






# ALL OTHER HUNTINGDON WALKS

## WALKS KEY

-  **Green walks** are accessible for push chairs and wheelchairs. Unless found in the Short Walks section, walks last approximately 60 minutes.
-  **Moderate walks** last 30 to 60 minutes over 2 to 3 miles. Mixture of pathways and grass tracks. May include stiles or kissing gates. Not suitable for wheelchairs or buggies.
-  **Moderate walks** with the option of a shorter easier route if desired. Mixture of pathways and grass tracks. May include stiles or kissing gates. Not suitable for wheelchairs or buggies.
-  **Advanced walks** last 60 to 90 minutes over 3 to 4 miles. Mixture of pathways and grass tracks. May include stiles or kissing gates. Not suitable for new walkers, wheelchairs or buggies.
-  **Advanced walks** with the option of a short/moderate route if desired. Mixture of pathways and grass tracks. May include stiles or kissing gates. Not suitable for wheelchairs or buggies.

## Abbots Ripton

**Meeting Point:** Village Hall Car Park, Abbots Ripton, PE28 2PF

**Time:** 60 minutes

**Grade:** Orange

**Significant hazards to be aware of:** Traffic when crossing a road.

	<b>Route Instructions</b>	<b>Hazard</b>
1.	Starting at the Village hall, turn left when out of the car park following the road until it meets the main road.	
2.	Cross over the road to take the footpath on the left-hand side.	<b>Traffic</b>
3.	Walking up to the gates (Lord De Ramsey's estate) they will open as you approach – if not you can walk on the right-hand side.	
4.	Continuing along the path, turning to the left when reaching a split path.	
5.	Keep walking until you reach a gate.	
6.	Stop & retrace your steps back to the Car Park.  A circular route could not be planned. The road that takes you back to the village is unsafe for a large group of walkers, vehicle speed is high & there is no footpath.	

## Alconbury Weston & Upton Dry Route

(To avoid flooding)

**Meeting Point:** The Green, High Street, Alconbury Weston, PE28 4JP

**Time:** 60 mins

**Grade:** Green / Red

**Significant hazards to be aware of:**

	<b>Route Instructions</b>	<b>Hazard</b>
1.	From (parking at) 'The Green' at AW, cross over North Road into and down Church Way.	
2.	At the bottom of this cul-de-sac, continue straight on towards Alconbury along the solid footpath, which leads into The Maltings.	
3.	Continue to the church and walk through the churchyard, leading into Church Way	
4.	Almost immediately, veer right onto footpath leading to Alconbury Brook, as far as the second / farther bridge over it on the right-hand side.	
5.	Cross the bridge and continue past houses and on to North Road.	
6.	Here, turn right and keeping on the pavement on the right-hand side go as far as Polecat Lane, at which turn right into it.	
7.	Follow track / path to re-join The Maltings, take a left turn.	
8.	Retrace outgoing route back to the Village Green.	
	Optional / 10min.loop, after crossing North Road,  Continue walk on right hand side / pavement side of Hamerton Road (opposite the pub) as far as the Alconbury Brook ford on the left-hand side. Cross over at the ford, either over it or through it -dependent on height of water – and onto the High Street, there turning left to walk back to The Green.	

## Hemingford Meadow

**Meeting Point:** Houghton Mill Car Park, Houghton, PE28 2AZ

**Time:** 1 hour

**Grade:** Orange

**Significant hazards to be aware of:**

	<b>Route Instructions</b>	<b>Hazard</b>
1.	From the café at Houghton Mill, pass through the mill and follow footpath to and over the lock.	
2.	Pass through the gate and take the path straight ahead across the meadow.	
3.	Pass through gate, cross bridge and continue along road to T junction.	
4.	Turn right onto Common Lane. Walk to the end of the road and pass through gate. (There are usually cows in this meadow).	
5.	Continue on to the tarmac path to next gate and pass through onto Cow Lane.	
6.	Turn right, walk a short distance on the road and turn right again. Follow track, pass through gate and continue ahead across field.	
7.	Pass through hedge line (wide gap) and continue across next field.	
8.	At corner of field, turn left, cross concrete bridge, pass through gate and turn right.	
9.	Follow path across field (you will see Church Steeple above tree line, directly ahead).	
10.	At end of field, cross bridge and continue ahead across next field.	
11.	Head for and cross sluice. Follow the path along riverbank back to the lock.	
12.	Pass through gate and follow path back to café.	

