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Pinewood Walk at Sutton Hoo (blue walk)

Explore the surrounding landscape of the Sutton Hoo estate, home to one of the greatest archaeological discoveries of all time. This short circular trail takes you on a walk through the woods with far-reaching views over the River Deben.

Remember your membership card

You'll need access to Sutton Hoo to enjoy this walk so you should either bring a National Trust membership card or pay for entry. Why not make the most of your visit by visiting the Sutton Hoo exhibition?



Information

Address: Sutton Hoo reception and car park, Woodbridge, Suffolk, IP12 3DJ

OS map: Explorer 197

Activity: Walking

Challenging: An easy woodland walk. For further details, please see Terrain section.

Dog friendly: Dogs are welcome on the Sutton Hoo estate, but please make sure you keep them on leads at all times.

Full trail: Miles: 1.12 (km: 1.79)

Access: Easy

Duration: 50 mins

Terrain

This is a short circular route that follows public footpaths and woodland paths. There are roots underfoot and gradual gradients in places. While it's ideal for active families it's not suitable for buggies, pushchairs or wheelchairs.

Total steps: 8

Start point: Sutton Hoo reception and car park, Woodbridge IP12 3DJ. Grid ref: TM289493.

1. After sorting site admission, go through the gate behind the café into the Garden Field. Turn right and follow the edge of the field, passing the overflow car park on your right. Please remember to shut the gate, as sheep graze here sometimes.
2. Head through another gate into Browns Planting. At the signpost turn right, following the directions for Pinewood Walk. Follow this woodland path, which turns left after a short distance. Continue through the woodland and down a short flight of steps.
3. The path eventually curves slightly to the left. Carry on until you reach a road. Turn left to follow the road up a gentle incline with Chestnut Walk on your left.
4. Shortly before a left-hand bend in the road, take the path on the left, then turn left again before the path rejoins the road. Keep right and you'll come to a clearing in the woods with a picnic area on the right. Facing the river, take the path immediately to the left of the picnic area, continuing south down the valley.
5. Cross the vehicle access track at the bottom of the valley. Carry on up through the woods on the other side, heading south.
6. Continue through the woodland, looking out for a clearing with a bench to the right.
7. Continue along the path through the woods. You should catch a glimpse of Tranmer House to your left before descending to the track in the valley.
8. At the track, turn left and walk back up to the Sutton Hoo courtyard.

