



walks



LOCATION: WEST MAINLAND

ROUTE: KEELYLANG FROM FINSTOWN



DISTANCE

9km



GRADE

3



DURATION

2.5hrs

A fine out-and-back walk with outstanding views, varied terrain, and one of Orkney's finest Neolithic chambered cairns thrown in for good measure

Route guide

- 1) Start at the Firth Community Centre in Finstown (HY3638 1339). Follow the minor road past the right of the hall and continue on grass track for 600m.
- 2) When the field on the left finishes, turn left to head uphill on heathery ground to reach the stone cairns at Cuween (HY3636 1274).
- 3) After descending briefly to the east to visit Cuween Chambered Cairn, return to your route, heading southwest for just a few metres before crossing diagonally where two paths meet and follow the way marked St Magnus Way post to head uphill.
- 4) Keep left where the route meets another track (HY3619 1245) and after another 200m turn left off the track to follow a line of waymarked posts leading across open hill ground.
- 5) After 400m, where the route meets the vehicular track (HY 3652 1179), turn right to head uphill for 2.6km to reach the summit of Keelylang Hill (HY 3782 1029).
- 6) Return to start by outbound route.

For further details and mapping information, find the walk on [Orkney.com/walking](https://www.orkney.com/walking)

Make sure you follow our guide to being a responsible visitor:



Pick up litter, taking it home with you or using any bins provided.



Keep your dog under strict control around farmland and livestock, and clean up after pets too. Don't take your dog through fields with young livestock in them.



Avoid lighting fires or BBQs on moorland or in the countryside, and if you do have a BBQ or bonfire on a beach, please clean up afterwards.



If possible, stick to designated walking and cycling routes when you're out exploring, and be respectful of private property.



Use gates where they're provided and, if they're closed when you find them, close them again after passing through.



Avoid disturbing any natural flora, fauna or wildlife habitats.

It's always worth reading up on the Scottish Outdoor Access Code before you explore Orkney too.