

Lickle Crag



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Lickle Crag

OS Ref: **SD 240 941**

Alt: **280m**

Delightful climbing in a lovely secluded valley. Tucked away to the east of the Duddon is the beautiful hidden valley of the River Lickle. Of a number of small crags on Caw, overlooking the river, Lickle Crag is the largest.

There are details of the early routes, with topo, in the FRCC guidebook Duddon & Wrynose - Page 358. below are details of all routes to date.



Grades

- 10
- 5
- 1

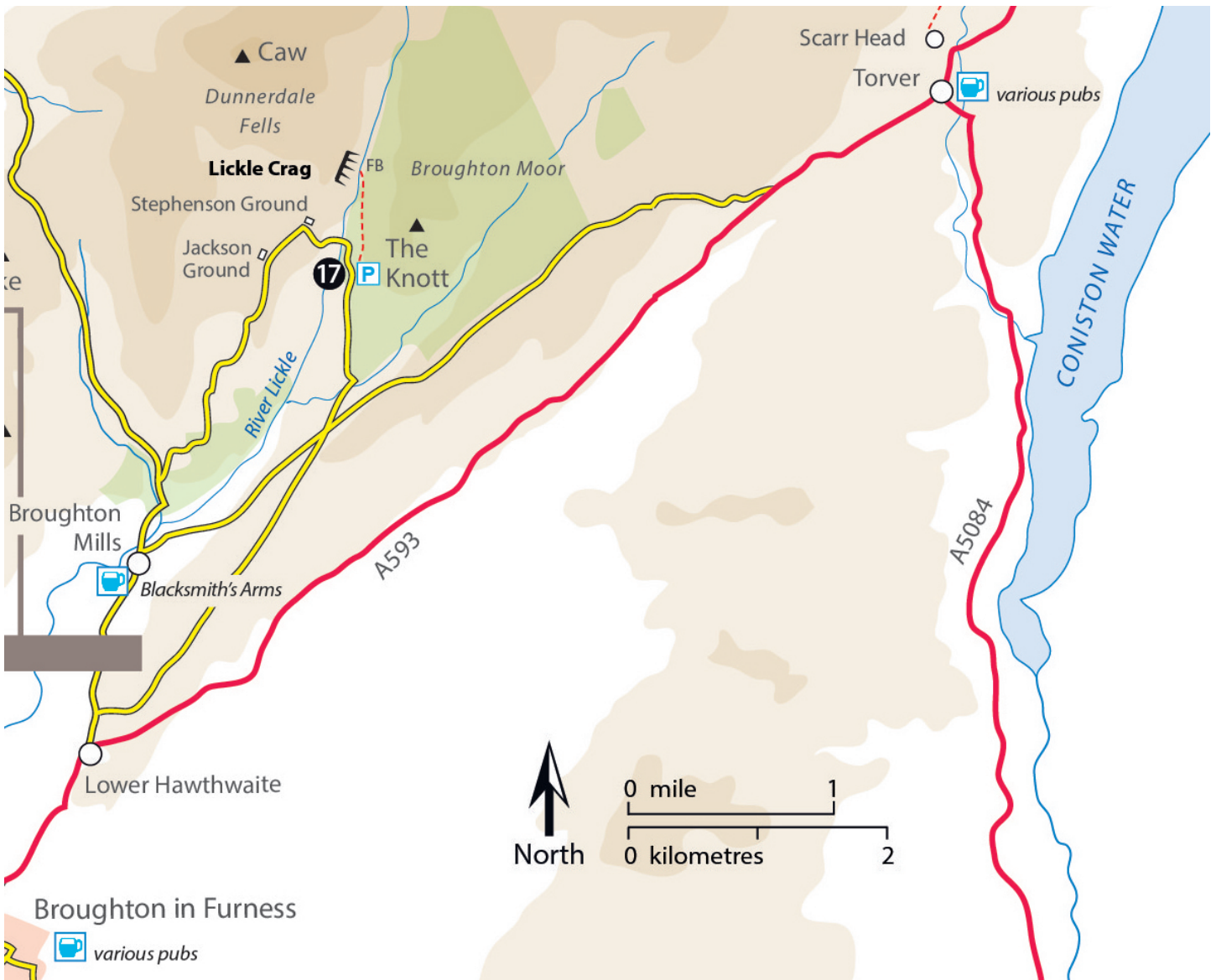
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Lickle River Crag parking (17)

Approach

From the gate follow a path north to join the forestry road. Hike along this for a kilometre until the crag can be seen to the west across the river. Head left down a wet path and cross a slate footbridge. A slightly longer approach is to follow the road to Stephenson Ground and take the bridleway on the west bank of the river.

