The Needles to Yarmouth Castle Isle of Wight





Note: this map is intended as a guide only. We would always advise you to use these guides in conjunction with the OS maps referenced below. Please check the opening times of properties at www.english-heritage.org.uk before setting off.

Need to know

- OS reference: OS Explorer map OL29
- **Distance:** 6 miles/9.5km (3 hours walking, plus time to look at the castle)
- Difficulty: 3/5
- **Terrain:** undulating coastal path and urban streets
- Opening times: Yarmouth Castle I Iam-5pm I April-30 September; closed the rest of the year
- Access: not suitable for pushchairs or wheelchairs
- **Dog walkers:** suitable for dog walkers
- **Refreshments:** cafés, restaurants and pubs in Yarmouth
- Grid reference: starts at the Needles Landmark Attraction (SZ307854) and ends at Yarmouth Castle (SZ353897)
- **Sat nav:** starts at the Needles Landmark Attraction, PO39 0JD and ends at Yarmouth Castle, PO41 0NS

Directions

- I From the Needles Landmark Attraction follow the coastal path that heads north east around Alum Bay.
- 2 Pass Heatherwood Battery and continue through Headon Warren. Follow the path around the prehistoric burial mound and then downhill, heading into Totland Bay and the coast.
- 3 In Totland Bay head to beach level at Widdick Chine and walk on the beach, passing Totland Pier, round Warden Point and into Colwell Bay.
- **4** Halfway along Colwell Bay you will see a road that leads to the beach. Follow this inland to the top of the cliff and then follow the coast path at the top of the cliff.
- 5 Follow the path inland past Brambles Chine Holiday Camp, Cliff End Fort and Fort Victoria Country Park.
- 6 Continue following the path out of the country park, across the road and along the coast on the outskirts of Norton. You'll then arrive at Bridge Road and the Yar Bridge swing bridge into the town of Yarmouth. The castle is in the centre of the town.