

Walk 4

Weavers' Way Aylsham



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Distance	4 miles (6.4 kilometres)
Surface	75% unsurfaced, 25% surfaced - pedestrian gates, kissing gates
Toilets	Aylsham town centre (not on route)
Refreshment facilities	Aylsham or Blickling Hall (not on route)
Seating on route	Weavers' Way disused railway line and Silvergate

Start point:

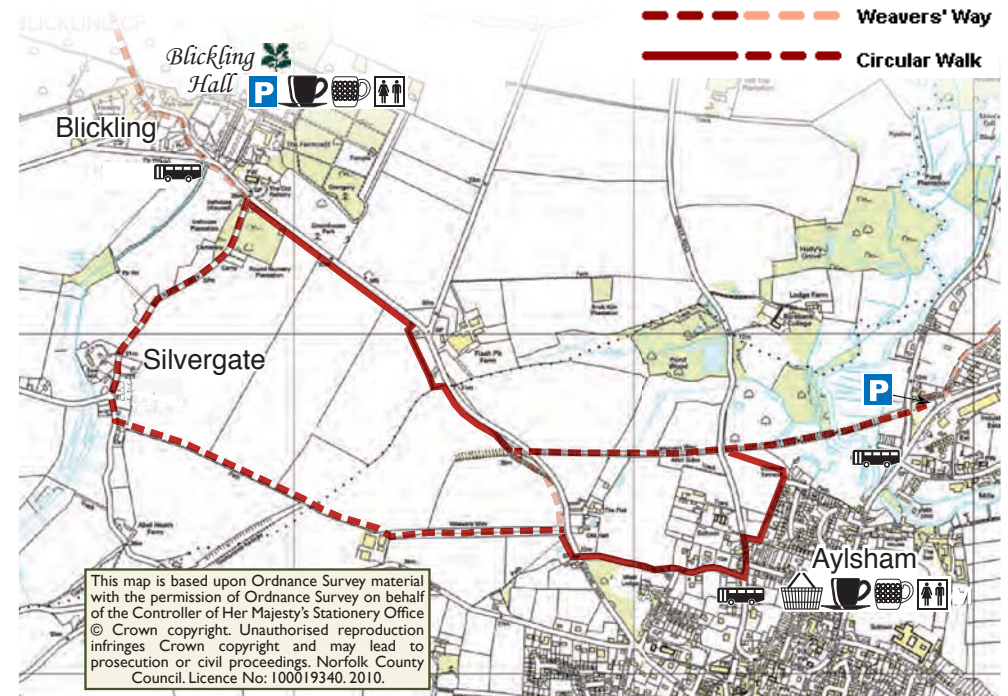
Weavers' Way car park, Drabblegate, Aylsham.
OS Grid Reference TG 198 277.

Directions:

- 1 Leave the car park passing by the field gate and head towards the bridge. This is Weavers' Way section of disused railway line.
- 2 Follow the old railway line passing under the bridge, over the River Bure and under another bridge. Continue along until you pass through a gate to reach the road.



- 3 Cross the road with care, following the signs for Weavers' Way. Go through the gate and up a short but steep slope. At the top of the slope turn right (leaving Weavers' Way behind).
- 4 Follow the tarmac path over the old railway bridge and pass through a gate. Continue along the grassy path which runs between two hedges. The path goes around the back of some cottages and then turns into a public bridleway which runs adjacent to the road.
- 5 Follow the bridleway until you meet the road junction. At the road turn left, once again joining Weavers' Way. Follow this road into the hamlet of Silvergate. Ignore the turning to the right, continue along the road and turn left onto a waymarked field-edge path next to the black sided barn.



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- 6 Follow the field-edge path and at the farm buildings walk through the kissing gate into a wide tree lined avenue. Walk along the avenue towards the road. At the end, pass through the gates and turn right just before the road.
- 7 Take the permissive path which runs alongside the meadow. At the end of the path go up the slope on your left and carefully cross the road into Petersons Lane.



- 8 Walk along Petersons Lane and at the T-junction at the end turn left and then take the second right signed as The Meadows. The lane turns sharp left and then after 200 metres sharp right.
- 9 At this bend, go through the kissing gate and take the public footpath that wanders diagonally through the grazing meadows towards the disused railway line (Weavers' Way).
- 10 Pass through the kissing gate, turn right along the disused railway line and return to the car park.

Points of interest:

- Weavers' Way disused railway line is a remnant of the Midland and Great Northern Railway (M&GN). The Drabblegate car park is on the site of the former Aylsham North Station, which opened in 1883;
- Silvergate, a hamlet of estate cottages.

Blickling Hall

