

## Coastal Walk – 3 miles

# Little Dartmouth, South Devon

A beautiful walk between Dartmouth and Stoke Fleming with spectacular views over the River Dart estuary. This coastal area has interesting geology and glacial features which has created many landforms over millennia including the 'ria' – a feature formed from the deep valleys that were flooded in peri-glacial times. Dartmouth's deep water harbour is a ria.

### Getting there:

**Road:** From Dartmouth take the B3205 to Stoke Fleming and follow signs at cross-roads to Little Dartmouth Farm

**Car parks:** Little Dartmouth

**Foot:** part of the route is on the South West Coast Path

**Bus:** (B=bus stop) Service to Stoke Fleming from Dartmouth

For public transport information visit [www.traveline.org.uk](http://www.traveline.org.uk)

**Maps and start grid ref:** OS Landranger 202, GR SX874491, Explorer OL20

**Facilities available:** Toilets at Dartmouth Castle (English Heritage), Shops and pubs available in Dartmouth

**Terrain:** Moderate walking conditions, some steep climbs, walking boots advised

**Distance:** 3 miles

**Accessibility:** Height gain of approximately 110m over the walk. Cliffs are dangerous- children should be supervised

**Points of interest:** Follow the path from the car park down to the cliffs. Continue on this path looking out for the following features:

- 1 Combe Point- spectacular views over the whole of Start Bay
- 2 Willow Cove- dramatic cliffs here over which peregrine regularly hunt. The grassland in summer is full of wildflowers which attract many species of butterfly
- 3 Compass cove- lovely sheltered beach to watch the yachts and boats going up and down the River Dart
- 4 Gallants Bower- civil war fort and woodland
- 5 Coastguard cottages- privately owned

Return to car park by retracing footsteps and then bearing right just beyond the coastguard cottages towards Little Dartmouth Farm

**Property contact details:** Tel 01803 752776

**National Trust properties nearby:** Greenway, Coletton Fishacre

