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# Norfolk Coast Path England Coast Path Stretch 1 Short Walk 1 (of 7) Weybourne to Sheringham



Length:  
3 Miles



## Along the way

The walk begins at Weybourne car park close to the shingle beach at Weybourne Hope. A little further west along the coast road is Weybourne Camp, a former anti-aircraft training camp dating from before World War II. The camp is currently home to the Muckleburgh Collection, a privately owned military museum with 25 tanks in working order.

A short detour south from the car park will bring you to the ruins of Weybourne Priory, an Augustinian priory founded by Sir Ralph Mainwaring around 1200. The ruins include the remains of an 11<sup>th</sup>-century Saxon church tower, which can be seen attached to the chancel of All Saints, the current village church.

From the car park the way runs east along the grassy top of Weybourne Cliffs, a Site of Special Scientific Interest important for its geology. The remains of many types of marine molluscs have been found here along with both small and large animal fossils. The cliff face is also used as a nest site for sand martins.

The shingle beach at Weybourne Hope has long been considered a vulnerable spot for invasion. Marauding Danes came ashore here in the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> centuries and defences were built as prevention against invasion by Spain in the 16<sup>th</sup> century. Further anti-invasion defences were constructed here during World War II, which explains the large number of concrete pill boxes that can still be seen in the area.

The way follows the clifftop path all the way to Sheringham, the path running alongside a golf course for the last stretch into the town. Sheringham Park lies on higher ground inland to the south, requiring a detour of a mile or so to reach it. The park, which surrounds Sheringham Hall, was landscaped the early 19<sup>th</sup> century by Humphry Repton and many consider it to be the best example of his work.

Entering Sheringham, the route leads along the promenade past the early 20<sup>th</sup>-century gardens of The Lees before reaching its end point at the top of the High Street. The Boulevard, leading south from The Lees, was constructed in 1887 to link the seafront with the new railway station.

### Walk summary

This bracing short walk between Weybourne and Sheringham follows a clifftop path that takes in splendid views of the North Sea to the left and the wooded low hills of Sheringham Park to the right.

### Getting started

Starts at Weybourne car park (TG110436) and ends at Sheringham where High Street meets the promenade (TG159434).

### Getting there

**Train:** Sherringham Station  
National Rail enquiries: 08457 484950.

[www.nationalrail.co.uk/](http://www.nationalrail.co.uk/)

### Bus Service:

Weybourne – Norfolk Green Coasthopper, Konectbus 22  
Sheringham – Norfolk Green Coasthopper, Sanders X44,  
Konectbus 2

**Bus Stops:** Church (Weybourne) and Railway Approach (Sheringham)

Traveline enquiries: 0871 200 22 33.  
[www.travelineeastanglia.org.uk](http://www.travelineeastanglia.org.uk)

### Maps and guides

Ordnance Survey Explorer Map 252, Norfolk Coast East, Cromer & North Walsham, available from Ordnance Survey shop [www.ordnancesurvey.co.uk](http://www.ordnancesurvey.co.uk)

### What to expect

Undulating grassy field-edge paths close to the cliff edge.  
Surfaced promenade in Sheringham.

### Facilities

Pub, tearoom, café, accommodation and shop in Weybourne

Pubs, cafés, tearooms, accommodation and shops in Sheringham