## **Cupid's Ramble Crumble**

This is one of four family friendly walks exploring the Montgomery Canal and nearby countryside



- Crosses farmland with livestock, keep dogs on a lead\*
- Great for blackberrying in autumn

\*Cows are curious creatures and may want to come and have a look at you. They don't like dogs much, so only take your dog if you are confident around livestock. Keep your dog on a lead.

The walk starts from the Canal & River Trust car park opposite the Queen's Head Pub (SY11 4EB). Follow this waymark



Queens

## 3 miles 2 hrs | Easy

Turn left at Lock 2 across a footbridge into a boggy field. Follow the left-hand hedge to a kissing gate. Go straight on across the next field to another gate. Take care, cows live here. If in the way, go around them.

Follow the right-hand hedge, past the house at Cupid's Ramble to a gate into a narrow lane.

Climb the stile in the opposite bank. field towards the first telegraph post. Then go on steering to the right of the next post. You will see the gate in

the hedge ahead. Montgomery Canal

the views are lovely. You can see the Breidden Hill and Rodney's Pillar off to the right. The canal follows the Welsh hills rolling south down the border.

This is the highest point of the walk and

Cross the fields aiming to the left of the clump of scrubby trees in the field then on towards the church at West Felton.

Take care to keep your dog on a lead if there are sheep. The motte in front of the church is the site of a wooden Saxon castle, built to protect the lands around here from fierce Welsh raiders. To explore the churchyard, step up the stile across from the motte. The motte itself is on private land.

Turn right at the motte to exit by the right hand corner into the lane. Go right following the lane to eventually reach where you crossed it (Point 3). Go left back past Cupid's Ramble to the canal.

> In autumn, the ancient hedges along the lane are heavy with blackberries, damsons and other fruits. Fill a bucket and make a ton of crumble!







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