



North

Yorkshire County Council

# North Yorkshire walks

## A walk from Welburn with views of Castle Howard

### About the walk

A 5 ½ mile circular walk, crossing parkland and through woodland, with wonderful views of the Howardian Hills, the Yorkshire Wolds and the Castle Howard estate.



### Walk overview

**Distance:** 5.5 miles (8.9 km)

**Time:** 3 hours

**Stiles:** 1 with dog run. **Gates:** 4

**Terrain:** Surfaced tracks with gentle inclines.

**Map:** OS No. 300 (Howardian Hills & Malton)

**Local facilities:** Refreshments and shop in Welburn. Toilet in village hall.

### Points of interest

The Temple of the Four Winds, originally known as the Temple of Diana, was modelled on a famous 16th century Italian villa. It was completed in 1738.

Ray Wood is an enchanting woodland garden with a remarkable collection of plants from places as diverse as Argentina, Chile, China, India and Japan. In spring the rhododendrons put on a fabulous colourful show.

This circular walk is produced by North Yorkshire County Council. Find more walks and rides on our website [www.northyorks.gov.uk/walking](http://www.northyorks.gov.uk/walking). We welcome any feedback about this walk, contact details can be found on the back page.

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## Route description

1. Start at the eastern end of the Welburn village (grid reference SE721680) and walk along Water Lane towards Coneysthorpe. At the end of the road, bear slightly left along a track; keep ahead across a field and through a gate into the wood known as East Moor Banks. Cross Moorhouse Beck using the bridge and bear slightly left and uphill. Exit the wood by the gate and continue straight on to a junction with a metalled road.
2. Turn left onto the road and then immediately right. Continue across New River Bridge and enter a pasture field by the gate. Follow the track to the left towards the Temple then pass by it, following the stone wall. Leave the pasture field by the gate and continue slightly left on a grass track through the trees until the junction with a hard surfaced track.
3. Turn right towards Bog Hall and follow the winding track over a concrete bridge to a farmhouse and several barns. Take the route of the track that snakes through the farm buildings and continue towards Low Gaterley.
4. At Low Gaterley, follow the track to the right and turn right onto the road. With Lowdy Hill Wood on the right and Pretty Wood on the left, continue on this road.
5. Turn left onto a track and re-enter East Moor Banks Wood by the gate. In the wood turn immediately left on a woodland track towards the Four Faces monument.
6. Immediately before the monument, turn right and proceed on a track that curves right and downhill to a stile. Climb over the stile and walk uphill along the left hand edge of the wood to a gate. Continue through the gate and walk uphill on the left hand edge of the field. Exit the field by the gate and bear right onto a track to Chestnut Avenue.
7. Continue on this track to the main road. Turn right onto Chestnut Avenue and return to the village of Welburn and back to the starting point of the walk.







## How to get there...


**By Car:** Welburn lies between York (14 miles) and Malton (5 miles). The postcode for Church Lane is YO60 7EG.


**Parking:** There is on street parking in Welburn by the Church.

**Public transport:** Regular buses run between York and Malton along the A64 (an additional 20 mins walk from start point). There is also an infrequent bus service through Welburn.

 **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.



## Always follow The Countryside Code

- 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.

## Contact us

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