

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.
- Always take care when walking by canals or rivers
- This walk covers varying terrain with stiles to climb
- Can be muddy and boggy in parts

Places of interest

Bingley town is there to explore at the end of this scenic walk.

Transport to walk

Buses from Keighley bus station to Crossroads 663, 664, 665. Catch the bus to Crossroads top opposite Lees Park.



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

Crossroads to Bingley

Walk 33

Name Crossroads to Bingley

Distance 8.5 kms / 5.3 miles

Grade



Hard walking, worth the effort to take in the wonderful scenery and views



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).

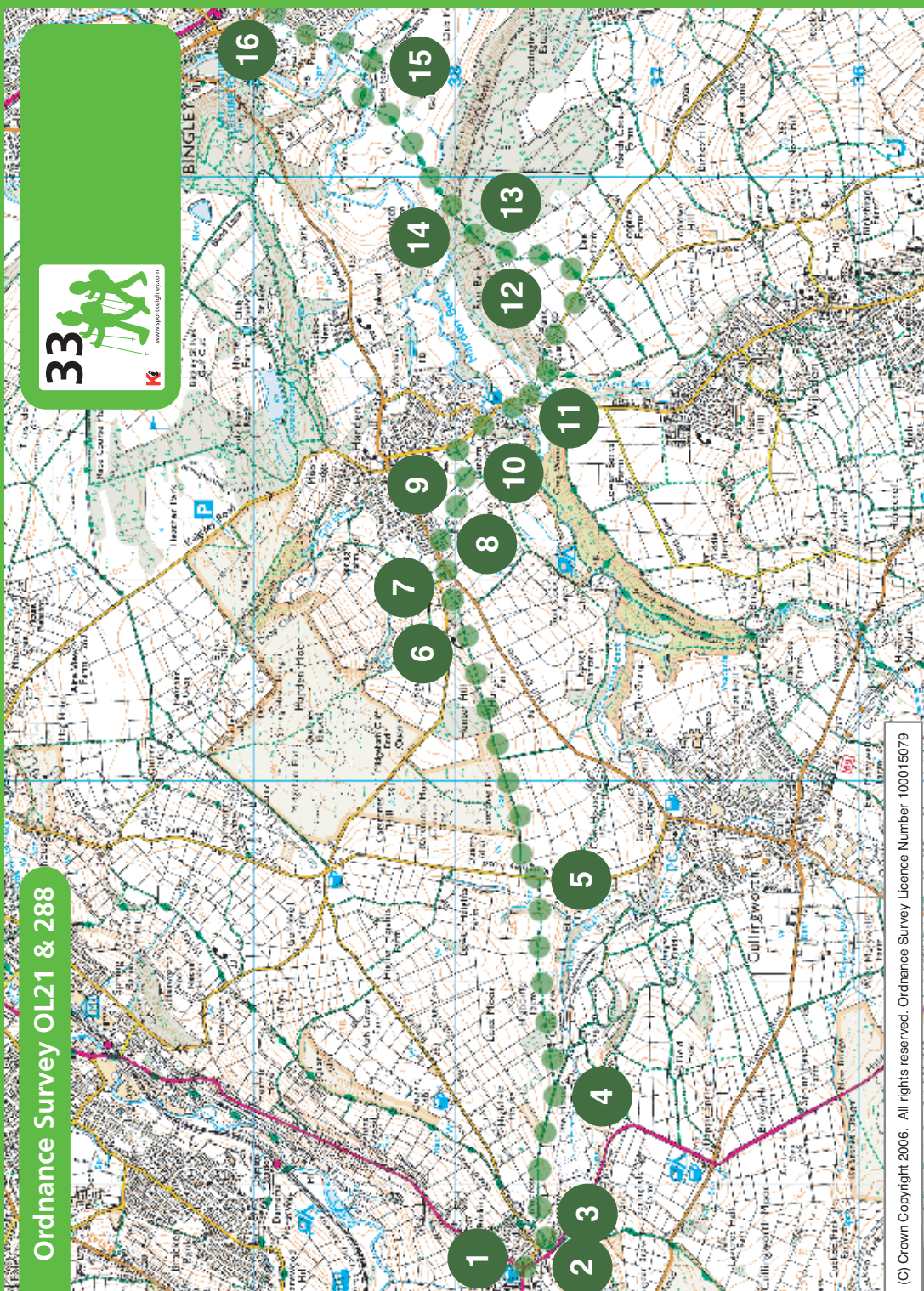
If you are new to exercise or have any existing medical condition or concerns check with your GP before undertaking physical activity. Check that the route is suitable for your level of fitness and that you have adequate resources for your planned activity.

