

## Directions

This walk starts along Oakfield Lane, which is accessed from Sherwood Street, Market Warsop. Pass under the railway bridge and past the recycling centre. Continue along Oakfield Lane (Byway 42) to the busy road at Peafield Lane. Take care crossing the road and turn right to enter the edge of conifer plantation, walking parallel to the road. Continue walking through the woods close to the road until farmland is reached then turn left following the path (BW18) downhill through the edge of the woods. Leave Warsop Parish at the metal barrier and continue downhill, ignoring the footpath at a junction to the right. At a crossroad of paths our route takes the right turn. However, at this point you may wish to make a detour by carrying straight on to cross the River Maun and inspect the medieval fish ponds of Spa Ponds which are now a nature reserve.

Follow the bridleway that runs parallel to the River Maun until you emerge onto New Mill Lane. Cross the road and turn right. Cross Leeming Lane at the traffic lights, follow the road to the next set of lights, cross and continue straight on up Portland Street until the road bends left into Mansfield Woodhouse High Street where you cross over and continue straight on along Albert Street. This road soon becomes Park Hall Road which you follow past Manor School, later turning right, remaining on Park Hall Road.

Eventually the road surface deteriorates and you take a right turn into the woods just past the walled gardens. Keep straight on following the path (FP17) through the woods, eventually emerging at the redeveloped Nettleworth Manor. Follow the path until you reach a fingerpost where you turn right towards the A60. Pass through two gates alongside cattle grids and when you reach the A60 turn left and follow the road into Spion Kop. Turn right up the hill, forking left and continuing until the road ends at a farm. Enter the farmyard, keeping straight ahead as far as the barn where the footpath (FP20) turns right then left. Follow this path until it joins Oakfield Lane, turning left and returning to your starting point.

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This walk leaves Warsop along Oakfield Lane and then crosses over to the Maun valley before returning past the sites of Park Hall and Nettleworth Hall. The route includes old lanes, woodland and the sites of the two country mansions. Unfortunately it is impossible to avoid sections of road walking but interesting features along the route compensate for this.

This walk is about 13 kilometres (8 miles) and should take between 3 and 4 hours.

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