

Local visitor attractions and points of interest

- A Holly Hall was where the Manor Court was held. In 1569 the Wortleys bought Hunshelf Manor from Sir John Byron and from time to time held Court, mainly to record the changes of tenancy of the farms.
- B At the other side of the pond are the remains of a tin mill, built in 1743 and believed to be one of the oldest in the country.
- C This is a good area for birds; Dipper, Kingfisher, Treecreeper, Mallard, Heron and Partridge may all be seen here.
- D Ahead is the converted Wortley railway station, which saw its last passenger train on 4th January 1970.
- E Look for the milestone fixed in the wall at the entrance to the passage between the cottages.
- F Across the river is Wortley Top Forge, which produced high quality iron from the middle ages until 1912. This is now a working museum with water powered hammers. Cannon balls for Cromwell's army were forged here.
- G The school building was opened in 1880. Early in this century it boasted over 100 children. Closed in 1982, it has since been converted into homes. The chapel on your right dates from 1906. Prior to that time there was an older chapel, in use from 1812 and now converted into a Boys Brigade Outdoor Centre.
- H The village stocks on Green Moor Road were re-sited in 1937. The Old Pump House (rebuilt in 2001), adjacent to the former Rock PH on Green Moor Road, provided water to the village up until 1952.

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 under close control.
Consider other people.

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How to get there

For information on bus services in Barnsley please contact Traveline Tel 01709 515151.
For information on train services please contact National Rail enquiries Tel 08457 484950.
If you use a car, please use car parks wherever possible, and be considerate of others when parking elsewhere.

Safety

Whenever possible walk with a friend or family member during daylight hours.

Clothing and Footwear

Some sections can have wet, muddy or uneven ground, so please choose appropriate footwear. Please wear clothing suitable for the weather conditions.

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Walks around Green Moor



Tin Mill stepping stones



Distance - 8.5 km (5.3 miles)

Starting Point - 'The Stocks', Green Moor

Grid Reference - SK282995 (OS Pathfinder 726)

Route Description

Varied terrain with excellent views.
Some steep gradients.



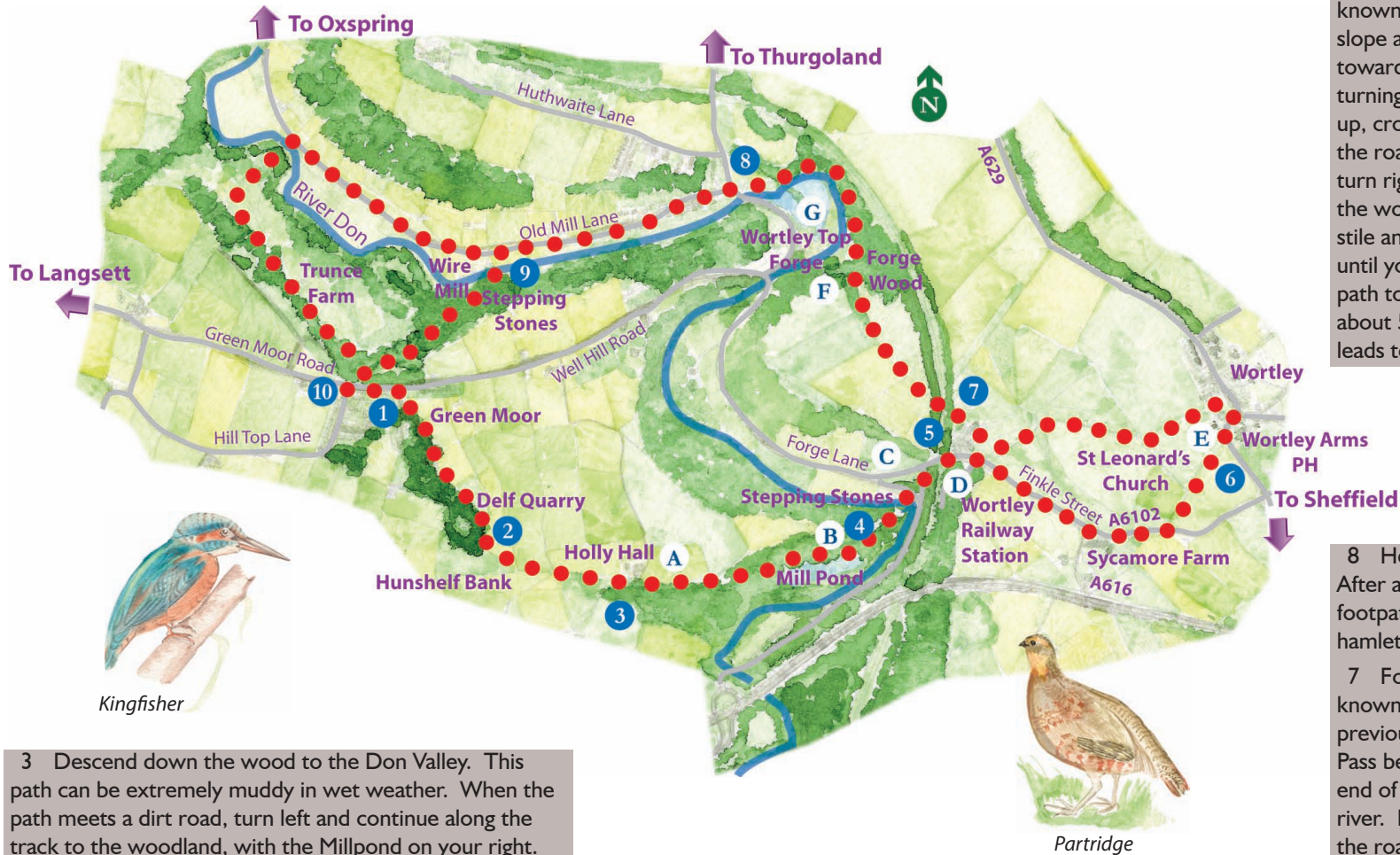
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2 Go through the stile and follow the path along the top of Hunshelf Bank. Cross the cart track. Go over the wall through the gap between two wooden posts. Keep to the path along the top of the field, before dropping down to the stile in the stone wall which takes you into the wood.