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



The Route:

- 1 Turn left and walk back up to the mini roundabout.
- 2 Cross over the road and walk up Bingley road to the junction.
- 3 Cross over and walk up the walled cobbled footpath, turn left and walk across the rough ground to the gate. Go through the gate hole and turn right to walk up and along the road. Follow this road all the way down to Cliffe View here the road forks.
- 4 Turn left and walk along the lane and past the house, carry straight on through the kissing gate in the wall corner. Go through the gate and walk through the fields keeping close to the dry stone walls on your left. You will pass a large tree, carry on through the fields and follow the wall on and then down hill to a stream.
- 5 Through the large gate follow the walled path up hill and then on to the busy road. Cross the road and turn left, walk up the road a short way to the footpath going across the bottom of the moor. Turn right and follow the path along the edge of the moor to the stile and large black metal gate. Go over the stile and walk along the grassy lane passing by Hunter Hill farm. Go over the wooden gate in to the field walk down to the right following the bottom path keeping the wall on your right, walk to the stile.
- 6 Over the stile continue on passing the trees then through the narrow stile and walk past the back of the farm buildings, then left up to the stile and the road.
- 7 Turn left walk down the road to the junction. Cross the road at the crossing, turn left walk down the road, further down look for the footpath sign on your right. Turn right down the footpath walking between houses (North walk) to Shackelton House then turn left and follow the footpath down to the field.
- 8 In the field follow the path walking straight down the field past the line of trees to a stone stile in the corner on your left. Go through the stile in to the field turn left and walk across the field to the stile in to the next field.
- 9 In the field turn right walk down hill go through another stile and continue down the field to the lane.
- 10 Turn left on the lane walk to Wilsden Road. Turn right and walk down Wilsden road cross over the river on the road bridge, there is a pub on the left, walk up the hill turning right to walk up Mill Hill Top to avoid walking on the busy road. At the top of Mill Hill Top you will see the Garden centre up on the right, here you can call in to the Café or continue with the walk by turning left to cross the road, then walk down the side of the road down to Sandy Banks Lane
- 11 Turn right and follow Sandy Banks Lane on and then up and around, all the way to the top passing Bank Top Quarry and then on to Bank Top at the end of Lee Lane. Walk along now Lee Lane for approx .25 km look for a gate and stile on the left, go through and follow the footpath keeping the wall on your left through the field to the stile. Go through the stile and follow the narrow walled footpath in to the next field.
- 12 Cross the field diagonally to the stile in the wall for entry in to Cottingley woods. In the wood walk down the path following the fence line to the fork in the path. Here turn right and continue on the path following the fence line until reaching another fork in the path.
- 13 Turn left and take the steep stony path down through the wood. Turn right at the bottom, walk along and then turn left down to the stile in the wall.
- 14 Over the stile and in to the field, now walk down and then slightly to the right to the stile in the fence on the right. Take this stile on to the Golf Course. Turn left and follow the white painted boulders that mark the footpath down through the golf course. Eventually you will see a gate and path leading to a building Beck foot Mill. Go through the gate and follow the path over the Beck, past the building and on to Beck Foot Lane. Turn right and walk along to the bridge, cross the small stone bridge crossing the Beck and walk on, then turn left to walk along the road to the footpath that turns left.
- 15 Turn left down the footpath passing the allotments and then over the large iron bridge crossing the river in to Myrtle Park. Turn right and walk up the path through Myrtle Park up the hill and then follow the path out to leave the Park.
- 16 Walk across to the Main Road in the centre of Bingley. Here you can explore Bingley or catch the bus back to Keighley.