



Turpin's Trail Walk 2

Great Sampford to Tewes Plantation, Tindon Manor and back to Great Sampford 6.5 miles (10.5 kms)

This walk starts at St. Michael's Church, Great Sampford, CB10 2RS
OS Landranger Map 195 Grid Reference TL642353. Please park responsibly in the street.

From the church cross the road and continue down the road opposite to the Red Lion public house, cross the road (B1053) and enter Homebridge. At the cul-de-sac sign Willetts Field, enter way-marked path between the houses, immediately bear slightly left and head for a gap in a distant hedge. Cross the plank footbridge through gap and turn right, then follow the river for about 650 yards to a footbridge in a hedge, and go straight on to a concrete bridge on the right. Cross the bridge and continue straight on for about 800 yards. Cross another bridge into a wood, continue straight on and when emerging into a field, bear left and follow path to Park Pale Farm. Pass to the left of large black barn conversion; turn left along the road, then in about 200 yards turn right into Tewes Farm.



Cross farmyard, leaving three large silos to your left and bear left to follow path alongside a stream for 400 yards, cross bridge on left, and continue alongside Tewes Plantation. Cross footbridge in hedge ahead then continue to Flemings Farm. Cross a bridge to reach a deep and often muddy byway near Flemings Farm. You have choices here. The most obvious is to climb the bank opposite the bridge. However, the right of way is to turn right up the byway for a short distance before turning left into the field. By turning left again upon entering the field you can avoid climbing the bank. From the point where the bank can be ascended go straight on, following the field



boundary, heading for a prominent pylon. [It should be noted that this is not the true right of way, but is the route usually followed.] At the pylon, turn right to follow field edge, and after 300 yards turn left through gap in hedge and follow path across field to a bridge, then follow the boundary of a solar farm around to the right in a paddock. Leave the paddock keeping a ditch and hedge to your left and continue

along the field edge emerging on to the road near Spriggs Farm. Turn right and after 200 yards turn left into West Wood, a Site of Special Scientific Interest.

Follow the bridleway for about a mile (this can be quite muddy and churned up by horses in winter). At the road, near Tindon Manor, turn right and follow the road for about half a mile. At a road junction, turn left towards Giffords Farm (signed), and keep to the right of the buildings, taking the grassy path off to the right where the farm track turns sharp left. Follow this path along the hedge for about 400 yards, emerging on to a road. Cross over the road and head toward Goddard's Farm to reach a large grey barn. Turn right and pass around the right-hand end of the barn, shortly passing a dilapidated house and turning right by the penultimate barn. Turn left past the end of this barn and follow the field boundary downhill as far as the end of the hedge. The path should then go half-right across the field to reach the hedge on the right-hand side part way down the field. If this is not visible on the ground turn right and follow the field edge to reach the hedge on the right-hand side of the field. Continue downhill with the hedge and stream to your right, with Great Sampford



visible ahead, to a bridge over the stream. Cross the bridge and follow a clear contour path as it curves almost 180 degrees to the right, then after about 400 yards turn left over the River Pant, and head towards the church, crossing streams and field boundaries enroute to emerge in the centre of the village via the churchyard.

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