

Location Map



Location Symbols

-  Bus stop/Request stop
-  Railway Station
-  Walk Location

Essential Information

Distance:
3 miles/5 km

Walk grade:

 2 A generally easy walk, with a few stiles and some hilly sections.

Maps:
OS Explorer 124
OS Landranger 199

Start/Finish:
The Rainbow Trout TQ 825198

Public Transport:
Buses: A regular service operates Monday to Saturday between Hastings and Tenterden with a stop in Broad Oak.
Trains: A regular service operates via Doleham station, approximately 1.5 miles from Brede.

Parking:
Parking is available in Broad Oak



Broad Oak Walk



Paths to Prosperity

East Sussex is a welcome haven for walkers in the busy south-east of England, with over two thirds of the County covered by the High Weald and Sussex Downs Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

There is also a wealth of picturesque villages, country houses and parkland hidden within its rolling landscape, waiting to be discovered.

Please come and enjoy the unique splendours of our countryside, but please also support the local businesses that help make the countryside the vibrant place that it is today.

The Countryside Code

- Be Safe - plan ahead and follow any signs
- Leave gates and property as you find them
- Protect plants and animals, and take your litter home
- Keep dogs under close control
- Consider other people

Tourist Information Centre

The Heritage Centre, Strand Quay, Rye
Tel: 01797 226696
Fax: 01797 223460
email: ryetic@rother.gov.uk

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Refreshments and Local Services

(see map for location)

- 1 The Rainbow Trout**
Public House and Restaurant - 01424 882436
- 2 Layces**
Bed & Breakfast - 01424 882836
- 3 Springetts**
Bed & Breakfast - Goatham Lane, Broad Oak, 01424 882242
- 4 The Mill House**
Bed & Breakfast - 01424 883096
- 5 The Red Lion**
Public House & Restaurant - 01424 882188
- 6 Brede Court**
Bed & Breakfast, and Language & Business training centre - 01424 883105
- 7 Stonelink Cottages**
Bed & Breakfast - Stubb Lane, Brede, 01424 882943
- 8 Fairacres**
Bed & Breakfast - 01424 883236
- 9 Broad Oak Bakery**
Bakery - 01424 882168
- 10 Rhias Glade**
Self Catering Cottage - 01797 253770
- 11 Broad Oak General Stores**
Convenience Store & Post Office - 01424 883510

Please note that inclusion of business details in this leaflet does not constitute an endorsement of the business by East Sussex County Council or its agents.

We hope that you enjoy the walk in this leaflet, which is one of a series produced by East Sussex County Council.

Copies of the leaflets for other walks in the series are available from Tourist Information Centres and libraries or direct from East Sussex County Council, by contacting the Rights of Way Team:-

By phone on:-
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By post at:-
Transport and Environment Department
County Hall
St. Anne's Crescent
Lewes BN7 1UE

