

Originally designed as a carriageway, this is a good walk through woodland and over moorland, with excellent views on a clear day.

Start & Finish: Parking area behind Bowhill House, Grid Reference NT425278

1. Turn left out of the parking area and follow the tarmac road for around 200yds. Take the first track to the right going uphill into the woodlands. Pass two large boulders on your right, then follow the wooden sign pointing to your right. Follow this route up through the forest, catching glimpses of the Ettrick Valley and Aikwood Tower through the trees.

2. After some time, you reach a gate which brings you out into open moorland. Follow the track up the hill, taking the right fork and passing through another gate. The track sweeps round to the right passing a line of grouse butts on the left. Pass through a further gate.

3. Shortly afterwards, the track divides. Take the right hand track crossing moorland and eventually descending towards Black Andrew Wood. Go through the gate and continue to follow the track down through the wood until you reach a tarmac road.

4. Turn right along the road passing Newark Tower. After a further mile, take the right fork, heading back up the driveway towards Bowhill House and the starting point.



Newark Tower



Walking the Duchess's Drive