Wyre Self Guided Trails: Scorton to Woodacre

Start Point

At the Post Office in the village of Scorton, approximately 2 miles North of Garstang. Post Code: PR3 1AU OS Grid Reference: SD 5021 4883

Distance / Time

4.9 km (3 miles) 1-1.5 hours

Maps

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

Terrain

Terrain Grade: Moderate

The route follows roads, farm tracks, fields, footpaths. The terrain is largely flat with one short hill. There are stiles, gates and steps, and paths can be wet and muddy after rain. There may be animals in the fields and farmyards. Dogs should be kept on a short lead at all times. THIS WALK IS NOT SUITABLE FOR TRAMPER VEHICLES

About This Walk

The walk begins along a lovely stretch of the river Wyre before departing across the fields toward the historic site of Woodacre Hall. After crossing the busy railway and motorway we enter the tranquillity of Woodacre Great Wood and return to Scorton across the fields, lanes and woodland to the East of the village.

Route Description

- <u>SD 5021 4883</u> Stand with your back to the post office, turn to your right and follow the road (Gubberford Lane) out of the village, under the railway bridge to a ramp leading up to the river embankment. Go up the ramp and follow the gravel path for 200m then down another ramp, located opposite a field gate, to the road on the left. Cross over and turn right along the road to a pedestrian gate, just after the last house on the 5. left.
- 2. SD 4992 4797 Go through the gate and follow the left hand field boundary to a stile near the farm buildings. Go over the stile then turn right and go through the farmyard, through two farm gates until you see a stile leading to the field beyond the farmhouse. Go over the stile and head across the field to another stile in the hedge opposite. Go over this stile and you will see a field boundary opposite the stile, with rough grass / gorse on the left side and pasture on the right side. Keep to the left side of the boundary and follow the boundary fence (you may need to meander somewhat to avoid areas of boggy ground) over a small hill until you come to a small stream and several farm gates, with some woodland ahead.
- 3. <u>SD 5008 4734</u> Cross the stream to a stile in the corner on the right. Cross the stile and walk straight ahead through the field, keeping the wood on your right, past a farm gate, to a stile in the hedge just before some house gardens. Go over this stile into a playing field and bear left to a stile leading onto Hazelhead Lane. Turn left along the lane past Woodacre Hall, cross the bridge over Grizedale Brook and after another

100m bear left into the yard of a small factory next to the railway.

- SD 5033 4692 Walk diagonally left across the yard, go over the railway footbridge and follow the path over the motorway bridge. Just beyond the motorway bridge take the descending track on the left, turning sharp left at the bottom by an old stile. Follow the path through some bushes and turn right over a small bridge crossing the brook.
- 5. <u>SD 5046 4714</u> Head straight across the field ahead, with the motorway on your left, aiming for a stile in the corner of the field (about 60m from the motorway boundary) leading into the wood. Go over the stile and turn left and then right onto a track through the wood. After 400m go through a kissing gate on the right and over a footbridge into the field, turn left and walk along the edge of the field to a gate.
- 6. <u>SD 5059 4780</u> Go through the gate and walk straight across the field in front. Head for another pedestrian gate, next to a farm gate. Continue with a fence on your right, past a large house, then head for a gate at the right hand end of a Leylandii hedge. The gate leads onto Tithe Barn Lane.
- 7. <u>SD 5056 4820</u> Turn left and follow the lane for 400m to a footpath sign and kissing gate on the right. Go through the kissing gate and straight on through another one 25m ahead. Follow the path over a small stream, through a wood to a kissing gate leading into a meadow. Bear right across the meadow and go through another gate and down a short track to reach Snow Hill Lane.
- 8. <u>SD 5059 4875</u> Turn left along the Lane and follow it over the motorway and on into Scorton village.

If you need to speak to someone about this route or report a problem use the following Wyre Council contacts: Website: Wyre.gov.uk Address: Civic Centre, Breck Road, Poulton-le-Fylde, Lancashire, FY6 7PU Telephone: 01253 891000 E-mail: mailroom@wyre.gov.uk

