

The three peaks of Wotton -under-Edge

Circular via Wortley, Tor Hill, Coombe Hill and Wotton Hill

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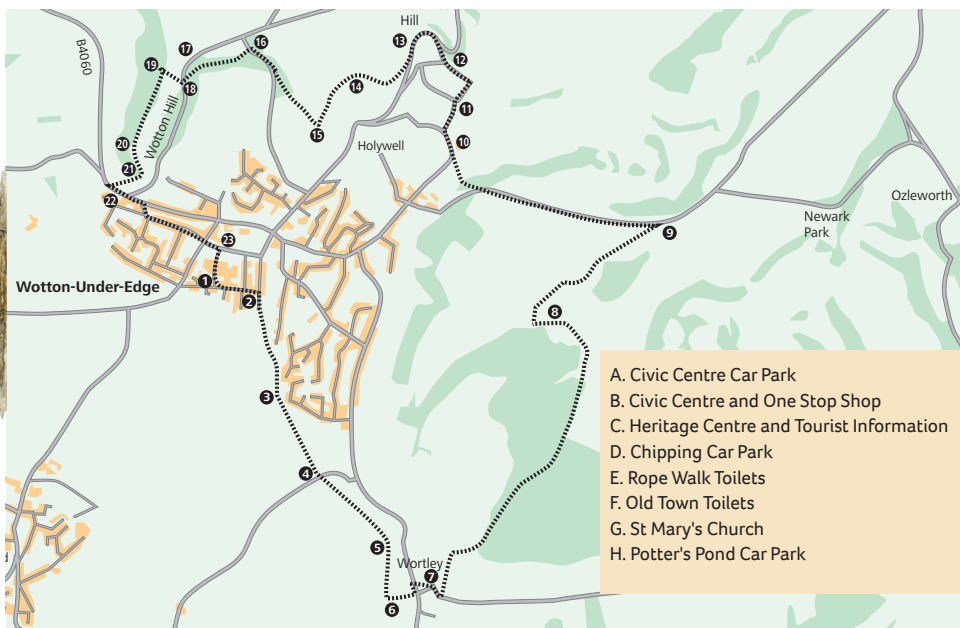
Distance: 6.2m/10km

Time: 3-4 hours

Difficulty: Moderate to difficult

Paths can be uneven and muddy, please wear suitable clothing and footwear.

Start: The Chipping



(1) Leave the Chipping via the South West corner and head down Symn lane.

(2) At the bottom of Symn Lane, turn right along Brown's Piece then onto the public footpath. Where the footpath splits, take the left-hand fork down Hack Hill via a set of steps. At the bottom of the hill you are now at the site of the demolished Hack Mill. Follow the footpath to the right, over a small bridge, through a kissing gate and along a narrow path until you come to a stile on the corner of a large field.

(3) This field is known as 'The Sands'. Follow the well defined footpath diagonally up and across the field towards a stile where the field meets Nind Lane. (ST 76167 92220).

(4) Cross Nind Lane into the field opposite and follow the footpath into the far southerly corner where you will find a kissing gate. (ST 76398 91800).

(5) Go through the kissing gate and carry on slightly downhill over the next field, following the well defined footpath until you arrive at a stile.

(6) Do not cross the stile, instead turn left following the field edge around until you see a path heading straight down to the right. Follow this path down to the exit on to Wortley Road. (ST 76588 91626)

(7) Cross Wortley Road onto Hill Mill Lane and walk approximately 200m until you reach a kissing gate on the left and a Cotswold Way Fingerpost pointing to Tor Hill. Follow the Cotswold Way and after approximately 100m, turn right through a gate and onto a sunken pathway. Follow the Cotswold Way signs until you reach the Cotswold Warden's bench on top of Tor Hill. Stop for a rest and to admire the fine view. (ST 77136 931115).

(8) Continue to follow the Cotswold Way in a North-Easterly direction through a pair of large gates and onto a wide track. Follow this track for approximately 500m until meet a road, Blackquarries Hill. (ST 77772 93403).

For a slight diversion as you walk along this track you will see a stile on the right. If you cross this, it will take you onto the site of Blackquarries Hill Long Barrow, where there is an information board that shows the history of the site. Retrace your steps after this diversion back to the main route.



(9) At the junction with Blackquarries Hill, continue to follow the Cotswold Way and head down the hill. After approximately 850m, take the footpath on the right, down into Coombe.

