

Follow the Country Code - Respect, Protect, Enjoy

- Park sensibly - don't block gates or drives.
- Leave gates as you find them.
- Leave farm animals and machinery alone. If you think an animal's in distress, alert the farmer.
- Keep to the public right of way.
- Leave no trace of your visit and take your litter home.
- Keep your dog under effective control and pick up after your pet - dog mess can harm livestock.
- It is good practice to keep your dog on a lead around livestock; however, if cattle or horses try to chase your dog, it's safer for both of you to let your dog off the lead to run away.
- Plan ahead, dress for the weather, and wear appropriate clothing.
- Be aware you may not have a mobile signal in places during your walk.

About this walk

This gentle walk, recommended by the Severnside Ramblers, takes you through the delightful village of Oldbury, built around an ancient fort, and up to the edge of the decommissioned nuclear power station. The route then goes up on to the Severn with its wide views, where you follow the Severn Way south, eventually skirting the Thornbury Sailing Club and coming back to the village.

Length

5 km - 2 leisurely hours, starting from Oldbury on Severn.

Under foot

The walk follows public footpaths with short sections of country lanes. Although the lanes are generally quiet, do take care as they are narrow in places and some people drive quite fast. You may encounter cyclists and horse riders as well as cars. Please note: in winter and wet weather, wellies are a must for this walk!

Food and drink

Oldbury has a Community Shop with a small café and excellent cakes. The Anchor Pub in Oldbury serves, amongst other things, local dishes Putter Pie (serves 8! orders in advance only) and Oldbury Tart (gooseberry season only).

Parking

You can park in the village; please park sensibly. If you'd like to use The Anchor's car park, please ask first.

Regular Walk

Oldbury Outing

Explore our series of regular and easy access walking routes

Easy Access Routes

Buggy and wheelchair friendly routes

- 1 Little Littleton Loop 2km
- 2 Severn Beach Short North 2.5km
- 3 Severn Beach Short South 3km
- 4 All Around Avonmouth 2km
- 5 Lamplighter's Walk 2km

Regular Walks

Different lengths, mostly off-road

- 1 Hill Hike 5.5km
- 2 Windbound Wander 3.5km
- 3 Oldbury Outing 5km
- 4 Oldbury-Kington Loop 6km
- 5 Long Littleton Loop 7km
- 6 Two Bridges Loop 10km
- 7 Severn Beach Stride 5.5km
- 8 Spaniorum Skyway 9km
- 9 Lawrence Weston Moor Loop 2.5km
- 10 Shire Stroll 2.5km







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REGULAR WALK



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Sailing Club boats moored at Oldbury Pill



The representation on this map of a road, track or footpath is no evidence of the existence of a right of way.

Oldbury Outing

Start: At the foot of the Sailing Club drive, BS35 1QB.

The description assumes you are going anti-clockwise around the route, but it is signposted in both directions.

With the Anchor at your back, head north on Church Road through the village, passing the Community Shop. Notice the old saw pit **A** immediately after the shop. Where the road turns sharply right, carry on straight into Camp Road. You'll come to the village pond and some information about the village's ancient past on your right **B**. The village of Oldbury is largely constructed on the banks of a 2000-year-old Ancient Monument known locally as 'The Toot'. Camp Road's route follows the ditch between these banks.

Follow Camp Road past Westend Lane to the road's end at the fork of West End (yes) and Ham Lane. The route carries on down Ham Lane but a quick detour down West End will take you to an impressive view of The Toot's remaining ditch and banks **C**.

Follow Ham Lane, bearing left at its junction with a private road, until you come out on the paved Foss Lane. Turn left along Foss Lane and carry on straight until you are nearly at the old power station's entrance - do **take care** of cars along this section as there is no pavement.

As you reach the power station, the route turns left off Foss Lane and goes through the wooden gate near the red dog litter bin. However, there is the option of a short diversion over the stile beside the field gate to a popular bird hide **D**.

The main route goes through trees along the power station boundary, finally coming out to the wide open views of the River Severn. Turn left (south) and begin your return to the village. The views here **E** are wonderful whatever the weather or state of the tide. This is the route of the Severn Way.

Follow the Severn Way along the grassed flood defence. Before you reach Thornbury Sailing Club, it will bear left and presently meet the club's paved drive. Follow the drive (walking away from the club and **taking care** of cars) until the path bears right off the drive; follow the grassed flood defence again to a large sluice. At the sluice, go left and follow the path along Oldbury Pill until it re-joins the club's drive. Follow the drive back to your starting point. The Anchor and the shop await you.



Community Shop in Oldbury



Gate and path to the bird hide



Grassed flood defences



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