

Route directions

Start at any point on the route as this is a circular walk.

Some footpaths are not well defined, especially across fields where it has been recently ploughed or a crop harvested. Please follow the paths as shown on the map or the directions below.

1. Start at the George pub in Newnham, cross the road and follow SEED ROAD. Walk up the hill, continuing until the second turning on the LEFT, just past the No. 7 Wineycocks sign. Turn LEFT here and walk up the hill.
2. As the lane reaches the brow of the hill and bears to the RIGHT take the footpath straight on across the field. DO NOT take the first path, immediately to the LEFT, going into the wood. If the path is not obvious, aim to keep just left of the 2nd telegraph pole continuing for approx 150yards (130m) where there is a dip in the ground. Bear RIGHT here and aim for the sign post on the hedge line. Follow along the field edge and at the bottom of the dip take the path to the RIGHT, into the wood. Emerge from the wood into a field taking the path toward the building ahead. The path skirts the building to join a wider track. Turn LEFT on the track and walk up to the road, passing TONG HOUSE on the RIGHT.
3. At the road, turn LEFT and after 25yards (23m) take the footpath on the RIGHT. Keeping the fence on the RIGHT until it ends then turn LEFT on the footpath across the field to the gap in the hedge. Continue through the gate and between the wooden fences to cross a private drive. Then follow the path to the lane.
4. Turn RIGHT onto the lane & after 50 yds (45m) turn LEFT into the church car park. Do not go into the churchyard but through a gate in the Yew hedge on the RIGHT & onto a metalled drive. When the drive turns to the left, continue straight on a path between beech hedging. Cross over a footbridge to emerge into a field beyond. Turn LEFT & follow the edge of the field to where it meets a hedge, turn RIGHT here and follow the hedge toward the tree line.
5. Enter the wood and follow the path which doglegs first RIGHT then LEFT eventually emerging into a valley and toward the wood ahead. Continue into the edge of the wood and turn LEFT onto the track.
6. Continue on this track, ignoring paths from the RIGHT until meeting a junction of tracks to turn LEFT, out of the woods and back to the valley floor. Continue on the track between hedges going up hill. At the top continue straight on a grassy track, passing the cottage on the right. Where the track divides go to the RIGHT, following it to the road.
7. Turn LEFT onto the road & where it turns sharp LEFT keep to the road on the RIGHT. Follow this beyond the sharp RIGHT bend. ***(The route can be shortened by 2mile(3.25K) by taking the footpath to the LEFT which leads into Lady's Wood and back to Newnham - as shown on the map)*** Continue to the sharp LEFT bend where immediately beyond it there is a footpath on the RIGHT beside a cottage.
8. Follow the path round the edge of the field to where it meets a T junction of tracks, marked by a sign post. Turn RIGHT here & follow the path to where it bears LEFT, following the hedge down hill then up & to the RIGHT. At the top bear round to the left toward the electricity wires. At these turn RIGHT by a blue sign, following the sunken path to the wooden posts ahead.
9. Follow the tree line immediately ahead to the sign post approximately 550yds (500m) further on & turn LEFT toward Elverland Farm. Follow the path round the farm buildings to meet the lane.
10. Turn LEFT onto the lane & follow it downhill to meet the Faversham Road. Turn LEFT and after a few steps turn RIGHT up the hill. Pass under the A2 motorway and continue uphill to the road junction on the LEFT.
11. Turn LEFT and continue along the road back across the motorway. Approximately 1/2 mile (0.8K) further on there is a metalled drive, marked as a public footpath, on the LEFT. Take this toward the house where there is a gate into the pasture to the RIGHT. Follow the field edge, past the gardens to another gate onto a track.
12. Turn RIGHT onto the track continuing past Champion Court to a kissing gate on the LEFT. Go through this, downhill to a narrow alley between houses onto The Street in Newnham. Turn Right, back to the George pub.

New Year 2021 walk

A circular 6.5mile (10.5K) walk from Newnham

or a

4.5mile (7.25K) alternative route



