Explorer routes

We have created three walking routes around Kidlington and the surrounding villages to encourage walking and running for pleasure and to generally improve wellbeing. These routes take in various landmarks of historical interest in Kidlington and the villages.



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Route 3 - Butterfly

Distance: 5miles | 8Km, Time: 3hr

Islip station

SCAPT School

North St. 2

1. Start at the Islip village shop on Church Close. Head over the road to **St. Nicholas' Church**. Walk round to the front of St Nicholas Church and head down middle street to

Tompkins Terrace.

2. Past **Tompkins Terrace** turn right onto lower street. Follow lower street to the Wheatley road and proceed left over the bridge. Follow the road over the bridge and turn right onto the footpath just past Bridge Street.

Turn left once in the woods and follow the footpath through the woods. When the path opens to where the benches are head towards the pillar and turn left. Once you get to the field cross the middle of it. Once you get to the bottom corner of the field walk past the bench and turn right into the next field down to the river.

Hillside Farm

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5. When you reach the Wheatley road follow it along passed The Rectory on your right hand side and you will end up back at St Nicholas' Church.

3. When you get to the river walk along it until you reach an opening to the next field where you will see a post marked with a yellow arrow turn left here and follow the tree line (keeping the tree line to your right hand side). When you get to the corner of the field turn right and follow the footpath to the village passing **Woodeaton Manor** (the verge here is sloped and not easy to walk along.)

4. Follow the road along and on your left take the public footpath to the B4027. When you reach the road walk along the verge/path and then cross the road to follow the road into Noke (the verge here is sloped and not easy to walk along). Follow the road along until you reach **St Giles Church**. Retrace your steps back from where you came and turn right onto the public footpath to Islip.

Please be aware that some areas are at risk of flooding and therefore can be muddy at certain times of the year also some routes have gates, stiles and may briefly join busy roads. Therefore this walk may not suit persons with limited mobility.





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Route 3 - landmarks





St Nicholas Church

This is the medieval parish church.





Tomkins Terrace

A row of 19th Century Cottages built in the gothic style.



Woodeaton Manor

This Grade II listed building was built in 1775 for the Weyland family. It was sold in 1912 to Christ Church, Oxford and became an Oxfordshire County Council school in the 1950s.



The Rectory

This was built in the 17th Century for Dr South, who gave his name to the village school.



St Giles' Church

This 13th Century Church contains many interesting features including a stained glass window installed in 1995 to mark the 50th anniversary of the end of World War II.