

Packwood and Baddesley Clinton from Lapworth

(Re-walked 27/02/2018)

Distance: 5 miles

Maps: OS Explorer 220 & 221

Starting point: Car Park at Lapworth in Brome Hall Lane, B94 5QZ

From car park turn left onto Stratford upon Avon Canal tow path. Follow tow path with canal initially on your right hand side, passing under 2 bridges. Continue on tow path, crossing over bridge to opposite side. Climb alongside flight of locks. At top of flight, where tow path crosses canal again, leave tow path, turning right down a track. Bear left after 50 metres by farm.

Follow track to road, turn right and follow for about 1 km, bearing left at fork towards Packwood House.

Opposite house entrance turn right and climb steps to a metal gate, follow path through avenue of trees. Continue forward to road. Turn right onto road, then immediately left onto track towards Uplands Farm. At entry to farmyard, turn right before the barns heading for gap in hedge and footpath sign. Cross gravelled drive and walk straight ahead. Climb stile into field, keep hedge on left and pass through kissing gate in left hand corner.

Cross another driveway and follow signed direction down a narrow path which eventually bends to the right. Pass through another kissing gate. At the next house drive turn left to join a road. Walk along road for about 1 km, crossing first the railway, then Station Lane and finally the canal.

At entrance to Baddesley Clinton turn right onto drive. Keeping drive and fence and then house and grounds on your left, follow signed footpath in arrowed direction to cross small stream and go through several metal gates keeping hedges on your left hand side. Finally cross a large field heading towards barns and stables.

Continue down driveway to the road and turn right. Walk towards Navigation Inn, cross road and then canal bridge. From bridge turn left to join tow path of Grand Union Canal. Follow path and at first bridge cross over the link canal and turn right into Kingswood Junction. Cross a second bridge over the link canal and follow tow path to bridge over Stratford Canal, turn right. Go through woods on left into car park.

