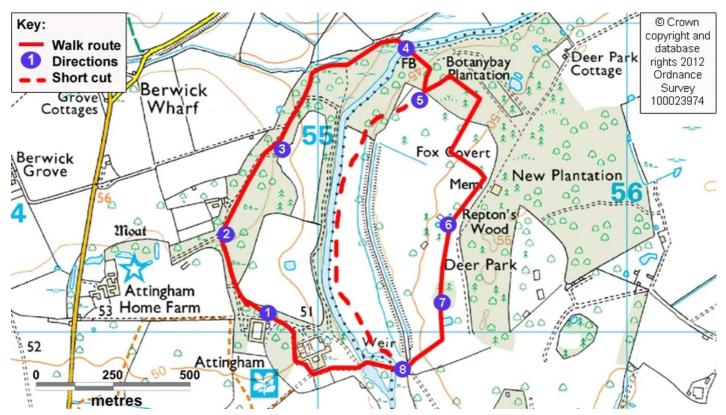




SHROPSHIRE & STAFFORDSHIRE

## Wildlife walk at Attingham Park

This circular walk starts in the Stables Courtyard at Attingham Park and follows the Deer Park walk and centuries-old routes in the beautiful parkland of this great estate and by the River Tern.



## Information

Address: Attingham Park, Atcham, near Shrewsbury, Shropshire SY4 4TP.

OS map: Landranger 126; Explorer 241

Activity: Walking

Moderate: Grass, hoggin (compressed sand and gravel) and woodland paths, uneven in places, on mainly level terrain with a few short inclines. For further details, please see Terrain section.

Dog friendly: Dogs must be on leads in all outdoor areas of the site at all times except for in the designated off-lead areas. Assistance dogs are welcome inside the café, shop and bookshop.

Full trail: Miles: 2.5 (km: 4)
Access: Challenging
Duration: 45 mins - 1 hour

## Terrain

Walking on a mixture of grass, hoggin and woodland paths, this route is on a combination of level terrain and a few short inclines in the deer park. Paths may be uneven in places and may not be suitable for buggies or mobility scooters in muddy conditions. Please be careful on steps to the ice house.

## Total steps: 8

Start point: Visitor reception, Attingham Park, Atcham, Shrewsbury, Shropshire SY4 4TP. Grid ref: SJ5501109896.

- From the car park make your way to visitor reception and through the Stables
   Courtyard bearing left towards the walled garden. As you walk towards the Walled
   Garden you are on part of the Mile Walk, a hoggin path.
- You will pass the Walled Garden on your left as you continue along this section of the Mile Walk.
- 3. At this point the path splits: bear left, following signs for the Deer Park Walk.
- 4. Cross the cable-stayed bridge over the River Tern.
- 5. At this fork in the path carry straight on up a gentle incline to continue with the walk. At further forks in the path follow signs for the 'Deer Park Walk'. For buggies (in muddy conditions) and mobility scooters, follow the right fork labelled 'short cut' through the gate which takes you along the bank of the Tern to rejoin the walk at point 8.
- 6. After walking through the woodland the path opens out along the top of the deer park, with the woodland on your left and the deer park to your right. During parts of the year sections of the deer park may be closed; please follow any signed diversions.
- 7. Keep walking along the grass path with the woodland on your left, until you get to the Repton oak.
- 8. A short while after passing the Repton oak the path will begin to lead you down the hill towards the mansion. Go through the gate, across the bridge and turn right to take a look at the ice house. Please note: there is no light in the ice house and it is lit by natural light from its entrance. Be careful walking down the narrow uneven steps into the ice house. After you've been inside follow the path passing the mansion on your right-hand side and continue to bear right, past the tea-room and toilets before turning left to return to the Stables Courtyard.

End point: Visitor reception, Attingham Park, Atcham, Shrewsbury, Shropshire SY4 4TP. Grid ref: SJ5501109896.