

Bewdley Tourist Information Centre

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Traveline Tel. 0871 200 22 33.

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or visit: www.worcestershire.gov.uk/transport

For information on The Severn Valley Railway visit:
www.svr.co.uk

The Countryside Code & Safe Walking

-  Be safe - plan ahead and follow any signs.
-  Leave gates and property as you find them.
-  Protect plants and animals, and take your litter home.
-  Keep dogs under close control.
-  Consider other people.
-  During or following prolonged wet weather, check the river level by telephoning:
Environment Agency Floodline 0845 988 1188
-  Keep children away from the waters edge.
-  Always wear suitable clothing.



Walking the Way to Health

Just 30 minutes a day of brisk walking, on 5 or more days per week, can have a positive effect on your health and quality of life.

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Ribbesford Circular Trail Accessibility Information

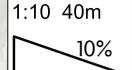
Start / Finish: Gardner's Meadow Car Park, Bewdley, GR: SO 789751 or Blackstone Riverside Park, off the B4194 Bewdley to Dunley road. GR: SO 791742.

Length: 2 miles, 1 hour 30 minutes (approx.).

Gates: 2 pushchair/mobility vehicle accessible kissing gates - large mobility vehicles may need a Radar key.

 A symbol like this on the map is an indication of the surface type. 'E' stands for even ground with short grass and a compacted surface

 'U' stands for uneven ground with short grass, loose stones and some ruts. The number in metres indicates the distance the surface lasts and the small arrow indicates the direction of the surface.

 A symbol like this indicates a gradient. It shows the extent and severity of the slope.

Waymarking: Simply follow the Ribbesford Circular Trail symbol and direction arrows and you won't get lost.



For information about walking in Worcestershire, please contact: The Worcestershire Hub on: 01905 766493.

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Ribbesford Circular Trail



A 2 mile Waymarked Circular Trail



Other Local Attractions



Haberley Valley & Stourport Circular Walks

If you have enjoyed the Ribbesford Circular Trail, why not try these lovely companion trails. Both are well waymarked. An accompanying leaflet for each is available from local TICs.



The Gateway to Wyre Community Discovery Centre

Why not visit the new Forestry Commission Visitor Centre at Callow Hill, near Bewdley. It has a cafe, shop and visitor information. It is an ideal base for exploring the Wyre Forest.



Blackstone Riverside Park

An alternate start / finish point for the Trail, with free parking, this is an ideal place to picnic, kick a ball around, throw a frisbee or enjoy the marvellous wildlife that the River Severn has to offer.



Severn Valley Railway

Step back in time and experience a world of steam trains at this year round popular attraction. Travel in style through lovely Worcestershire countryside from Kidderminster to Bridgnorth.

Welcome to The Ribbesford Circular Trail

The Ribbesford Circular Trail is a great way to spend an hour or two in the countryside, with wonderful views, the tranquility of the River Severn, abundant wildlife and a wealth of history along the way, this fully waymarked trail has so much to offer.

Straddling the River Severn, the Georgian town of Bewdley has something to offer everyone. There are many pubs, cafes and restaurants to tempt you into indulging in welcome refreshments after enjoying the trail.