(10) At the end of this path, turn left, then almost immediately right and follow the road down the hill until you arrive at the pumping station. (ST 76737 93854)

(11) Take the road on the right of the pair of cottages opposite the pumping station and walk along the lane until you come to a junction. Again take the road on the right.

(12) Follow this lane for approximately 130m until you come to a switchback, then follow the road around the left-hand bend and up the hill to a junction with Rushmire Hill, the B4058. (ST 76694 94300).

(13) Cross this busy road carefully and continue on up the old sheep path on the opposite side of the road, looking out for a kissing gate on the left-hand side. Pass through this onto Coombe Hill.



(14) Admire the views and the ancient strip lynchets, as you follow the footpath around the top of the field for approximately 600m until you come to a stile near a water reservoir. (ST 76057 94052)

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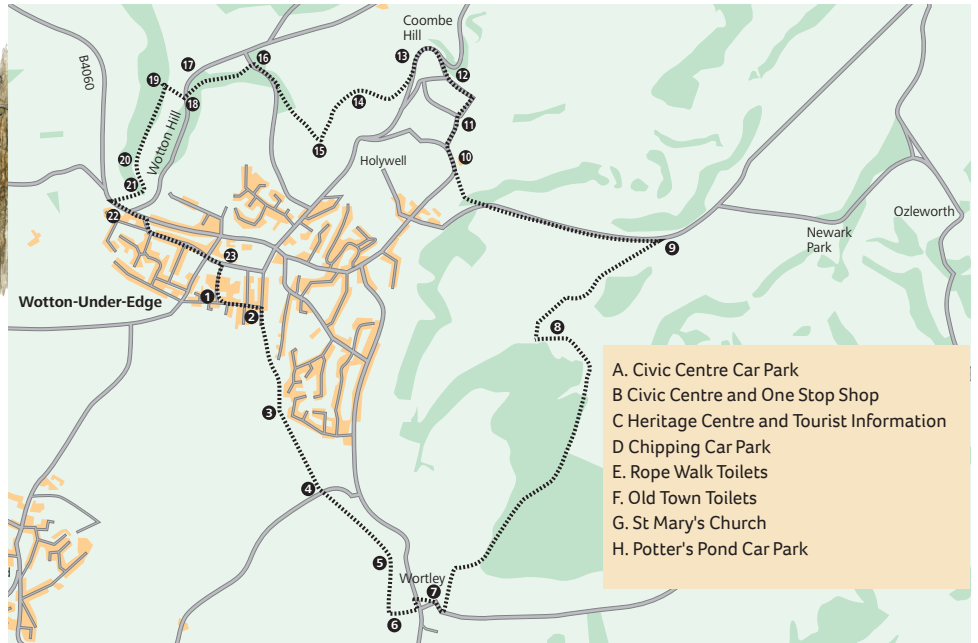
(15) Cross the stile and keeping the reservoir to your left proceed along the path, after approximately 300m take the path going at 45° to your left, follow this for around 100m until you reach the junction of Old London Rd and Adey's Lane. (ST 75753 94308).

(16) Walk approximately 60m down Adey's Lane until you come to a set of steps and a gate on the right. Enter here into Conygre Woods.

(17) Follow the path through the woods for approximately 300m until you see a small break in the trees on your right and an exit back onto Old London Road. (ST 75475 94117).

(18) Cross Old London Road and walk to your left a little way until you see a path on the right. Follow this for around 80m until you come to the edge of woodland. (ST 75399 94140).

(19) Turn to your left and walk along the path on the outside of the woods keeping the field on your left and the woods to your right, walk approximately 350m until you reach a kissing gate in the edge of the woods to your right.



(20) Cross through the gate and onto Wotton Hill, make your way towards the walled ring of trees, benches and fabulous views out across the Severn Vale and beyond. (ST 75224 93700).

(21) Leave Wotton Hill via the Cotswold Way post and make your way down the path to meet the busy B4060 road into Wotton.

(22) Carefully cross the road and after around 100m bear right onto Bradley Street. Continue on down until you meet Haw Street, cross at the crossing and continue onto High Street.

(23) As you walk down High Street keep an eye for the Tolsey Clock hanging high to your right on the junction with Market Street, turn right here and follow Market Street back to your starting point in the Chipping.



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