

BLYTH VALLEY CHURCHES

WALKING ROUTE

**Halesworth to Blyford
6 miles**

Parking in the Pay and Display Council
Angel Link Car Park within sight of The
Angel pub [///round.tacky.nature](http://round.tacky.nature)

Walk towards the pub and pass it to your right, turning left across the end of the Thoroughfare towards the Market Place and head for St Marys Church. On leaving through the door facing the old Alms Houses, not the Market Place, turn left towards The Swan and walk down the alley adjacent to the pub. After passing The Coop, cross Saxon Way and follow the surfaced path. Cross Pound Close keeping to the path as it runs alongside one lot of allotments to the left then another to the right. Cross Blyth Road passing HWB Landrovers to your right. Then cross the Water Works approach road keeping straight ahead. Turn right when the path meets the surfaced path then left under the Six Arches railway viaduct. Head across the field to the small foot bridge in the hedge gap opposite. Then cross the next field bearing right to a kissing-gate, turning left onto the lane towards Mells.





Bear left at Red House Farm towards Mells.

Look out for the old station wagon at the roadside and remains of the old chapel on the skyline to your right. Keep left past Ivy Cottage and turn right on to the riverside path past the weir having crossed the Blyth over the road bridge. Say hello to the highland cow at St Margarets Farm on the opposite bank. Follow the river across a number of stock-proofed meadows, through a wood passing a mill on the other bank. After a mile or so, after passing Blyford Hall set back to your left, you will meet Blyford Lane. Climb up to, and over the stile and turn left towards All Saints Church. Having visited the church, a call at The Queens Head for lunch or a bevvy comes highly recommended.

Once refreshed, head back down Blyford Lane towards Wenhaston. You will cross the river again and a disused railway line. Turn right onto Low Road past Railway Corner. Follow the road as it joins Heath Road and past Bartholomew Road, keeping the wet meadows of the Blyth Valley to your right with woods and fields to your left. As a golf course appears to your left, prepare to turn right keeping the paddocks to your left head back to Mells.

This time after crossing the bridge turn left through some scrubby woodland to follow the riverside path. As earlier, you will pass through meadows and woodlands, over a number of bridges and through a number of kissing gates. Keep an eye out for Holton mill across the valley. After about a mile the path narrows past some fine Blackberries before turning left to cross the Blyth over a more substantial bridge.

Turn right to keep the river to your right passing brickwork marking the site of a now derelict lock. Pass under the railway bridge and turn right. Follow the surfaced path past White Bridge until you approach the youth shelter and ball game installation. Turn left here to pass the George Maltings on River Lane. Cross Saxon Way at the round-a-bout to return to The Angel for refreshment or your car.