## Houghton Meadows

**Meeting Point:** Houghton Mill Car Park, Houghton, PE28 2AZ

**Time:** 1 hour fifteen minutes

**Grade:** Orange

**Significant hazards to be aware of:**

	<b>Route Instructions</b>	<b>Hazard</b>
1.	From Houghton Mill car park go past the tea-room and along the mill pool past the Caravan Club site and through a gate at the end of the field.	
2.	Go across the first field and over a small bridge into second field. Continue on and cross a bridge to your right.	
3.	Follow the path over further two bridges, the second of which goes over the back-stream weir from the Great Ouse and onto the banks of the main river.	
4.	Follow the riverbank through two fields through gate and over the bridge deck.	
5.	Continue across the fields with the river to your right until you come to a large weir.	
6.	Go through the new gate and follow the path to the right. Go to the far end of the field and follow the path when it turns left away from the main river.	
7.	Continue around the meadow keeping the stream to your right until you come to a gate and a bridge. Cross over the bridge and follow the lane until you reach a pump house at the three-way junction.	
8.	Turn left down Thicket Road until you reach a fork in the road. Turn left and almost immediately right down a footpath enclosed on both sides.	
9.	Continue down the path until you come to a gate on your left. Go through the gate and bear right through the Caravan Park to return to Houghton Mill car park.	

## Stukeley Stroll

**Meeting Point:** Three Horseshoes, Ermine Street, Great Stukeley, PE28 4AH

**Time:** 75 minutes

**Grade:** Orange

**Significant hazards to be aware of:** Livestock – cattle & horses. Field ploughed up.

	<b>Route Instructions</b>	<b>Hazard</b>
1.	Leave the car park and turn left down the main road. Follow the pavement across Owl End until you reach the dark gravel public footpath on your left leading to a housing estate. Go straight ahead into Stukeley Park.	
2.	Cross the field straight ahead looking for the kissing gate on the other side, go through this gate & continue straight ahead.	<b>Cattle</b>
3.	Cross another field, with the pond on your right, take the gate, bridge, gate on your left.	
4.	Turn immediately left and follow the Grange Farm track with the hedge row on the RHS.	
5.	Cross the site works junction and continue towards Grange Farm,	<b>Site Works Traffic</b>
6.	Pass Grange Farm and small industrial units Turn Left after 100m with hedgerow on the LHS	
7.	Continue past the wood the surface of the track progressively improves and it eventually becomes Owl End; continue along it until you reach the main road and then turn right back to the car park	

## Wyton Wander

**Meeting Point:** Wyevale Garden and Leisure Car Park, PE28 2AA

**Walk Duration:** 60-90 mins

**Grade:** Red/Advanced

**Significant hazards to be aware of:** Crossing the B1090 St Ives – Huntingdon Road, uneven ground, narrow footpaths.

	<b>Walk Route Instructions</b>	<b>Hazard</b>
1.	Leave the car park and turn right towards Huntingdon. Follow the pavement until you pass the bus stop and then turn right onto a Bridleway after the thatched cottage. The Hartford fishing lake is on the left-hand side.	<b>Fast traffic</b>
2.	Follow track/bridleway and after approx. 350 meters turn sharp right and then continue straight ahead along lane with trees on either side until reaching a surfaced lane. (Splash Lane). Continue in same direction and when surfaced lane turns right, continue straight ahead on bridleway. Eventually this bends right to meet the main road. (B1090).  At this point, walkers wishing to take a short cut back to the Garden Centre can turn right on the same side of the road and walk back towards the start.	<b>Uneven ground</b>  <b>Narrow footpath</b>
3.	Cross the road and turn left and continue along footway at side of road until you reach the road to Houghton village.	<b>Fast Traffic</b>
4.	Cross this road and turn right towards the village, almost immediately turn left, after crossing the stream, onto a Bridleway.	<b>Traffic</b>
5.	Follow bridleway, which can be muddy after rain, until you reach a footpath (easily missed) to the right and turn onto this. Follow this path until you reach Thicket Road, cross straight across the road and continue to the end of the path.	
6.	Turn right and follow this path until you reach the road to Houghton Mill, turn left and then right onto a footpath through the churchyard.	
7.	At the far side of the churchyard turn left onto footpath and this joins a lane going past the primary school and then this meets the road through the village. Turn left towards Wyton and Huntingdon, using the pavement on the right-hand side.	
8.	Walk on past the Three Jolly Butchers to where the pavement ends. Then cross the main road or turn right down Splash Lane and then cross the main road. In either case turn left and follow the pavement returning to the Garden Centre car park. Use the islands in the centre of the road as a crossing point.	<b>Fast traffic</b>