By e-mail at:-
rightsofway@eastsussex.gov.uk

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www.eastsussex.gov.uk

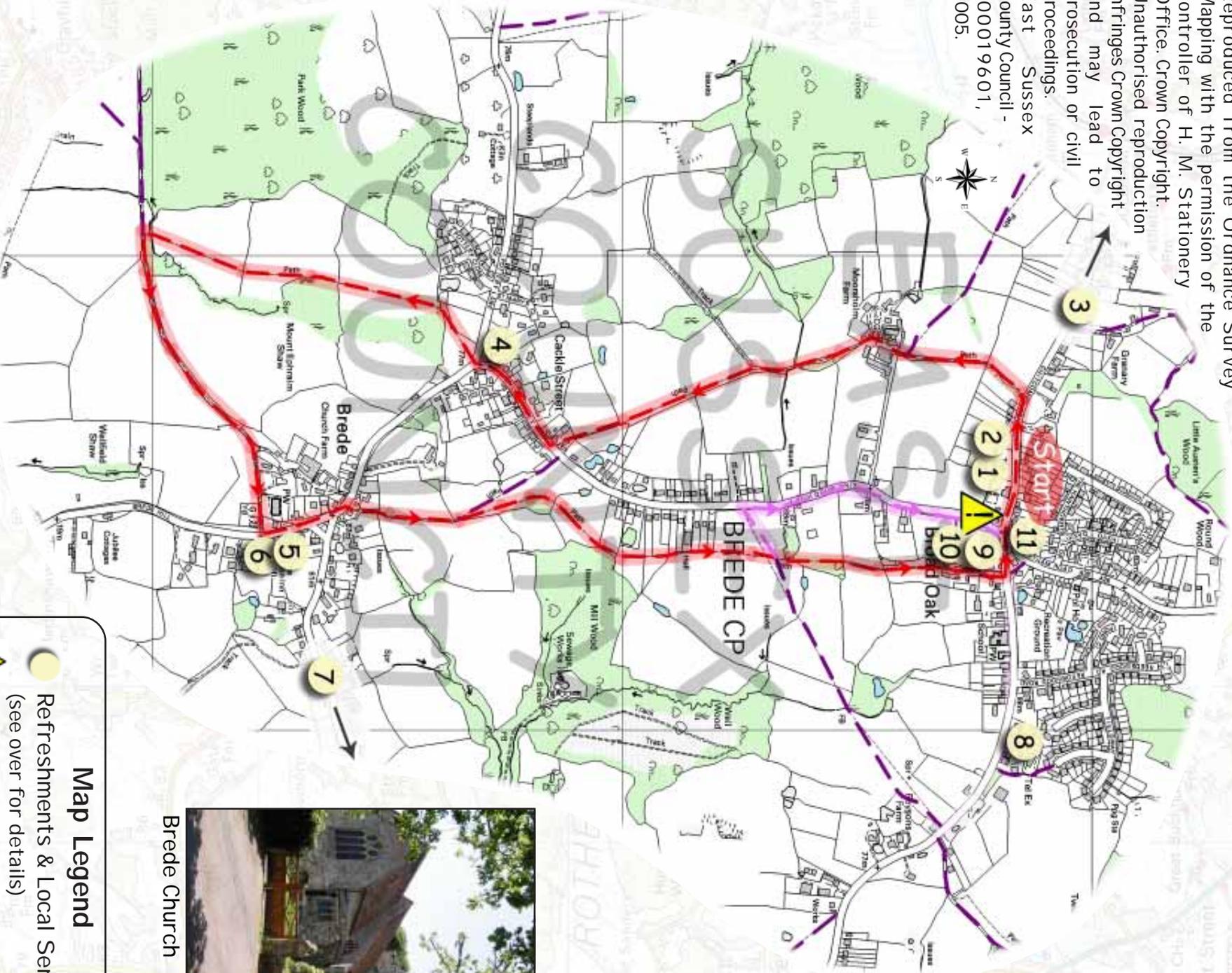
If any problems are encountered on the walk please report them to the above contact points.

This route is based on one published by Countryside Books in the book Pub Strolls in East Sussex. If you enjoyed the walk and would like to explore further similar ones, the guide book can be purchased through local booksellers:-
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Map Legend

-  Refreshments & Local Services (see over for details)
-  Beware of Traffic
-  Route
-  Other Public Footpaths
-  Alternative Route



Brede Church



View from the Walk

Starting from the Rainbow Trout pub, turn left and follow Chitcombe Road for approximately 150 metres (165 yds.) before turning left onto the signposted footpath. Follow the path in the direction signposted along the edge of the field, and continue beyond, heading towards the farm buildings.

Follow the signposted path through the farm, and, bearing left at the far side of the farmyard, follow the route along a roughly surfaced track, as signposted. Continue beyond the first field gate to reach another pair of field gates. Follow the signposted route through the left hand gate and then along the edge of the next field, with the fence to your left. Continue along the edge of another field and then through the yard area to reach the main road.

Turn right and follow the road to its junction with Pottery Lane. Cross the roadside stile, almost on the road junction, and follow the signposted path diagonally across the field. On reaching the stile in the field corner, cross the next large field in the direction indicated, heading towards a stile on the far side of the field. Continue, initially along the edge of the next field with the woodland to your left, before heading across the field, to a stile beside a field gate. Cross the next field in the

direction waymarked, to reach the access road to Brede Waterworks.

Turn left and follow the road uphill, passing Brede Church, before reaching the main road. Turn left and follow the road for a short distance before crossing the road opposite the Red Lion pub. Continue to follow the main road in the same direction, turning right onto the signposted footpath, just after crossing the Stubb Lane junction.

Follow the signposted path between the houses, and then along the wide grass path. Continue straight ahead to follow the field edge path, as waymarked, with the field boundary to your right, heading towards a kissing gate. Follow the field edge path beyond the kissing gate, with the boundary still on your right. The route continues to follow the edge of the field around a small area of woodland, to reach a stile beside a field gate. Continue across the next field, as waymarked, to another stile in the field corner.

Continue to follow the route along the enclosed path to the rear of the houses. From the end of the enclosed section, cross the field in the direction indicated, to reach a signposted path junction on the far side of the field. *The main route continues straight ahead through the woods, and onwards following the waymarked path to a farm and Udimore Road, before turning left and following Udimore road to its junction with the main A28. At the time of writing, this section of path was temporarily closed. If still closed when walking this route, please use the following alternative route.*

Alternative Route:

Turn left at the signposted footpath junction instead of following the route straight ahead through the wood. Use the well defined route across the field heading towards a metal handgate, on the roadside. Turn right and follow the roadside path uphill to Broad Oak and the junction with Udimore Road.

Cross the main A28 opposite Broad Oak general stores, taking care on this busy junction. Continue to follow the route along Chitcombe Road to reach the Rainbow Trout pub and the end of the walk.



Local Weatherboarded Houses