

# North Yorkshire walks

## Brompton Circular

### About the walk

Discover Brompton, the once important centre for linen making on this easy circular walk.



### Walk overview

**Distance:** 5.3 miles (8.5 km)

**Time:** 2 hours

**Stiles:** 16 **Gates:** 11

**Terrain:** Mostly field paths

**Map:** OS Explorer Map No.302

**Local facilities:** Pubs in Brompton and Water End

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### Points of interest

Vikings settled at Brompton. Fine examples of English stone carving from the period, including the Brompton Hogbacks, can be found in the church.

Brompton was a centre for linen making initially in the many weavers cottages and later in the mills built between the stream and the railway. These closed in the 1950s but there is a memorial to the linen workers on the green near the Village Inn.

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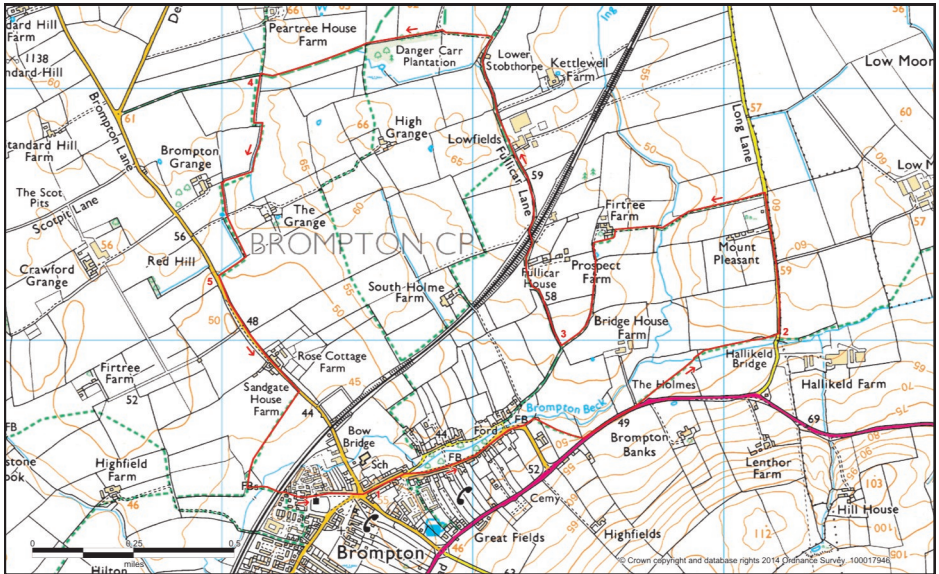
## Route description

**1.** From the cross roads in the middle of the village go on over Cockpit Hill to reach Water End village green. Follow the quiet road along the south side of the green. Where the road bends sharply to the right, continue straight ahead on a footpath alongside Brompton Beck before turning right to reach the A684. Turn left onto the footway for 250m. Here you join a path at the entrance to Bridge House Farm. Go diagonally left across a field to go over a footbridge. Turn immediately right and after crossing a stile into the next field follow the hedge on your left until you join a minor road – Long Lane.

**2.** Turn left to go uphill on Long Lane until at the top of the hill, immediately after going under power lines, take a gate on left, into a field. Go straight ahead with a hedge on your right until, on reaching the beck, you bear left to cross the stream on a narrow concrete ford. Cross carefully and go uphill over a stile and through several gates towards Fir Tree Farm. Turn left in front of the farm to join an enclosed track, which skirts the farm before turning left along the farm access road which takes you to Fullicar Lane.

**3.** Turn right along Fullicar Lane to go over a railway bridge. Follow the lane to Lower Stobthorne and after 100m where the lane forks turn left along the access track to Stobholme Farm. Immediately after going through the first gate (where the track turns right) continue straight ahead on a permissive bridleway with Danger Carr Plantation on your left. At the end of the wood bear slightly to the left, go through a gate to continue in the same direction but now to the left of the hedge. At the end of a long field go over a stile into an enclosed lane but immediately turn left over a second stile.





## Route description continued

**4.** Follow the hedge on your left to a stile in the field corner. Turn left then right continuing in a southerly direction with a hedge and ditch on your right. After 200m cross a stile on your right. Continue to follow the ditch towards Brompton Grange.

Immediately after crossing the next stile turn left. After 150m go over a small stone clapper bridge and cross a stile onto a tarred farm access road. Cross the road to a stile. In the next field continue in a southerly direction with a hedge on your right. Go through a gate and turn immediately right following the field edge to reach Brompton Lane.

**5.** Turn left onto the verge for 400m. Cross the road to join a signposted footpath. Walk over the field to a stile just to the right of power lines. In the next field bear left to cross a footbridge and bear left again to a railway underpass. You emerge onto Orchard Grove with flats to your right and garages to your left. Go straight ahead and through a kissing gate into a narrow alley, somewhat ironically named Wide Yard, which brings you out opposite St Thomas's Church and your starting point.

## How to get there...

**By Car:** From A1 follow A19/A168 to Northallerton then the A684 to Brompton. Start Grid Ref. SE 3741 9636.

**Parking:** Parking around St Thomas Church just south of the village centre crossroads. SE 3741 9636.

**Bus:** Traveline 0871 2002233.



**Public footpath** can be used by walkers. Waymarked with a yellow arrow.



**Public bridleway** can be used by walkers, horse riders and cyclists. Waymarked with a blue arrow.



**Restricted byway** can be used by walkers, horseriders, cyclists and non motorised vehicles. Waymarked with a purple arrow.



**Byway open to all traffic (BOAT)** can be used by walkers, horse riders, cyclists and motor vehicles. Waymarked with a red arrow.

This walk guide was developed in partnership with members of the Ramblers - Northallerton Group.

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- Be safe - plan ahead and follow any signs
- Keep dogs under close control
- Prevent uncontrolled moorland fires
- Protect plants and animals, and take your litter home
- Leave gates and property as you find them
- Consider other people

## Walk your way to a healthier lifestyle.

Walking one mile burns virtually the same number of calories as jogging a mile, it just takes a little longer!

Walking is FREE and requires no special equipment or clothing.

Regular walking helps reduce the risk of heart disease, strokes, diabetes and high blood pressure.

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