Waveney Ramblers Halesworth 6 Halesworth and Mells

OS Map: X 231 Track: TM 39264 79064 GPX for SatNav 5.4 Miles Updated: 2018

By arrangement with the Triple Plea, park at the pub. Or park in Halesworth and start the walk from there. This walk follows a stretch of the Waveney Way.

(A) From the pub, head east along Sparrowhawk Road. The road bends right, SE, then south. Just after the aircraft museum, turn right, south, hedge right. There is a kink at the start of the path. At Bungay Road, turn right and left, up the ramp. Head SW, trees both sides. Take the first path left, SE, hedge right. The path bends right and left and continues SE. Near houses, the path bends right and left and emerges onto Orchard Valley. Turn left, NE, along Orchard Valley. Follow the road round to the right, SE. Turn left, NE, back to Bungay Road. With a left right kink, head NE along Lodge Road. Turn right, SE, along a footpath, hedge both sides. At the B1124, turn left, NE. The road bends right, east. Turn right, south, along a concrete farm track. The path bends left, east, then right, south. Continue south to the B1123, Southwold Road and turn right, west. Turn left, south, towards Mells. Drop down to the River Blythe. Just before the bridge, turn right, west. Head west through several meadows, river left. There are several bridges over tributary streams. The path bends right, NW, and crosses the Blythe. Head NW, river right. Cross under the railway and turn right, north.

(B) Head north, staying close to the railway line.

Emerge on the B1123, just west of the railway bridge.

It's safer to move a little away from the bridge so you are not crossing on a blind corner!

Cross the road and turn right, east, under the bridge.

Turn first left, north, into Loam Pit Lane.

The lane bends right, NE, almost immediately.

Just before farm buildings turn right, east, through a hedge gap, then left, north, trees left.

Head north through another gap, back into the same farm and head north past the chicken sheds.

At Harrisons Lane, turn left, west.

At the A144, cross over and turn right, north. If it's busy, use the pelican crossing a few paces away. At the roundabout, turn right, east, then left, north, back into the Triple Plea car park.

If you start from the town centre car park, head SW along River Lane towards the railway.

Don't cross the line. Instead head north and pick up the instructions at (B) above.

At the pub (A), visit if you'd like refreshments.

At the end of the circular loop (B) head back to the town centre car park.

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