A walk around Bridgnorth

What can you do there?

A 2.5 mile walk which will take between 1.5 to 2 hours at a comfortable pace.

The walk will take you through the streets of Bridgnorth, green spaces and along the river to find the quietest places and best views in this busy market town. Take time to enjoy churchyards, flowerbeds, and the bird life including goldcrests, blue tits, mallards, wrens, robins and chaffinches, along the riverbanks.

Address / location:

Starts and finishes at Bridgnorth Library, Listley Street, WV16 4AW.

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Opening times:

24/7 all year round.

Getting there:

By car - Bridgnorth is approximately 30 minutes' drive from Church Stretton or Craven Arms, 37 minutes from Shrewsbury and 22 minutes from Telford Town Centre.

The nearest car park is Listley Street North, Listley Street, Bridgnorth WV16 4AW. Charges apply, payable through the MiPermit app.

By bus - The No. 436 bus from Shrewsbury and the No. 115 from Telford go to Bridgnorth.



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Background:

Bridgnorth is in fact two towns.
High Town, which has the Castle,
Churches and many 16th and 17th
Century Mansions and Low Town sitting
along the banks of the River Severn was
once a thriving port. The two towns are
linked by several sets of Donkey Steps.

Facilities:

Public toilets can be found at Listley Street Car Park, Innage Lane Car Park and Severn Street Car Park. A charge of 20p is payable by card only.

There are a wide range of cafes and pubs in Bridgnorth.

Who owns / manages it:

The walk was devised by Sustainable Bridgnorth in conjunction with Bridgnorth Library and South Shropshire Climate Action.

To report issues with parks and outdoor spaces please contact Bridgnorth Town Council on info@bridgnorthtowncouncil.gov.uk or 01746 762231.

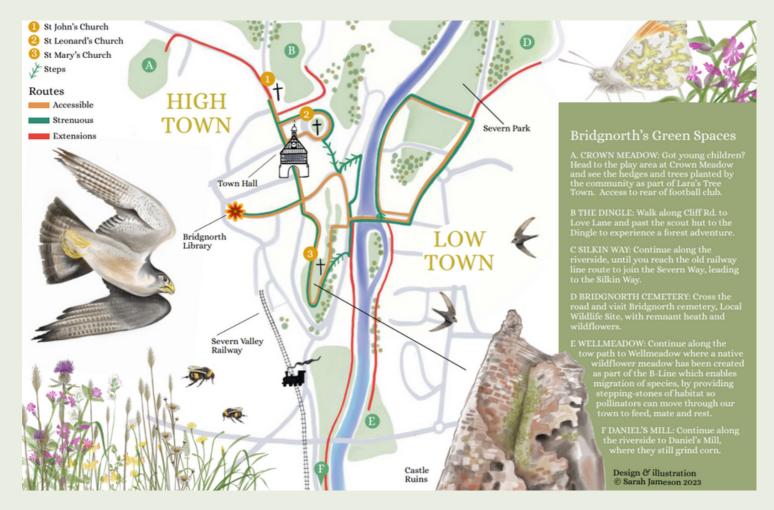
For further information:

Four other walks in the area ranging from 3.8 miles to 8.4 miles long can be found here:

bit.ly/43eaQGn

Bridgnorth Arts Trail challenges you to find 13 statues whilst enjoying a scenic and heritage-filled 2-mile walk: www.bridgnorthtowncouncil.gov.uk/

community-information/arts-trail



Accessibility:

The walk involves pavements around Bridgnorth and some uneven surfaces. There are opportunities to take a rest on benches in the town.

Details of the walk:

From Bridgnorth Library turn right and then left onto the High Street. Walk past the Town Hall and go through Northgate arch, continue to St. Johns Church on the right. Here is a small garden dedicated to St. Francis, lover of nature. Take time to sit on the bench and look out for birds using the nesting boxes.

Retrace your steps and turn left up Moat Street to St Leonards' Close. Stroll around the back of the church and there are seats on the green.

Continue down Church Street and turn left along High Street, then left down Cartway, at the fork turn right to join Mill Street. When you reach the bridge, cross over and follow Mill Street to your left and take the first left down Doctors Lane – stroll along the river where you may see swans, geese or ducks and maybe even a kingfisher or otter.

When you arrive at Severn Park, turn right by the outdoor gym and then right again to walk back towards the town. Keep right at the roundabout and down Mill Street, continue over the bridge, turn left along Mill Street until you reach Lavington Gardens, where you will pass the historic caves.

Climb up the Library Steps to the Castle Walk. Here you will enjoy views of the Severn Valley Railway. At dusk you may see bats.

Leave by the path at the right of the castle remains and walk around St. Mary's churchyard. Here you will find lots of things to encourage wildlife and benches to take a rest.

Walk up East Castle Street, turn right at the top and then left down Listley Street to return to the library.

Download the full leaflet here: **bit.ly/3CXJxoY**