Descent

To the left and down grass.




Lickle Crag - map of area



Lickle Crag

Lickle Crag

20 mins Aspect: **East** 
 Lat/Lng: [54.336638854073, -3.1690181168324](#)

1 Lick VS 4c 25m

Climb the line of flake corners and slabs to finish.

7.03.2021 E Rogers, RO Graham

2 Tickle VS 4b 25m

A stubborn start through a pod leads to a groove. Climb this to ledges on the left. Finish up the cracked wall.

2.03.2021 E Rogers, RO Graham, SR Scott

3 Lickdown HVS 5a 25m

Climb the slab left of the small prominent block. A tricky move leads to a ledge. Continue following grooves and cracks to a block belay.

28.02.2021 RO Graham, E Rogers

4 A Lickle Adventure VS 4b 25m

This fine pitch swaggers right and left up the central wall to the highest point following the best holds. Flake and block belay.

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5 An Almost Pleasurable Sensation of Fright HVS 4c 25m

A direct unerring line of [A Lickle Adventure](#) gives the best climbing on the crag.

02.2021

Lower half - RO Graham, E Rogers; Upper half P Sterling, N Hooker, S Scott

6 Morning Sun VS 4b 25m

Enjoyable climbing on positive holds. Follow a white streak for 7m to a ledge and continue up clean slabs to finish.

28.02.2021 E Rogers, RO Graham

7 Reet Petite VS 4b 27m

Climb the slabs to the right of the white streak and trend left to finish.

1.03.2021 E Rogers, P Sterling, R Somerville

8 Fiscal Stimulus E1 5b † New 27m

Start just left of [One For Roger](#), cross this to climb the shield by a faint groove. Keep right to finish.

16.03.2021 E Rogers, RO Graham

9 One For Roger HS 4b † New 27m

Takes the easiest line up the crag starting right of [Reet Petite](#).

16.03.2021 E Rogers, RO Graham

10 Sterling Crisis E1 5b † 25m

Climb a slab to the roof. Heave across rightwards then climb a crack and slabs trending left over grass ledges to the block belay.

2.03.2021 RO Graham, E Rogers, SR Scott

11 Gold Standard E1 5b † 18m

Start up the easy-looking (!) ramp. Move right at the break (cam and nut low on right). Take the first weakness in the overhang and climb the tricky wall above. Gold coloured gear essential : red and gold Dragons plus 2.5 and 3 tech Friends.

5.03.2021 RO Graham, E Rogers

12 Black Tuesday E1 5a † New 19m

A bold start above a nasty landing may be HVS if you find the runners, Climb the flat flange-like holds above the ridged spike. Move right on the break then climb straight up to the tree.

7.03.2021 RO Graham, E Rogers

13 Double Dip E1 5b † New 21m

Start Between [Black Tuesday](#) and [On The Money](#) just right of a block. Climb up to a good bracketed hold to gain the V slot/offset crack and ledges. Move right across a slab to climb the left side of the headwall.

18.03.2021 RO Graham, E Rogers

14 On The Money HVS 4c † New 20m

Well-protected but sustained. Climb a blocky ramp then traverse left (low cam) and up a slanting wall to the finish of [Gold Standard](#).


5.03.2021 RO Graham, E Rogers

15 Closing Bell HVS 5a † New 20m

Start as for [On The Money](#) but climb straight up passing a small roof with difficulty. Continue up cracks to climb the right side of the headwall.

16.03.2021 RO Graham, E Rogers

Lickle Crag - North

 22 mins Aspect: **East** 
Lat/Lng: [54.337508](#) , [-3.169547](#)

Introduction

A smaller companion to [Lickle Crag](#) about 150m further north and not very visible until you get to it, which probably explains why it has been overlooked. Oh and because it's a bit vegetated & not as good as [Lickle Crag](#) !

Approach

Approach as for [Lickle Crag](#). then contour up the valley for about 100m, cross a gap in the dry stone wall and the North Crag is 50m further on.



Lickle Crag - North

1 A Lickle Further North HVS 4c  **New** 15m

From the left-hand side of the crag climb a short wall to a ledge at 3m which leads rightwards to the centre of the wall. Climb straight up to the highest point of the crag via a fine finishing crack. A little earthy but would clean up with traffic. Belay on blocks well back.

18.06.2022 D Scott-Maxwell, A Gittins