Hinchwick

Easy 1.1 miles (1.8km) walk for all on a private road in a remote Cotswold valley with one gentle slope.



Hinchwick manor is on a narrow minor road that runs between the A424 four miles north west of Stow-on-the-Wold and the B4077 four miles west of Stow.

The easier approach is from the B4077 taking a lane signed to Hinchwick for one mile. Starting from the junction of the A424 and the A44 at Trooper's Lodge service station and travelling towards Stow you turn right after half a mile at the second minor crossroads (no signpost) and wind downhill for two miles. The walk starts at a T-junction close to Hinchwick Manor near the bottom of the valley. Please park considerately beside the road.

The walk

An easy there and back path of 1.1 miles (1.8kms) on tarmac between woodland and fields. After a short rise, there is a very gentle ascent and descent, suitable for all wheels.

Distance: 1.8km/1.1 miles with ups and downs of 27m or 89ft

Start: Hinchwick Manor, near Condicote. SP 144/300 (GL54 1EX)

Refreshments: Pubs at Stow-on-the-Wold and Moreton-in-Marsh

Directions

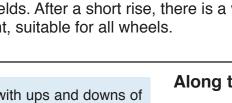
At the T-junction, go through a double gate and follow the track up a slight incline bearing to the left towards a stone wall on your right. Under the trees, follow the track to another wide gate, and continue with trees on both sides until the public footpath leaves the road near a footpath signpost. The road bearing right uphill is private beyond this point, **so please return the same way.**

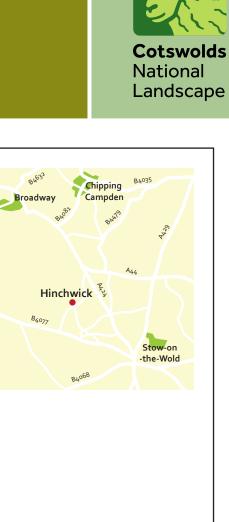
Along the way

An old standing stone in the first field on the right marks a boundary from the days of the great abbey and cathedral estates when the parish of Cutsdean was one of several islands of Worcestershire within Gloucestershire and Warwickshire. You pass mature beech, ash and oak trees on the right, and to the left pasture and arable fields. These valleys all carry underground streams feeding the River Dikler, which emerges at Donnington trout farm, two miles downstream.

Refreshments and toilets

Pubs at Longborough, Lower Swell, Stow-on-the-Wold and Moreton-in-Marsh. Disabled toilets at Stow and Moreton



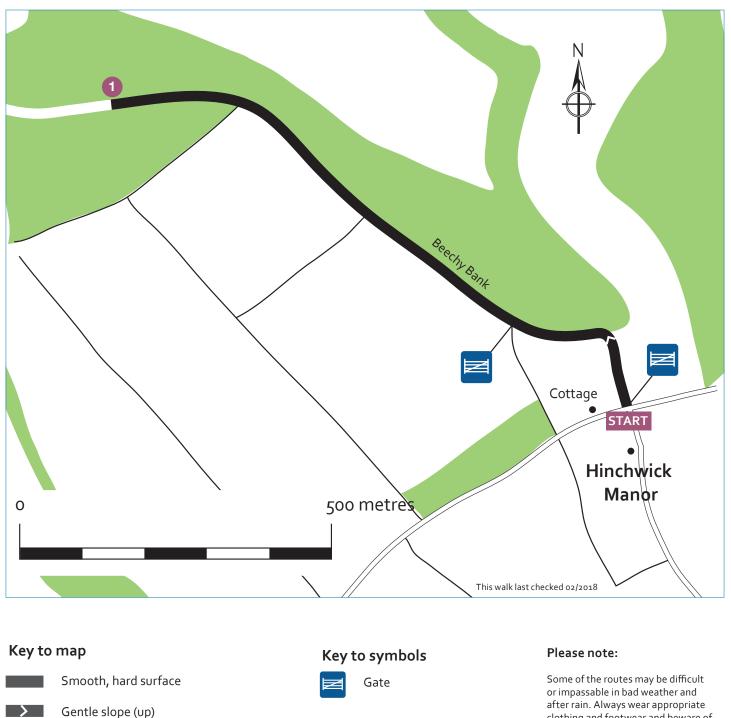


Walks on Wheels - for wheelchair, mobility scooter and children's buggy

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or impassable in bad weather and after rain. Always wear appropriate clothing and footwear and beware of traffic. The Cotswold Conservation Board cannot accept responsibility for accidents or difficulties experienced by users of these routes.