

Points to note

- Do not confuse the markers on the enclosed map with any way marker symbols you may see placed along the actual walk. The numbered markers shown on the map are to give approximate location on the route with the numbered written instructions.
- Some sections of the walk may be muddy after heavy rain. There are a couple of narrow stone stiles to negotiate with varied terrain.
- Part of the walk follows the river Aire that can be swollen and areas flooded following heavy and prolonged rainfall. Always take care when walking by rivers and canals.

Places of interest

Bingley & Myrtle Park

Transport to walk

From Keighley catch the Bradford shuttle bus every ten minutes to Bingley. Ask for the stop at the Midland Hotel on Main Street.



The Keighley Walking Initiative

Grades of walks available:



Mild to moderate,
suitable for pushchairs.
Usually less than 3.5km.



Mild to moderate,
not suitable for pushchairs.
Usually less than 3.5km.



Moderate.
Usually less than 6.5km.



Hard.
Usually over 6.5km.

Walks For All

Bingley Myrtle Park & Woods

Walk

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Name

Bingley Myrtle Park & Woods

Distance

3 kms / 1.9 miles

Grade



Mild to moderate walk through
the woods and along the river



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Please read this! This is your responsibility!

This leaflet shows a route utilising Public Rights of Way. Please follow the Countryside Code. In particular: keep to paths, leave gates as found, take litter home and keep dogs under control (www.countrysideaccess.gov.uk).

If you are new to exercise or have any existing medical condition or concerns check with your GP before undertaking physical activity. Check that the route is suitable for your level of fitness and that you have adequate resources for your planned activity.

Wear clothing and footwear appropriate to the conditions and time of year.

For details of further walks in your area see
www.sportkeighley.com or ring 01535 338718

For details of travel to walks see 'Journey Planner' at
www.wymetro.com

For details of further activity in the area see
www.aktivedirectory.org.uk

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Old Hills Pits

The Route:

- 1 Facing the Midland Hotel across the road, turn right and walk back along Main Street to the crossing by the Queens pub.
- 2 Cross the road and turn right, walk on a little way and turn left down Cobbled 'Ferrands Lane' to meet the river.
- 3 Turn left at the river and follow the path all the way on through the trees until you come to the large playing field.
- 4 Here walk straight on and around the edge of the field ignoring the first bridge crossing the river. Continue around to the corner and the large iron bridge on the right.
- 5 Cross the bridge and follow the path on past the allotments. Turn right and walk towards the house.
- 6 At The house turn right to walk down to the river turning right walk over the stone bridge. Immediately after the bridge there is a stone stile on the right, go through into the field.
- 7 Now walk up the field keeping to the right and then walk along and up to the house on the left.
- 8 At the house turn right and walk along side the front of the house, then walk up and go through the stile in the wall into the wood.
- 9 Shortly into the wood you will come to a large tree where the path splits you should walk around the tree on the left side keeping nearer to the wall along the top of the woodland. The path to the right around the tree is narrow and can be very slippery on the hill.
- 10 After passing around the tree continue on down through the wood now walking away from the wall you will come to some steps crossing your path. Walk on and across the wooden platform bridge and then turn right to follow the steps down to the Iron Bridge.
- 11 Cross the bridge back into Myrtle park field.
- 12 Turn left and walk back along to the edge of the field ignore the path you came on earlier and turn right to walk up the hill. Walk up and then keep to the track on the left up to the buildings and children's play area.
- 13 Turn right at the buildings walking into the play area. Now turn left and walk up past the birdhouses and café. Walk on through the archway.
- 14 Walk straight on passing the toilet block on your left and then the war memorial on your right.
- 15 Walk straight along out towards the large buildings going through the gate with the large stone gateposts.
- 16 Through the gate walk down the hill and slightly to the right to walk across back to Bingley Main street.
- 17 Here there are shops and cafes and the bus stop to return to Keighley.