



Friends of Eastwood Farm



Tranquil meadows, lagoons and woodland beside the River Avon where you may see and hear herons, swans and woodpeckers.

**Grid ref:** ST 631 718 (central)

**Cycle routes:** [www.betterbybike.info](http://www.betterbybike.info)

**Bus information to Broomhill Road**

**bus stops:** [www.travelwest.info](http://www.travelwest.info)



**Time:**

45-60 minutes circular walk



**Distance:**

1.07 miles / 1.73km



**Route difficulty:**

Moderate to challenging with steep slopes and uneven paths that can be muddy and slippery. Meadow areas may be water-logged.



**Access:**

Not suitable for wheelchairs and buggies and the path is not way-marked.



**Parking:**

Around Wyndham Crescent entrance. Please park with consideration for residents. Postcode: BS4 4SX

### Route description

This circular walk gives a flavour of the attractive River Avon corridor at the site of an old farm.

Many more challenging paths, well worth exploring, criss-cross the reserve. Sturdy footwear/wellies essential.

The map overleaf marks views, seats, bins and other features.

#### From the Wyndham Crescent entrance:

- 1 Take the rough surfaced path at the footpath / Beese's sign / To Conham ferry sign, between the flats.
- 2 Just after the concrete kick-about area on your left, take the entrance right into the woodland (instead of left to Beese's Tea Gardens) and down steep slope.
- 3 You will soon bear left onto the unsurfaced track going downhill between the trees until you reach the river. Going left here will take you to Beese's.
- 4 Turn right to walk along the river's edge. You will soon see a lagoon with a thriving aquatic bird population including swans, mallards and moorhens.
- 5 Continue and cross a metal bridge close to the river's edge. You will see a pond on your right (please note that the platform is damaged and unsafe).
- 6 Continue past the pond and a line of trees on your right that is at a right angle to the river. Bear right along the earth path near the old interpretation panel (if you come to a gate you have gone too far).
- 7 Continue uphill, ignoring the wooden steps on your left, along the winding unsurfaced track.
- 8 Go up the log steps (opposite the corner of the field on your left), and walk towards the interpretation panel in an old car park.
- 9 With buildings to your left, go through the gate and up the unsurfaced track. When the track levels out you can explore the flat-topped area to your right for river views and across to Avon Valley Woodlands. You might be lucky enough to see herons or hear woodpeckers and passing trains.
- 10 Re-join the path at (3) and retrace your steps uphill to the start point.

You can also pick up the walk by taking the ferry from Conham. At Beese's turn left, follow the river and pick up at (4).



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