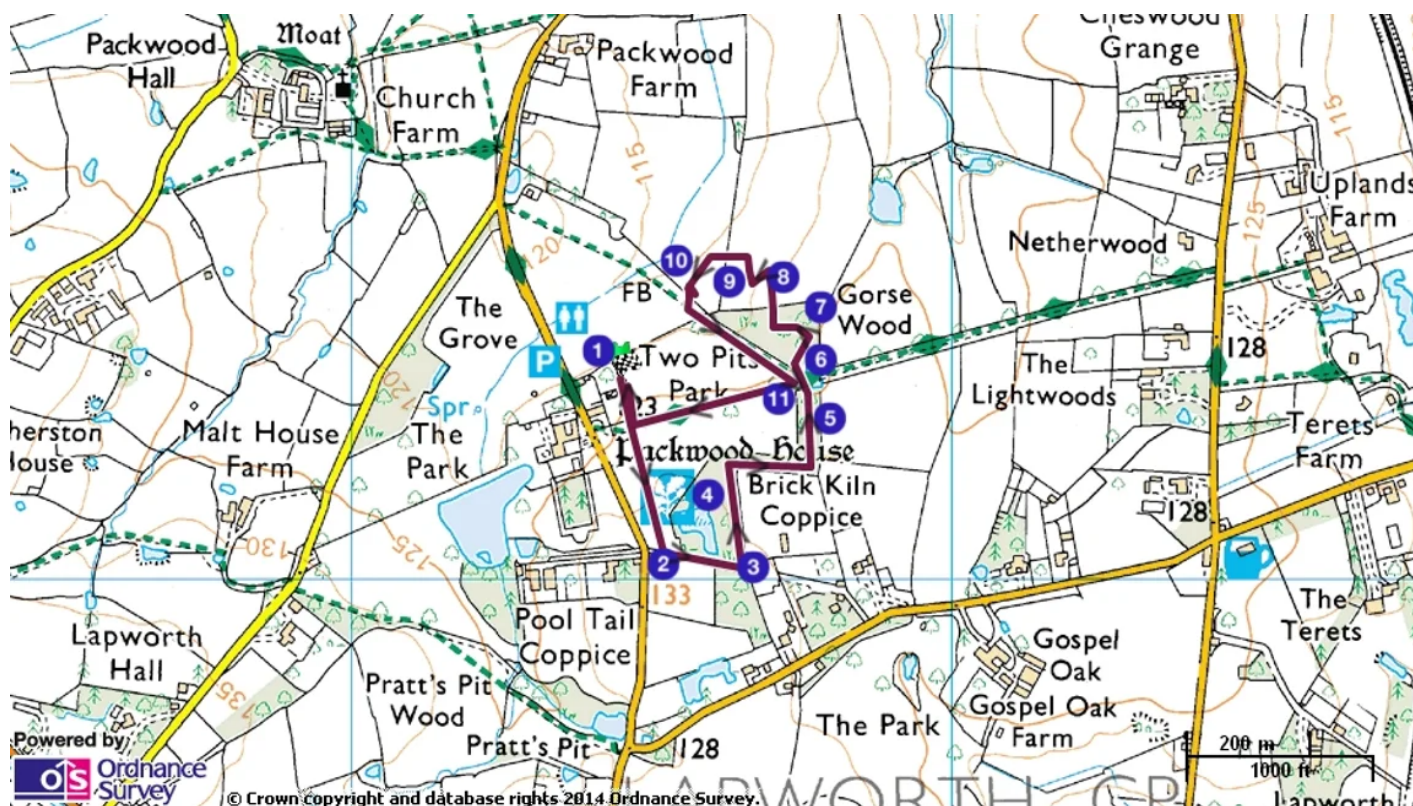


WARWICKSHIRE

Packwood Welly Walk

Perfect for families with children, this is a nice easy walk that should take the most vigorous walker approximately 30 minutes to return to the car park and for a leisurely stroll with the family around 45 minutes to 1 hour.



Information

Address: Packwood House, Packwood Lane, Lapworth, B94 6AT

Activity: Walking

Easy: Mostly easy walking on footpaths and fields. For further details, see Terrain section. Can be muddy in places in wet weather - hence the wellies!

Dog friendly: Dogs are welcome but please keep them on leads on public footpaths and around livestock.

Full trail: Miles: 1 (km: 1.6)

Duration: 30 mins - 1 hour

Terrain

Mostly easy walking on established footpaths and across fields. There are livestock, and their droppings, along the walk, as well as water hazards such as ponds and ditches. After heavy rain, wellingtons are recommended.

Total stages: 11

Start point: Packwood House car park, grid ref: SP173723

1. Start your walk after coming through reception, turn left and walk along the York stone and crushed brick path. Shortly you will come to a finger post that points in the direction of the start of the 'Welly Walk', look out for the large wooden archway on the edge of the meadow.
2. At the entrance to the Welly Walk turn left and follow the pathway. After about a couple of minutes you will come to the first of four play glades. This is a good place to sit and rest, build a den or simply linger and listen to the birds.
3. Continue on the path to glade two. When wet the going gets a little tougher, so why not see if you are good at balancing on our woodland stepping stones to avoid the puddles!
4. Continue along the path, past the woodland shelter until the footpath branches after some wooden stepping stones. Keep to the right where the ferns are growing and soon after you will pass through two gates
5. Just after the second gate you will come to play glade three where you can engage in some friendly competition with the woodland hoopla.
6. After another short leisurely stroll you come to play glade four and the end of the 'Welly Walk'. This is a great place to stop and rest or have a picnic.
7. Passing the two ponds on your right you enter Gorse Wood over a narrow wooden bridge.
8. Following the path to the woodland edge on your left you will discover a circular 'deer brash' hedge made by the Ranger and his volunteers to protect a newly planted hazel coppice. Passing through the gate you enter the Gorse Woodland extension.
9. Follow the wooden sign over the board walk and continue as the pathway slopes down to two gateways breaking through a recently planted hedgerow. Once past the second gate follow the direction of the wooden sign and skirt the field past the large fallen oak to the wooden sign and gate beyond to the left.

10. As you exit the gate you will skip over a small 'ditch' bridge. You are now in Bow Meadow with views back to the car park and café. Follow the sign to your left and in the distance you will see a small group of oak trees near an old fence boundary. Head for this hugging the edge of the field with hedgerow and later woodland to your left hand side. After about five minutes you will come back to the halfway point of your walk and rediscover the chestnut avenue on your right.

11. Head back along the avenue towards the house.

End point: Packwood House car park, grid ref: SP173723
