o' Groats isn't the most northerly point either!' Well said, that man. He might have added their neither of the popular venues are at the most distant points of the British mainland as the crow flies, unlike Lizard Point.

As usual in this series, OS 1:25,000 map sections are included. Having photographs taken from land shows different views from what is seen from the water, the Devil's Frying Pan being explained particularly clearly, for example.

15 Short Walks Cornwall Land's End & Penzance



Phil Turner Cicerone 978 1 78631 174 0 2024 170 x 120mm 94 pages, paperback £9.95

Another Cornish guide, this one relates to west Cornwall, from Hayle round to Penzance, and complements Phil Turner's Lizard walks. Most of the routes are on the coast or within sight of it.

Many of the pictures are seascapes, sweeping bays or long stretches of cliffs, frequently dotted with chimneys and other tin mine structures. Coastal panoramas show details that cannot always be seen from sea level, including what the water is doing.

Sections of OS 1:25,000 map put names to many features, geological and archaeological, in this ancient landscape.

As usual, carparks, public transport, toilets and places to eat and drink are included, resources that can be thinly spread at times in this remote area.

15 Short Walks Exmoor



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Steve Davison

About half the walks in this guidebook are coastal, between Coombe Martin and Porlock Weir, thus with plenty of views from the cliffs. Even Dunkery Beacon and Withycombe

Common, well inland, are in sight of the coast. Inland routes often follow rivers, the East Lyn, the Aller, the Washford River, the Barle included in no less than three of the walks, as are Badgworthy Water and Wimbleball Lake.

Maps are OS 1:25,000 again and all walks are circular.

The author's longer walking books include Walking in the Thames Valley (Apr 2009, p50) and Walking the Kennet & Avon Canal (Nov 2016, p37).

15 Short Walks Orkney Islands



Graham Uney Cicerone 978 1 78631 193 1 2024 170 x 120mm 95 pages, paperback £9.95

All the routes in this guide are coastal or close, a coast with cliffs, arches, stacks, geos and blowholes, often appearing in the photographs. In addition are some of the most important Neolithic sites in

western Europe and some more recent ones, including Scapa Flow.

Logistics of getting to Orkney, getting around, accommodation and obtaining food and drink in an area where resources are limited are all addressed in this group of islands.

The book draws from the author's Walking on the Orkney & Shetland Isles (Nov 22, p37).

15 Short Walks Shetland Islands

Graham Unev Cicerone 978 1 78631 194 8 2024 170 x 120mm 95 pages, paperback £9.95

This is the other set of short walks by the author of Walking on the Orkney & Shetland Isles. As with Orkney, they are nearly all coastal walks and there are plenty of coastal photographs.

'Shetland is packed with amazing things to see. Probably the most immediately obvious, whether you arrive by sea or air, is the stunning coastline. Here are the massive sea cliffs, deep voes, sheltered bays, islands, skerries, and some of the finest white-sand beaches in the world.

'Adding colour and excitement to the coast is the wildlife. Shetland's shores are home to some of the world's most important seabird colonies, and in the summer months it is impossible to go to any sea cliff here and not see birds.' The introduction goes on to list some species with seals, otters and Shetland ponies.

15 Short Walks Isle of Mull

Terry Marsh Cicerone 978 1 78631 195 5 2024 170 x 120mm 92 pages, paperback £9.95

Most of the routes in this guide are coastal with plenty of seascapes included in the pictures, some of which are quite large. Even so, rivers are not overlooked and rapids on the Coladoir River on

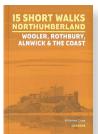
the Ross of Mull warrant a full page photograph. A double page spread of Rubha nan Gall and its lighthouse is taken from the Sound of Mull but most are coastal views from land.

'Great swathes of Mull are accessible only on foot, far from outside help.' Routes often lead to water so approach may also be possible by boat.

The southern end of Iona (May 22, p25) gets a chapter, as does Ulva (Nov 20, p29) where Johnson, Boswell and Livingstone all feature although, surprisingly, there is no mention of the Clearances, particularly bad here.

As usual, there are contacts for the providers of various services and the book ends with a short dictionary of Gaelic terms. If you want more detail, see the author's Walking on the Isle of Mull (Nov 19, p40).

15 Short Walks Northumberland Wooler, Rothbury, Alnwick



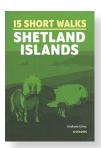
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Half of the routes in this book are coastal, between St Mary's Island and Berwick, including some dramatic castle sites. The rest often include rivers, the Coquet at Rothbury, the Aln at

Alnwick and Alnmouth, the Breamish at Ingram, Wooler Water at Wooler and the Tweed at Berwick.

There are long sandy beaches, big skies and not a lot of people, a chance to leave the world behind and get back to nature and sweeping scenery.

Her other books reviewed here have all related to the Lake District.



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