## Alconbury Saunter

**Meeting Point:** Alconbury Sports & Social Cub, Great North Road, Alconbury PE28 4EX

**Walk Duration:** 60 minutes

**Grade:** Orange

**Significant hazards to be aware of: Road Crossings, Mud, Lengthy Incline**

	<b>Walk Route Instructions</b>	<b>Hazard</b>
1.	Exit car park and turn left on the footpath down Great North Road.	
2.	Turn left onto the Public Footpath and proceed over 3 bridges towards Church Way.	<b>Mud</b>
3.	Turn left onto Church Way and proceed through the gate into the churchyard. Take the path to the right, leave the churchyard through the gate, bear left onto The Maltings.	<b>Road Crossing</b>
4.	Proceed on The Maltings. The road narrows and becomes a Bridleway which runs alongside Alconbury Brook on the LHS. Pass the two bridges on the left and continue ahead some 100 yards to the Public Footpath on the RHS.	<b>No footpath on the maltings</b>
5.	Turn right and follow the Public Footpath up Cade's Hill to a T Junction of footpaths. Turn right and follow the footpath to the fencing at the corner of the Nesting and Wildlife Area.	<b>Mud</b>
6.	Turn left, keep the fencing on the RHS and proceed to the concrete Public Footpath ahead.	
7.	Turn left and proceed to the first line of trees on the LHS. Turn left, keeping the tree line on the RHS and follow this Public Footpath downhill. As the footpath bears left and uphill take the steps down through the trees into the next field.	
8.	Turn right and follow the path to the kissing gate in the corner of the field. Go through the gate, proceed ahead, with the fence on the LHS, into the next field. Turn right and with the tree line on the RHS, proceed till reaching an open wooden shelter.	
9.	Turn left in front of the shelter keeping the tree line on the RHS and proceed to the bottom corner of the field. Go through the gate and follow the path to the next gate. Go through the gate onto the end of a close.	<b>Horses in fields</b>
10.	Turn left onto the Public Bridleway. At the end of the first field continue directly ahead on the solid path (now a Public Footpath). Disregard the Public Bridleway which now bears right alongside the brook.	



11.	<p>Either (a) Continue on the path till reaching the two bridges. Turn right over the bridges and proceed on Polecat Lane to the side entrance to the car park</p> <p>Or (b) Continue on the path and through The Maltings to Manor House Hotel and Pub for tea/coffee and toilet facilities.</p> <p>To return to the car park follow The Maltings then Bridleway back to the bridges</p> <p>Turn left over the bridges, follow Polecat Lane to the side entrance of the car park.</p>	<b>No footpath on the maltings</b>
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## Ripton Ramble

**Meeting Point:** The Abbots Elm, Abbots Ripton, PE28 2PA

**Walk Duration:** 60 minutes

**Grade:** Orange

**Significant hazards to be aware of: Road Crossings, Mud.**

	<b>Walk Route Instructions</b>	<b>Hazard</b>
1.	Turn left out of the car park and proceed up Moat Lane	<b>Light Traffic</b>
2.	Take the second opening on the right into the field. The opening is narrow and easily missed. It is only 30 yards or so from the first, larger, opening. There is a Conservation Walk notice board at the opening. Follow the path through the field to a wooden bridge. Cross the bridge and the road and take the Public Footpath opposite through the trees.	<b>Mud</b>  <b>Road Crossing</b>
3.	Follow the footpath until reaching a fork in the path. Take the left fork and proceed to the end of the field then turning right, still on the Public Footpath.	<b>Mud</b>
4.	On reaching the road turn left. Some 50 yards ahead on the right go through the gate back onto the Public Footpath. Go through both gates at the end of the footpath and turn left onto Hall Lane (the road through the estate)	
5.	Proceed past the Stables on the left and both the Hall and Hall Farmhouse on the right.	<b>Mud</b>
6.	Continue up Hall Lane towards the fork in the road /Wennington Wood and Raveley Wood.  On reaching the fork/the woods take the footpath either left or right. The path to the left is tarmac. The path to the right leads onto a field which may be muddy in wet weather. In Spring the carpeting of bluebells is best seen if the left fork is taken. In Autumn the game birds are best seen if the right fork is taken.  Continue ahead until 30 minutes has elapsed from the start of the walk.	<b>Light Traffic</b>
7.	<b>THEN EITHER...</b> A - Retrace the route down Hall Lane but continue through to the automatic gates and out of the estate onto Sawtry Way. Turn right along the grass verge till joining a tarmac footpath. Continue the footpath when it changes to a track and then to the wooden bridge on the RHS. Cross the bridge and take the track directly ahead back to Moat lane. Turn left, continue back to The Abbots Elm	
8.	<b>OR...</b> Retrace the route back to The Abbots Elm	<b>Walking on grass verge</b>