to Boscawen Park – 1.25 miles**

Go L on the lane uphill for 50 yards to the entrance to the Old Vicarage. Cross the forecourt for 25 yards and go L up 13 steps into the churchyard. Continue up through the churchyard (*note a massive standing stone near the porch*) and go through the lych gate (*with filled in coffin stile*) into a small square (*attractive thatched cottages*). Continue through the square, passing a public telephone box, back to the lane at 2.58 miles. Ignore Churchtown Farm FP on opposite side and go R on the road uphill past public toilets to St. Clement Parish Hall notice board on L at 84839/43910. **(2.69 miles)**

Go L on a well made track, roughly WSW to start, following bridleway sign and passing Parish Hall on L. At the entrance to Druids Stitch at 2.73 miles go R and L on a bridleway track (WM) between wooded hedges uphill to a hunting gate to a field. (2.80 miles) In the field head roughly W uphill to the LH end of a hedge and follow the RH hedge still uphill to a galvanised gate. (2.96 miles) Continue uphill on a grassy track between high wooded hedges up to a tarmac lane at 84264/43828 at 210 feet. **(3.03 miles)**

Go L on the lane for 20 yards and, just before a tarmac track on the R, go R downhill (bridleway WM) on a wide grassy track between wooded hedges. Where the track becomes steep, at 84104/43886 at 3.14 miles, it divides (no WM). Go L on a wide well made track, passing a WM after 50 yards, then passing Park Farm (*good looking barn conversions*) on the L. Immediately after the buildings go through a (probably open) galvanised gate (WM) on a rough tarmac track. **(3.21 miles)**

At 84027/43708 at 3.27 miles, with WM post on L, follow WM R into a field, passing a redundant wooden stile (WM) and follow RH hedge downhill as far as a tall cedar tree. Here the path leaves the field and runs along grassy strip between the field and a plantation on R down to a galvanised gate. (3.44 miles) Continue forward downhill on a narrow path through woodland with a barbed wire fence on R to a wooden stile by a galvanised gate. (3.51 miles) Continue down to a tarmac lane. (3.57 miles) Follow a WM forward downhill to Malpas Road. (3.60 miles) Cross the road and go R, either on the footway or in park, back to start point. **(3.71 miles)**

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**Tresillian Detour – 2.48 miles**

From St. Clement go R on the lane, shortly passing a padlocked wooden gate, estate access road. The track, high wooded bank on L, Tresillian River on R, is a public bridleway, and goes all the way to the A390 at Kiggon to the W of Tresillian village. I suggest leaving the track before then to cross marshes to the road. Along the way note: Small lake on L at 0.47 miles. Couple of benches with view at 0.60 miles. What looks to be a former wharf and associated stone building to your R at 85947/45299 at 1.02 miles. Pass a padlocked wooden gate, estate access, at 1.09 miles. House on L at 1.13 miles. At 1.16 miles at 86005/45482 go R over two footbridges and follow a path with the river still to your R to reach the road by 5 steps up at the western end of Tresillian at 85972/45615 at 1.24 miles. There is a small lay-by CP to the R. Return by the same route to St. Clement. **(2.48 miles)**

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