

Woodchester Park circular

Route in a landscaped park with lakes



The woodland route within the National Trust Woodchester Park near Stroud starts and ends at the Tinkley Gate café, and visits the Mansion. Route is largely on broad hard tracks with very few ascents or descents once the track is reached via the newly created “Zigzag Path”

Distance:

Route is 6.5 miles/10.5 kms with ups and downs of 177m/580ft.

Guide time: 3.5 hours

Start Location: NT Woodchester Park, Tinkley Gate SO814008 W3W: name.explorer.propelled

Suitability: Basic fitness, unsurfaced paths, no barriers or extreme cambers/gradients.

Travel & amenities: For travel information visit: travelineSW.com

Parking: Free to NT members and Blue Badge. (£3 to non-members).

Public Transport: None. GCC Robin is a bookable bus service. It is recommended to book a few days in advance. 0345 2638139 or online.

Tramper hire: Pre-book with the park.

Radar Gates: None

Toilets: Step free toilets at Tinkley Gate café. On open days additional toilets available behind the Mansion.

Refreshments: Tinkley Gate café.

Information boards: Tinkley Gate disabled car park

Route:

Park in Tinkley Gate car park and make your way to the café. With your back to the café head across the grass or take the path to take the zigzag path downhill **1** to a broad track heading east down the valley **2**. Stay on this track for approximately 1¼ miles/2km passing three lakes on your left. (You will see NT Tramper waymarks as you go along but where these turn left (at **7**) continue ahead following NT Red Route markers).

At the end of the third lake the track descends to a dam **3**. Cross the dam then turn left and up a short climb to a broad track **4**. Follow this track for approx. 1½ miles/ 2.4km – you can disregard the Red Route waymarks which soon leave on a path to the right – just stay on the main track until you reach The Mansion (not National Trust), with its picnic area and toilets (open Fri-Sun from Easter to Halloween) **5**.

After your visit to the Mansion retrace your route and now follow the NT Tramper waymarks which will lead you to the dam below Middle Pond **6**. Cross the dam and turn right **7** and continue along the track back to the Zigzag Path and café.

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Key to symbols

Parking

Toilets

Information

Viewpoint

Gate

RADAR gate

Ramp

Key to surface

Smooth, hard surface

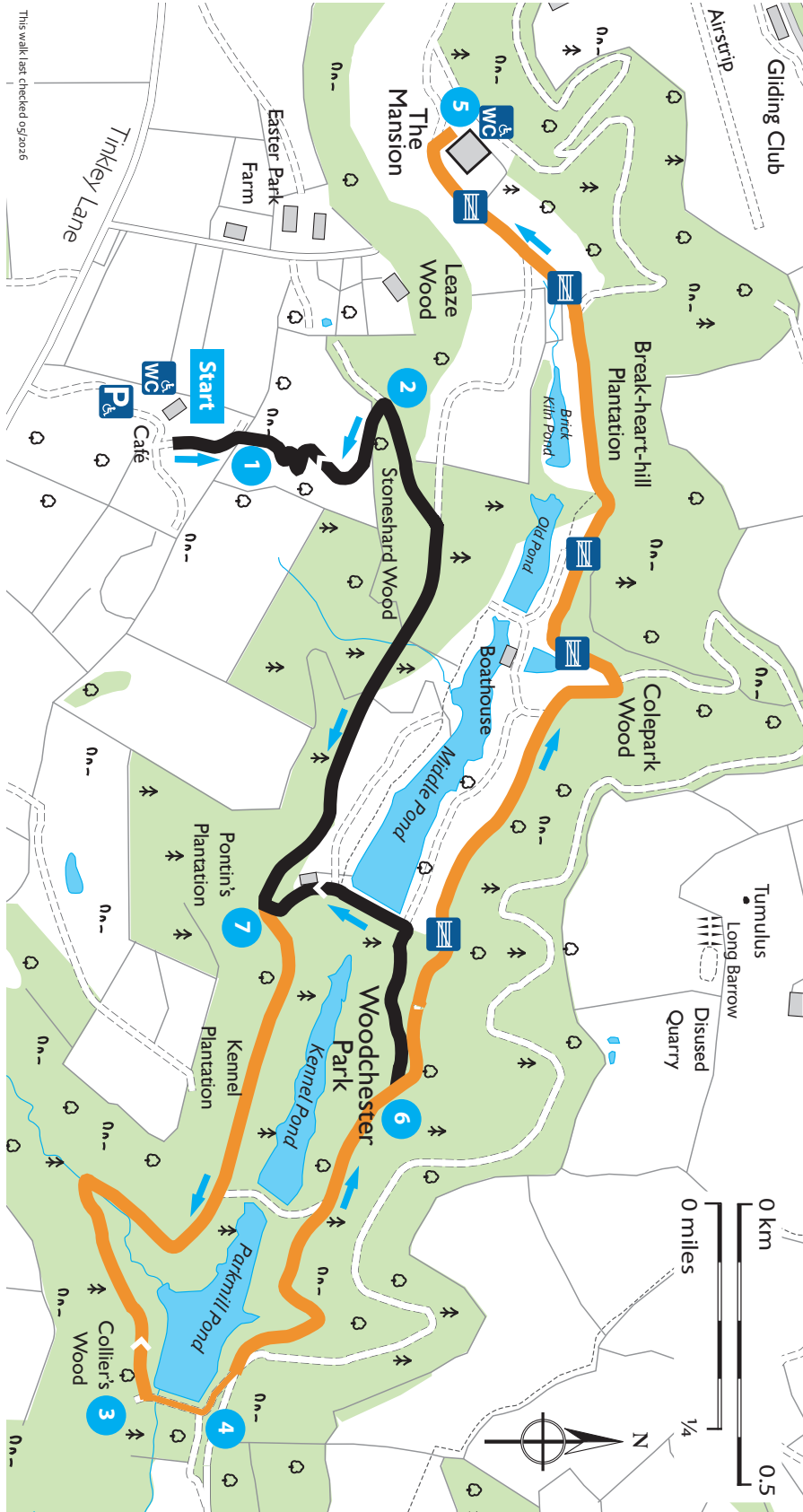
Rough, stone, rock, gravel, unmown grass

Steep slope (up)

Gentle slope (up)

Please note:

Some of the routes may be difficult or impassable in bad weather and after rain. Always wear appropriate clothing and footwear and beware of traffic. The Cotswold National Landscape cannot accept responsibility for accidents or difficulties experienced by users of these routes.



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