1 Opposite the ancient Stocks on Green Moor Road, follow the footpath sign by the telephone box, veering left into The Delph. Follow the main path, bearing left each time it splits. Just past the second wooden seat, turn left, heading upwards via steps and through the stile. Follow the path diagonally across the field to a stile by the gate.

10 Turn left back down Castle View to the ancient Stocks and the start of your walk.

9 Cross the river by the stepping stones. If the river is flooded, return to the road and continue a further half mile along Old Mill Lane. Look out for the footpath sign on the left. Take this route over the river by the bridge, known as Plank Bridge. Cross the field ahead, climb the slope and follow the path as it bends left to join a track towards the farm. Pass the farm on the ascending path, turning right up the steps at a waymark sign, and continue up, cross a track, until you go through a kissing gate onto the road. If you crossed the stepping stones at New Mill, turn right and follow the lower ascending track through the woods until you reach the stone stile, go through the stile and follow the path to the left, then right, climbing until you reach a plateau of rough grassland. Take the path to the right and join the track straight ahead for about 50 yards before turning left up a steep path which leads to a kissing gate onto the road.



8 Here, turn right and then left into Old Mill Lane. After about half a mile along this road, turn left at the footpath sign, down towards the river skirting the small hamlet known as New Mill or the Wiremill.

7 Follow the field path along to the row of houses known as Chemistry Cottages, so named due to the previous production there of an acid used to scour wire. Pass between the cottages and the out-buildings, at the end of which turn right into the woods and walk by the river. Follow one of the paths upstream until you meet the road.

6 Turn left into Wortley. The Wortley Arms is on the right; St. Leonard's Church on the left. To rejoin the main walk, take the path between the church and the telephone box, and follow a stone pavement down to the kissing gate. Go through it and turn right. You are back on the main route. For the shorter walk, take the track by the telephone box on the left of Finkle Street. Skirt to the right of the farm steading, before turning left over the old railway bridge.

3 Descend down the wood to the Don Valley. This path can be extremely muddy in wet weather. When the path meets a dirt road, turn left and continue along the track to the woodland, with the Millpond on your right. As the path reaches a junction at the top of a rise, take the right hand path and follow it down to the River Don.

4 When you reach the river, bear right to a footbridge which takes you over the river. For the more nimble footed, the challenge of the adjacent stepping stones beckons. Continue up the path, which was part of the Cheshire to Rotherham salt trail, go through the gate and cross the road. Take the footpath across a small field to reach the Wortley-Stocksbridge road.

5 Pass under the railway bridge to walk up Finkle Street, (Finkle Street is a Norse name for a crooked road). For an extended walk, to the village of Wortley and the delights of the Wortley Arms, continue up Finkle Street, passing Sycamore Farm on the right, then turn left through the kissing gate at the public footpath sign. Keep right of the playing field, up the hill to the cottages on the main road.



Kingfisher



Partridge