

EMMA'S STORY

Location: Clipstone

Distance: 2.5 miles | Estimated time: 2 hours

Emma has been gathering stories in exchange for objects, as she attempts to understand the forces that have shaped this landscape, and in doing so learn more about the hidden secrets of her past. She is joined by those who work on this site, as shepherds, bailiffs, and bakers.

This walk starts and ends at the Vicar Water Country Park car park, near to the Visitor Centre and Rumbles café. Walking alongside the duck pond we ascend to the top of the hill overlooking the headstocks. We walk along this ridge, pass through two viewing points, and then cross Beard's Meadow descending via a steep path to Vicar Pond. From here we follow the water and the fishing pitches back to the car park, ending (if open) at Rumbles café. The walk is on a variety of paths and depending on the weather these may be slightly wet and muddy. The path down to Vicar Pond is steep and so care will need to be taken.

There are a total of 16 tracks on this walk, with regular stops along the way. There are also sections when the audio is playing as you walk.



The stops are:

- 1 The Visitor Centre car park
- 2 Viewing station at the Duck Pond
- 3 Wooden post at the bottom of the hill
- 4 Bench overlooking the Headstocks
- 5 Butterfly interpretation panel
- 6 Bench overlooking the Forest
- 7 Gate by Bower Hill Heath
- 8 Top of the hill looking onto Clipstone
- 9 Bench overlooking the Forest
- 10 Vicar Water viewing station
- 11 Butterfly interpretation panel
- 12 Bench before the steep descent
- 13 Bench by the stile coming out onto Vicar Pond
- 14 Bench by the fishing pitches
- 15 Path along Vicar Pond
- 16 Rumbles café

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