

Distance	5.2 miles (8.3km)
Surface	50% hard, 50% soft - steps
Gradient	Slight
Toilets	No
Refreshment facilities	The New Inn, Worstead
Seating on route	Worstead Village

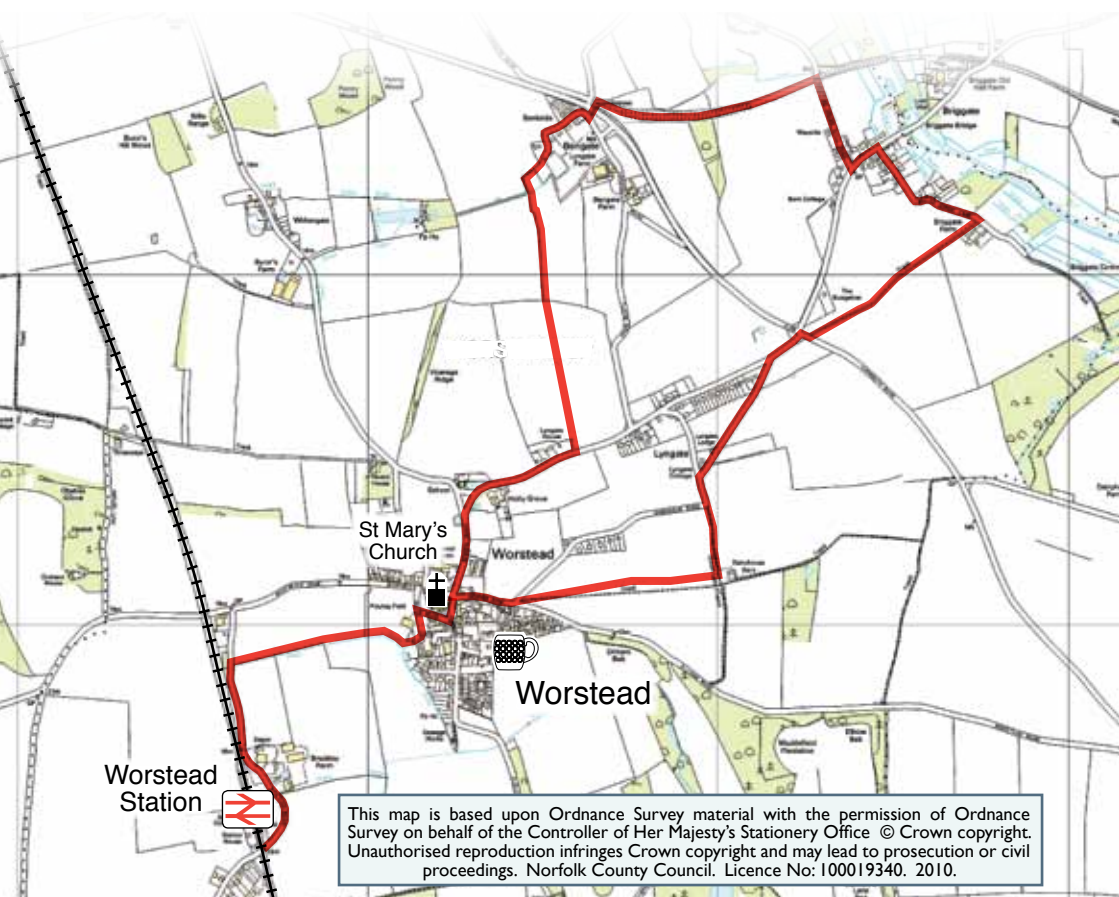
Directions:

- 1** Leave Worstead station and turn left onto the road. Continue along the pavement (which changes sides) for 600m. Where the pavement ends, take the public footpath on your right, leading towards a line of tall conifers.
- 2** Continue along this path, passing through the line of trees onto a playing field. Head towards the right hand side of the village hall, passing through the pedestrian gate into the car park. Cross the car park to its exit.
- 3** Head straight on, passing the New Inn on your right, with the church on your left. When you reach the road, turn left into the village square. Cross this and go straight on along School Road.
- 4** Continue along the road, bearing right as you pass the school on your left. After a further 350m take the public footpath on your left. It runs for a short distance along the field-edge then crosses a large field.



Tortoiseshell butterfly

- 5 Passing through the hedge at the end of this field, continue along the field-edge path. A path then joins your route from the left, but continue right, keeping the hedgerow on your right.
- 6 Turning right, then left, the path turns into a track and runs past some houses, turning sharp right and then sharp right again by the main road. Take the underpass to your left as it cuts under the main road.
- 7 Emerging from the underpass, you will find signs to Weavers' Way on your right, which climbs up steps onto an embankment. Follow this route along the disused railway line until you reach a quiet lane, with an old crossing cottage.



- 8 Turn right along the lane, then at the next T-junction turn left. Turn right onto White Horse Lane and continue past the bends until you find a signed bridleway to your right.
- 9 Heading towards Worstead Church, visible from this track, continue along this field edge path until you meet the road.
- 10 Taking care when crossing this busy route, continue straight on and after 100m take the lane on the left and follow it round to the left at the bend.
- 11 Shortly after this the lane will turn a sharp right, but continue straight on, along a grassy restricted byway which leads to an old farmyard. Just past the buildings and at the edge of the surfaced area, a footpath is waymarked right across a large open field heading towards the church. Follow this until you reach the village.
- 12 Take the lane towards the church, until you again reach the village square. Cross over and enter the church grounds, taking time to admire this magnificent building (especially the gargoyles!).
- 13 Pass through the graveyard and in the corner nearest the village hall there are steps. Retrace your route back through the playing field, along the footpath and turning left when you reach the road, which will lead you back to Worstead station.

Points of Interest:

- Worstead was a thriving centre for the wool trade and the fabric produced was known as "worsted", named after the village. The village prospered from the manufacture of textiles for 500 years prior to industrialisation;
- In homage to Worstead's heritage, there is an annual three day festival of spinning, weaving and crafts;
- Weavers' Way long distance path between Cromer and Great Yarmouth;
- St Mary's Church, Worstead.

St Mary's Church, Worstead

