

Wyre Self Guided Trails: Garstang and the River Wyre

Start Point

At the circular “Villa de Garstang” mosaic in Cherestanc Square Garstang
Post Code: PR3 1EF
OS Grid Reference: SD 4915 4529

Distance / Time

3.8 km (2.4 miles)
1-1.5 hours

Maps

OS Landranger 102 (1:50000) or
OS Explorer OL41 (1:25000)

Terrain

Terrain Grade: Easy

The route follows roads, farm tracks, fields and footpaths. The terrain is largely flat. There are stiles, gates and steps, and paths can be wet and muddy after rain. There may be animals in the fields and when on farmland dogs should be kept on a short lead at all times. Dog walking is allowed, off lead, on the Millennium Green as long as good practices are followed that keep the area safe and clean for children to play.

THIS WALK IS NOT SUITABLE FOR TRAMPER VEHICLES

About This Walk

This is a gentle riverside walk through fields and via the public amenity area called the Millennium Green. There are fine views of the Bowland fells in the distance and opportunities to see wildlife; possibly a kingfisher, along the river. It crosses the course of the old railway line to Pilling, the embankment of which is now used as part of the flood defences.

Route Description

1. [SD 4915 4529](#) Stand on the “Villa de Garstang” mosaic facing the stone seat, turn to your right and walk to Park Hill road (10m). Cross at the pedestrian crossing then proceed to High Street via the alleyway ahead.
2. [SD 4923 4527](#) Turn right along High Street and bear left onto Bridge Street at the Royal Oak Hotel. Cross the Wyre Bridge and turn left onto Castle Lane, then immediately left, through a gate, to join the riverside path.
3. [SD 4935 4493](#) Follow the riverside path across the fields and through 3 gates until it joins the old railway embankment next to the bridge over the Wyre. Turn right along the track then immediately left down some steps to a gate at the bottom of the embankment. Continue through the gate to the path leading across the fields, via three gates, to join Lingart Lane.
4. [SD 4991 4596](#) Turn Left and proceed to the end of Lingart Lane. Just before the track turns left down to the ford, continue straight on for a short distance then left along a wide riverside path to the footbridge over the river. Go over the bridge to join Wyre Lane.
5. [SD 4977 4615](#) After 20m turn left through a gate into the Millennium Green. Turn immediately left and follow the meandering riverside path through the Green, past the sculpture of the Dipper bird. Keep to the riverside path, by bearing left at each path junction, and continue to the South entrance to the Millennium Green, near the flood barrier. Proceed over the flood defence embankment, via the concrete steps, then under the bridge by the river and round the cricket pitch to the car park and picnic area by the bend in the river.

6. [SD 4939 4544](#) Continue along the riverside path under the trees for about 130m to a public footpath on the right. Follow this up to High Street, turn left and then right into Stoops Hall Weind and thence back to Cherestanc Square.

If you need to speak to someone about this route or report a problem use the following Wyre

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