



Walk No. 1

Creech St Michael - Bathpool - Hankridge -
Ruishton - Creech St Michael
An easy level 4.5miles/7.2km walk

From the car park turn left onto the towpath and walk along the canal for approximately 1.5miles/2.5km until reaching the swing bridge at Bathpool. Turn left and follow the lane to the main road (A38) and then right along the pavement. Once just past the railway bridge, cross the road and follow the footpath signposted 'town centre'. Follow footpath around edge of lake and alongside River Tone (ignoring second town centre sign) for approximately 1 mile/1.5km, passing under the motorway and along a well-worn path until reaching Ruishton. The path then leaves the river and continues along a lane to the right of the church to join the road next to the Ruishton Inn. Turn left and then take the first lane on the left, beside some cottages, (signed public footpath) just before Barton Lane. The route then follows the river once more passing beneath the old railway and then over the old aqueduct until eventually reaching the road and Creech St Michael (remains can be seen of the Five Arches Bridge, which was the course of the Taunton to Yeovil Railway). Turn left & once over both bridges follow the signs to the Canalside car park.