Walks around the Wey & Arun Canal

Loxwood Walk 5: North Loxwood and Drungewick Aqueduct (5 miles)

The route of this walk begins and ends alongside the restored Loxwood Link section of the canal and circles out to the north of the village, taking you through ancient woodland and out over open land with fabulous views.

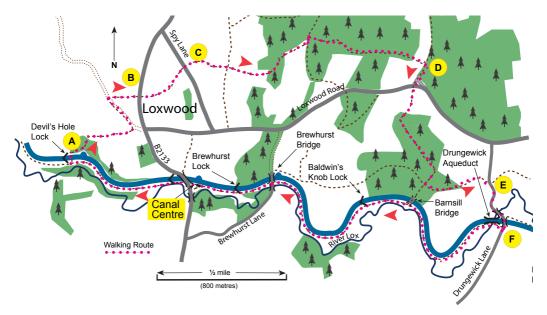
From the Canal Centre, walk west along the towpath passing the Onslow Arms public house on your left. Pass under the Loxwood High Street road bridge, which was built in 2008, to reach Loxwood Lock. The Wey & Arun Canal Trust built the lock and the horse bridge during 2005 to 2006 as part of the project to reinstate the canal under the High Street.

Walk along the bridleway towpath for 1/2 mile to reach Devil's Hole Lock (A) which was reopened by the Trust in 2010.

At the lock, cross the bridge to head up the footpath via a kissing gate away from the canal into woodland. Emerging out into a field, walk along its edge to reach houses left and right, continue ahead to shortly reach another bridleway, turn left, away from the village, and after 250 yards, take the footpath indicated to the right, then turn immediately left, ignoring the style in front of you, follow the path around the field and then between high fencing to reach the road (B).

Cross over the road to the hard wide footpath opposite and stay on this as it swings left, close board fencing on your right, to reach and cross Spy Lane (C).

Cross the stile and walk ahead, soon emerging into an open field. Stay ahead and at the top of the field maintain your direction to walk down alongside the hedge in the next field. Cross the stile into another field to soon enter the woodland via a plank bridge.



Follow the path through the wood to a stile into a field. Cross the field and enter the next wood via another stile. Turn left and within 30 yards, turn right on the footpath. Continue along this path as it swings right-handed over a plank bridge to reach a track at a metal gate. Turn right to soon reach another track at a T-junction. Turn right again to walk down to the road (D).

Turn right and immediately cross the road to locate the footpath on the other side. Follow this path as it heads into woodland to reach a hard track. Turn left and, within 200 yards, turn right again on the footpath. At the T-junction, turn left towards the pond to reach another track.

Turn left up the track and exit out via a farm driveway out on the road (E). Turn right and walk down the hill to cross the canal at Drungewick Lane Bridge which was rebuilt by the Trust between 2000 and 2001. Immediately turn right through the gate to walk down the canal's towpath. Walk across Drungewick Aqueduct (F) which was constructed by the Trust from 2002 to 2003.

Continue for just over 1¹/₂ miles along the canal towpath to reach the Canal Centre and the Onslow Arms public house.



If you have enjoyed this canal walk, why not try another? Please pick up a leaflet from our Loxwood Canal Centre or our Shalford Information Point or download from our website.

Loxwood Walk 1 (1 mile) explores the area around Brewhurst Mill.

Loxwood Walk 2 (2³/₄ miles) explores the section northwards to Gennets Bridge Lock.

Loxwood Walk 3 (3¹/₂ miles) includes Drungewick Aqueduct.

Loxwood Walk 4 (4¹/₂ miles) visits the start of the Sidney Wood lock flight.

Shalford Walk 1 (3³/₄ miles) is a circular walk around Shalford.

Shalford Walk 2 (1 mile) is a short exploration of the area around The Gun's Mouth.

Shalford Walk 3 (2 miles) explores part of the original route of the Wey & Arun Canal in Shalford.

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