



MORETONHAMPSTEAD CYCLE ROUTES

ROUTE NO:2 NORTH MOOR CIRCUIT

This route is best undertaken in an anti-clockwise direction and is fairly challenging. There are excellent views with some demanding climbs, including what is considered to be the best road on Dartmoor. The road back to Moretonhampstead is exposed and the weather can change quickly, so be prepared!,

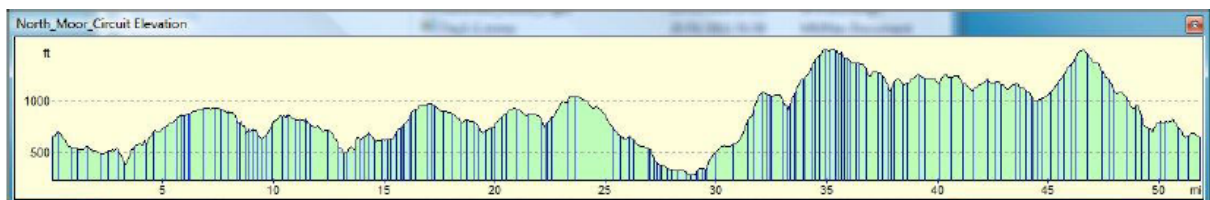
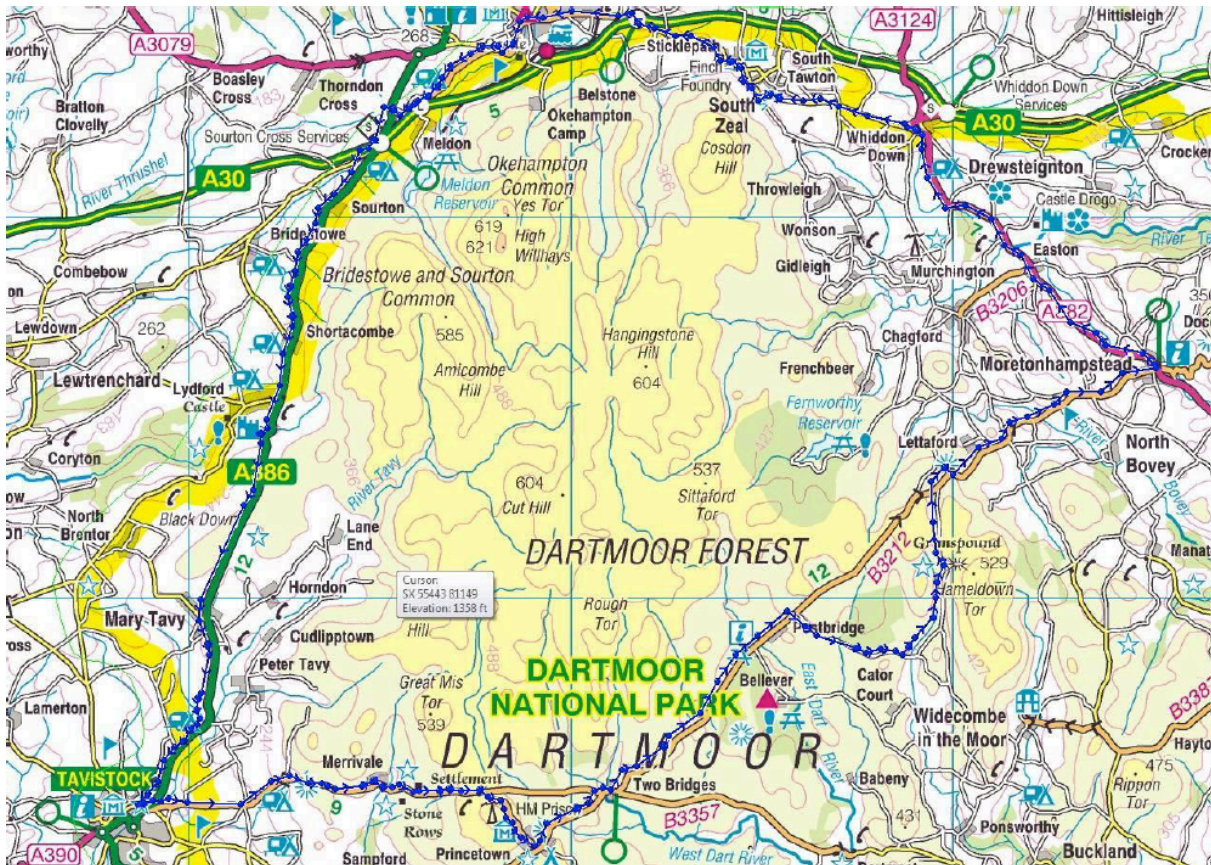
The A386 Okehampton to Tavistock road can be busy at peak times but is generally okay. It can be avoided by using the Granite Way from Okehampton Station to Lydford. But for a road bike there is a short (200 yard) section, which necessitates walking.

START & FINISH	Moretonhampstead SX753860
DISTANCE	52 miles
ASCENT	5,400 feet
ESTIMATED TIME	
At 12mph	4h 20m
At 14mph	3h 42m
At 16mph	3h 15m

DIRECTIONS	DISTANCE (m)
Leave the town on the A382 north towards Whiddon Down and at the roundabout turn left onto the old A30	6
Continue to Okehampton and in the centre of town go straight on at the traffic lights to climb Castle Hill.	12
Fork left where the road flattens out and descend past the inn to a short climb. Turn right here, just before the A30 to reach the A386. Turn left and pass Sourton Down services.	16
Follow the A386 through Mary Tavy and past Kelly College. Turn left B3357 towards Princetown.	30
After the 6 mile climb, at the top of the hill, turn right past the prison and then left at the roundabout in the centre of Princetown.	36
Continue to pass the Two Bridge Hotel and then turn left onto the B3212 to Postbridge and its famous clapper bridge.	40
In a mile cross a cattle grid and turn right, passing Runnage Farm, then Soussons Wood. Over 2 cattle grids, and turn left just over the bridge. Follow this road back to the B3212 and turn right, taking care, to Moretonhampstead.	52



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THERE ARE TWO CAR PARKS IN MORETONHAMPSTEAD TOGETHER WITH CAFES, PUBS AND PUBLIC TOILETS. IT'S A GREAT PLACE TO STAY AND ALSO THE STARTING POINT FOR A NUMBER OF CHALLENGING RIDES FOR YOU TO ENJOY!