



Walk Description

Title: Great Barford - Blunham - Tempsford

Map: OS Explorer 208

Distance: 7 Miles

Ascent: 76ft

Start: Anchor Inn - High Street - Great Barford - MK44 3LF – MapRef TL 13408 51672 – (please obtain permission before parking at the pub)

- 1) From the pub carpark cross over the **River Ouse** by the road bridge – Ignore the turning on the right and walk on to where the road bears left - Carry straight on a footpath between two fields – Ignoring a farm track on the left continue on in the same direction and head across the arable field towards the far left hand corner where you reach the **Bedford to Sandy Country Way**. (¾ Mile)
- 2) Turn LEFT and walk on the way for ½ mile to where the path becomes a road – Follow the road to a T junction – Turn RIGHT then after 70 metres turn LEFT back on to the path – Follow the path for 180 metres and turn LEFT on to a footpath – Follow the path through two pasture fields into some trees – Look for a path on the RIGHT and a footbridge over the **River Ivel** – Turn LEFT and follow the riverside path for 1 mile until you reach a road. (2¾ Miles)
- 3) Cross over the road and take a waymarked footpath opposite – Continue on the riverside path and follow the **River Ivel** on your left to a footbridge – Here walk on for a few metres and then bear RIGHT over a bridge – Bear LEFT and walk to a field – The path on the ground follows the edge of the field on your RIGHT (**The OS Map shows the path crossing the field**) – Walk to the far right hand corner of the field – Bear RIGHT and walk on a farm track around a field edge and past a house on the right to an access road – Turn LEFT onto the road and walk into **Tempsford** and the church on your RIGHT. (3¾ Miles)
- 4) Turn RIGHT into the churchyard and walk through to a road - Turn LEFT and walk for 225 metres to a farm entrance on the LEFT – Follow the farm access road through the farm to a bridge over the **River Ivel** – Turn RIGHT and walk with the river on your right to a footbridge – Here turn LEFT and walk to **Roxton Wier and Lock** on the **River Ouse** – Cross over the river on the footbridge and join the **Ouse Valley Way** – Turn LEFT and follow the riverside path for 2 miles to **MapRef TL 13818 52001**. (6¼ Miles)
- 5) Here the path bears RIGHT away from the river and after 150 metres reaches the perimeter fence of a sewage works – Bear RIGHT then LEFT and walk to a road – Turn LEFT and walk on the road back into **Great Barford** and the start.

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