

# Waveney Ramblers North Suffolk 13 Thorndon and Dale Hill

OS Map: X 211, 230 Track: [TM 14218 69609](#) [GPX for SatNav](#) 5.8 Miles Updated: 2020-06-01

Park at All Saints Church, Thorndon. Head SE, soon south along the High Street.  
After the village hall, turn right, west, through the car park, village hall right.  
The path soon bends NW.  
Bear a little right and aim roughly NW towards a smaller tree centred between two larger trees.  
Cross a sleeper bridge and bear slightly right across an open field. Aim for the solitary house.  
At the third field, cross the sleeper bridge, then left, west of south, ditch left.  
Aim for the tall TV transmitter mast at Mendlesham.  
Continue towards the TV mast, no ditch, fields both sides.  
Continue towards the TV mast, ignoring the right left kink in the path on the OS map.  
Drop down to a hedge and turn right, west for a few paces.  
At the field gap, turn left, south, and head towards the mast, ditch left.  
Cross under power lines. A few paces later at the finger post, turn right, SW.  
Cross the the small field, under the power lines again, then cross the footbridge.  
Turn left, slightly west of south, hedge left. Cross under the power lines for the third time.  
Cross the footbridge, turn right, west. At the field corner, turn left, south, hedge right.  
The path bends a little left across an open field, slightly east of south.  
Aim for the gap between the trees and head towards the right hand set of trees.  
Continue hedge left. At the next gap, head slightly east of south, hedge both sides.  
Head slightly east of south across an open wild flower meadow. Aim for the large tree.  
Cross the footbridge and cross a second wild flower meadow, barns and silos left.  
Go through the hedge gap and cross the footbridge. Turn right onto tarmac, SW.  
Turn left and right across the staggered crossroads. Head SW towards Wetheringset and Brockford on tarmac.  
Drop down to the valley bottom and turn left, south, on tarmac towards Brockford and Debenham.  
After 100 metres, turn right over a stile. Head west over a small meadow and cross the stile and footbridge.  
Turn right, north, watercourse right. Ignore the footpath left. Continue north.  
The path bends left, NW, watercourse right.  
Don't follow the watercourse when it bends right, NE.  
Cross the open field, NW, and cross under the power lines. Aim for the tree stump close to the path.  
Go through the gap, over a footbridge, NW a short way, then bear right, a little east of north, trees both sides.  
Continue through the meadow. At the gap, kink left and right and follow the field perimeter, woodland right.  
Avoid the parallel woodland track, overgrown and not the right of way.  
Cross under power lines and continue north.  
At tarmac, continue north. The road bends right, east. Stay on the road and ignore the footpath north.  
Cross the stream. At a T Junction, continue ahead, east, across the open field.  
Aim for the southern margin of the trees ahead. At the trees, continue east, hedge left.  
At the end of the field at stables, turn left, NW, paddocks right.  
Continue NW, soon north and enter a woodland path.  
Emerge onto tarmac and turn right, NE, along the road.  
At a crossroads, continue ahead, NE.  
Ignore a footpath left. Continue NE on the tarmac all the way back to the village.  
In the village, turn right, east, signposted to Debenham.  
Turn right, SE, along The Street towards the Black horse.  
At the Black Horse, continue SE through the village.  
Return to All Saints Church.

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