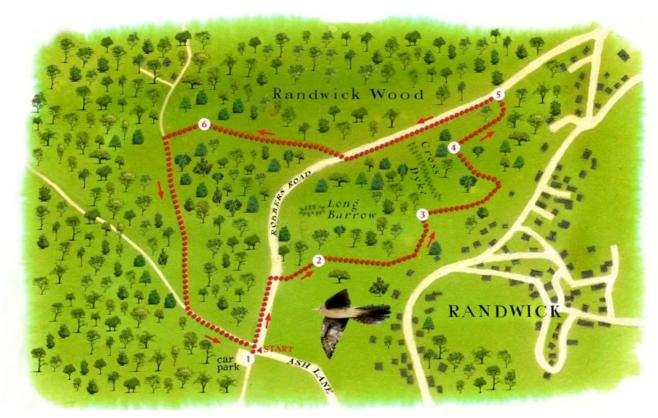




GLOUCESTERSHIRE & THE COTSWOLDS

Randwick Wood circular walk

This short walk leads you through beech and yew woodland, limestone grasslands with orchids and other special flowers to look out for, and alongside an ancient burial mound.



Information

Address: Randwick Wood, Ash Lane, Randwick, Stroud,

Gloucestershire, GL6 6EX OS map: Landranger 162

Activity: Walking

Moderate: Much of the route is through woodland and on stony ground. For further details, see Terrain section.

Dog friendly: Dogs are welcome on the walk.

Full trail: Miles: 1 (km: 1.6) Access: Challenging

Duration: 30 mins - 40 mins

Terrain

Terrain is generally stony underfoot, with a short stretch across grassland. There are wooded parts and uphill and downhill sections. Some areas can be slippery when wet.

Total steps: 6

Start point: Randwick Woods car park, grid ref SO823065

- From the car park, follow the track known as Robbers Road, which runs between the woods and the field, until you reach a set of large boulders on your right. Turn right here, continuing along the path until you come to a stile on your right.
- Climb over the stile into the paddock, home to a wide variety of limestone grassland flowers, such as orchids and twayblades. Walk through the paddock, following the woodland edge to your left. This will lead you down the slope then back uphill towards a millennium seat.
- 3. Just above the seat, re-enter the woods over a stile. Turn right on this footpath and follow it until you reach the lowest point still within the woods. Turn left here and follow the path back up the hill, keeping to the right as it forks.
- 4. When you reach a track running at right angles to the one you're on, turn right, walking until you reach a five-bar gate. Here you return to Robbers Road.
- Turn left and follow Robbers Road. On your left you'll see a long barrow. Shortly afterwards you'll come to a smaller path crossing the main track. Take a right and follow it downhill.
- 6. When you reach the bottom of the path, turn left onto a track running along the flat. Follow the track, passing a five-bar gate, and continue until you reach a metal vehicle barrier with the remains of an old quarry on your left. From here, follow the track uphill and back to your starting point at the car park.

End point: Randwick Woods car park, grid ref SO823065