

Snowdrop Valley is home to a beautiful spectacle when thousands upon thousands of tiny white flowers push through the cold earth to create a carpet of white snowdrops, heralding the beginning of spring in this sheltered corner of Exmoor. Once a secret known only to locals, this floral extravaganza now attracts visitors from all over the UK.

Snowdrop Valley itself includes the former site of a sawmill, which was powered by the River Avill running through the valley, and processed larch and oak from the surrounding woods.

Cutcombe Parish Council runs the Park and Ride Service to allow visitors access to this remote valley, with the support of Exmoor National Park, and with the permission of land owner Badgworthy Land Company (who also own the famous Doone Valley).

Wheddon Cross is the highest village on Exmoor, grew when the Minehead to Bampton turnpike was built in the 1820s. Together with Cutcombe, it is home to a church; primary school; village hall; public house; petrol station; shop and accommodation.

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Snowdrop Valley 2019 Wheddon Cross



Saturday 2nd February to Sunday 3rd March
Buses running into the valley 9th to 24th February

BUSES (Saturday 9th February to Sunday 24th February)

Depart Rest and Be Thankful car park regularly 10:30am - 3.30pm
Last bus back from the valley 4:30pm

Bus waiting times may vary during busy periods. Please take the opportunity to enjoy some refreshments in one of the establishments

FARES (return trip)

Adult £6 Senior Citizen £5 Children 5-15 £2

Children under 5 free with an adult. Dogs carried at driver's discretion.

PARKING

All Parking at the Cattle Market - £2 per car to include one Walking Map.

WALKING

See Walking maps - available at the car park.

All visitors are welcomed to Snowdrop Valley and are reminded to wear suitable warm and waterproof winter clothing together with sturdy walking footwear.

The paths in and around Snowdrop Valley can be very muddy.

FURTHER INFORMATION AND MOBILITY PASSES

Mobility passes are available from 2nd to 8th February and 25th February to 3rd March, please email: snowdropvalley@gmail.com for more information.

Tel: 07507 797169 (while Snowdrop Valley is open)

Website: www.wheddoncross.org.uk/snowdropvalley

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/WheddonCrossCutcombe>

Please note that Drapers Way is closed to all motor traffic from 2nd February to 3rd March. Full information is provided in the Snowdrop Valley Information Trailer.

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Walking maps are available from the Snowdrop Valley Trailer - £1 each.

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