

A beautiful high-level motoring circuit, but, not for the faint-hearted



This car route provides a wonderful opportunity to explore some of the wildest and most beautiful scenery in England. From Whitehaven the route follows the coast road to south of Muncaster and Ravenglass then leaves the main road to climb up onto Corney Fell. This is a single track road, with passing places, leading to a true wilderness on the high fells. Fabulous views become apparent on the left with England's highest mountains, the Scafell massif. Eventually a steep descent takes you through a lovely wooded area combined with a typical Lakeland river.

The route briefly rejoins the main road before turning off onto another single track road towards Ulpha and Seathwaite. This route leads through the Duddon valley (Dunnerdale) and provides the most scintil-

lating views anywhere.

Tiny homesteads, sheltered copses, breathtaking in the Autumn, trickling becks and magnificent mountains all contribute to the absolute delight. Photo opportunities are endless.

At a road-meet the direction to Eskdale via Hardknott pass is followed. The warning signs should not be disregarded—30% gradients, hair pin bends and a very narrow road



contribute to frayed nerves and clutches. The scenery is unforgettable.

The difficult road descends into Eskdale having passed the Roman fort

at Hard Knott and the Ravenglass & Eskdale narrow gauge steam railway. Eskdale alone is worth a visit. A lovely valley, well-wooded with



sparkling rivers and tarns. The road progresses through increasingly pastoral countryside to rejoin the main road and turn right towards Whitehaven.



The most lovely scenery, by car

Leave Glenfield and head up the hill to turn right onto the A595. Continue past Muncaster then take the left turn signed Corney. Stay on this road right through to rejoin the A595 and turn left. Over the bridge and immediate left signed Ulpha and

Seathwaite. Again, stay on this road until a three way junction to turn left signed Eskdale via Hardknott pass. Over the pass into Eskdale and continue on to rejoin the main road and turn right towards Whitehaven.



Special points of interest:

- Hair pin bends and 30% gradients on single track roads
- A true wilderness and two lovely valleys
- Muncaster castle, Ravenglass & Eskdale railway
- Hardknott Roman fort
- Overheating engines and petrified passengers
- Excellent lunch venues
- 2hours 30 minutes driving time but many stops will be taken

A MEDIUM DISTANCE MOTORING TOUR THROUGH THE MOUNTAINS

Corney Fell, Dunnerdale & Hard Knott Pass