



Exmoor

2nd to 4th February 2007 (end 3rd week)

Join Christopher and Zing for a weekend in Exmoor. We'll be staying in Northcombe Camping Barn near Dulverton which has spectacular views across the moors. Despite being one of the smaller national parks, Exmoor offers a varied range of distinctive landscapes. There's excellent walking: rugged open moorland, wooded valleys and the dramatic cliffs on the coast and we'll explore some of these areas on the trip. As well as extensive views (weather permitting!) over Exmoor and the Bristol Channel we may also get to see red deer and ponies.

The walking won't be as strenuous as in mountainous areas of the Lakes or Snowdonia. However, we're aiming to cover a reasonable distance each day and we may be on rough moorland some of the time.

All meals, transport and accommodation are included in the price except for Friday and Sunday evening meals. These will be taken in pub or motorway services and you'll need to pay separately.

Depart: Friday at about 4pm (exact time TBC).

Return: late on Sunday evening.

Cost: £49

Equipment

Please read the club's "Equipment List and Participation Statement" carefully then sign the slip at the bottom to confirm that you are happy with it. This should be given to me before we leave on Friday.

In February we could have a cold, crisp day but it could just as easily be wet and windy. You **must** have a pair of **well worn-in walking boots** that provide ankle support; we may not be on well trodden paths all day. You **must** also have a **waterproof jacket and trousers and warm clothing** (including **hat and gloves**). You can borrow waterproof trousers from the club if you don't own these yourself, please ask me for details. It is unlikely that there will be anywhere to dry clothes so please bring spare warm clothes to wear in the camping barn, for Sunday's walk and the journey home.

Extra Equipment: You will need a **sleeping bag** and a **camping mat**. You can borrow these from the club if needed, please ask for details. Please also bring enough money for the meals on Friday and Sunday evenings.

Signing Up

If you would like to come please sign up and pay at the Free Tea. Otherwise sign up by emailing Christopher and send a **cheque for £49 (payable to "OU Walking Club")** to Christopher Thomas at Merton College **to arrive before the end of 1st week (Saturday 20th January)**. If you can't pay by cheque please email me to make alternative arrangements.

Please note that you must be a club member to be allocated a place on the trip. You can join at the Free Tea or by emailing Barney the Membership Secretary (membership@ouwc.org).

Refunds: Please be aware that we cannot refund money to people who drop out unless their place is subsequently filled. If you find that you can no longer come on the trip, please contact me immediately to give yourself the best chance of a refund.

If the trip is oversubscribed, trip places will be allocated by means of a ballot (with priority being given to drivers who have passed the University minibus course and those not signed up for other trips this term). You will be contacted by email during 2nd week to confirm your place on the trip. In the event that you are unsuccessful, your payment will be returned promptly, along with details of any trips that still have places.

I hope to see you on what will be a great trip. If you have any questions please get in touch.

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