



Route Summary

Route between five Churches around the Rivers Fynn and Lark. Basic route only, point of interest details not yet added.

Route Overview



Category: Walking
Rating: Unrated
Surface: Moderate
Date Published: 7th August 2021
Difficulty: Easy
Length: 10.880 km / 6.80 mi
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Description

A circular walk of around 7 miles taking in five historic churches around the River Fynn and the River Lark. Starting at Little Bealings with facilities/refreshments just over half way at Grundisburgh.

Waypoints

1 All Saints Church Little Bealings - Start Point

(52.08521; 1.25226)

Over 720 years old, with an audacious tower, a beautiful interior bathed in light from large windows, interior arches adding character, and a stunning east window, All Saints is an endearing hotch potch of different periods including medieval through to victorian, and also ongoing modifications to enable multiple uses. The churchyard can be beautiful through the year, be sure to walk behind the church to the war memorial.

<http://www.suffolkchurches.co.uk/lbealings.htm>

2 St Mary's Church Playford

(52.08657; 1.23539)

There is a beautiful porch with steps leading up to this historic and well maintained church, best known for it's

monument to Thomas Clarkson who was instrumental in the ending of the Slave Trade.

<http://www.suffolkchurches.co.uk/playford.html>

3 St Botolph Church Culpho

(52.09623; 1.22525)

Look upwards to see the most striking and unusual feature of this wonderful little church, where the tower which is capped with a pyramid of red tiles. The interior is delightful, unusually with red brick walls to the east.

<http://www.suffolkchurches.co.uk/culpho.html>

4 St Mary's Church Grundisburgh

(52.11325; 1.24581)

Grundisburgh has the largest church on this walk, with a large red-brick tower constructed in the 18th century for recreational bell ringing, and interior features including an impressive rood screen.

<http://www.suffolkchurches.co.uk/grundisburgh.html>

5 St Mary's Church Great Bealings

(52.09316; 1.25544)

Perhaps with the best surprise saved until last, St Mary's boasts magnificent pew end carvings from medieval to 19th century. There are lovely views over the Fynn Valley from the churchyard, with picnic tables for rest. The grand walk up the hill to the church which is straddled with Lime trees, is the old carriageway to Great Bealings Hall, long since demolished.

<http://www.suffolkchurches.co.uk/gbealings.htm>

