

COUNTRYSIDE WALKS IN BRACKNELL FOREST



The Winkfield Circuit

2.8 miles / 4.5km – 1½ hours

This anti-clockwise walk starts at the car park for St Mary's Parish Church in Winkfield, off Church Road - grid reference SU904724 – where there is limited parking available.

Leave the car park next to St Mary's Church - which dates from the 13th century – and follow the public footpath through the left-hand side of the churchyard. Pass through a swing gate at the back of the churchyard and follow the path diagonally across the fields which were once common land in the days before Agricultural Inclosure around 1817.

Turn left where the footpath emerges onto a tarmac road and follow this, past the Cottage Inn and a number of half-timbered houses, for about 400m until you reach the road junction with Church Road. Turn left here and after another 200m take a public footpath on the right, alongside Albany House. Follow this path south for almost 700m to cross The Cut (stream) by a wooden footbridge. The Cut flows east to west, passing through the parishes of Warfield and Binfield before heading north to join the River Thames near Bray.

Follow the footpath for a further 400m before turning left when the path emerges onto a surfaced lane (Grove Lane). After a short distance turn left again, alongside a house with stone figureheads carved onto the wall – Hollington House. Follow the gravel drive and where this bends away to the right, continue straight on along the footpath, crossing several stiles.

After about 600m the path turns left to skirt around a large field, before turning sharp right and then emerging onto Braziers Lane another 300m on. Turn left along this tarmac road and cross The Cut a second time by Coopers Bridge.

Follow the verge along Braziers Lane for about 350m, then turn left onto a public footpath where the road bends to the right. Continue along this path for approx. 400m until you reach Church Road. Turn left along the pavement to return to St Mary's Church.

Further walks available online at:

<http://www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/leis-walking.htm>

(or from "Walks" under the website A-Z)