

Skelton-on-Ure and Newby Park

- Start point: west edge of Langthorpe village (start grid ref: SE 384 672)
- Distance: approx. 5 miles/8 kilometres
- Route: circular

This circular walk through the countryside begins on Dog Kennel Lane (also known as Lowfield Lane), which was the original carriageway to Brampton Hall. Along the way, there is the opportunity to extend your walk to visit Newby Hall, one of Britain's finest Adam houses, and its gardens.

The route takes in the splendid Victorian church of Christ the Consoler, built as a memorial to Frederick Vyner who, age 23, was captured and murdered by brigands in Greece in 1870. His mother used the money collected for his ransom to commission celebrated British architect William Burges to design the church in the grounds of her home at Newby Hall.

Off road parking is available on the hard standing where the road to Skelton-on-Ure crosses under the A1(M) bridge at map ref. SE 384 672.



Directions

- Walking on Skelton Road in the direction of Skelton, turn left at a crossroads onto Dog Kennel Lane.
- 2. Follow the lane past a farm on the left and around a sharp left hand bend. A little way beyond the bend there is a signpost on the right hand side of the lane indicating a footpath along the edge of the fields.
- 3. Follow the footpath for about 700m and turn right onto a farm access track where an overhead power line crosses the track at map ref. SE 373 665.
- 4. Opposite a large oak tree on the right of the track, take the stile to a footpath along the field edge to Brampton Plantation.
- 5. Follow the way marked path around the plantation. Turn right at the access road at the entrance to the farm at Brampton Hall. Follow the metalled road for about 2.3km to the entrance to the grounds of Newby Hall at map ref. SE 362 679.
- 6. Continue along the road towards Skelton-on-Ure for about 200m, looking out for the entrance to the Church of Christ the Consoler on the left hand side. Turn off the road to follow the woodland path to the church. If you wish, you could extend your walk further at this point by following the path to Newby Hall and Gardens. Once you are finished, retrace your steps to the road.
- 7. Continue into Skelton Village and turn right alongside the Black Lion pub to follow a public footpath (marked 'Beer Garden').
- 8. At the back of the pub, turn right to enter a small field of caravans and then left to exit through the hedge at the back of the site over a stile to a path across the fields.
- 9. Follow signs for the Newby Hall estate permissive path following the hedge around the edge of the field and out to the road. Cross the road taking a track next to the hedge opposite, and continue along the permissive path to the lane near Cottage Farm.
- 10. At the lane turn right and follow it past Cottage Farm, alongside the A1(M) down to the junction with Skelton Road to return to the start of the walk.

Route map



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