



Walking for Health Claxton Circular Walk

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Parking: Car park, Rockland Staithe Car Park Road, Rockland St Mary.

Starting point: Car park

Bus: Konectbus Service 85 Norwich to Claxton – 3 services a day

Grid Reference: TG 327 046 Map OS Explorer OL40.

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Walk Length: 5 Miles

Disclaimer: Although this route was checked prior to publication, readers should check for local changes before they walk and ensure they walk within their capabilities.



Directions

This is an ideal spring walk, starting from Rockland Staithe, with fine views over the marshes, before opening up to views over Rockland Broad. The walk continues along the banks of the River Yare, then heads inland to Claxton and past its church, returning along country footpaths to the Staithe. Please remember to take nothing but memories and photographs, leaving nothing but footprints.

01. Leave the car park by crossing over a footbridge onto a grassy area past two information boards, and the end of the Staithe, to reach a fingerboard to the Claxton Circular Walk.

02. Walk along the footpath, with glances across Rockland Broad through the trees on your left, and views over Rockland Marsh on your right. Suddenly the view on your left opens across the broad.

03. At this point, continue along the path next to 'The Cut' to reach the River Yare with sweeping views across the RSPB reserve, Buckenham Marshes and the remains of a windmill in the distance. Turn right and follow the river until you reach a fingerboard just before the purple painted Beauchamp Arms.

04. Turn right, walking along the bridleway with a ditch on your left and Claxton Marsh below you on the right, to enter the village of Claxton and the junction with The Street. Turn right, and keeping to the pavement whenever possible, walk through the village until just before a speed delimiting sign. Turn left at a fingerboard, indicating a restricted byway, along a track, looking out for an interesting pond with a small waterfall on your left.

05. Just before you reach a few buildings, take a right through a hedge on a footpath to walk through a rewilded churchyard and past St Andrew's Church to arrive at Church Lane.

06. Cross Church Lane and take the footpath opposite, walking around a field to arrive at a footpath crossroads. Take the right-hand footpath to walk back to Church Lane, turning left along the road until you reach a track to the left with a sign for Lambs Court. Take this footpath, bearing left past a drive to a house, through a wooded area until you arrive in a field.

07. There is a choice of a public footpath across the field, or a permissive path along the hedge on your left. Choose either path, as they both lead to New Inn Hill Road. Turn right and walk down a slope to arrive back at the car park and the start of the walk.

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