Coastal View Hop

(Hunmanby Sands, Hunmanby Gap, Reighton Gap & Hunmanby)

Grade: Moderate/Hard

Distance: 23km return

Terrain: Minor roads and a cycle path along the A165 with 3 steep descents and climbs.

Description: This route takes you to a selection of the beautiful beaches along Filey Bay. It involves a number of steep climbs and part of the route requires cycling along and crossing the A165, though there are designated cycle paths at these points. The stunning views make any effort well worthwhile! The circular version of the route, takes you back via the picturesque village of Hunmanby with yet more sea views en route.

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Refreshments: Wide variety in Filey Town Centre, Cafe at Hunmanby Gap, shops, cafes and pubs in Hunmanby

Start: Filey Town Centre

1. Filey to Hunmanby Sands (approx 4.5km)

Turn right out of the BikeAbout shop and go left at the T junction. Follow the road round as it bears right and, after a short distance, turn left at the junction. You will immediately pass The Star Inn on your right and will come to another junction, where you should turn right (Mitford Street). Cycle past all the shop until you arrive at Church Street. Go round to your left, passing Cammish Outdoor shop on your left and you will immediately arrive a mini-roundabout, where you will see a fuel station on your left. Take care here as it can get busy with traffic. Turn left until you reach the next mini roundabout, where you take the main A1039 out of Filey (2nd exit), passing the bus station, where the designated cycle route starts on the road on later takes you onto the path. At the roundabout, turn left alongside the busy A165 but stick to the path, which is designated cycle route all the way, though is not well signed at the start. A short distance after crossing the railway, turn left onto Primrose Valley Road which takes you through a small residential area with Primrose Valley Holiday Park on your right. Turn left onto Cliff Road, which takes you downhill straight onto the beach at Hunmanby Sands.

1. Hunmanby sands to Hunmanby Gap (approx 3.5km)

Cycle back the same way until you reach the A165. Turn left again sticking to the designated cycle path, which is clearly signed at this point on the route. Pass the main entrance to Primrose Valley on your left and then pass The Bay. At the roundabout, turn left by following the cycle route sign. Take an immediate left turn, signed to Hunmanby Gap and follow the road downhill to the beach. Don’t travel too quickly or you’ll miss the views! You’ll find a cafe at the bottom of the road if you need a break before the climb back up. Access to the beach itself is via a short footpath.

1. Hunmanby Gap to Reighton Gap (approx 3.5km)

Head back up the hill and at the T junction (before you get to the main roundabout with the A165, turn left towards Reighton. There is no designated cycle path at this point but the road is fairly quiet. Follow the road for just over 1km and then turn left, following the sign to Reighton Gap. At the end of the road, you’ll find a small car park and a lovely view. The route down to the beach is a footpath and it’s quite a clamber down.

1. Reighton Gap to Hunmanby (5.5km)

Travel back up the hill (your last big one!). You can now shorten your route by heading back into Filey the same way. If you’d prefer to avoid a big chunk of the A165 and enjoy some more sea views, make your way back via the village of Hunmnanby. Turn left at the junction towards the village of Reighton. After a short distance, turn right, following the blue cycle route 1 signs. After passing under the road bridge, turn right towards Hunmanby. The road involves a little more climbing but keep looking right to enjoy the distant views of Fily Bay. After approximately 2km, you’ll cross the railway. Go straight ahead at the mini roundabout, along Hunmanby’s main street.

1. Hunmanby to Filey (6km)

Just past the church, turn right onto Stonegate and follow the road as it sweeps round to the right and then left. Continue along the road as it takes you out of the village. At the junction, turn left, passing The Royal Oak pub on your left. When you reach the A165, turn left towards Filey. If you wish to follow the cycle path, you’ll need to cross the road and pick it up at the other side. Take the 2nd exit at the roundabout and you’re back on the main road into Filey.