

Coastal Round Walk 10 – Pendeen Watch, Chûn Castle and Quoit, Morvah - 6.34 miles

Route Directions – Full GPS Version

Pendeen Watch to Chûn Castle – 2.82 miles - gently uphill most of the way

From CP by lighthouse at 37960/35820 set off on coast path E, on lane/track towards Portheras Cove. At CP area, cross crude stile (WM) and bear R to gap to field. Follow LH fence (*view of Portheras Cove*) to end of field at 0.35 miles. Go R steeply uphill, follow LH hedge, roughly S, continue to next LH hedge and on up to near corner at 38415/35700 at 0.42 miles. Over crude sheep stile to next field. Follow LH hedge up, passing WM, to L of barns at Pendeen Manor Farm at 38438/35534 at 0.53 miles (WM). Cross plank bridge to rough ground between hedge and barn to small gate to farmyard. Cross to tall step stile to L of gate. *For Pendeen Vau fogou go R, with permission, through main farmyard.* Go L on farm lane, with house on R, to road at Pendeen Gate, at 38318/35083 at 0.83 miles. L on road for 280 yards. Opposite turning on R to Lower Boscaswell, at WM post, go L on track between hedges to Calartha Farm.

At Old Barn at 38516/34928 at 1.04 miles, go R (WM) up crude stile to narrow path between hedges, to step stile and gate to field at 38537/34930 at 1.05 miles. Ignore forward WM (*path to Portheras Farm*) and bear R, roughly E, across field to cattle stile by gate (WM) to next field. Direction is now overall SE. Follow LH hedge to cattle stile (WM) to next field and follow LH hedge to crude stile to next field. Cross field diagonally to hunting gate (WM) and crude stile to next field. Cross field to gate to lane at 38846/34770 at 1.29 miles. Cross the lane to crude stile (WM) to next field. Cross field to a crude stile to next field. Follow RH hedge to just before corner to crude stile. Follow path between hedges to road at Higher Bojewyan at 39046/34701 at 1.42 miles.

Go L on road for 225 yards to Bojewyan House on R, opposite FP from Chyrose Farm on L, at 39228/34745. Go R (*no WM*) on farm track, through farm, bearing R and L. Track now uphill between hedges, roughly SSE, (*view R to Chapel Carn Brea*) to a second fork at 39456/34072 at 2.00 miles. Take L fork, track continues grassy bearing R, becoming roughly SE, up to 600 feet, continues roughly level, rutted grassy, hedge on L, along edge of rough heathland of Woon Gumpus Common, to where a track comes in on R at 39819/33678 at 2.35 miles.

Go L over crude stile by gate (WM) on permissive path, across field to second crude stile at 39958/33759 at 2.46 miles. *Chûn Quoit now just visible ahead.* Cross track and continue uphill through open heather and furze of Chûn Downs, on narrow overgrown path, uphill directly to Chûn Quoit at 40224/33956 at 680 feet at 2.67 miles. Go R (E) on clear path, passing a Cornwall Wildlife Trust storyboard to W entrance of Chûn Castle at 40465/33953 at 710 feet at 2.82 miles. *Chûn Castle is well worth exploring.*

Chûn Castle to Morvah – 1.09 miles - easily downhill most of the way

Retrace steps to Chûn Quoit and take clear path R just before it, roughly NNE over Chûn Downs, with hedge off to L, downhill. *Watch Croft and Carn Galver in view half R, Morvah Church half L.* After a while, path bears R (*bridleway*) and continues downhill. At 40381/34323 at 3.26 miles, bridleway (WM) forks R to Chûn Farm, but take L fork. At T at 40379/34474 at 3.38 miles track goes R to Chûn Farm (Chûn Carvolth). Go L downhill on well made track. At cross track at 40366/34593 at 3.46 miles, go R (*bridleway WM*) (*track goes L to Keigwin Farm*) and, after a while, where track goes R into Crofto, continue on tarmac lane (*bridleway WM*) towards Carne Farm. *On R Cornwall Wildlife Trust Chûn Downs storyboard.*

Where lane bears R, at 40470/34813 at 3.62 miles, go L over low cattle stile (WM) into field. (*OS and mapping web site wrong here, as path shown going through Carne Farm*) Cross field (*you may have to cross an electric fence stile in the middle*) to cattle stile (WM) to next field. Cross field to massive cattle stile (WM) to next field. Follow LH hedge to cattle stile (WM) to next field. Follow LH hedge and cross cattle stile (WM) to next field. Follow LH hedge to cattle stile by gate to road at 40330/35291 at 3.96 miles. Go L on road for 60 yards. Go R on minor road into Morvah to just before church at 40240/35430 at 4.07 miles.

Morvah to Pendeen Watch – 2.27 miles - moderate coast path walking

Go R over step stile by gate (*FP sign Coast Path*) on narrow path between hedges, downhill through two kissing gates and over crude stile (WM) to Coast Path at Morvah Cliff at 40173/35903 at 4.50 miles. *View to Gurnard's Head.* Go L on Coast Path (WM), crossing stepping stones to crude stile leading to Tregaminion Cliff. You then climb, at first over muddy ground, through scrubby land to 355 feet at 39339/35884 on Chypraze Cliff. Now descend fairly steeply, with some rock steps, to awkward stepping stones over stream above Portheras Cove at 38988/35712 at 5.42 miles.

After short steepish climb, with rock steps, on to Portheras Cliff, at 38984/35711 at 5.43 miles. *A path goes down R to sandy beach of Portheras Cove.* Going now a bit rocky up to crude step stile by gate at 38791/35684 at 5.56 miles. A track is then somewhat muddy and uneven up to 150 feet. Gentle descent brings you to track at 38435/35886 at 5.87 miles. Coast Path goes L on a track uphill but you should go R down to Portheras Boat Cove at 38533/35856 for the interest (*take care on slipway*). Return to Coast Path and follow it on track, fairly steeply, up to crude stile (WM) to the small CP at 38151/35875 at 6.19 miles. Continue up on track and lane to Pendeen Watch CP at 6.34 miles.

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