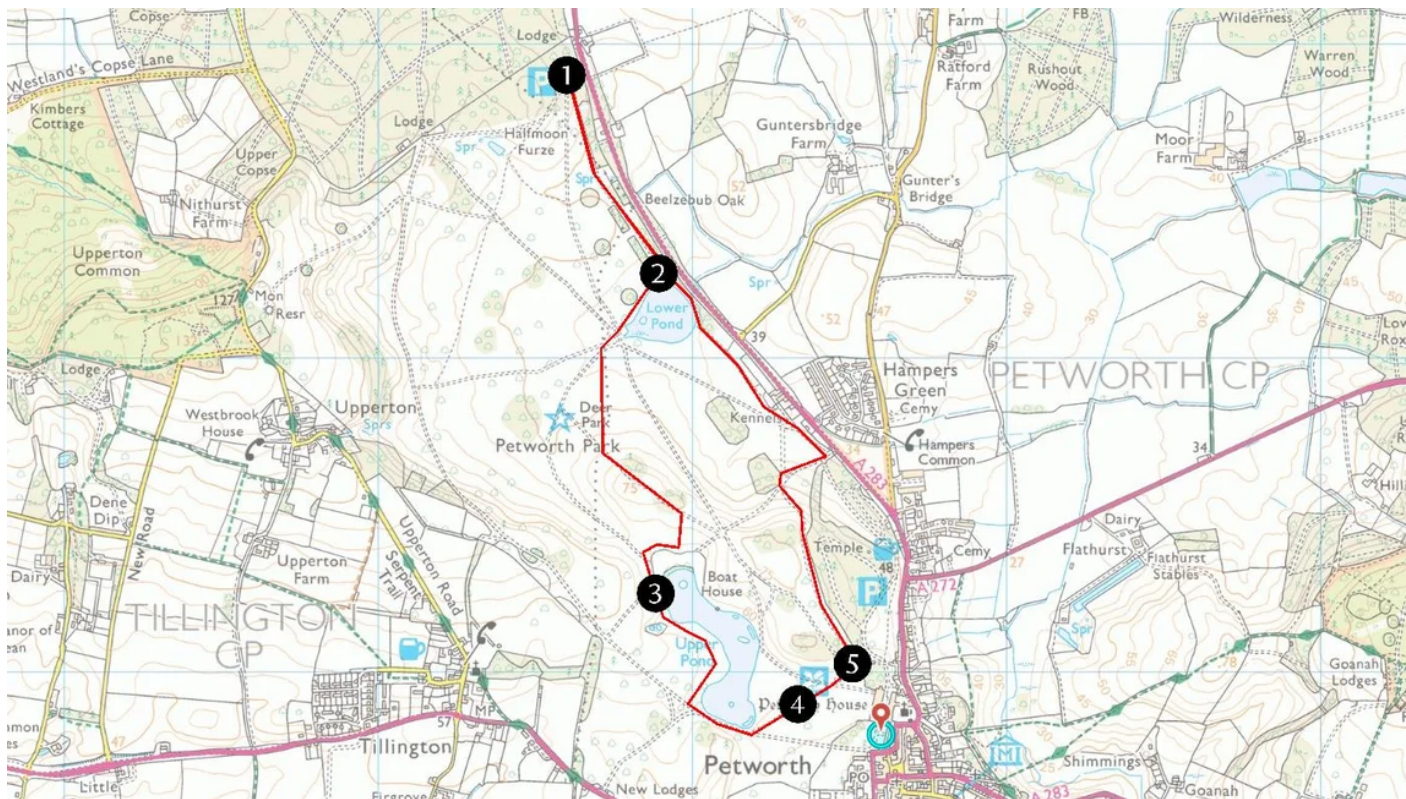


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Petworth Park through Turner's eyes

Discover the views that inspired England's greatest landscape painter, JMW Turner, who was a frequent guest at Petworth, returning year after year thanks to his friendship with George O'Brien Wyndham, 3rd Earl of Egremont (1751-1837). Stroll around the glassy lake where the artist regularly fished and take in the views captured in his paintings, 'Dewy Morning' and 'Sunset, Fighting Bucks'. Stop in afterwards to view the collection at Petworth House, home to 20 Turner oil paintings – the largest collection outside of the Tate.



Information

Address: Petworth North car park, London Rd (A283), West Sussex, GU28 9LS

OS map: Explorer 121

Activity: Walking

Moderate: A moderate walk with some steep sections. For further details, please see Terrain section.

Dog friendly: Dogs are welcome but must be kept under close control, as deer graze in the park.

Full trail: Miles: 3 (km: 4.8)

Access: Challenging

Duration: 2 hours 30 mins

Terrain

Terrain is steep in places and can be muddy underfoot.

Total steps: 5

Start point: Petworth Park car park, grid ref: SU966238 (not Petworth House car park)

1. From the ticket machine in the Deer Park car park and with the park wall on your left, walk down the grass path (keeping the wall to your left). Continue until you reach the Lower Pond.
2. From the top end of Lower Pond any of the three paths towards Arbour Hill will lead you to Upper Pond. Follow the path to the right of Upper Pond, and stop shortly after the gate. You should have the two spring-fed Stew Ponds ahead of you and a lumpy grass hill on your right.
3. Look across Upper Pond towards the House to see the scene from Turner's oil painting entitled 'Dewy Morning', one of a set of four exhibited in the White Library in the House - this room is open occasionally to visitors, by kind permission of Lord and Lady Egremont. The paintings took over four years to complete due to Turner testing different subjects and compositions. From here walk across Mansion Lawn until you are roughly half way between Upper Pond and the House
4. To continue with your walk heading further along Mansion Lawn and join a stone path beside the ha-ha built by Capability Brown.
5. Continue up the hill along the stone path as it hugs the wall, as you reach the top follow the path down the hill and then continue to hug the walls of the Park until you reach the Lower Pond once more. From here retrace your steps back to the Deer Park car park.

End point: Petworth Park car park, grid ref: SU966238 (not Petworth House car park)