

Explore Ludham

Approximate distance and walking time:
10km (6miles), allow 3 hours

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This walk takes you through the Ant valley which forms part of the Bure Valley Living Landscape. Breathe-taking views, mills, and a quaint village make this a very special walk.

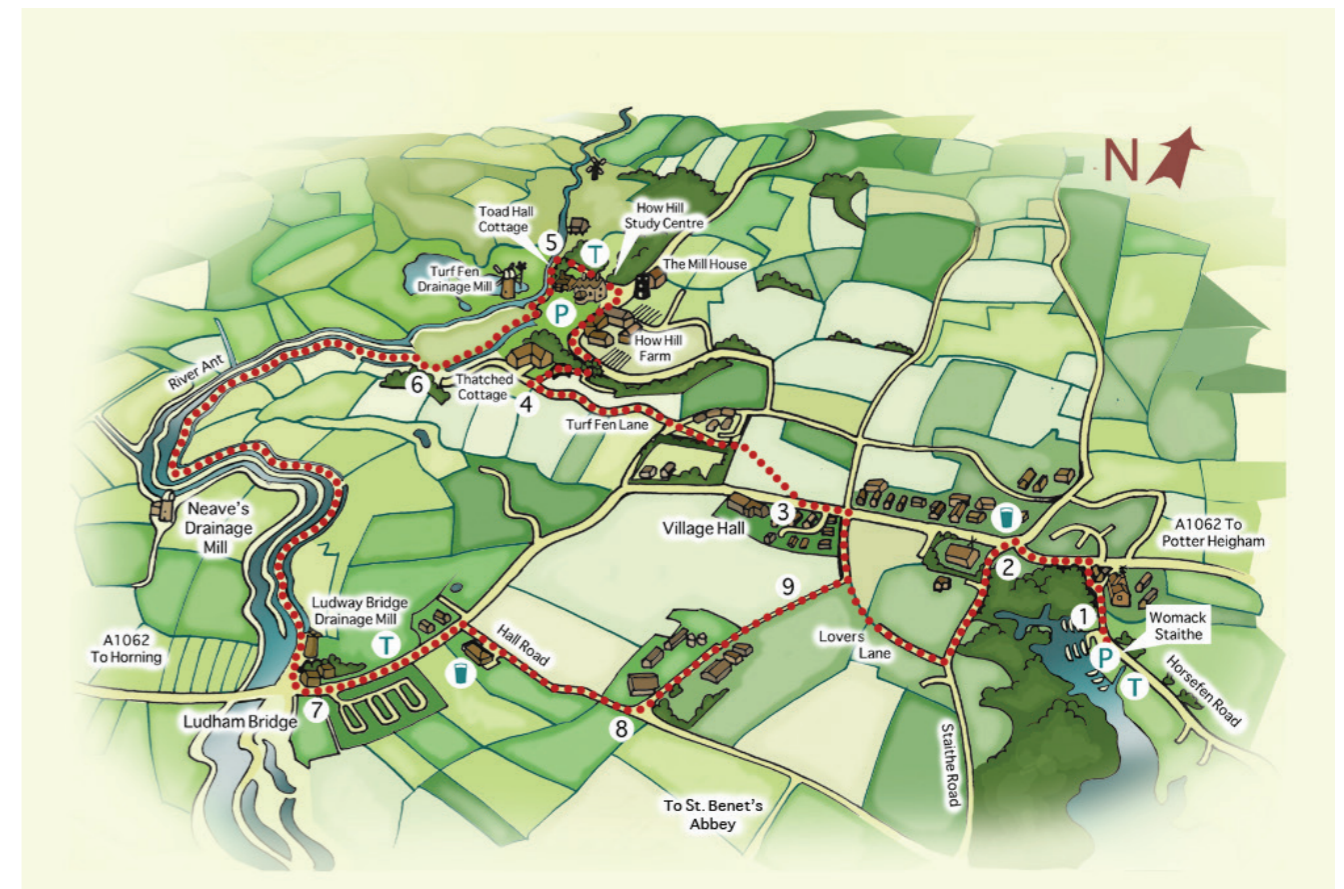
1. From the car park turn left onto Horsefen Road. At the main road turn left and head towards the Ludham village.
2. At the King's arms, turn left passing the butchers on your left. Continue down Staithe Road. Eventually you will reach Lovers Lane on your right, turn down this lane. Continue straight ahead on to a track. Bear right at the fork and then turn left at the main road.
3. Cross over Broad Reaches, then just before the end of the pavement (and before the village hall) cross the main road and turn right through the hedge. Follow the footpath diagonally across the field. Before you reach the houses in front of you look for a hole in the hedge (on your left) and a footpath sign. Go through the gap in the hedge and turn right. Go past the first few houses and then you will see a gap in the hedge, take this path between the hedges. Follow the path to the road. Cross the road and go straight ahead down Turf Fen Lane. Follow this lane for approximately 500m.
4. Turn right down a footpath just before a thatched house between two hedges. Go through a narrow gate and

bear right, follow the path to the left and go over a bridge. Go through a gap in the hedge and turn left on to the road. Continue on towards How Hill Study Centre passing the entrance to How Hill nature reserve on your left. At the mill turn left and take the footpath past How Hill Field Sturdy Centre. Follow this footpath down to the River Ant.

5. Turn left at the river, past the moorings and continue along the bank and path.
6. The path bears sharply to the right (with a woodland in front of you), bear right and continue along the raised path.
7. At Ludham Bridge turn left along the road. Take the road on your right signposted Hall Common just after the pub on your right hand side.
8. After 500m turn left into the entrance of Ludham Hall. Go straight past the hall, following the track between the hall and the redbrick barn. Continue along the track across a field.
9. Bear right at the fork back towards Lovers Lane. Now retrace your earlier steps to the staithe.

Wildlife to look out for?

House sparrows	Brown hare
Tufted ducks	Cormorant
Roe deer	Swallowtail
Yellowhammer	Otter
Great crested grebes	



Key to map:

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| | Pub | | Route |
| | Car park | | Numbers relate to walk notes |
| | Toilet | | |

Start point:

Womack Staithe, Horsefen Road, Ludham

Nearest postcode:

NR29 5QG

Grid reference:

TG 392181 (OS Explorer OL40)

Please note:

- Dogs are welcome on this walking route but should at all times be kept on a lead and under close control
- At times this walk can be very muddy
- Tea rooms can be found in Ludham, at How Hill and at Ludham Bridge.