11. Tetbury ups and downs

Pavement tour of a market town (2.8km) with steep sections so not suitable for wheelchairs

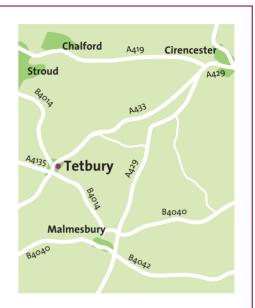


Where is it?

Tetbury is on the A433 10 miles SW of Cirencester and 23 miles NE of Bath. Approaching from Cirencester turn left before the town, at a sign for Tetbury industrial estate and take the road downhill for half a mile. The Old Railway Yard car park (free) is on the left at the bottom of the hill. From the town centre, opposite the Market House take Chipping Lane downhill and turn right into the car park.

The walk

This 2.8km town tour, mostly on pavement and tarmac, winds through narrow streets with some steep ups and downs which are not suitable for hand propelled wheelchairs, and will be hard work for parents pushing buggies. Tetbury is a charming Cotswold market town with many listed buildings, among them the Market House, parish church, merchants' houses and craftsmen's cottages.



Directions

From the car park go back to the main road. Cross it and turn left to climb past the Priory Nursing Home. 1 Here turn right on a lane between houses leading to Eccles Court Housing Estate. Turn right out of Eccles Court, 2 passing a nursery on your left until you reach London Road. 3 Here turn left on the pavement, bearing left at the oblique crossroads, and continue towards the town centre as far as a pedestrian crossing. 4 Cross here and turn right following the road back in the direction you came until you reach the oblique crossroads again.

5 Turn left into New Church Street. Where this road bears right at a small green (the Knapp) 6 fork left steeply downhill to cross the stream on a footbridge beside a ford. Climb out of the valley up Cutwell Road until it turns left into Berrells Road. 7

Take the pavement down to a T-junction with the main Bath Road 8 and turn left downhill. Opposite the last house on the right, cross the road and take the pavement (minimum 89cm wide) over the river bridge facing the traffic. Go uphill past the church into Church Street and the town centre.

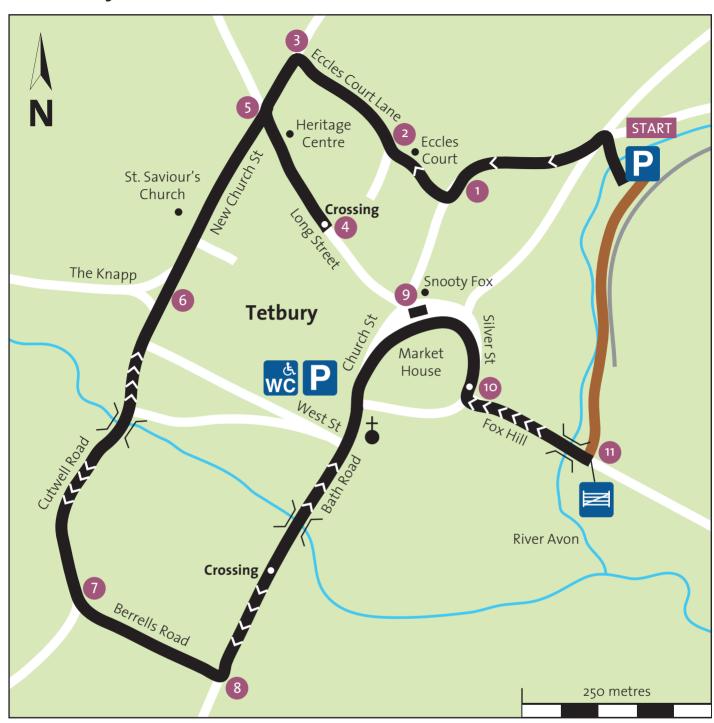
With the distinctive Market House 9 on your left, bear right and right again into Silver Street. 10 Cross the street and go steeply down to cross the Wiltshire Bridge. After the bridge turn left 11 through the gate onto a signed path along the valley bottom and back to the car park.

Refreshments and toilets

Several hotels, pubs and cafes. Disabled toilets at Warn's Court car park off West Street.

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11. Tetbury town walk



Key to map

Smooth hard surface

Earth paths, generally smooth

Gentle slope

Steep slope

Key to symbols



Parking



Disabled toilets



Gate

Please Note:

Some of these routes may be difficult or impassable in bad weather and after rain. Always wear appropriate clothing and footwear and beware of traffic. The Cotswolds Conservation Board cannot accept responsibility for accidents or difficulties experienced by users of these routes.

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