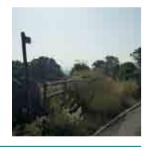


Ubley is just over the border in Bath and North East Somerset but it's an easy walk from Blagdon, with stunning views of the lake on one side and the majestic Mendips on the other. Enjoy the beauty of organic fields and the variety of plant and wildlife they contain.



How to get there Start at map ref: ST 505588

Car:

A368 to Blagdon. Please park considerately. Free parking at the fire station (Station Road). n Blagdon turn off Church Street onto Grib Lane. Follow the lane until it turns right, passing panoramic views of the lake and hills. Leave the lane and take the track straight ahead, in front of the houses. Just beyond the houses the track forks, so take the path on the left heading down towards the lake. Cross two stiles into Yeo Valley farmland, continuing down along the side of the field.

At the bottom of the field turn right onto a track. Follow this, navigating the electric gates on the way, over the bridge at the head of Long Bay until you reach another stile. Go over the stile and head across the field to the stile on the far side. There are views of Holt Bay, swans and other water birds to your left, and on your right is Holt Farm and the garden's quirky decoration.





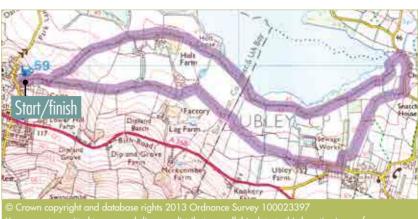
Continue over the stiles and across fields, along the edge of the wood copse. Go over another electric gate, then across the far stile to the edge of the woods. Turn right and follow the path which runs alongside a private road. The path then runs along the north side of the fields, bordering the lake, with stiles/entrances in the bottom corner of each field (although they are not always visible until you get close).

After several fields, a chimney is visible in the distance. Continue along the edge of the field through the stile and out onto a road. Turn right and follow the road, going past the



chimney until the road curves left. Follow the footpath sign left, continue along the track, through the stile, and then head west to the gate on the right side of the field into another field. You are now on the opposite side of a field you had previously walked through. Continue along the south edge and through the stile heading south towards the hills. Follow the path through the field, go through a gap in the hedge and then diagonally across the next field towards Ubley. Turn right out onto a track which leads out onto a road. Turn right and head west until the road turns left. Continue straight onto Frog Lane.

Follow Frog Lane until its end where it turns into a farm track. Keep heading west (forward) over stiles and into a field with clover and a stand of three trees. Cross diagonally, keeping the trees to your left, to exit in the far corner near the lake. There are great views of the Mendip hills from here. Go through the kissing gate and across the following fields, the path in front of you





through the hedges. Cross a large irregularshaped field veering right to the gateway on the far side. Follow the signs through as you skirt the Yeo Valley yoghurt factory (you'll hear it but not see it) out onto a road which leads to Holt Farm. Turn left, head along the road and then turn right at the sign to go back into the fields through the gate. Follow the track heading back towards Blagdon. Cross another electric gate and follow the field's lower edge. At the gateway go over the stile, turn left and continue along the top edge of the field. A little way along there's a double stile. Cross these and follow the footpath through dappled woodland until you return to the original fork in the path. Continue straight on and out onto Grib Lane.

Route information

Distance:

4.5 miles

Difficulty:

Mainly flat and some inclines

Duration:

2.5 hours

Map:

Explorer 141





