

Getting to Terrington

By car: Terrington lies to the west of the A64. It is 9 miles from Malton, 3 miles from Castle Howard and 4½ miles from Hovingham. Please avoid causing inconvenience to residents and farm vehicles when parking.

By bus: A twice daily service links Terrington with Malton. With a short extension to the walk it is also possible to start and finish this route in Slingsby which has a more frequent service.

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The Village

On returning to Terrington please take time to enjoy this attractive and vibrant village. Terrington has a shop with an art gallery and café (walkers and cyclists welcome), public house which serves food and brews its own beer, doctor's surgery and a number of other businesses.

Accommodation is available in Terrington and the surrounding villages. Please visit www.terringtonvillage.com for more details.



The Country Code

When walking in the Howardian Hills AONB please remember the Country 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 on a lead or under close control
- Consider other people

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Photos:

AONB Unit, except
Whitfield Benson:
*Winter in
Terrington* (front
cover)

History and Habitats

Howardian Hills
Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty

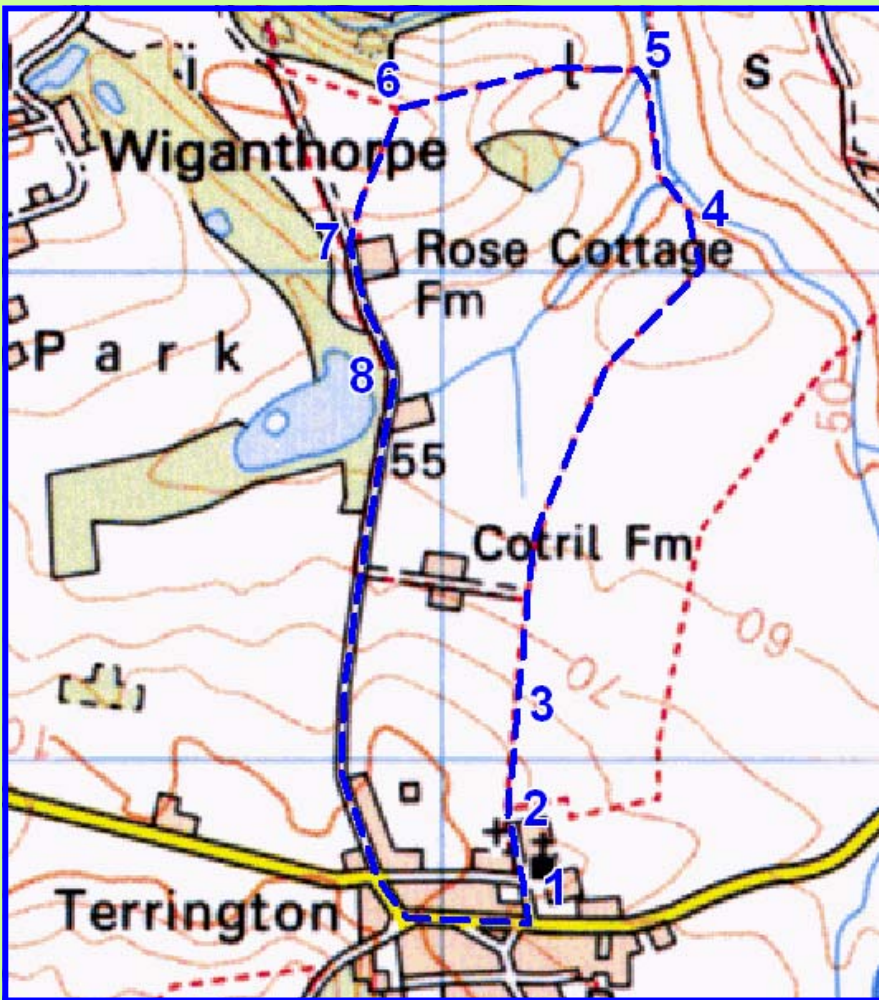


A circular walk starting from Terrington (2)

An enjoyable short walk delivering great views. On a clear day you can spot York Minster and landmarks near the Humber Estuary!

This walk explores the countryside to the north of Terrington, taking in the periphery of the historic Estate of Wiganthorpe. Most of Wiganthorpe Hall was demolished in the 1950s, but some parkland features remain including an Ice House and parts of the Victorianised Jacobean Hall.

The walk also crosses Rose Cottage Farm Meadow, a semi-improved grassland designated as a Site of Importance for Nature Conservation (which means that it is important in the North Yorkshire context).



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Distance: Approximately 2½ miles (4 km)

Time: Allow 1½-2 hours

Terrain: Mostly farmland; becksides for short distance. Good tracks; steady climbs.

Maps:

The walk can be found on:

OS Explorer 300, The Howardian Hills and Malton

OS Landranger 100, Malton and Pickering

You are advised to use an OS map alongside this leaflet when following the walk routes.

Directions:

- 1) Walk along Church Lane, past the Church and head for the track to the side of the stone house situated at the top of the lane. Continue straight ahead on the level grass terrace between two playing fields. Follow this to a set of steps.
- 2) Here the footpath leaves the school grounds and enters into farmland. Continue in the same direction to a gate.
- 3) From this gate cross an arable field to join a well-defined track, continue straight ahead rather than turning left to Cotril Farm. Follow the track, ascending steadily away from the farm. At the brow of the hill the track ends at the corner of an ancient hedgeline; go through a field gate and the route bears diagonally to the left across the field towards its northern corner.
- 4) Here you meet with the junction of two streams at the bottom of the field. There is a waymarked hand-gate directing you over Sawmill Beck before it runs into Wath Beck. Cross through a gate and follow the left-hand side of Wath Beck. *The AONB Partnership has been working towards clearing Himalayan balsam from Wath Beck in recent years. This pink-flowered annual was introduced from Asia in 1939; an individual plant can produce in excess of 800 seeds and it rapidly out-competes the native flora of an area. The seeds spread most prolifically in water so the AONB is working from the headwaters downstream with their annual cutting of the plants. It will take several years to get the growth under control but the density of the plants has already reduced after 3 years of cutting.*
- 5) On meeting a dyke and fence go over the bridge and turn left with the dyke and fence on your left. Continue uphill on a wide grassy headland path, keeping the fence to your left. On a clear day this section of the walk will reward you with some extensive views. The path curves to the left as it reaches the top of the hill and a wooden gate can be seen straight ahead.
- 6) Go through the gate, keeping dogs under control if stock are in the field, and then continue in roughly the same direction over the field, keeping the fence to your left, heading generally towards Rose Cottage Farm which can be seen to the left.
- 7) At the bottom of the field you meet a track alongside a stone wall. At this point turn right through a wooden gate and then immediately left; walk downhill and pass the farm, keeping it and the stone wall to your left. The stone wall that you are walking alongside is the historic boundary of Wiganthorpe Park.
- 8) As you descend you will get glimpses of Low Water through the trees to your right. This lake is in the private grounds of Wiganthorpe Hall. The track develops into a minor road, which brings you into Terrington at the western end of the village. Turn left onto the main village street to reach the shop/café and public house.

