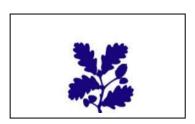
# **Accessibility Guide for Mortehoe**

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https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/mortehoe



# Contact for accessibility enquiries: Ranger Office/ Tourist Information Centre



#### Welcome

Mortehoe is the gateway to a wild, remote coast with a rich history of wrecking and smuggling, Even though this area may feel remote many of the paths have level access including the well maintained driveway to Bull Point lighthouse. During the summer there are regular tractor trailer rides in the area allowing all to enjoy this spectacular piece of coast and the vast array of wildlife (including over 100 bird species) that lives here.

#### At a Glance

## **3** Level Access

- There is level access to:
  - Woolacombe and Mortehoe Tourist Information Centre (TIC)
  - The walk to Bull Point lighthouse

#### **Q** General

There is one public toilet for disabled visitors.

#### **Getting here**

Mortehoe Near Woolacombe

# Travel by public transport

- You can get to Morthoe by bus and train.
- The bus stop is in Mortehoe Village outside the Post Office. Bus routes are: Filers 303 from Barnstaple. Filers 31 from Ilfracombe.
- The nearest train station is Barnstaple. The train station is 13 miles from Morthoe.
- Barnstaple Station is reached via the regular Great Western rail link from Exeter.
- You can get a taxi with Beeline in Barnstaple by calling 01271 322117. The taxi company has a wheelchair accessible vehicle.

# **Parking**

- There is a car park locate in the village centre. There is one marked accessible parking space. Parking is not free.
- The car park is operated by North Devon Council. There are summer and winter charges (13 March 31 October 1 November 14 March).
- The pay machine takes only pound and silver coins.
- There is a dog waste bin at the car park.



Entrance to car park



Disabled parking space



Pay machine



Summer and winter charges apply

#### **Arrival**

In the car park there is a map with details of local walks.







Sign to Lighthouse by car park

#### **Getting around inside**



#### Ticket/ information desk

#### Woolacombe and Mortehoe Tourist Information Centre (TIC) (in Woolacombe)

- The Tourist Information Centre is located in Woolacombe. It is possible to park nearby.
- From the road to the desk, there is a level access route to the rear entrance.
- The entrance door is 860mm wide, or more.
- The front entrance is accessed by 7 steps.
- The Tourism Information Centre works in partnership with the National Trust and can join you as a National Trust member.
- Opening days and times vary according to high/low season and holidays.
- RADAR keys to access disabled toilets are available.
- The Office holds a list of local accessible accommodation and can advise on places for refreshments.



Information Board outside TIC



**Tourist Information Centre** 





Rear entrance - level access

Internal view

#### **Public toilet**

#### Mortehoe Car Park (operated by North Devon Council)

- There is a public toilet for disabled visitors.
- You need a RADAR key to open the accessible toilet.
- RADAR key is available from the Post Office when open. It is opposite the entrance to the car park.
- From car parking spaces to the public toilet, there is level access. The toilet door is 990mm wide.
- The direction of transfer is to the right.
- There is 1260mm at the side of the toilet. There is 920mm in front of the toilet. The toilet seat is 490mm high. The toilet has handrails.
- There is a baby changing table, sensor operated flush and wash basin, emergency pull cord.



Toilet block



Toilet with baby changing table

## **Getting around outside**

# No Designated Walking Trail

## **Mortehoe Car Park to Bull Point Lighthouse (return)**

- The trail is 5000 metres long. The trail has a hard surface. There is one access gate on leaving the village. The trail has sloped sections.
- The driveway to Bull Point lighthouse is owned by Trinity House. It is a public footpath. No wheeled vehicles are permitted to use the driveway without prior consent from Trinity House. The driveway is used by cars to access the holiday cottages at Bull Point.

 There is one wooden seat along the route, approx 400m before Bull Point. The seat does not have level access.





Gate with side access gate near start

Part of the route



Last part of the route



Sole wooden seat

## Note: Designated Walking Trail

#### **Mortehoe Car Park to Morte Point (return)**

- The trail is 4000 metres long. Much of the trail has a loose surface.
- There is one access gate near the start. The main gate is kept locked.
  The side gate is 1100mm wide.
- The trail is sloped and uneven in many places.
- It is possible to take a mobility scooter for the first 500m for good views.
- There are wooden seats on some routes some with and some without a back rest.
- There are plenty of areas to stop and picnic with lovely views.



Gate near start of route



Early part of the route



Route near Morte Point



Rocky and uneven at Morte Point



Seating near access gate



Coast path from Morte to Bull Point

#### **Customer care support**

## **Accessibility equipment**

 You can hire mobility equipment from Braunton Mobility see: https://www.brauntonmobility.co.uk/ by calling 01271 814577.

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