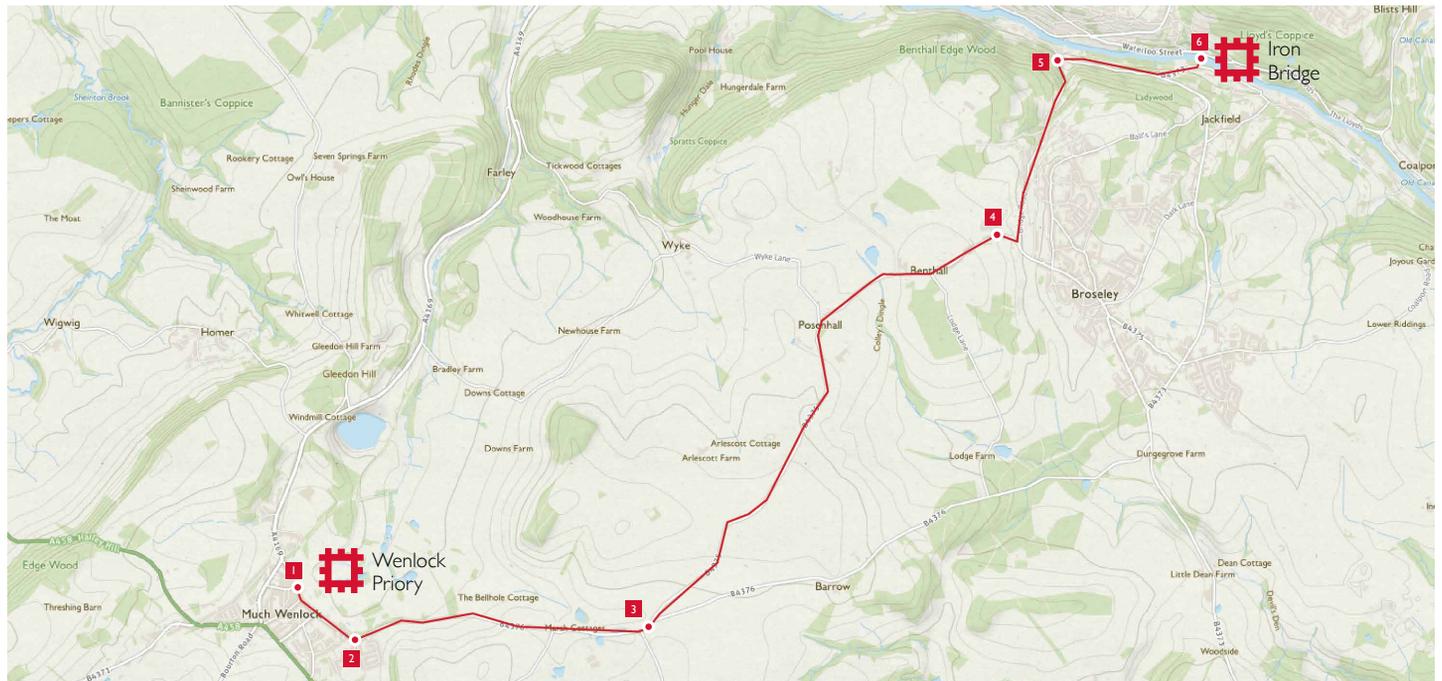


Wenlock Priory to the Iron Bridge Shropshire



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Map: Ordnance Survey

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

Need to know

- **OS reference:** OS Explorer map 217
- **Distance:** 4.5 miles/7.5km (2-3 hours walking, plus time to visit the properties)
- **Difficulty:** 2/5
- **Terrain:** Undulating
- **Access:** This walk is not suitable for pushchairs and wheelchairs
- **Dog walkers:** This is suitable for dogs
- **Refreshments:** Cafés, restaurants and pubs at both Much Wenlock and Ironbridge
- **Sat nav:** Starts Wenlock Priory, 5 Sheinton Street, TF13 6HS; ends Iron Bridge, Telford, TF8 7JP
- **Grid reference:** Wenlock Priory (grid ref SJ623000) to Iron Bridge (grid ref SJ672033)

Directions

- 1 Start at Wenlock Priory. Turn right onto the Bull Ring and continue to the end of the lane.
- 2 Continue along the driveway and over a footbridge, then turn left and follow the path across a field.
- 3 Go through the kissing gate to the next field, turn left and proceed along the hedge to a green lane.
- 4 At the lane end, cross the road into a farmyard. Turn left, then right, and go through the metal gate at the back of the farmyard.
- 5 Cross the field heading towards the tall chimney, enter the next field and walk with the hedge on your right. Cross a small stream and head to the left of nearest oak tree, then head towards the tall chimney and a kissing gate in the field corner.
- 6 Go along the unmetalled lane to the metalled road, turn right and proceed for 1km to the road junction. At the junction, turn left and left again, following the signs for Vineyards Farm. At the farm go over the facing stile, up to the field corner, and over a stile. Keep straight on with a hedge to your left, then continue straight on, following the Shropshire Way signs, into Ironbridge town and onto the Iron Bridge.

The Iron Bridge reopens after major project

Following an extensive £3.6 million conservation project, the Iron Bridge is now once again fully open to visitors. The work means that the historic structure of the bridge – one of the greatest symbols of the Industrial Revolution – is safeguarded for the long term. The bridge has also been returned to its original red-brown colour scheme, rather than the metallic blue-grey familiar to recent visitors.