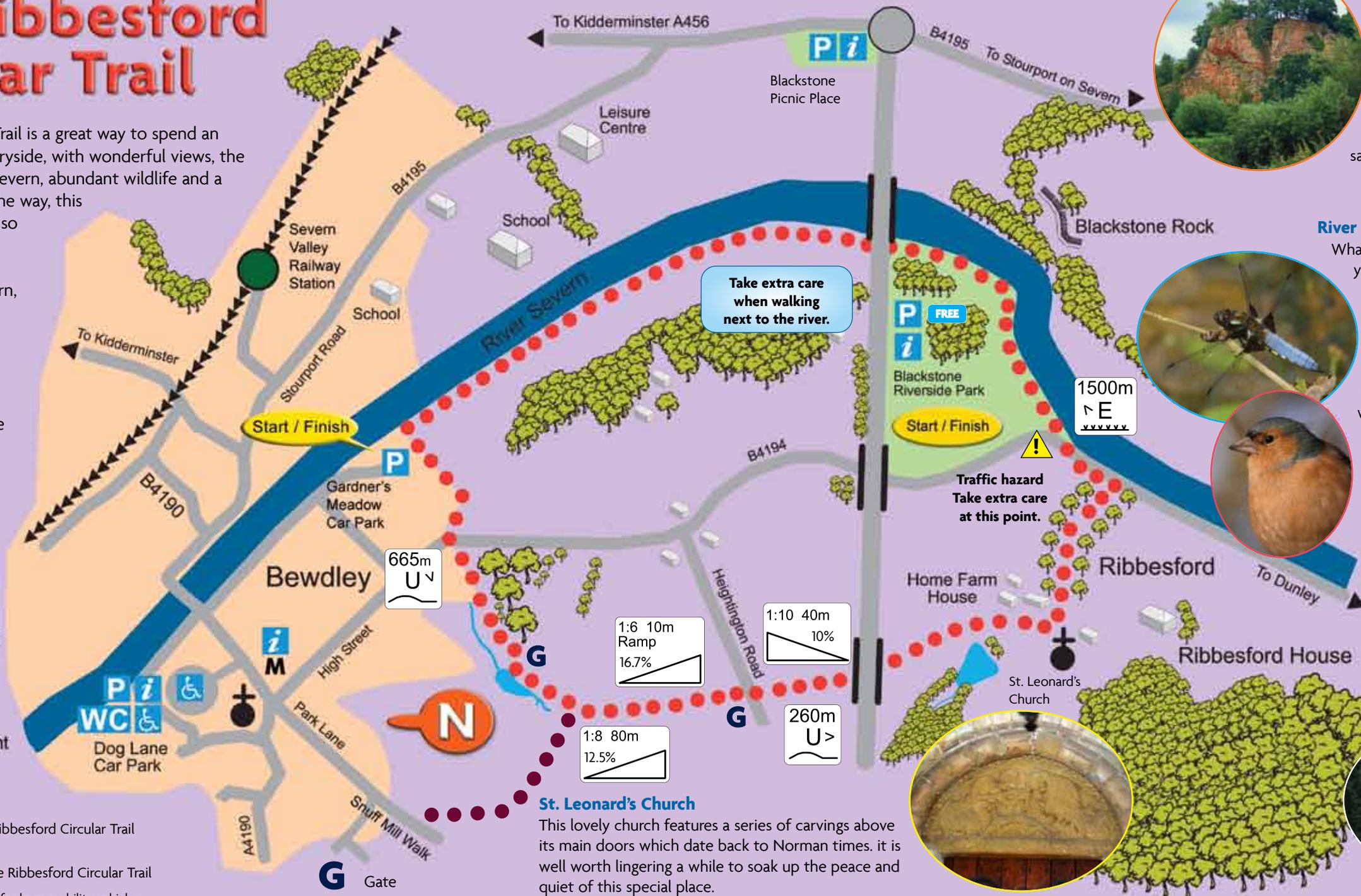
Map Key

-  Car Park (charges may apply)
-  Facilities for disabled people
-  Toilets
-  Information Point
-  Museum

 Route of the Ribbesford Circular Trail

 Link path to the Ribbesford Circular Trail

PLEASE NOTE: Radar key required for large mobility vehicles



Blackstone Rock

An imposing local feature, Blackstone Rock has been used for all sorts of purposes down through history. For many years in the Middle Ages a hermit made a home at the base of the rock. He carved out a meagre cell in which to live and a chapel for worship out of the soft red sandstone rock.



River Wildlife

Whatever time of year you do this walk you will be treated to a wealth of wildlife sightings. Summer brings with it darting dragonflies, a startling burst of blue as a Kingfisher streaks by or perhaps the gentle burbling call of Sand Martins, newly arrived from their winter quarters in Africa, wheeling overhead. Winter is a special time too. Flocks of roaming finches may be your companions, while winter thrushes raid the hedgerow larder for berries, seeds and nuts.



Ribbesford House

This striking house was built in the 19th century. It was used during World War Two as a training camp for the Free French Army under General de Gaulle.



St. Leonard's Church

This lovely church features a series of carvings above its main doors which date back to Norman times. It is well worth lingering a while to soak up the peace and quiet of this special place.

