

WARWICKSHIRE

Baddesley Clinton to Packwood walk

Walk from Baddesley Clinton, a secluded, intimate estate which was home to the Ferrers family for 500 years, over the fields to Packwood, which was transformed by Graham Baron Ash in the 1920s from a 17th-century farmhouse into a dream-like vision of a Tudor country home.



Information

Address: Baddesley Clinton Rising Lane, Baddesley Clinton, Warwickshire, B93 0DQ

OS map: Landranger 139

Activity: Walking

Moderate: A moderately challenging walk with some difficult parts. For further details, please see Terrain section.

Dog friendly: Dogs on leads on public footpaths; dogs are not permitted within the property.

Full trail: Miles: 5 (km: 8)

Access: Challenging

Duration: 2 hours 30 mins - 3 hours

Terrain

Uneven sections with some steps, kissing gates and stiles. Field paths may be marshy following wet weather. Take care on roads. Livestock (and their droppings) are present, along with some water hazards (ponds and ditches).

Total steps: 12

Start point: Car park 139:SP199723

1. Begin at Baddesley Clinton's visitor reception. The walk begins by continuing left along the drive, passing Badger's Dell on the right just before the drive curves to the left.
2. At the end of the drive, cross the road and walk up the lane opposite. Look out for a public footpath sign on the left and follow the path across the fields, going through a series of kissing gates to rejoin the road at a canal bridge.
3. Turn right along the road and right again down a drive for The Grove, just after the railway bridge. At the end of the drive follow the footpath sign to the right along a hedge-lined path which circles round to the left.
4. Emerge onto a lane and take the footpath signed opposite, heading up the field with the hedge on your left to meet a road.
5. Turn right along the road, taking a footpath on the left by the sign for Packwood House. Follow the avenue back to Packwood, crossing over Two Pits Pool and onto Chestnut Avenue from where you get a beautiful view of the house.
6. A good place to stop for a break would be at Packwood's Garden Kitchen Café, serving a range of hot and cold lunches, hot drinks, cakes and ice creams.
7. Make your way onto Packwood Lane, then follow the road to the left to meet Rising Lane.
8. At the junction go straight ahead along the road, following signs for Lapworth.
9. At a fork in the road, take the left-hand lane and turn left over a canal bridge. Cross the road and on the far side of the bridge, take the footpath down to the towpath.
10. Turn right along the towpath, following the Stratford-upon-Avon canal past a series of locks and passing through the Kingwood Junction, where the Stratford Canal meets the

Grand Union. After the railway bridge, turn left over the footbridge and carry on along the towpath with the canal on your right.

11. At bridge 65 take the steps up to the road, turn right along the road, past the Navigation Inn and take the footpath on the left signed for the Heart of England Way.
12. Follow this along a drive, through a stable yard and across the fields to meet the drive at Baddesley Clinton.

End point: Car park 139:SP199723
