

# Aylsham: Weavers' Way and Drabblegate



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Information	
Start point	Aylsham Market Place • Grid Reference TG192269
Parking	Any town centre free car park
Distance	3.1 miles (*or 1.9 miles for shorter walk)
Details	Moderate gradient, 20% soft 

## Walk instructions

Walk towards the church from the Market Place. Follow the right hand path around the church and leave via the lych-gate into Cromer Road. Walk down Cromer Road and take the last right turn into The Meadows.

As this quiet lane bears right, go through the kissing gate on the left into the meadow, walk across the field to the exit gate in the opposite corner.

Turn right into Weavers' Way and walk along the disused railway line to the car park.

\*For the short walk, on leaving the car park turn left, and left again over the railway bridge into Millgate, and follow the instructions from Millgate below.

On leaving the car park, turn right and after a few metres left into Banningham Road. Continue along Banningham Road, winding around for half a mile, turning left at the junction beside the "no through road" sign to walk down towards Abbot's Hall.

Turn left at the T-junction into Drabblegate and continue along Drabblegate for half a mile with glimpses of the River Bure through the meadows on the right. As the road bears left, keep right to walk over the old railway bridge into Millgate.

Turn right into Millgate; walk up the hill towards the town, cross the two

bridges, making use of the pavement where available before continuing ahead as Millgate becomes Gas Hill.

As the road bears right near the top of the hill, turn left into Oakfield Road opposite the Roman Catholic church.

Turn first right into Blofields Loke; at the end of the Loke turn right then immediately left to return to the Market Place.



- The River Bure starts as a small stream near Melton Constable before winding its way through the countryside via Aylsham, Wroxham and the Broads, reaching the sea at Great Yarmouth.
- From the road in Drabblegate, pause to look across the river. Lush and dense vegetation beside the river provides cover for resting birds and small mammals, whilst the meadows support a wide diversity of herbal flora. The meadows on the far side have gained County Wildlife Site status - areas of land rich in wildlife: a tract of heath, a copse, a village pond or a meadow.

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A pleasant, easy route out of Aylsham via Weavers' Way, crossing the River Bure in couple of places and walking through historic Millgate.

- There is a memorial to the landscape gardener Humphry Repton on St. Michael and All Angels Church.

