



5 Miles from The Forresters Arms, Kilburn to the chapel at Scotch Corner, Oldstead and back through High Kilburn

A 2 to 3 hour walk along country lanes, through fields and woodland with grand views, a long, steep climb to the eccentric chapel at Scotch Corner and back through the pretty villages of Oldstead and High Kilburn.

Directions:

- 1) At the Forresters Arms turn right and head up the road through Low Kilburn past the Mouse Man museum, showrooms and workshops on either side of the road, towards the White Horse, ignoring the first turning on the left that would take you to Thirsk. Carry on up the road, past the millstone sign for the National Park, towards the horse until you reach a fork in the road.
- 2) Take the right hand lane and follow it towards Oldstead.
- 3) Look out for the turning on your left, signposted as unsuitable for motor vehicles. There is now a long haul up this steep track to take you through the woods then past the gliding club to a junction.
- 4) At the junction take the farm track that heads right then bends sharply to the right again and start the descent to **Scotch Corner** and the **John Bunting Chapel**. Just after the chapel, let yourself through a gate and carry on downhill on the stony and rutted track ignoring any side paths.
- 5) At the bottom of the hill, head towards the 30 mph signs and turn left onto the road into Oldstead village.
- 6) A green footpath sign points your way through the yard of Scawling Farm on your right. Follow the yellow arrow way-markers through the farmyard then left, over a stile and onto an often muddy farm track. When this track forks, take the left fork over a stile and follow the field edge to another stile. Next, follow the yellow arrows across the middle of a field and downhill to a wooden footbridge over a stream.
- 7) Just after the footbridge you will see a wooden signpost ahead of you. Go right here and follow a broad grassy path to a surprise view of the White Horse over the fields to your right. A gate leads to a path through the gorse bushes, downhill to another gate and a green lane between two hedges that takes you to the narrow road that heads to High Kilburn.
- 8) Cross the road to a green footpath sign, over a stile and uphill through the middle of the field then over two stiles. Follow the yellow arrow way-marker through the field where a gate leads to a passage between gardens, through another gate onto the large village green of High Kilburn.
- 9) Head right on the road. As the road veers to the left take the gate straight ahead onto a well marked, tarmac path. Ignore the stile and follow the path downhill inside the fence. Go through two kissing gates to cross a farm track, and then the path takes you into the Churchyard, onto Kilburn's square and back to the Forresters Arms.

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