Waveney Ramblers Waveney Way 20 Kessingland and Pakefield

Track: TM 53927 90601 GPX for SatNav 9.3 Miles Updated: 2024

HAZARD CAUTION:

A section of this walk is on the beach by unstable cliffs.
Keep away from the cliff edge and bottom. There is a real risk of landslides.
At high tide and in stormy weather, there is a risk of getting trapped between the sea and cliffs.
If there is any doubt about the weather or tides, please avoid this part of the beach.
The beach walking is easiest at low tide on the wet sand along the surf line.
TIDES: https://www.tidetimes.org.uk/lowestoft-tide-times

Park in Pakefield at the SE end of All Saints Road. The Pakefield Plaice fish and chip shop is a good landmark.
From the car park, head south, then NE, down the concrete ramp, to the beach.
Head SE to the water's edge and surf line, then roughly south along the surf line.
Go all the way to the Hundred River pumping station, south of Kessingland. This is about 4 miles.
In fine weather with the wind at your back, this leg is a joy. It can be a drudge otherwise.
The high risk cliffs are in the first mile. In bad conditions, avoid the beach for this leg.
At the pumping station, cross the outfall channel to join this walk onto the Benacre and Covehithe leg.
Now head north, back to Kessingland, keeping away from the shore line.
Pass the caravans, left, and use the concrete sea wall when it starts.
In Kessingland, there's The Waterfront Cafe, some toilets and The Sailors' Home pub.
Opposite the cafe, there's a triangle of parkland with seats and a shelter, ideal for a picnic.
Kessingland is roughly halfway round the walk if you want to time your arrival for lunch.
Continue north along the concrete sea wall, houses left. The concrete walking surface ends.
200 metres later, climb 62 steps up to the top of the cliff.
Head inland, then right, NE, along Green Lane and soon, north, into North Cliff.
With the end of the lane in sight, bear left, NW, onto a narrow woodland path.
Emerge from the woods and bear left, roughly west, hedge right. Head all the way to the B1437.
Turn right, NE, along the B1437. After 160 metres, cross the road and head west onto a footpath, soon SW.
After 60 metres, the path bends right, NW, hedge right. At a concrete track, turn left, west, towards the A12 bypass.
The track bends right, heads underneath the A12, then left again, SW.
At the end of the concrete, bear right, west, along an uneven track, hedge both sides.
Don't cross the open field. Turn right, north, hedge both sides. Continue north across the open field, no hedges.
Cross under power lines and continue due north to a hedge gap and sleeper bridge, no good landmarks.
Cross the bridge and bear left, NW, across another open field towards two lone trees on the far side.
Head between the trees. A finger post should be visible. Bear right, NE, hedge left, along the field perimeter.
At the end of the field, kink left over a sleeper bridge, then right, NE, disused brickworks left.
Continue NE after the gate. At tarmac, continue NE and soon north. The road bends right, NE.
Head east across the A12, then left, north, for 540 metes A12 left.
Turn right, NE, along Arbor Lane. Head NE along the footpath, Beach Farm Residential Park, right.
Back on a road, continue NE. Head along the footpath signed to Beach Cliffs.
Turn left, north along the cliff top path. Pass the Oddfellows pub, left.
Bear left back into the car park. Note the back way into the Trowel and Hammer, close to the car park.

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Kessingland and Pakefield
9.3 Miles - Waveney Way - 20
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