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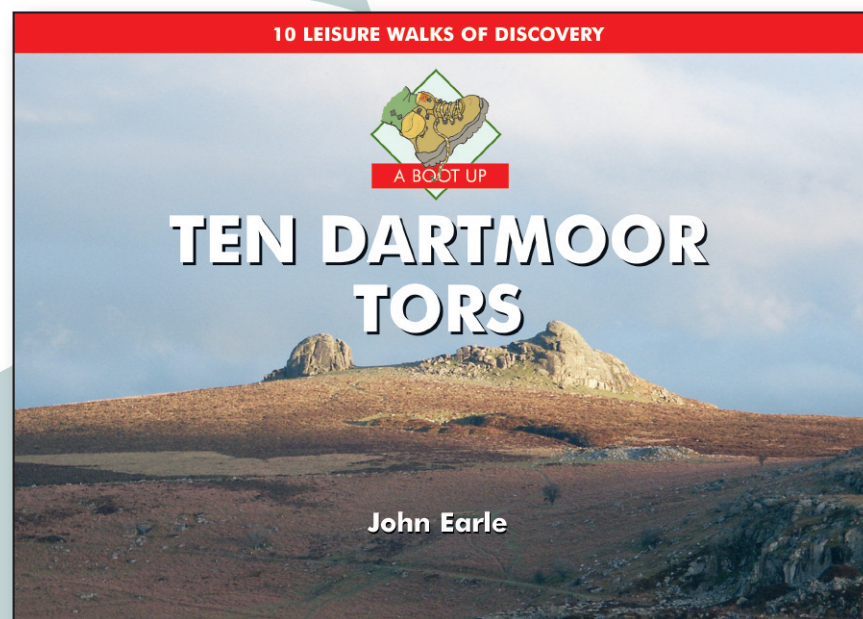
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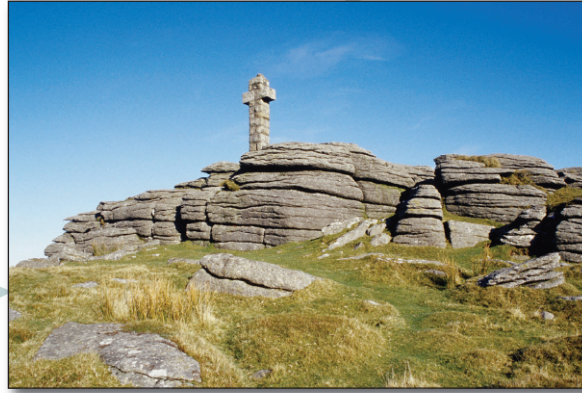
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The start is near Cold East Cross which is a splendidly apt name. It is a bitter place. Whenever there is mist, rain, frost or snow on Dartmoor you will find it here, probably all day! About 400 yards north of the causeway, along the road, you will see a lay-by and a track on your left when you can park. Widecombe-in-the-Moor is nearby with two pubs.

Level: 900'  
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