

Miles Without Stiles

Broadway Village



This short loop walk takes in some of the fascinating old buildings and history of the picturesque Cotswold village of Broadway. It is a perfect accompaniment to an afternoon's shopping with refreshment available at the nearby pubs and tearooms.

Distance: 2.9 kilometres/
1¾ miles (1½ hours) with ups
and downs of 20m or 66ft

Start: The Horse & Hounds
public house - Broadway
High Street SP099/375

Route:

The walk starts opposite the Horse & Hounds public house which can be found on the High Street, 100 metres west of the sharp left turn for Leamington Road. There is a narrow passage signposted Activity Park and Picnic Area.

Follow this passage for 30 metres until it opens into the village recreation ground. Follow the main path between two fences 15 metres apart, to the gate in the bottom right hand corner of the recreation ground.

Go through this gate and continue in the same direction to the gates and footbridge at the tree-covered stream.

After crossing the bridge, continue with the fence line on your right to the gate in the next field boundary. Go through this gate into an open field and bear very slightly left towards a gate in the hedge with a culvert on the far side. **1**

Crossing here, keep the fence on your left before heading for the far right hand corner of the field, passing a paddock boundary hedge to reach a gate into Snowhill Road opposite Mill Hay House. **2**

Turn left along Snowhill Road for 300 metres to reach St Eadburgha's Church. **3** The church is generally open to visitors throughout the year and has examples of early English, Norman and Gothic architecture.

To return to Broadway, turn left from the church gate to retrace your steps along Snowhill Road. Be careful of traffic along the road; you will pass Broadway Court, with its intricate carvings above the front door, the mill and pond are on the left. Further on, there are thatched and stone cottages. On the approach to the village, the church of St Michael's is on the right, as is the Crown & Trumpet public house. Abbots Grange is on the left, opposite the turning for the village green.

4 Turn right alongside the village green and follow the High Street back to the starting point.

