

renovated mill house. Now skirt around the edge of some old buildings belonging to the trout farm and over the sleeper-bridge and then the field beyond.

7. Follow the path towards a ditch and line of trees, to the remains of the old railway line. Cross over a stile and continue past a small stone building on your right to a field gate to join the busy road once again, cross carefully to the footway and head back towards Kirkbymoorside.

What you can see

- Kirkbymoorside—a small market town with a manor dating back to 1086 and a 17th century market cross. It had two castles, but sadly very little evidence of them can be seen today
- The path through Robin Hood's Howl was an ancient Celtic Pannier Way
- St Gregory's Minster (see photo below)
- Howkeld Mill
- Welburn Hall



At a glance

How far?	6 miles (9.25km)
How hard?	Moderate
Which map?	OS Explorer OL26
Starting at?	Kirkbymoorside SE 696 865
Buses?	traveline 0871 2002233
Parking?	Kirkbymoorside
Any facilities?	Plenty in Kirkbymoorside

A pleasant walk with good views, through fields and woodland. Some stiles, paths may be muddy & uneven.

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Kirkbymoorside and Kirkdale



1. From the Market Place, walk to the top of the street and turn left at the mini-roundabout. At the first turning on the left (Manor Close), take the signed tarmac footpath (Back Lane) heading uphill into Ryedale Crescent. At the first seat turn left, passing between the houses and onto West Pasture. Continue on this road until it curves off to the left – at this point turn half-right between 45 & 47 West Pasture into a turning area in front of bungalows. From the far

corner head between two of the bungalows to a stile and into the fields beyond. Cross the first three fields then skirt the next field with a hedge on your left. In the next large field the footpath continues in the same direction, cutting across it and then it veers over to the left to run along the hedge side.

2. Continue along the edge of the field. Just before reaching the woods (Robin Hoods Howl), cross a stile into a large meadow, down

the middle of which runs a shallow valley. Drop down the bank close to the fence and go through a kissing gate into the wood. Follow the path through the wooded valley.

3. On reaching the road at the top of the Howl, turn left up the hill, past High Hagg Farm. Turn left into Starfits Lane at the road junction. Soon after passing Low Hagg Farm, take the bridleway on the right leading into the woods of Kirkdale Howl. Follow the track downhill to the bottom of the wood.

4. Continue along the woodland footpath, keeping Hodge Beck on your right, (this section of the path is steep in places) until you reach the road. Turn right along the road, then take the footpath on your left.

5. Follow the footpath across fields to a small gate onto the A170 road. Cross the road, go over a stile and across a small field to a lane. Cross straight over to a gap then immediately to a stile into a field, then immediately to another, into a field. Keep to the fence on the left side, to a stile which leads into the grounds of Welburn Hall.

6. Cross through some trees to join the main driveway at the side of a stone bridge, turning left to cross it. After 10 metres go through a field gate on your right into a large field. Head slightly right to a single tree and then continue with a line of trees in an old fence to your right. At the last of the large trees in the fence, fork half-left across the field, towards the buildings of Howkeld Mill. Take the hand gate adjacent to a cattle grid to pass through the forecourt and then through the waymarked gate next to the

